Carrick Sportsmen's Club News

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January - February 2021

January Meetings

Membership - Jan. 5 - 8 pm Directors - Jan. 19 - 7 pm Work Party - Jan. 16 - 9 am

February Meetings

Membership - Feb. 2 - 8 pm Directors - Feb. 16 - 7 pm Work Party - Feb. 20 - 9 am

March Meetings

Membership - Mar. 2 - 8 pm Directors - Mar. 16 - 7 pm Work Party - Mar. 20 - 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 candidates for Director are:

• Steve Boehm • Robert Low• Steve Perry • Glen Woods • XX •

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.

2021 Membership Is Due NOW!

Senior Member - \$100.00; Restricted Senior Member - \$75.00 (75% of the senior dues); Associate Member - \$20.00; Junior Member - \$5.00; Retired Seniors* - \$50.00 (50% of the senior dues). Initiation Fee - \$50; Initiation Fee (Jr.) - \$15 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 2021 dues by Sunday, January 10, 2021 will ensure your continued access to the Club for 2021. Any member not paying his 2021 dues by then is will have their club access FOB deactivated. Payment may be made at the membership or Director's meetings or you can mail it directly to:

Rob Low, 471 Pearce Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15234.

Make your check payable to the Carrick Sportsmen's Club. If you mail it to Rob, please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope to return your new membership card. Your membership dues for 2021 must be received by Rob Low (Membership Chairman) on or before January 31, 2021. 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 and will be placed on the membership waiting list.

The Outdoor Pistol Range Remains Closed! The Other Ranges Are Open and Operational.

Paul Joos Stepping Down

As of January 5, 2021, Paul Joos will be stepping down as the Membership Chairman. He and his wife Jan have devoted over 25 years to the Club in this capacity. They would like to thank everyone for their Christmas cards, thank you notes, and cooperation over that time. The Club would like to thank them for all the time and effort they committed to maintaining the membership records for the Club. During that time the Club membership data has evolved from a hand-kept record systems to a digital system with photos. In addition, the Club utilizes an electronic access system which was installed under Paul's guidance.

The new membership chairman will be Rob Low.

A Big Thank You to Paul and Jan Joos

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 is posted below and by the indoor range sign-in book. 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.

Monday, January 4; Wednesday, January 6; Thursday, January 7; Friday, January 8; Monday, January 11; Wednesday, January 13; Thursday, January 14; Friday, January 15; Monday, January 18; Tuesday, January 19, Wednesday, January 20; Thursday, January 21; Friday, January 22; Monday, January 25; Tuesday, January 26, Wednesday, January 27; Thursday, January 28; Friday, January 29

Monday, February 1; Wednesday, February 3; Thursday, February 4; Friday, February 5; Monday, February 8; Tuesday, February 9, WPIAL Team Championship; Wednesday, February 10, Thursday, February 11, WPIAL Individual Championship

Friday, February 12; Monday, February 15; Tuesday, February 16

Recreational Pistol League

The Recreational Pistol League will resume shooting on Monday, January 4. They were off over the holidays and will shoot the second half of their season until early March. 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 for Monday nights 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 - in 60 seconds - **one-handed**.

Please note that you must use a .22LR pistol while shooting on the new range (Segments 4 and 5). 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.

If you sign up at the mid-season break, the cost for the second half (10 weeks of shooting) 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 <u>Carrick-SportsmenClub@gmail.com</u>.

Revision to By-Laws Passed

A proposed revision to the bylaws was read at three membership meetings; and was voted on at the December membership meeting. It received an affirmative vote but because a quorum of the Directors was not present, the revision will have to be brought up at the January meeting for approval again. The revision adds a Restricted Senior Class of membership. It does not allow for the member to be a Rangemaster. The revision also adjusts the dues for that class of membership.

The revision is -

"Restricted Senior Membership – Because of the limited number of range master ratings available to the club arising from a consent decree with South Park Township, the Club finds it necessary to define a Restricted Senior Membership Class. Membership in this class shall meet all of the requirements of the Senor Membership class. Restricted Senior Members can upgrade to a Senior Membership as openings become available subsequent to their successful completion of the range master orientation and training requirements."

"Dues for Restricted Senior Members shall be 75% of the dues for senior members. Restricted Senior members who ascend to the rangemaster class will be required to pay the Senior Membership fee less the amount they have already paid for membership

Carrick Fall Trap League

The Carrick Fall trap league finished their season 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. The trap range is currently closed for the winter.

When the Sunday trap shoots resume in March (weather permitting) and Wednesdays (May), they will be open to the public. For questions on the Club's open trap shooting, please contact Stew Beck at stewbeck6@msn.com.

The ranges are operating very well and offer the members and the shooting community very functional ranges to enjoy the sport of Trap Shooting.

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.

Junior Rifle Program

The Junior Rifle Program for shooters age 12 to 80 (or older) began on Sunday, November 1. 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 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 <u>sdperry48@hotmail.com</u> or Chris Warden at <u>warden7@me.com</u>.

Junior Shotgun Program

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

Membership

At the end of the year, the Club had 331 senior members, 4 junior members, and 20 associate members as of the end of October for a total of 355 members. Membership applications are being currently being accepted; however, new members will have limited access to the club ranges.

New Members

December

There were six new members join the Club in December. They were:

- Jonathan Bilski
 Mathew Esek
- Alysa Fairman
 James Kempton
- Michael Kempton
 Gary Pritchard

Metro Police Revolver League (MPRL)

The MPRL team shoots on Thursday evenings at 6:00 pm and is currently shooting indoors.

They are currently 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.

In Memoriam

Bob Foster, 79, of Castle Shannon, passed away on Saturday, December 19, 2020. He was an avid hunter and a member of the Club since 1987 (33 years); he enjoyed target shooting with friends at the Club. He was married to Arlene Foster for 23 years and had 5 children and 7 grandchildren.

Bob will be greatly missed.

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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 envelope 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.

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.

• November Work Party

The November work party was canceled.

• December Work Party

There was no work party scheduled in December.

January Work Party

The club needs volunteers for the work party to accomplish things that need done around the club. The next work party is set for January 16 on the 19th. Naturally this work party will be for indoor repairs, we do not usually get good weather for outdoor activities in January. Please let us know if you can help out so that we can schedule the work accordingly.

Dunham's Sales Fliers

The club has signed up with Dunham's Sporting Goods to receive their sale fliers. They usually only give a day or two notice but if you're looking for something the fliers might be helpful.

If you would like to get the fliers in you e-mail, let Steve Boehm know (<u>CarrickSportsmenClub@gmail.com</u>) and he'll get you on their list.

Access FOB Trouble?

If you have trouble with your access FOB, call Rob Low at 412-651-6642 or send an e-mail to rmlow@verizon.net

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
- Jr. Rifle Program Indoor Range Wednesday at 7:00 pm
- CSC Spring Trap League OFF
- Open Trap Shooting Trap Range Sunday Off till March: Wednesday Evening - Off till May
- USC Rifle Team Indoor Range Approx. 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm till mid- Feb. - Days Vary



Simply e-mail it to parknews@comcast.net Before February 20!

The Board of **Directors Wish All Members and Their** Families a Very Happy, Healthy, and Prosperous **New Year**



Officers and Directors - 2021

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Note - This list will be updated after the January election.

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