Carrick Sportsmen's Club News Post Office Box 350 South Park, PA, 15129-0350 Phone 724-348-7941 January - February 2015				
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Directors Meeting	January 20 - 8 pm
Work Party	January 17 - 9 am

Membership Meeting	February 3-8 pm
Directors Meeting	February 17-8 pm
Work Party	February 21 - 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.

## **2015 Membership Dues**

Members' 2015 dues are due NOW ! The dues for the 2015 calendar year is \$85 for senior members (*see dues structure 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 2014 was 372 Senior Members, 24 Associate Members, and 20 Junior Members for a total of 416 total members.

Dues must be paid to maintain access to the Club facilities. If you have not paid your dues by Saturday, January 10, 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 five candidates for election in January are:

• Števe Boehm • Paul Joos • Pete Luttrell • • Steve Perry • Jim Warden •

## **Lottery Calendars**

The Lottery Calendars should have been picked up by now and should have been turned in by December 31. They can be turned in on Monday nights to Joe Montuoro, 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. Directors e-mails can be found on our web site.

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.

#### 2015 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 <u>and</u> you must have been a member of the Club for at least 10 consecutive years.

## **Message from the President**

As I ponder the past 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.

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 fund-raiser. Continued Club improvements depend on the success of these two fund-raisers.

#### **New Members**

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The Club welcomed 3 new members in November and 2 new members in December.

**November** - Catherine Hennig, Michael Imbriale, and Ronald Moore.

December - Nathan Lieban and Cullen Compton.

#### **Thank You**

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

- Dennis Kron \$50.00
- Harry Readshaw \$40.00

#### **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 began their indoor competition in January. Their outdoor season will begin in May and will continue through August. They will be practicing 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.

#### Jr. Rifle Program

The Junior Rifle program has been on break for the holidays. They will resume shooting on January 7 and continue through March. If you are interested in this program, please contact Jim Warden at 412-480-2212 or Ray Noakes at 724-348-5633.

#### **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 5, at 7:30 pm on the indoor range. They will shoot till March 9 and will hold their end-of-season banquet on March 16. 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

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>.

### **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.

When shooting both trap shoots are open to the public. The cost for a 25-bird line of trap is 3.00. 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.

#### **Basic Pistol Course**

The Club will conduct an NRA Basic Pistol Course on Saturday, February 7, 2015. The indoor range will be closed from 8:00 am till 5:00 pm (or later if needed).

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

The Club will conduct a Tactical Shoot on Saturday, February 28; the indoor range will not be available on that day from 8:30 a.m. till 12:00 noon.

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Carrick Sportsmen Club's Member Questionnaire 2015 This questionnaire was created in an on-going effort to improve the club and it's operations. Please complete it and mail it to the Club at Post Office Box 350, South Park, PA 15129 (Please feel free to add additional sheets of paper if you need to expand on your answers)			
1. How long have you been a member?         Less than 5 years       5 to 10 years         11 to 20 years       more than 20         2. What do you VALUE OR LIKE at Carrick         Sportsmen Club.         Location       Cost         Range Availability         Activities         Fellow Members/Directors         3. What do you DISLIKE about Carrick Sportsmen         Club?         Location       Cost         Range Availability         Activities         Fellow Members/Directors         3. What do you DISLIKE about Carrick Sportsmen         Club?         Location       Cost         Range Availability         Activities       Fellow Members/Directors         Other	<ul> <li>8. Would you prefer receiving your newsletter?</li> <li>by snail mail </li> <li>by e-mail</li> <li>9. Would you be interested in a dues discount for volunteer work at the club (If it meant a dues increase of \$10 with a reduction of \$20 possible, \$5 per work session)?</li> <li>Yes </li> <li>No</li> <li>If the dues was held as is with a possible reduction of \$10 possible, \$5 per work session?</li> <li>Yes </li> <li>No</li> <li>No interest in this type of dues structure at all 10. The club has a chance at a \$5000 dollar grant to build a target retrieval system on the indoor range, would you approve or disapprove of this?</li> <li>If it meant the club has to match the grant value?</li> <li>Yes </li> <li>No</li> <li>If it meant the club would have to exceed the grant value</li> <li>If it meant the club would not have to provide funding at all?</li> <li>Yes </li> <li>No</li> <li>We should decline the grant, the system would be of no value to the club.</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>4. What are you able or willing to do for your club?</li> <li>Attend Work Parties,</li> <li>Unable to help (health/work/ time)</li> <li>Other</li> <li>5. What are the Directors/Officers doing right?</li> </ul>			
6. What are the Directors/Officers doing wrong?         7. Have you visited your Club's website yet at         HTTP://WWW.CARRICKSPORTSMEN.ORG         Yes       No         How can it be improved??			

#### **Scheduled Shoots**

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

If you have trouble with your access FOB, call Paul Joos at 412-344-9387 or send an e-mail to pjcscclub@verizon.net. !! Attention !!
It has come to the attention of the directors that some members are shooting ammunition on the indoor range that is not within the limits of the range. This creates an unsafe situation and must stop. If it continues members who do NOT comply with the range guidelines will lose their membership.

The indoor range will be closed on Saturday, February 7 from 8:00 am till 5:00 pm (or later if needed) for an NRA Basic Pistol Course.

The indoor range will also be closed on Saturday, February 28 from 8:30 am till 12:00 noon for a Tactical Shoot.

# **All Ranges Are Open and Operational**

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