Carrick Sportsmen's Club News Post Office Box 350 South Park, PA, 15129-0350 Phone 724-348-7941 November - December, 2015

November Meetings Membership - Nov. 3 - 8 pm Directors - Nov. 17 - 8 pm

Work Party - Nov. 21 - 9 am

December Meetings

Membership - Dec. 1 - 8 pm Directors - Dec. 15 - 8 pm Work Party - No Work Party in Dec **January Meetings** Membership - Jan. 5 - 8 pm Directors - Jan. 19 - 8 pm Work Party - Jan. 16 - 9 am

Board of Directors Election in January!

Five positions on the Board of Directors are up for election in January. The Board is made up of 15 Directors who each serve a three-year term with one-third of the Board (five Directors) being elected every January. The five Directors who are up for election in January have agreed to run for another 3-year term and will be on the ballot. If you would like to run for election to the Board and have your name on the ballot, please contact Scott Karman, Nominating Committee Chairman, at karmancontracting@yahoo.com. Nominations for the position of Director will also be taken from the floor; however, the nominee must be present and must agree, if elected, to accept the position. The only criteria for holding office is that the individual must have been a member of the club for at least 1 year. The five Directors who are up for re-election are: Steve Boehm. Paul Joos, Pete Luttrell, Steve Perry, and James Warden.

To vote in the election, an individual must be a member of the club for at least 2 months.

USC Rifle Team Using Indoor Range Again

The Upper St. Clair High School (USC) rifle team was using our indoor range last year for practice and meets after they lost the use of the range at their high school. After their season ended, there were no complaints from the membership on their using the range which is closed to the membership while they shoot. They have asked to use it again this season. Like last year they will only be using the range between 3:00 pm and 6:00 pm one or two days a week with the rare occasion of three days a week when they host a scheduled meet.

We will post the schedule by the sign-in book for the indoor range as soon as it's finalized.

If any of our members have to adjust their shooting schedule we trust you will understand. We hope you can adjust your range usage to the days they are not shooting.

Don't Forget to Pay Your 2016 Dues in January

The Club Dues for 2016 will remain the same as for 2015. Senior - \$85.00 Associate - \$20.00 Junior - \$5.00 Retired Seniors* - \$42.50 Initiation Fee - \$40 Lost Access FOB - \$5.00 Damaged or Inoperative FOB - No Charge

(* Retired Seniors are members who are 65 years old, on Social Security, retired, and have been a member of the club for 10 consecutive years.) Paying your 2016 dues by Sunday, January 10, 2016 will ensure your continued access to the Club for 2016. Any member not paying his 2016 dues by then, will have their club access FOB deactivated.

Payment may be made at the membership or Director's meetings or you can mail it directly to Paul V. Joos at 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.

Lottery Calendars

The Lottery Calendars, which are good from January through April, are ready and can be picked up at a Membership meeting, Directors meeting, Sunday afternoon Trap Shoot, or any time the club is open for a scheduled event. They make great stocking stuffers and are good for those last minute Christmas gifts.

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 has helped keep our dues at a minimal level.

To be valid for the beginning of January, the Lottery Calendars must be turned in by December 31. You can drop off your stubs and checks at a Membership meeting, a Director's meeting, the Sunday

Work Parties are Critical to the Club

Work Parties are routinely held on the 3rd Saturday of the month to do maintenance and improvements around the Club. These work parties and the Club volunteers who participate in them are a critical part of Club operation; without proper maintenance and a conscious effort to improve the Club, members would find it more and more difficult to use our facilities.

Members are needed to participate in these work parties and the Directors ask everyone who can to donate some time to these work parties. A lot of work is required just to maintain the club let alone make any improvements. The work parties enable us to keep the club as a safe, usable, and comfortable facility - and the improvements help us all in using the club. This work can not always be outsourced because of the limited funds available to the Club.

The Directors cannot stress how important this effort is. Unless the ranges are maintained properly and in a timely manner, we run the risk of having to close a range until it can be brought back up to safety standards.

We try to keep the dues and fees down so that they are affordable to all our members, but this does require us to do as much of the maintenance and upkeep of the club as we can. In the past 3 years these work parties have reconstructed the trap houses, rebuilt the driveway, taken down the trees at the entrance to the driveway, rebuilt the baffles on the 100-yard range, added a new electronic access system, and are in the process of building a new indoor range for 22 calibre. Updating and maintaining are a never-ending process at the Club.

The Club really does need your help on these work parties. Younger members are encouraged to attend the work parties - no experience is necessary! afternoon trap shoots, or at any scheduled event at the club.

If you have sold some and can't get them into the Club before the deadline, you can call the Club message line at 724-348-5354 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. Some e-mail addresses are:

- Steve Boehm Stephen.Boehm@verizon.net
- Jimmy Warden jimwarden@hotmail.com
- Denis Nill denisrn@verizon.net
- Joe Montuoro jpmontuorojr1@verizon.net
- Ray Noakes rnoakes12@yahoo.com
- Gerard Kurzawski juggy1136@comcast.net

There will be no work party in December; they will resume in January - depending on the weather.

For 2016, the Directors are asking everyone to commit to participate in at least 2 work parties through the year. (Lunch is provided.)

September - There were 7 members at the September 19th Work Party. They were: Steve Boehm, John Huemrich, Bill Kamienik, Pete Luttrell, Joe Montuoro, Jack Stark, and Tom Plappert.

They worked on the new indoor range, did grounds keeping, and replaced the cel-o-tex on the indoor range.

October - There were 13 members at the October 17th Work Party. They were: Steve Boehm, Bob Foster, Jim Johnson, Paul Joos, Scott Karman, Tylor Karman, Pete Luttrell, Joe Montuoro, Dennis Nill, Ray Noakes, Dave Pecovish, Jack Stark, and Ray Schuerger. They finished work on the walls on the 100 yard range, worked on the floor in the shooting area of the outdoor pistol, repaired the skip baffle on the outdoor range, applied primer to the new doors and replaced the cel-o-tex on the indoor range

New Members

September - There were 6 applicants for membership at the September membership meeting. They were all approved as members: • Keith Costantino • Charles Hertzler • Jeffrey Krakoff • Duane Reick • Jeremy Smith • Aaron Signarovitz.

October - There were 6 applicants for membership at the August membership meeting. They were all approved as members: • Michael Coll • Raul Evangelista • Edwin Farrington • Jamie Farrington • Edgar Laurie, Jr. • Henry Watson.

Indoor Range Closed

The indoor range will be closed on Saturday, November 7 and Saturday, November 14 from 8 am till 5 pm (or later if necessary) for the Club's "Personal Protection Outside the Home" course and on Tuesday, November 10, from 7 pm to 10:30 pm for the Personal Protection Course Exercise (Tactical) practice.

Membership Open

As of mid-October, the Club has 385 senior members, 24 associate members, and 19 junior members for a total of 422 members.

The Club always welcomes new members. If you have any friends or acquaintances who might be interested in joining the Club and participating in the Club's activities, bring them up and show them around.

Personal Protection Course

The Club is presenting the NRA's "Personal Protection Outside the Home" (PPOTH) course on two consecutive Saturdays - November 7 and 14 - from 8:00 am till 5:00 pm. There are still some seats available for the course; the "Personal Protection inside the Home" course is a prerequisite for this course. For details and to sign up for the course, please contact Denny Nill 412-531-5890.

Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP)

The Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP) Hi-Power Shoot is held on the 2nd Sunday of the month at 10:00 am on the 100-yard outdoor range. The CMP program encourages shooters to gain proficiency with hi-powered military style rifles. They shoot M-1 rifles which are provided by the Club and the cost per session is only \$25 and that includes 60 rounds of ammunition for 3 targets. (Because of the escalating cost of ammunition, the Directors are not sure how long this price will hold.)

This is a fun activity for those who enjoy shooting the M-1 type rifles. If you are interested in trying the CMP shoot come out and give it a try.

For more information on the CMP shoot, please contact Ron Milanek at 412-833-2493.

Open Trap Shooting

The Club's Trap ranges are scheduled for open trap shooting twice a week: Sunday afternoons and Wednesday evenings. The range is open to the public at this time. If you are interested in trying trap shooting, but have never done it before or need to improve your technique, Joe Montuoro, Trap Range Master and NRA instructor, is willing to teach you how to do it. Just call him at 412-833-0897 to make arrangements.

Sunday Afternoon Trap Shooting from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm every Sunday afternoon - from March through December - depending on the weather. 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.

Wednesday Night Trap Shooting from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm every Wednesday evening until mid-November. The cost is the same as the Sunday afternoon trap shoot.

For questions on this open trap shooting, please call Joe Montuoro at 412-833-0897.

Carrick Internal Trap League

The Club's internal trap league will be ending their season at the end of November.

Jr. Rifle Program The Club's Jr. Rifle program for shooters age 12 to 80 (or older) started on Wednesday, October 7 on the indoor range at 7:00 pm. They will be shooting on Wednesday evenings until the end of March.

They finished their introductory course (participants learned rifle safety and shooting techniques including handling, maintenance, aiming, and shooting) on Wednesday, October 28. They will start the second part of the program (shooting/ practice sessions) on November 4 and will continue to shoot every Wednesday through the end of March.

Officers and Directors - 2015

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Metro Police Revolver League (MPRL)

The Carrick MPRL Pistol Team has completed their outdoor summer season, and are currently practicing on Thursday evenings on the Club's indoor pistol range at 6:00 pm. Their indoor season begins in January.

The team invites anyone who is interested to come out and give it a try. Right now is an ideal time as the team is practicing. For more information, please contact Denny Nill at 412-531-5890 or Bill Kramer at 412-835-5453.

Monday Night Pistol League

The Monday Night Recreational Pistol Shoot is in the 5th week of their 20-week season. They shoot at 7:30 pm on the indoor range. The League is loosely organized into teams which compete against each other over the season for bragging rights. They take a break at Thanksgiving, and resume shooting the first Monday in January.During the break, they shoot metal shilouttes.

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

Scheduled Shoots

- Monday Night Recreational Pistol League -7:30 pm - Indoor range
- Metropolitan Police Revolver League Indoor Pistol Range - Thursday Evening - 6 pm
- CMP Hi-Power Shoot 100 Yard Range 2nd Sunday - 10 am
- Junior Rifle Program Wednesday evening -Indoor Range - 7 pm
- Open Trap Shooting Trap Range Sunday Afternoon - 1-4 pm; Wednesday Evening - 6-9 pm

All Ranges Are Open and Operational

Newsletter e-mail: parknews@comcast.net

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The Board of Directors of the carrick Sportsman's Club Wish All Members and their Families a Very Happy Holiday Season from Thanksgiving All the Way through the New Year.

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