

# Carrick Sportsmen's Club News

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# May - June 2020

#### **May Meetings**

Membership - Canceled **Directors - Canceled** Work Party - May 16, 2020

#### **June Meetings**

Membership - (?) June 4 - 8 p.m. Directors - June 18 - 7 p.m. Work Party - June 15 - 9 a.m.

#### **July Meetings**

Membership - (?) July 2 - 8 p.m. Directors - July 16 - 7 p.m. Work Party - July 20 - 9 a.m.

#### **Canceled Meetings/Activities Slowly Resuming**

Club activities have not been held since the Governor's "Stay at Home" Order on March 16. To conform with the order, the club had canceled all club activities, including meetings, scheduled shoots, and work parties since then. When Allegheny County moved to the Yellow phase on May 15, we are okay to partially open up. This means we can hold directors meetings, possibly the outdoor MPRL, and even the trap program but need to comply with the social distancing and wearing of face masks. No more than 25 people at a time can congregate and you must maintain the 6-foot separation for the time being (until the County moves to the green rating then we can return to something close to normal). When in loose groups please adhere to those rules. If a disgruntled neighbor starts to hear shooting and observes members without following the rules they could possibly notify the authorities and we do not want to create a negative image.

We resumed work parties on Saturday, May 16. President Steve Boehm sent out an e-mail alerting everyone that the work party would take place asking for volunteers who were okay with participating.

**Trap shoots** resumed on Sunday, May 17 with the social distancing, masks, and participation limited to no more than 25. Joe Montuoro was to notify the club trap shooters. With the work that was done on Saturday's work party (May 16) we can resume the Monday night Bowling Pin Shoot with compliance to the State mandates. Please contact Joe Montuoro at 412-833-0897 for more information. We have not determined how to hold **membership meetings** and comply with the state mandates on distancing and participants; once we can resume membership meetings we will notify everyone.

Lottery Calendars
The new Lottery Calendars (July - October) are available for pick-up. 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. please call to arrange to pick up your calendars. Stubs are to be turned in before July 1. Prize eligibility begins on the date the stubs are turned in. Please note that winning calendar payments are not retroactive.



#### **CSC** Now on Facebook

Thanks to the work of Director Jason Perry, the Club's Facebook page is still functional. He posts current information on the page for those of you who like Facebook. The Directors ask everyone who is on Facebook to look up the page and "Like" it. It is at https://www.facebook.com/carricksportsmensclub/



### **Open Trap Shooting**

- Sunday Afternoon Trap 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Wednesday Night Trap 6:00 p.m. to 9:p.m.

We are back shooting trap on Wednesdays and Sundays with complying to the new rules of the Yellow phase - social distancing, masks, and participation limited to no more than 25.

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 him at 412-833-0897 to make arrangements.

The trap ranges were operating well when we used them last.

#### Metro Police Revolver League (MPRL)

The 14 week MPRL Indoor Season competition was stopped after the completion of match 9 due to the COVID-19 virus.

Based on the abbreviated 9-match season; the team finished 5th out of 7 teams in .22 caliber competition and 2nd out of 6 teams in Center Fire competition.

Congratulations to Amy Rusenko who was Center Fire High Expert. And congratulations to Dave Prepelka who shot as a Carrick Team member and was Center Fire High Marksman.

Thanks to all Team Participants and we are hoping we will have a 2020 Outdoor Competition.

The team will be starting their outdoor season on May 21. with social distancing, masks, and participation limits on the range. There will only be 5 clubs competing this season.

For more information, please contact Denny Nill at 412-531-5890.

# **Monday Night Bowling Pin Shoots**

With the work that was done by Saturday's work party (May 16), we can now resume the Monday night Bowling Pin Shoot with compliance to the State mandates. Please contact Joe Montuoro at 412-833-0897 for more information.

Even though this event is shot on the outdoor range you do not have to have a RM rating to attend. Any member would be allowed to come out and get involved because this is sanctioned club event with many range officers in attendance.

**Junior Rifle Program** 

We should be able to hold the Junior Rifle Program this fall. Our plan is to proceed as if there will be no problem. The program is for shooters age 12 to 80 (or older). There are two parts to the Junior Rifle program - an introductory course and a practice session. (They shoot from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. every Wednesdays through October and then to the end of March.)

The introductory course is a 4-week course in October. Participants learn rifle safety and shooting techniques including handling, maintenance, aiming, and shooting. The cost for this portion of the program has been \$40 per shooter and includes use of the rifle, eye and ear protection, and all ammunition. The cost may be adjusted if ammunition prices fluctuate.

The second part of the program is the practice session. At the end of the introductory course, shooters can continue to improve their shooting skills learned in the introductory sessions. These practice sessions are also held on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., from November through the end of March. The cost for the practice session has been \$45 and, like the introductory session, includes the rifle, eye and ear protection, and all ammunition. The cost may be adjusted if ammunition prices fluctuate.

Note - shooters have to complete all 4 weeks of the first session to continue onto the practice session.

If you are interested in joining this program next Fall or the Junior Shotgun program in the early Summer, please contact Jason Perry at 412-337-9614 or Chris Warden at <a href="warden7@me.com">warden7@me.com</a>.

#### Junior Shotgun Program

If we can get it in this summer meeting all the criteria of distancing, masks and participation limits, we will hold the Junior Shotgun program. This program is for those who would like to learn to shoot trap in a controlled, safe environment with experienced instructors. The cost is \$4 per line of 25 birds and \$8 for the shotgun shells. The Club will provide the shotgun and the eye and ear protection. If you are interested in this program, please check with Jason Perry at 412-337-9614 or Chris Warden at <a href="https://www.warden7@me.com">warden7@me.com</a>.

**Membership** 

As of May 12, the Club had 314 senior members, 3 junior members, and 18 spousal members for a total of 335 members.

#### **New Members**

March - There were 4 new members admitted to the Club in March: • Charles Jordan • Wayne Happe • James DeAngelis and • Kevin Linz.

**April** - There was no membership meeting in April; no new members were brought into the Club.

#### **Facebook Presence**

The Club has established an "official" facebook page; it is available at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/CarrickSportsmensClub/">www.facebook.com/CarrickSportsmensClub/</a>.

## **Hunter Safety Courses**

The Club has a hunter safety class scheduled for Saturday, August 31. We are still planning on holding it - if the PA Game Commission is once again holding classes. The course is now a 6-hour, 1-day class. You can sign up for the course on the PA Game Commission web site at https://www.register-ed.com/programs/25?utmsource=HTE\_Class\_Calendar\_Page&utm\_medium=page\_link&utm\_campaign=HTE\_Course.

The Club's course will not be posted on the game Commission web site till sometime in June.

All ranges will be closed during class hours.

# Firearms Owners Against Crime

For the latest information on Legislation that deals with the 2nd Amendment rights, please refer to the Firearms Owners Against Crime (FOAC) web site at <a href="https://foac-pac.org/">https://foac-pac.org/</a>. They offer all sorts of material on what is happening in Harrisburg on all things related to firearms. They lobby our legisla-



tors on pending bills and try to be instrumental in passing or not passing these bills into law. Please take a look at their site to be an informed member of the responsible firearms community.

#### **Work Parties**

With the lifting of the red phase, the Club resumed work parties on Saturday, May 16, where we followed the distancing, masks, and participation limitations.

The 11 members who participated included Steve Boehm, Bob Buddick, Chuck Heisler, Scott Karman, Jim Lawrence, Pete Luttrell, Joe Montuoro, Tom Plappert, Chris Warden, Jim Walsh and his young daughter Molly. They worked on grounds keeping and the outdoor pistol range. Everyone did an amazing job and probably had no trouble falling asleep last night. Thanks to their efforts the pistol range can now accommodate the Monday night Bowling Pin Shoot with compliance to the State's yellow phase mandates.

Work Parties are usually held on the 3rd Saturday of each month to do maintenance and improvements around the Club. Currently the work parties are focused on completing the outdoor pistol range remodel project and bringing the club grounds up to standards in compliance with the Consent Decree with South Park Township. This is the third year of our tri-annual inspection period so this is important to our existence as a shooting range.

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.

## **Scheduled Events**

- Monday Night Silhouette Shoots Indoor Range Monday at 7:30 p.m. until June 3
- Monday Night Bowling Pin Shoot Monday Outdoor Range 6:00 p.m.
- Metropolitan Police Revolver League Outdoor Range
- Thursday at 6:00 p.m. (Weather permitting)
- Junior Shotgun Program TBD
- **Open Trap Shooting** Wednesdays from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Sundays from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

#### Officers and Directors - 2020

#### **OFFICERS**

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Alternate Director - Rob Low

#### **Outdoor Pistol Range**

Although we have resumed the Monday Night Bowling Pin Shoot and the Thursday Night MPRL League on the Outdoor Pistol Range (thanks to the efforts of the May 16 Work Party), the range is still not up to safety standards that will allow us to reopen the range to the general membership. If we get turnouts at least as good and this last one we will definitely be able to open sometime in the near future.

















The May 16th Work Party Focused on Setting More Posts on the Outdoor Pistol Range.

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