



Carrick Sportsmen's Club News

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January - February 2020

January Meetings

Membership - Jan. 7 - 8 p.m.

Directors - Jan. 21 - 7 p.m.

Work Party - Jan. 18 - 9 a.m.

February Meetings

Membership - Feb. 4 - 8 p.m.

Directors - Feb. 18 - 7 p.m.

Work Party - Feb. 15 - 9 a.m.

March Meetings

Membership - Mar. 3 - 8 p.m.

Directors - Mar. 17 - 7 p.m.

Work Party - Mar. 21 - 9 a.m.

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. The five Directors up for reelection are: Ron Milanek, Joe Montuoro, Denny Nill, Jason Perry, and Mike Perry. 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 Director are:

(Incumbents) • Ron Milanek • Joe Montuoro • Denny Nill • Jason Perry •

(New Candidates) • John Huemrich • Rob Low • Chris Warden •

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.

2020 Membership Is Due NOW !

Dues for 2020 are:

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.)*

You can pay your dues at the January membership 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 2020 must be received by Paul Joos (Membership Chairman) on or before January 31, 2020. Any member not renewing their membership by that time will be removed from the club membership rolls; their FOB will be deactivated; and they will no longer have access to Club facilities. After a member is removed from the club membership rolls he/she must reapply for membership.

FIREARMS SEMINAR

Representative Mike Puskaric is holding a Firearms Seminar on Saturday, January 25, 2020 from 10:00 a.m. to noon at the Club. The guest speaker will be Kim Stolfer, co-founder of Firearms Owners Against Crime. There will be a presentation on the right to carry and an explanation of your rights relative to firearms. Topics that will be addressed are Pennsylvania's Castle Doctrine, hunting, where you can, and can't carry and what to do when coming in contact with a member of law enforcement while carrying a concealed weapon.

Seating is limited! To attend this free seminar, please RSVP to Mike at 412-382-2009.

For more information on this and other issues of concern to Mike, please visit his web site at

RepPuskaric.com or on Facebook at [Facebook.com/RepPuskaric](https://www.facebook.com/RepPuskaric).

Lottery Calendars Should Have Been Turned In By Now

Outstanding Lottery Calendars should have been turned in by December 31. If you still have any in your position, please turn them in at the January membership meeting. **Please note that the Lottery Calendar started on January 1. If a ticket was not identified to the Club as being "Sold" by December 31 and the number hits, there will be no payout! Tickets will be "in play" when the Club is notified that the calendar has been sold.**

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 envelop number or which tickets were sold. Directors e-mail addresses can be found on our web site under "Contacts."

The Club thanks everyone who sold or bought the Calendars. These Lottery Calendars are sold twice a year; this is the major fund-raiser for the Club and helps maintain the Club facilities and keep dues at minimal levels.

Recreational Pistol League

The Recreational Pistol League is half way through their season and will resume shooting on Monday, January 6 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 the Club's Summer Bowling Pin Shoot starts. (This shoot might be delayed depending on the circumstances with refurbishment of the outdoor pistol range.

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 CarrickSportsmen-Club@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 March. The specific date will be set by the PA Game Commission. 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

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.

As part of the classes he plans to revise the tactical shoots for those who have taken the Personal Protection classes.

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 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 Jason Perry at 412-337-9614.

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.

I would like to specifically commend all of the members who worked so hard on the refurbishment of the outdoor pistol range. This has saved the Club thousands of dollars in the repair of the range. In fact, without these volunteers, the pistol range might not have been done. It will still be our main focus as we start 2020. If the weather cooperates, we will start work on it again in January.

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.

I would like to applaud everyone who worked so diligently on the repair of the outdoor pistol range. This was an amazing effort on the part of those who participated and helped get the range to where it is now. There is still some work left to complete and we will get to it as soon as we can. The Club members should be proud of what you have accomplished.

On behalf of myself and all of 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

Junior Shotgun Program

The Club's Junior Shotgun program is offered each year in June 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 3 and will run through June 24.

The cost per line of 25 birds and for the shotgun shells will be announced in future newsletters. The Club will provide the shotgun and the eye and ear protection. For more information on this program, please contact Jason Perry at 412-337-9614 or Ray Noakes at 724-348-5633.

Please look for information in future newsletters.

Electronic Newsletter

With the Jan-Feb 2019 Newsletter, the newsletter moved to electronic distribution via e-mail. It has been a year and we are looking for feedback from you on this change. If you have any opinion on what we send out in the newsletter, please let me know. Likewise, if there are items you would like to include in the newsletter all you have to do is e-mail them to me. The purpose of the newsletter is to keep our members informed about club activities and on things of interest to the club. That is our goal and if you have any ideas as to what would make it better or more useful to our members, please let me know. - Wayne Perry, parknews@comcast.net.

Work Parties

Work Parties are held on the 3rd Saturday of each month to do maintenance and improvements around the Club (except December). These work parties, which are made up of 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. As a perk, lunch is provided.

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 16 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.

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 of the year was on Sunday, December 29, and then the program closed for the winter; it should 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 RangeMaster and NRA instructor, is willing to instruct you on trap shooting. 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.

Membership

As of the December Membership meeting, the Club had 361 senior members, 4 junior members, and 22 associate members for a total of 387 members.

Sympathies

The Club's deepest sympathies go out to Danny Horosko on the loss of his wife, Kathleen, who passed away on Thursday, December 5, 2019. There was a Funeral Prayer on Wednesday, December 11 at John F. Slater Funeral Home followed by a Mass of Christian Burial in Nativity Church in South Park. Kathy loved figure skating and was a treasured coach and instructor throughout the South Hills. She enjoyed traveling and loved animals, spending her time volunteering at Humane Animal Rescue. She will be missed!

New Members

September 2019

There were new members accepted to the Club in September. They were **John Millard** and **Kim Stolfer**.

October

There were no new members in October.

November

There was one new member accepted to the Club at the November meeting. She was **Donna Lassige**.

December

There were three new members accepted to the Club at the December meeting. There were **Earl Fairman**, **James Fenton**, and **Kevin Krisfalusy**.

CMP

The Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP) Hi-Power Shoot has been on permanent hiatus because of the high cost of ammunition. They would shoot on the second Sunday of the month at 10:00 a.m. on the 100-yard outdoor range; however because we have not been able to acquire low-cost ammunition, we are not 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 trying to establish 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.

Reminder

Any ammunition used on the indoor pistol range MUST have a muzzle velocity of less than 1200 feet/per second. The muzzle velocity should be displayed on the box/container holding the ammunition. If you can not find it on the box, look it up. Manufacturers post the muzzle velocity of their ammunition on their web sites. Using ammunition on the indoor range with a muzzle velocity of greater than 1200 feet per second is a violation of the Club rules and will be dealt with appropriately.

Rangemaster Status

We are still looking for members who do not use the outdoor ranges to voluntarily relinquish their Rangemaster status.

Donations

The Club would like to thank the following members for their donations this month:

Jason Paul \$10.00

Gary Pachel \$50.00

Officers and Directors - 2019

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Alternate Directors - Rob Low

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 sixth year we are hosting them at the Club.

Through the last five 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 remaining days for this season are: Jan. 6, 8,9,19,13,15,16,17,21,22,23,24,27,29,30,and 31; and Feb. 3,5,6,7,10,11,12,13,14, 17, 18, and 20.

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.

Scheduled Shoots

- **Monday Night Recreational Pistol League** - Indoor Range - Monday at 7:30 p.m.
- **Thursday at 6:00 p.m.**
- **Junior Rifle Program** - Indoor Range- Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.
- **CSC Trap League** - Off for the Winter
- **Metropolitan Police Revolver League** - Indoor Range -
- **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, Except the Outdoor Pistol Range, Are Open and Operational

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Please note that the indoor range will be closed for the Firearms Seminar on Saturday, January 25 being presented by State Representative Puskaric and Kim Stolfer, co-founder of Firearms Owners Against Crime. (See Page 1 of this newsletter.)