

Carrick Sportsmen's Club News

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January - February 2019

January Meetings

Membership - Jan. 8 - 8 p.m.

Directors - Jan. 15 - 8 p.m.

Work Party - Jan. 19 - 9 a.m.

February Meetings

Membership - Feb. 5 - 8 p.m.

Directors - Feb. 19 - 8 p.m.

Work Party - Feb. 16 - 9 a.m.

March Meetings

Membership - Mar. 5 - 8 p.m.

Directors - Mar. 19 - 8 p.m.

Work Party - Mar. 16 - 9 a.m.

Meeting Date Change

The usual date for the Membership Meeting is the First Tuesday of the month.

Because January's meeting date falls on January 1, 2019 - New Years Day - the Membership meeting was moved to the following Tuesday, January 8.

Board of Directors Election in January

Five seats on the Board of Directors are up for election at the January membership meeting. The Board is made up of 15 Directors who each serve a three-year term with one-third of the Board (five Directors) elected every January. There are seven (7) candidates running for the 5 seats on the Board of Directors - four (4) incumbents and three (3) new candidates. Nominations for the position of Director will also be taken from the floor; however, the nominee must be present and must agree to accept the position if elected. The only criteria for holding office is that the individual must have been a member of the club for at least 1 year. To vote in the election, an individual must be a member of the club for at least 2 months. The candidates for Directors are:

(Incumbents) • Stew Beck • Scott Karman • Ed (E.J.) Revitsky • Wayne Perry •

(New Candidates) • Chuck Heisler • Rob Lowe • Jason Perry •

To vote in the election, an individual must be a member of the club for at least 2 months and must have their current up-to-date membership card and ID.

2019 Membership Is Due NOW !

At their meeting in September, the Board of Directors raised the dues to \$90. The dues are now

Senior Member - \$90.00; Associate Member - \$20.00; Junior Member - \$5.00; Retired Seniors* - \$45.00.

Initiation Fee - \$50; Lost Access FOB - \$5.00; Damaged or Inoperative FOB - No Charge

*(*Retired Seniors are members who are 65 years old or older, retired, on Social Security, and have been a member of the club for the previous 10 consecutive years. Members who been a member of the club for the previous 10 consecutive years and are on disability from Social Security or other Federal Agency, also qualify as a Retired Senior, regardless of age.)*

Paying your 2019 dues by Sunday, January 6, 2019 will ensure your continued access to the Club for 2019. Any member not paying his 2019 dues by then is subject to having their club access FOB deactivated.

You can pay your dues at the January membership meeting, at the Director's meeting, 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.

Your membership dues for 2019 must be received by Paul Joos (Membership Chairman) on or before January 31, 2019. Any member not renewing their membership by that time will be removed from the club membership rolls. After a member is removed from the club rolls he/she must reapply for membership and will be placed on the membership waiting list.

Club Has an FFL Dealer as a Member

Member Keith Barkhymer is an FFL dealer and a Firearms Instructor with the NRA and USCCA. He is also an instructor using SABRE pepper spray and the MUNIO self defense keychain. As a member of the Club, Keith is offering all CSC members a transfer fee of \$15 per firearm and 4% above the cost on all firearms ordered through him. For information and to avail yourself of his services, please contact Keith at 412-500-6938 or directimpactft@yahoo.com. His web page is DirectImpactFT.com.

Lottery Calendars

The outstanding Lottery Calendars should be 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 stating 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-mail addresses can be found on our web site under "Contacts." The Club sells these Lottery Calendars twice a year. Members are urged to sell as many 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.

Membership Renewal - Photos Required

Several changes have been implemented in our membership renewal procedure as outlined below.

Membership renewal each year will begin in October and run through January. Membership renewals for 2019 must be made by January 31, 2019. Any member not renewing his/her membership by that date will be removed from the club membership rolls. After a member is removed from the club rolls, they must reapply for membership and will be placed on the waiting list. Membership openings will be filled once a year from the list of applicants after the renewal process has been completed. The directors have also implemented a policy that REQUIRES all members to have their picture taken for the club membership data base. This can be easily accomplished if you attend a membership meeting and bring your membership card with you. Current members have had all of 2018 to have this done. Members who do not have their photo in their club membership file by January 31, 2019 will not be able to renew their membership for 2019 until it is in the Club membership files. Paul will be at the Club to take the photos on the following dates. **Sunday, January 6 from 12 pm till 3 pm; Tuesday, January 8 from 7 pm till 9 pm; Tuesday, January 15 from 7 pm till 9 pm; Saturday, January 19 from 9 am till noon; and Wednesday, January 30 from 6:30 pm till 8:30 pm.** This is the final time current members will be able to have their picture taken if they want to renew their membership for 2019!

These measures have been instituted by the Board of Directors as a result of the Federal Consent Agreement between South Park Township and the Club. This new policy will continue until further notice!. Pictures can be taken at Membership and Director's meetings on the first and third Tuesdays of each month from 7:30 p.m. through 9:00 p.m. throughout the year. Other times will be posted in this newsletter as the year goes on. If, for any reason, you have a hardship that precludes you from complying with these new requirements (e.g., health issues, you're a snowbird, or a deployed member of the military), please contact Paul Joos, Membership Chairman, and let him know of your circumstances and we will try to work with you to bring you into compliance. **Your assistance and cooperation is appreciated by the Board of Directors.**

Recreational Pistol League

The Recreational Pistol League is half way through their season and will resume shooting on Monday, January 7 at 7:30 p.m. on the indoor range. The League is loosely organized into teams which compete against each other over the season for bragging rights. The second half of their 20-week season runs from January to May.

When their season ends some time in May, they switch over to shooting metal silhouettes on the indoor range for a few weeks before moving to the outdoor range for the Club's Summer Bowling Pin Shoot.

The recreational pistol league course of fire includes 5 segments - all on regulation NRA targets. The first segment is two lines of slow fire (each being 5 shots in 2 minutes); the second segment is two lines of timed fire (each being 5 shots in 20 seconds); the next phase is two lines of rapid fire (each being 5 shots in 10 seconds). Segment 4 is timed-fire (5 shots, change magazine, 5 more shots - all in 45 seconds); segment 5 is also timed-fire (5 shots, change magazines, 5 more shots - all in 60 seconds - one-handed).

Because of the time constraints, a semi-automatic pistol is recommended. You will need your favorite firearm, 50 rounds of ammunition (on the indoor range ammunition must have a muzzle velocity of under 1200 feet per second), and eye and ear

protection. Those with revolvers and speed loaders should have enough time to complete the course of fire. Also, .22-caliber pistols are recommended because of the cost of ammunition.

If you have not signed up for the League, but would like to try it, just contact Steve Boehm at CarrickSportsmenClub@gmail.com. The cost is \$3 per night for members and \$4 per night for non-members or \$20 for the rest of the season for members (\$30 for non-members).

Hunter Safety Courses

The Club will once again be offering Hunter Safety courses to the public. We have one scheduled for Saturday, March 23 and one for August 31. You must sign up for the course on the PA Game Commission web site. The course is now a 6-hour, 1-day class.

NRA Classes

All scheduled classes for 2018 have been completed. Denny Nill is working on scheduling classes for next year and as soon as the schedule is set, we will announce it in the Newsletter and/or via e-mail. The plan is to have a few Basic Pistol courses in the early part of the year and follow-up with a Personal Protection **Inside** the Home course and a Personal Protection **Outside** the Home in

the Fall. For information, costs, scheduling, and qualifications for the NRA Classes held at the Club, please contact Denny Nill at 412-531-5890 or via e-mail at denisrn@verizon.net.

Junior Rifle Program

The Junior Rifle Program for shooters age 12 to 80 (or older) is in their practice session now. They shoot from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Wednesdays. The practice session, which will continue through the end of March, helps the shooters to improve their shooting skills.

If you are interested in joining this program next Fall or the Junior Shotgun program in the early Summer, please contact Ray Noakes at 724-348-5633 or Jason Perry at 412-337-9614.

Junior Shotgun Program

The Club's Junior Shotgun program is offered each year in June. Please look for information in future newsletters.

Membership

As of the December Membership meeting, the Club had 402 senior members, 12 junior members, and 21 spousal members for a total of 435 members.

New Members

November - There were 4 applicants for membership at the November meeting who were all approved. They were:

- William Lohman • James Stein • Laura Stein •
- John Wandrisco

December - There were 2 applicants for membership at the December meeting; they were both approved. They were:

- Darryl Fortunato • Emanuel Romanias

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 the Club's operation. Without constant maintenance and a concerted 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 participate in these work parties. You don't have to be here all day, any time you can give to this effort is greatly appreciated by the Directors and highly valued to the Club. No special skills are required; there is always a lot of maintenance required just on the grounds in the form of trimming, cutting grass, and general clean-up. Lunch is provided.

The information on the chalk board listing members who were at the November work party was erased before I could get to it so there is no list of attendees or what they did. I apologize to those who attended and will try not to let this happen in the future.

There was no work party in December.

Message from Scott Karman Building and Grounds Chairman

I'd like to thank everyone who came out for the work parties through the year and pitched in to help maintain and improve the Club facilities. Without your commitment and efforts it would be next to impossible to maintain the Club without drastic increases in our dues and fundraising efforts. All of the Club benefits from your volunteer work.

Metro Police Revolver League (MPRL)

The MPRL team shoots on Thursday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to about 10:00 p.m. and is currently shooting indoors. Their 14-week indoor competitive season will begin on January 17 and will end in mid April. Our team competes against teams from other clubs in the area, with each team shooting at their home range. Their scores are submitted to, and tallied by, the league scorekeeper.

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 both .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.

CMP

The Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP) Hi-Power Shoot is shut down for the winter. They shoot on the second Sunday of the month at 10:00 a.m. on the 100-yard outdoor range; however unless we can acquire low-cost ammunition, we will not be able to continue the program. The cost for the 64 rounds of ammunition at current market levels will make the program too expensive for us to continue.

The Directors are working on another type of military shoot to replace the CMP shoot where you would use your own AR-15 style rifles. If this might be of interest to you, please contact Ron Milanek at 412-833-2493 or Jason Perry at 412-337-9614.

Trap Shooting

The Club holds open trap shooting on Wednesdays from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and on Sundays from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. These shoots are open to the public. The last trap shoot will be Sunday, December 30, and then the program will close for the winter and open in March, depending on the weather.

For questions on the Club's 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 skills, Joe Montuoro, Trap Range Master and NRA instructor, is willing to teach you how to do it. Just call Joe to make arrangements.

The Club has two trap leagues - one in the Fall and one in the Spring. If you are interested in the details on the leagues, please contact Joe Montuoro at 412-833-0897.

Thank You

The Club wishes to acknowledge and thank the following members for their recent donations:

- David Kohl - \$10.00
- Michael Perry - \$10.00
- Jason Paul - \$10.00
- Anonymous - \$100.00
- Donald Weis - \$10.00
- Stewart Beck - \$10.00
- Michael Sewchok - \$10.00
- Tim Thiry - \$10.00
- Lester Whiteman - \$10.00
- William Oakes - \$10.00
- Joseph Lusnak - \$50.00

Message from the President

As we move into a new year, I'd like to thank everyone and anyone who has helped in the operation/maintenance of the Club this year in anyway; whether it was taking part in a work party, selling the lottery calendars, attending meetings to stay current with club affairs, or just being a safe and responsible member.

A huge "Thank You" goes to those that go out of their way to sell our Lottery Calendars. We really appreciate the effort you put forth in this semi-annual fund-raiser. Continued Club improvements depend on the success of these fund-raisers.

I'm proud to say that we continue to have no significant complaints from the community about the Club since April 2012. Thank you for that! With the new homes on Ridge Road, it is even more important that the Club remains a good neighbor for South Park. To do so, all of our members need to adhere to the Club rules and times concerning the outdoor ranges.

We had to close our membership temporarily to re-evaluate our membership rules. As a result we have revised our membership procedures and requirements and implemented the changes through the year. A description of some of the changes is included in this newsletter (top of Page 2). The Club has always been open to new members and will continue to do so.

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

Steve Boehm, President

USC Rifle Team Using Indoor Range Again

The Upper St. Clair High School (USC) rifle team will once again be using our indoor range for practice and meets. As you may recall they lost the use of their range at USC High School; this is the fifth year we will be hosting them at the Club.

Through the last four shooting seasons, there have been no complaints from the membership on the team using the range which is closed to the membership while they are here. They will be using the range between 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. 3 or 4 days a week this season. Their schedule is posted by the indoor range sign-in book. The days on their schedule are Nov. 19, 20, 21, 26, 27, 28, 29, and 30; Dec. 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 12, 14, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 27, and 28; Jan. 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 11, 14, 15, 16, 18, 21, 22, 23, 25, 28, 29, and 30; Feb. 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13, and 14. We ask you to adjust your range usage to the days and times they are not shooting; to those members who have to adjust their shooting schedule we trust you will understand.

Bob Beiler

Bob Beiler past away on Friday, November 9, 2018.

He was a member of our Club and a for many years and was also a member of Library Sportsmen's, the Brookline Chamber of Commerce, and was a founding member of the South Pittsburgh Development Corporation (SPDC). The Club's Sympathies go out to his family! Bob will be missed.

Gerry Kurzawski

Gerry Kurzawski passed away on Sunday, November 18, 2018. Gerry had been a member of the club for many years and had served as the Club's treasurer until his recent health problems. Gerry was 82. The Club's Sympathies go out to his wife, Joyce, and his family, He will be missed.

Scheduled Shoots

- **Monday Night Recreational Pistol League** - Indoor Range - Monday at 7:30 p.m.
- **Junior Rifle Program** - Indoor Range- Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.
- **Metropolitan Police Revolver League** - Indoor Range - Thursday at 6:00 p.m.
- **CSC Trap League** - Off for the Winter
- **CMP Shoot** - Discontinued
- **Open Trap Shooting** - Off for the Winter.

Access FOB Trouble?

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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