

Carrick Sportsmen's Club News

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March - April 2016

May Meetings

Membership - May 3 - 8 pm
Directors - May 17 - 8 pm
Work Party - May 21 - 9 am

June Meetings

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

July Meetings

Membership - July 5 - 8 pm
Directors - July 19 - 8 pm
Work Party - July 16 - 9 am

Lottery Calendars

The new Lottery Calendars are now available for sale. They sell for \$10 each and are packaged in lots of 5 and 10. Members are urged to sell as many of these as they can; this is THE major fundraiser for the Club. We sell these Lottery Calendars twice a year to help maintain the Club and keep our dues at its current level. The Directors ask that everyone help us help you by selling as many of the Lottery calendars as you can. Each lottery calendar has a 3-digit number which is good for the PA evening 3-digit number and is good for the months of July through October. You can pick up the calendars at the Club at the Membership meetings, Director's meetings, or when the Club is holding an activity like the Wednesday evening and Sunday afternoon trap shoots.

Membership Open

The Club has 401 senior members, 18 junior members, and 20 associate members as of the end of April for a total of 439 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.

New Members

March - There were 11 candidates for membership at the March membership meeting. They were: Darien Bondi, Mark DeFranisco, Kenneth Frazier, Joey Greenberger, Chuck Heisler, Robert Komnik, Mark Lucot, Frank Matousek, Jr., Philip May, Kyle Thauvette, and Michael Venesky. They were all approved with no comment.

April - There were 4 candidates for membership at the April membership meeting. They were: Brian Buehl, August W Heisler II, James McGill, and Francis Seliga Jr. They were all approved with no comment.

Junior Rifle Program

The Junior Rifle Program has completed their season and will resume the program in the fall.

Junior Shotgun Program

The Club is once again offering the Junior Shotgun program for those who would like to learn to shoot trap in a controlled, safe environment with experienced instructors. The program is for ages 12 and up. It will be held on Wednesday evening from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. starting on June 1 and will run till June 29.

The cost is \$3 per line of 25 birds and \$7 for the shotgun shells. The Club will provide the shotgun and the eye and ear protection. To sign up for this program, please contact Jim Warden at 412-480-2212 or Ray Noakes at 724-348-5633.

Recreational Pistol League

The Recreational Pistol league shoots on Monday evenings at 7:30 p.m. They have finished their season and are shooting metal silhouettes on Monday evenings. Everyone is invited to shoot with them on Monday evening. The cost is \$2 per line with the winner of the competition getting their \$2 back. They will be shooting indoors until sometime in May when they will move outdoors for the Monday Night Bowling Pin Shoot on the 50-yd pistol range.

!! Attention !!

The Club is taking steps to determine who is not following the indoor range rules, either by shooting ammunition that is not within the limits of the range and/or shooting in an unsafe manner on the indoor range resulting in deformation of the upper baffles. This creates an unsafe situation and must stop.

Any members who are found to be doing this WILL lose their membership.

CMP

The Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP) Hi-Power Shoot resumed shooting in April. They shoot on the second Sunday of the month at 10:00 a.m. on the 100-yard outdoor range. They encourage shooters who would like to get involved with this group to attend one of their shoots and give it a try. They shoot M-1 rifles which are provided by the Club.

The cost per session is only \$25 and that includes 60 rounds of ammunition for 3 targets.

This is a fun activity for those who enjoy shooting the M-1 military 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.

Metro Police Revolver League (MPRL)

The MPRL team, which shoots on Thursday evenings at 6:00 p.m., has completed their season and is currently in practice mode. Their outdoor season begins the week of May 2. They are currently shooting on the indoor range but will be moving outdoors soon.

At the end of their indoor season, the team finished in 3rd place in .22 caliber (out of 7 teams) and 3rd in center fire (out of 6 teams).

The Team competes against teams from other Clubs in the area, with each team shooting at their home club; scores are submitted to and tallied by the league score-keeper.

The team invites anyone who is interested to come out and give it a try. You can not hurt the team as only the best 4 sets of scores are submitted for the competition, but you will be able to shoot as if you were a member of the team.

They shoot 22 and center fire pistols. You can shoot either or both courses of fire.

For more information, please contact Denny Nill at 412-531-5890 or Bill Kramer at 412-835-5453.

Hunter Safety Course

The Club continues to work with the Game Commission on offering Hunter Safety Courses again. The Game Commission has changed the format for the classes and requires an on-line session of class work. The club would provide the hands-on portion of the program and verify that the participant had completed his class session.

When the details get ironed out, we will hopefully be offering the Hunter Safety Course again.

Open Trap Shooting

Sunday Afternoon Trap Shooting resumed on Sunday, March 6. This shoot is open to the public, They shoot from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. every Sunday afternoon and the shoot is open to the public. The cost for a 25-bird line of trap is now \$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 starts on Wednesday, May 4. Shooting from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. every Wednesday evening until mid-November, this shoot is also open to the public.

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.

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.

The trap ranges have been entirely refurbished over the last three years with new bunkers and machines and both trap ranges now have voice-activated bird launching systems. The ranges are operating as good as they ever have and offer the members and the shooting community very functional ranges to enjoy the sport of Trap Shooting.

Safety Reminder

When using ANY of the ranges nothing is permitted on ANY range beyond the firing line except for the targets, particularly on the Indoor Range.

Club Doing Tactical Shoots

The Club is planning several tactical shoots this year. They are scheduled for Tuesday, May 10 (7:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.); Saturday, September 3 (8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon); and Tuesday, November 22 (7:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.).

To be eligible to participate in these shoots, you must meet the following criteria.

1. You are a current club member who has successfully completed the PPITH and/or PPOTH Course conducted at Carrick. (NOTE: the former Personal Protection Course prior to the PPITH/PPOTH split is not eligible as the NRA has significantly changed these courses).

2. You are a current club member and have successfully completed an NRA PPITH / PPOTH Course at another club. You will be required to provide the original Course Completion Certificates. (PPITH is a prerequisite to PPOTH. Both certificates will be required).

3. You are a current club member and have successfully completed a Non-NRA but accredited and recognized defensive pistol course that provides at a minimum, the same level of training as the NRA courses. You will be required to provide original course completion documentation.

4. You are a non-member who has successfully completed the PPITH, PPOTH Course at Carrick, but you will be limited to 3 cumulative sessions.

Please note that if you have not been shooting on a regular basis and have not maintained your safety, gun handling, and marksmanship skills you will need to brush up.

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.

Work parties have been concentrating on getting the new indoor range completed and doing indoor maintenance. As the weather warms up, the work parties will have more outside landscaping maintenance to do around the property and repairs to the outdoor ranges, but will continue to work on the new indoor range.

2016 Dues

Seniors - \$85.00; Retired Seniors*

\$42.50 Juniors - \$5.00 Associate - \$20.00

* Retired Seniors must be 65 years old or on Social Security and you must have been a member of the Club for at least the past 10 consecutive years.

March Work Party -

The March work party was held on January 16. There were 13 members who worked on the new indoor range and other chores around the clubhouse. They were: Steve Boehm, Rich Chongaway, Jim Gales, Chad Hardy, Chuck Heister, Scott Huwalt, Scott Karman, Tyler Karman, David Kiggins, Pete Luttrell, Joe Montuoro, Ray Noakes, Vern Underwood, and Brian Vallor.

April Work Party -

The April work party was held on February 20. There were members who worked on the new indoor range. They hung and taped the drywall on the ceiling of the new range, swept and cleaned the meeting room, and picked up the materials for the target retrieval system for the new range to the Club. The volunteers at this work party were: Rich Chongaway, Jim Gales, Chad Hardy, Chuck Heister, Scott Huwalt, Scott Karman, Tyler Karman, David Kiggins, Pete Luttrell, Amy Montuoro, Joe Montuoro, Mike Montuoro, Ray Schuerger, Jack Stark, and Vern Underwood.

Officers and Directors - 2016

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Scheduled Shoots

- Monday Night Recreational Pistol League - Indoor Range - Monday Evening - Off till September
- Monday Night Silhouette Shoot (Indoors) or Monday Night Bowling Pin Shoot (Outdoors)
- Junior Rifle Program - Indoor Range - Wednesday Evening - 7:00 pm
- Metropolitan Police Revolver League - Thursday Evening - 6:00 pm
- CMP Hi-Power Shoot - 100 Yard Range - 2nd Sunday - 10:00 am
- Open Trap Shooting - Trap Range Sunday Afternoon - 1:00-4:00 pm; Wednesday Evening - 6:00 pm

Donations

The Club acknowledges and thanks Bill Oaks for his donation of \$50 to the trap fund.

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

All Ranges Are Open and Operational

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