

Carrick Sportsmen's Club News

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November - December 2020

November Meetings

Membership - Nov. 3 - 8 pm
Directors - Nov. 17 - 7 pm
Work Party - Nov. 21 - 9 am

December Meetings

Membership - Dec. 1 - 8 pm
Directors - Dec. 15 - 7 pm
Work Party - No Work Party

January Meetings

Membership - Jan. 5 - 8 pm
Directors - Jan. 19 - 7 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. Only two of 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 (Steve Boehm and Steve Perry). **At least three new candidates are needed to offer a complete 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 • Jack Stark •**

To vote in the 2021 election, you must be a member of the club for at least 2 months and must have your current membership card with you when voting.

Lottery Calendar Fundraiser Please Sell This Calendar!

The Lottery Calendars, which are good from January through April 2021, are ready for members to pick-up and sell.

They are packed in envelopes of 5 or 10 calendars. The cost of each calendar, which contains one 3-digit number, is \$10.

The winning number is determined by the 3-digit evening PA Lottery number. The calendars start on January 1st and go to the end of April. They can be picked up at the club anytime there is an organized shoot or meeting, such as trap shooting on Sundays from 1 pm to 4 pm and on Wednesdays from 7 pm to 9 pm (weather permitting); the Monday night recreational pistol shoot from 7:30 pm to 9 pm; Junior Rifle on Wednesday evenings from 7 pm to 9 pm; and at membership meetings from 8 pm to 10 pm, or the directors meeting, from 7 pm to 9 pm. The calendars are great for those last minute Christmas gifts.

To be valid, all tickets must be either turned in at the Club or positive verification of sale by e-mail (see below) or phone call (to the Club message line at 724-348-7941) by December 31. If you have sold some and can't get them to the Club before the deadline, you can call 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 and which tickets were sold. Some e-mail addresses are:

• **Steve Boehm - carricksportsmenclub@gmail.com • EJ Revitsky - EJR223@Gmail.com.**

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 fundraiser for the Club and has helped keep our dues at minimal levels. These calendar sales help the club keep the yearly dues as low as possible and still manage to finance special projects and general upkeep.

Thanks for selling the lottery calendars for this fundraiser!

A big "THANKS" to the Thursday Night Pistol Team for preparing the January – April 2021 Calendar Ticket packets. They devoted a Thursday evening to breaking down and mixing the lottery calendars into packets of 5 and 10 calendars. The 1000 calendars had to be randomly sorted/assembled, put in packets of 5 and 10 calendars with return envelopes, and every number had to be recorded according with its envelope number.

The calendars make excellent stocking stuffers and are a deal at \$10 each for a 4-month run!

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 seventh year we will be hosting them at the Club.

Through the last six 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 pm and 6:00 pm 3 or 4 days a week this season.

Their schedule will be posted by the indoor range sign-in book as soon as it is published. 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.

Hunter Safety Class

Hunter Safety Classes are on hiatus for the time being. As soon as the Club can arrange a class with the State Game Commission, we will let everyone know. It will not be any sooner than March 2021 before we will hold a class. Restrictions due to the COVID-19 virus and changes to the Game Commission Hunter Safety course make holding classes prohibitive at the moment.

Membership

The Club has 328 senior members, 4 junior members, and 20 associate members as of the end of October for a total of 352 members. Membership applications are being currently being accepted; however, new members will have limited access to the club ranges.

New Members

There were three new members join the Club in August. They were: • **Sean Haney** • **Janet Mendel** • **John Mendel**.

There were four new members join the Club in September; They were: • **Kenneth Kennard Jr.** • **Kenneth Kennard Sr.** • **Michael Koehler** • **Scott Sillman**.

Recreational Pistol League

The Recreational Pistol League started their season on Monday, September 9 with approximately 15 shooters. The League is loosely organized into teams which compete against each other over the season for bragging rights. Their season runs from September to late March. Shooting for 20 weeks at 7:30 pm, they take a break at the Christmas - New Year holiday season and enjoy a "banquet" at the end of the season. When their season ends 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 course of fire includes 5 segments. The first segment is two lines of slow fire (each line is 5 shots in 2 minutes); the second segment is two lines of timed-fire (each line is 5 shots in 20 seconds); the next phase is two lines of rapid fire (each line is 5 shots in 10 seconds). Segment 4, which is shot on the new indoor range, is 5 shots, change magazines, 5 more shots in 45 seconds; and segment 5 is 5 shots, change magazines, 5 more shots - one-handed - in 60 seconds.

Please note that you must use a .22LR pistol while shooting on the new range. You may shoot a center fire pistol on the old range if you wish but not on the new range, IT IS FOR .22LR ONLY.

Because of the time constraints, a semi-automatic pistol is recommended. You will need your favorite firearm, 50 rounds of ammunition (remember 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. 22 caliber pistols are recommended because of the current cost of ammunition and shooting on the new range.

The cost for the 20-week season is \$30 for members and \$40 for non-members. Shooters that can't commit to the entire 20-week season can pay on a per-night basis - at \$3 per night for members and \$4 per night for non-members. If you sign up at the mid-season break, the cost for the second half would be \$15 for members and \$20 for non-members.

For questions or to sign up for the Monday Night League, please contact Steve Boehm at CarrickSportsmenClub@gmail.com.

Metro Police Revolver League (MPRL)

The MPRL team shoots on Thursday evenings at 6:00 pm and is currently shooting indoors. They have finished their 14-week outdoor season and are practicing on the indoor range for their coming indoor season which will begin the week of January 13 and run for 14 weeks. 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 scorekeeper.

The team invites anyone who is interested to come out and give it a try. You can not impact the team scoring 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. You'll get a feel for the shooting regime and meet 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 or Bill Kramer at 412-835-5453.

NRA Classes

No classes were scheduled this year because of the virus lockdowns and changes made by the NRA to their courses. Denny Nill is working on trying to organize the classes and their content. As soon as a schedule is established, we will announce it to the membership.

In the past, the Club has typically offered • Basic Pistol Course • Personal Protection IN the Home, and • Personal Protection OUTSIDE the Home. Classes will be open to members and non-members

Carrick Fall Trap League

The Carrick Fall trap league started shooting on Wednesday, September 4; they shoot from 6:00 pm to approximately 9:00 pm for 12

2020 Dues Due in December or January

At their meeting in September, the Board of Directors voted to keep the dues at the current \$90. The dues are as follows:

**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, on Social Security, retired, and have been a member of the club for the previous 10 consecutive years.)

Paying your 2020 dues by Sunday, January 5, 2020 will ensure your continued access to the Club for 2020. Any member not paying his 2020 dues by then is subject to having 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.

weeks, finishing up at the beginning of December.

Open Trap Shooting

The Club holds open trap shoots on Wednesdays from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm and on Sundays from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. These shooting sessions are open to the public. The cost for a 25-bird line of trap is now \$4.00. 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. For questions on the Club's open trap shooting, please call Joe Montuoro at 412-833-0897.

If you are interested in learning to shoot trap, 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 ranges are operating very well and offer the members and the shooting community very functional ranges to enjoy the sport of Trap Shooting.

Junior Rifle Program

The Junior Rifle Program for shooters age 12 to 80 (or older) began on Sunday, November 1. This was a change to our normal schedule for the program. The first four weeks of introduction were combined into 5 or 6 hours of class where the students were introduced to rifle safety and shooting techniques including handling, maintenance, aiming, and shooting. They started shooting on Wednesday, November 4 at 7:00 pm and will shoot through the end of March. Because this is a school night for the juniors, they shoot from 7:00 pm till 9:00 pm. The cost for the practice session of the program is \$45 per shooter and includes use of the rifle, all ammunition, and the loan of eye and ear protection.

The juniors are encouraged to bring their homework for times when they will be waiting to get on the range.

If you are interested in this program, please contact Steve Perry at or Chris Warden at .

Junior Shotgun Program

The Club's Junior Shotgun program will be offered again next year in June.

Work Parties

Work Parties are held on the 3rd Saturday of each month to do

maintenance and improvements around the Club. These work parties (made up of all Club volunteers) are a critical part of the Club's operation. Without constant 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. You don't have to be here all day, any time you can donate 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.

• September Work Party

The September work party was held on September 19. There were 15 members attended the work session. They were;

- Steve Boehm • Susan Coville-Cook • Chuck Heisler • Jim Johnson • Scott Karman • Mike Kochler • Jim Lawrence • Rob Low • Ryan Low • Chris O'Kain • Tom Plappert • Steven Qualllich
- E. J. Revitsky

- Ray Schuerger • Tim Thirty

They worked on the outdoor range baffle, did grounds keeping, and set the new flagpole.

• October Work Party

CMP Shoot Alternate

The Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP) Hi-Power Shoot has been discontinued, and we are looking for suggestions on an alternate shoot. If you have any suggestions, please contact any member of the Board.

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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Officers and Directors - 2019

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Alternate Directors - Rob Low

Scheduled Shoots

- **Monday Night Recreational Pistol League** - Indoor Range - Monday at 7:30 pm
- **Metropolitan Police Revolver League** - Indoor Range - Thursday at 6:00 pm
- **CSC Fall Trap League** - Trap Range - Wednesday at 6:00 pm
- **Jr. Rifle Program** - Indoor Range - Wednesday at 7:00 pm
- **Open Trap Shooting** - Trap Range - Sunday at 1:00 pm; Wednesday Evening - 6:00 pm
- **USC Rifle Team** - Indoor Range - Starting Nov 19 - Approx. 3:00 pm 6:00 pm till Feb 14