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January - February 2014

January Meetings

Membership Meeting	January 7 - 8 pm
Directors Meeting	January 21 - 8 pm
Work Party	January 18 - 9 am

February Meetings

Membership Meeting	February 4 - 8 pm
Directors Meeting	February 18-8 pm
Work Party	February 15-9 am

BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION

Five positions on the Board of Directors are up for election at the January meeting. The Board is made up of 15 Directors who serve a three-year term. Onethird of the Board is elected every January. The five Directors who are up for election have agreed to run for another 3-year term and will be on the ballot. To vote in the election, an individual must also have been a member of the club for at least 60 days.

2014 Membership Dues

Please note the Dues Change for 2014

Members' 2014 dues are due NOW ! Dues for the 2014 calendar year have been increased from the 2013 dues. Dues went from \$75 to \$85 for senior members (*see new rates below*). You can pay your dues at the January membership meeting or mail it to: Paul Joos, 1316 Creedmoor Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15226. Make your check payable to the Carrick Sportsmen's Club.

If you mail it to Paul, please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope to return your new membership card; this helps defray costs to the Club.

The membership for 2013 was 339 Senior Members, 26 Associate Members, and 15 Junior Members for a total of 380 total members.

Dues must be paid to maintain access to the Club facilities. If you have not paid your dues by Saturday, January 11, you will lose access to the Club. Nominations for the position of Director will be taken from the floor; however, the nominee must be present and must agree, if elected, to accept the position. The criteria for holding office is that the individual must have been a member of the club for at least 1 year. The are six candidates for election in January are:

- Stan Geirlack Pete Luttrell Ron Milanek •
- Joseph Montuoro Deny Nill Mike Perry •

Lottery Calendars

The Lottery Calendars should have been picked up by now and should be turned in by December 31. They can be turned in on Monday night to Joe Montuoro, Sunday afternoon at the open trap shoot, at the January membership meeting, or at any other scheduled shoot at the Club.

Please note that the Lottery Calendar starts on January 1. If a ticket is not identified to the Club as being "Sold" by then and the number hits, there will be no payout!

To avoid this problem, you can call the Club message line at 724-348-7941 and leave your name and a brief message that envelope number "X" was sold or that tickets "a, b, and c" were sold. You can also send an e-mail to any of the Club Directors stating the envelope number or which tickets were sold. See page 3 for the Directors e-mails.

The Club sells these Lottery Calendars twice a year. Members are urged to sell as many of these as they can because this is **the** major fund-raiser for the Club and helps maintain the Club facilities and keep dues at minimal levels. Although we raised the dues this year we have avoided raising them for at least 10 years and hopefully, if we continue these successful calendar fund-raisers, perhaps we can avoid a raise in the dues for another 10 years.

2014 Dues

Seniors - \$85.00; Retired Seniors* - \$42.50 Juniors - \$5.00 Associate - \$20.00 Lost Access FOB - \$5.00 Damaged or Inoperative FOB: No Charge * Retired Seniors must be 65 years old or on Social Security and you must have been a member of the Club for at least 10 consecutive years.

Message from the President

As 2013 draws to a close, and I ponder the improvements we've made at the club this year, I'd like to thank everyone for helping out whenever and wherever you could in the operation of the Club - whether it was on the work parties, selling the lotto calendars, attending meetings to stay abreast of club affairs, or just being a safe and responsible member. I'm proud to say that there have been no complaints from the community about the Club since April 2012. Thank you for that.

Through all of your efforts, we have accomplished the following this year: \cdot Completed the demolition and reconstruction of the two trap houses on the Trap Range including installing a new trap machine in Bunker Number One \cdot Repaved the main driveway \cdot Redid the water drainage system along the driveway \cdot Constructed a new Computerroom to store the Club's computer and AV equipment \cdot Initiated a tactical shoot for those who have taken the PPIH or PPOH courses \cdot Continued to offer NRA classes to members and non-members on Basic Pistol, Personal Protection in the Home, and Personal Protection Outside the Home \cdot Removed

New Members

The Club has 306 senior members, 20 junior members, and 25 associated members as of the end of December.

The Club welcomed 9 new members in November and 9 new members in December.

November - Christopher Brown · Tyler Karman · Louis Lucarelli · Geoffrey Panian · Gilbert Radziukinas · Kirk Radziukinas · Mary Rose Radziukinas · Joseph Valvo · Charles Winterhalter ·

December - Heather Flanegan · Katherine Fink · Michael Hetzel · James Kinest · Ralph Mueller · Dakota Platt · Michael Radziukinas · Rosemary Radziukinas · Greg Rollage ·

Thank You

The Club would like to recognize and thank the following members for their recent donations.

- Chad Berner: \$50.00
- Daniel Horosko \$15.00
- Thomas Plappert \$15.00

Metro Police Revolver League

The Metropolitan Police Revolver League has been practicing on Thursday nights at 6:00 at the indoor range. After a brief time-off for the holidays they will begin their indoor competition in January. Their outdoor season will begin in May and will continue through August. They will practice on the indoor range till the weather breaks and they can move outdoors.

The team needs more shooters to remain competitive in the league. If you are interested in shooting in the league, either in the outdoor or indoor season, please contact Dennis Nill at 412-531-5890 or Bill Kramer at 412-835-5453.

the pine trees at the bottom of the driveway to help in keeping the driveway clear in the winter \cdot And our membership has grown continually all year. A huge "Thank You" goes to those that go out of their way to sell our Lotto Calendars. We really appreciate the effort you put forth in this semi-annual fundraiser. Continued Club improvements depend on the success of these two fund-raisers.

I would like to have members work on bringing in new members this year. The Club is always open to new members; they not only bring in additional revenue, they bring in new ideas helping to keep the club fresh and more enjoyable. If you know of any individuals interested in the shooting sports, make them aware of the Club and its facilities and various programs. We would like to increase the membership again this year and appreciate members promoting the Club.

For myself and all the Club Directors, we wish you all a Joyous Holiday Season: Merry Christmas (belated), Happy Hanukkah (belated), and a Very Happy, Healthy, Prosperous New Year!

Steve Boehm, President

Jr. Rifle Program

The Junior Rifle program has been on break for the holidays. They will resume shooting on January 8 and continue till mid March. If you are interested in this program, please contact Jim Warden at 412-480-2212 or Ray Noakes at 724-348-5633.

Hunter Safety Course

It looks like the Club might be able to offer a Hunter Safety Course in the Spring. We are working with the Game Commission on getting back into the cycle.

Monday Night Pistol League

The Monday Night Recreational Shoot has finished the first half of their season and has been shooting steel silhouettes. They resume league shooting on Monday, January 7, at 7:30 pm on the indoor range. They will shoot till March 10 and will hold their end-of-season banquet on March 17. Anyone who would like to try the Monday night pistol league is encouraged to attend and give it a try. The cost for the second half of the season is \$20 for Club members and \$30 for non-members, or \$3 per night for members and \$4 per night for non-members.

You will need your favorite firearm, 50 rounds of ammunition - .22 or center fire with a velocity under 1200 fps, and eye and ear protection. The shoot does have a timed and rapid fire segment so a semi-automatic pistol is recommended; however, those with revolvers and speed loaders will have time to complete the lines.

For more information or to sign up for the Monday Night League, please contact Steve Boehm at <u>Stephen.Boehm@</u> <u>verizon.net</u>.

Committee Help Needed

There are 16 operating committees in the Club organization and each has a chairperson in charge of that committee. The Club is trying to establish a back-up for each chairperson to provide committee continuity and act as chairman when the chairman is out of town or otherwise unable to attend meetings, work parties, functions, etc. Some Committees have co-chairs; some don't.

We Need Volunteers!

The standing committees and their chairmen are: Nominating - Scott Karman; Budget and Finance - Gerard Kurzawski; By-Laws - Empty; Membership - Paul Joos and Janet Joos; Legislative - Roger Kronze and Dan Campbell; Junior Programs - Stan Geirlack, Ray Noakes, and Jim Warden; Newsletter - Wayne Perry; CMP - Steve Boehm and Ron Milanek; Entertainment/Fund-raising - Gerard Kurzawski; Trap - Joe Montuoro and Stew Beck; Allegheny County Sportsmen League - Empty; Building & Grounds - Scott Karman; Hunter Safety - Steve Boehm; Recreational Pistol Program - Steve Boehm; Range Master/Archery Program - Jim Warden; Metropolitan Police Revolver League - Denny Nill and Bill Kramer.

Open Trap Shooting

Wednesday Night Trap has closed down for the winter and will resume in the Spring, shooting every Wednesday from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm until the end of November.

Sunday Afternoon Trap, which shoots every Sunday from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm for most of the year, has shut down for January and February.

Both trap shoots are open to the public. The cost for a 25-bird line of trap is \$3.00 for adults, and \$2.50 for junior members. Shooters can bring their own shotgun shells (shot no larger than 7-1/2) or they can buy shotgun shells at \$8.00 a box at the range.

Groups interested in trap shooting can be accommodated by appointment. For questions or more information on the open trap shooting, please call Joe Montuoro at 412-833-0897.

Work Parties

Work Parties are held on the 3rd Saturday of each month to do maintenance and improvements around the Club. These work parties (Club volunteers) are a critical part of Club operation. Without proper maintenance and an effort to improve the Club, members would find it more and more difficult to use the Club's facilities.

The Directors ask everyone who can to donate some time to these work parties. Lunch is provided.

November Work Party - The people who attended the November work party were: Steve Boehm, John Huemrich, Joe Montuoro, Dave Pecovish, Rip Madar, Stew Beck, Jeff Mihoces, Jim Davis, and Pete Luttrell.

They replaced the celotex on the indoor range, took down the old walls above the ammo safe, cleaned up the furnace room, and finished painting the meeting room n the club house

December Work Party - There was no work party in December.

CMP

The Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP) Hi-Power Shoot is off for the Winter and will resume shooting in March or April - depending on the weather. They shoot on the second Sunday of the month at 10 am.

Basic Pistol Course

The Club will conduct an NRA Basic Pistol Course on Saturday, January 11, 2014. The indoor range will be closed from 8AM till 5PM (or later if needed).

Contact Denny Nill 412-531-5890 or <u>denisrn@verizon.</u> <u>net</u> with any inquiries.

Scheduled Shoots

- Monday Night Recreational Pistol League. Indoor Range - Monday Evening... 7:30 pm
- Junior Rifle Program Indoor Range Wednesday Evening7:00 pm
- Metropolitan Police Revolver League Indoor Pistol Range - Thursday Evening - 6:00 pm

Attention

Under NO circumstances are targets to be affixed to the baffles on the 100 yard range!

If you have trouble with your access FOB, call Paul Joos at 412-344-9387 or send an e-mail to pjcscclub@verizon.net.

Officers and Directors - 2013 OFFICERS

Pres. - Steve Boehm - Stephen.Boehm@verizon.net VP - Scott Karman - karmancontracting@yahoo.com Rec. Sec. - Wayne Perry - parknews@comcast.net Treas. - Gerard Kurzawski - juggy1136@verizon.net Membership - Paul Joos - pjcscclub@verizon.net

DIRECTORS

Stew Beck - stewbeck6@msn.com Stan Geirlack - grmagrpag@comcast.net Frank Mihalovich - buster4116@comcast.net Ron Milanek - rontermite@gmail.com Joseph Montuoro - jpmontuorojr1@verizon.net Denis Nill - denisrn@verizon.net Ray Noakes - rnoakes12@yahoo.com Steve Perry - sdperry48@hotmail.com Mike Perry - mikep442@gmail.com Jim Warden - jimwarden@hotmail.com (One Standby Director Seat Open)

By-Law Change

The Board of Directors has recommended changing Section 4 of the Club's By-Laws to revise remove specific dollar amounts for initiation fees and make them subject to annual review by the Board of Directors at their September meeting.

The change has been read at 3 consecutive general membership meetings (October, November, and December) and will be voted on at the January membership meeting. The revisions are shown below.

New Section 4. Dues and Initiation Fees.

4.1 Dues for Senior Members who join after July 1 are onehalf of the annual fee. Students who are Senior Members and are full time students as defined by Federal Tax Laws as a dependent, pay 50% of regular dues.

4.2 Dues and initiation fees of all Members, Senior and Junior, are subject to review or change by the Board of Directors the regular September Director's Meeting.

Old Section 4 - Dues and Initiation Fees

4.1 Dues for Senior Members who join after July 1 are one-half of the annual fees. Students who are Senior Members and are full time students as defined by Federal Tax Laws as a dependent, pay 50% of regular dues. Initiation Fees are the same for full or partial year, junior or senior applicants.

4.2 Dues and initiation fees of all Members, Senior and Junior, are subject to review or change by the Board of Directors at the regular September Director's Meeting.

4.3 Initiation fees are set at \$35.00 for Senior members.

4.4 Initiation fees are set at \$15.00 for Spousal members.

4.5 Spousal Memberships are one fifth of the senior membership fee rounded up to the nearest dollar amount. No partial year discount can be applied to this membership class.

4.6 Junior members that have remained in the junior rifle program for more than two consecutive years can become a senior member at age 18 without incurring an initiation fee.

The indoor range will be closed on Saturday, January 11, 2014 from 8 am till 5 pm (or later if needed) for an NRA Basic Pistol Course

All Ranges Are Open and Operational

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TIME SENSITIVE Meeting ^Notice

