

Carrick Sportsmen's Club News

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January - February 2022

January Meetings

Membership - Jan. 4 - 8 pm

Directors - Jan. 18 - 7 pm

Work Party - Jan. 15 - 9 am

February Meetings

Membership - Feb. 1 - 8 pm

Directors - Feb. 15 - 7 pm

Work Party - Feb. 19 - 9 am

March Meetings

Membership - Mar. 1 - 8 pm

Directors - Mar. 15 - 7 pm

Work Party - Mar. 19 - 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. 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. 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:

• **Stew Beck** • **Chuck Heisler** • **Scott Karman** • **Ed (E.J.) Revitsky** • **Wayne Perry** •

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.

2022 Dues Are 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.)*

Important Dates on Paying Dues

If you do not have your 2022 dues paid by Sunday, January 9, 2022, your club access FOB will be deactivated. Payment may be made at the membership or Director's meetings or you can mail it directly to:

Rob Low, 417 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.

If your 2022 dues are not received by January 31, 2022, you will be removed from the club membership rolls; your FOB will be deactivated; and you will no longer have access to Club facilities. If you are removed from the club membership rolls you must reapply for membership and you will be placed on the membership waiting list. You will also relinquish your rangemaster status if you are at that level.

Range Rule Violations

It has come to the attention that members of the club have not been following the range rules. This includes loading more than 5 rounds at a time on the indoor and outdoor ranges. This is a safety issue and also is part of our federal consent agreement with South Park Township. Also, lights are being left on and doors are being left open on the ranges when the shooters leave. It is the responsibility of every club member to make sure everything is secure and cleaned up before leaving the grounds. All of the ranges and shooting positions are on camera and also on video tape. Everything you do on a range can be reviewed. If these range rule violations continue, members who are not complying will be identified and will be warned of the violations once and, if the behavior continues, will risk losing their Rangemaster status and possible termination of their membership.

The Range Rules **MUST be Adhered To!**

If you need a copy of the Range Rules, please contact Steve Perry at
sdperry48@hotmail.com

Recreational Pistol League

The Recreational Pistol League will resume shooting on Monday, January 3. They were off over the holidays and will shoot the second half of their season until mid-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 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**.

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.

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 Carrick-SportsmenClub@gmail.com.

Junior Rifle Program

The Junior Rifle Program for shooters age 12 to 80 (or older) began on Saturday, October 30. The first four weeks of introduction have been consolidated into a 5- or 6-hour class where the students are introduced to rifle safety and shooting techniques including handling, maintenance, aiming, and shooting. They started shooting on Wednesday, November 3 and will shoot through the end of March. They usually shoot from 7:00 pm till 9:00 pm.

They have been off for the holidays and will resume shooting on Wednesday, January 5.

The cost for the practice session of the program is \$45 per shooter and includes the 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 sdperry48@hotmail.com or Chris Warden at warden7@me.com.

Junior Shotgun Program

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

Lottery Calendars Should Be Turned In By December 31

Outstanding Lottery Calendars should be turned in by December 31. If you still have any in your possession, 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” and at the end of this newsletter.

The Club thanks everyone who sold or bought the Calendars. These Lottery Calendars are sold twice a year; they are the major fundraiser for the Club, help maintain the Club facilities, and keep dues at minimal levels.

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. The last Sunday shoot was December 26.

When the Sunday trap shoot resumes on March 6 (weather permitting) and the Wednesday shoot begins on April 3, they will be open to the public. The spring internal trap league will begin on April 3 and will go till June 22. For questions on the Club’s open trap shooting and to inquire about the internal trap league, please contact Stew Beck at stewbeck6@msn.com.

Aside of a few maintenance problems, the trap range has been operating very well and offers members and the shooting community a very functional range to enjoy the sport of Trap Shooting.

Each round of trap includes 25 birds. You will need shells that are size 7 1/2, 8, or 9 shot. The current cost for a round is \$4.00 plus ammo. Ammo is available at the trap range for \$10.00 a box of 25. League rounds are \$6.00 and that extra \$2.00 goes to supplies for the party and prize money.

Anyone interested in learning to shoot trap, please contact Stew Beck at stewbeck6@msn.com.

Carrick Fall Trap League

The Carrick Fall Trap League finished their season at the beginning of December.

The 2022 Fall League will start on August 3 2022 and will go until October 19. Their “End of Season” Fall League Party will be on October 29.

Carrick Spring Trap League

The Spring League will start on April 3, running the 12 weeks until June 22. Their “End of the Season” will be held on July 9. If you are interested in shooting with the Spring Trap League, please contact Stew Beck at stewbeck6@msn.com.

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 2022 before we will be able to hold a class. We are trying to get on the state game commission schedule for Hunter Safety Classes for the Spring.

Membership

At the end of the year, the Club had 338 senior members, 5 junior members, and 21 associate members as of the end of October for a total of 364 members. Membership applications are being currently being accepted; however, new members will have limited access to the club ranges.

New Members

November

There were two new members join the Club in November. They were: • **Joseph DeFazio** and • **William Levis**.

December

There were nine new members join the Club in December. They were: • **James Danchak** • **William Kephart** • **James Kraus** • **Michael Losak** • **Mark Rusiski** • **Laura Schimmel** • **Douglas Schnepf** • **William Stewart** • **Robert Veith**

Donations

The Club would like to thank the following members for their recent donations to the Club.

- **Rev. William Beck**
- **Theodore Boehm**
- **Jeff Ferencic**
- **Ronald Morris**
- **Frank Roberti**
- **Donald Weis Jr**
- **Stephen Boehm**
- **Jennifer Cook**
- **James Hartlep**
- **John Pankowski**
- **Christopher Warden**

Club Selling Its Garands and Carbines

The Club no longer offers the CMP shoot on Sunday mornings. The program offered members the opportunity to shoot the Club's WWII Garands and Carbines in a competitive shoot. The course of fire required 50 rounds of ammunition. Because the Club had a large supply of ammunition which had been acquired from the CMP Program at a very reasonable cost, we used to charge just \$25 for the use of the rifle and the ammunition for the shoot. However, things have changed. We can no longer obtain ammunition from the CMP program and can not offer this reduced cost to shoot. Current ammunition costs (if you can find it) would drive the cost of the Sunday morning shoot to close to \$100. This is not something we want to get into.

The Club has nine (9) garands and two (2) carbines which are not being used and will most likely not be used again. Two (2) of the Garands are non-functional and will not shoot w/o a major rebuild - they are basically "wall hangers." Rather than just store them indefinitely, the

Directors have decided to sell them to our members.

The sale will be executed via a raffle. Everyone interested in purchasing one of the rifles will have their name put in a "hat." Names will be drawn from the hat to offer the right to purchase one of the rifles. Each person whose name is drawn will then have the opportunity to select which of the rifles they would like to purchase. (The purchase price is being determined.) The potential purchaser can decide at that time not to purchase any of the rifles and the name of another buyer will be selected out of the hat. This process will continue until all of the rifles are sold. The plan is to present the process at the January meeting and have everyone interested let Steve Boehm know of their interest. Then the sale would take place at the February membership meeting. All potential purchasers would have to be in attendance. The club will make arrangements for an FFL to transfer the rifles if necessary; however, the transfer costs would be paid by the buyer.

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 10 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.

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 Rifle Team** - Indoor Range - Sunday at 5:00 pm
- **CSC Trap Leagues** - OFF
- **Open Trap Shooting** - Trap Range - Sunday Off till March; Wednesday Evening - Off till April
- **USC Rifle Team** - Indoor Range - Approx. 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm till March. See schedule on Page 5.

USC Rifle Team Using Indoor Range Again

The Upper St. Clair High School (USC) rifle team is once again 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 eighth year we will be hosting them at the Club. Through the last seven shooting seasons, there have been no major complaints from the membership about 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 was e-mailed to all Club members on November 22. It is posted below (for January through the end of their season) and a copy is posted in the Club House 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.

USC Rifle Team Schedule at the Club

Monday, January 3; Tuesday, January 4; Wednesday, January 5; Friday, January 7; Monday, January 10; Tuesday, January 11; Wednesday, January 12; Thursday, January 13; Friday, January 14; Monday, January 17; Wednesday, January 19; Thursday, January 20; Friday, January 21; Monday, January 24; Wednesday, January 26, Friday, January 28; Monday, January 31; Wednesday, February 2; Friday, February 4; Monday, February 7; Wednesday, February 9, Friday, February 11; Monday, February 14; Tuesday, February 15; Wednesday, February 16; Thursday, February 17; Friday, February 18; Monday, February 21; Tuesday, February 22; Wednesday, February 23; Thursday, February 24; Friday, February 25; Monday, February 28; Tuesday, March 1; Wednesday, March 2; Thursday, March 3; and Friday, March 4.

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, pruning, cutting grass, and general clean-up.

• November Work Party

There were eight club members who attended the work party on November 20, 2021. They were:

• **Chuck Heisler** • **Jim Johnson** • **Scott Karman**
• **Jim Lawrence** • **Rob Low** • **Jeff Mihoces** • **Tom Plappert** • **EJ Revitsky**

They installed a new electrical enclosure on the outdoor pistol range and did groundskeeping.

• 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 15. Naturally this work party will be for indoor repairs/maintenance, as 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.

Used Refrigerator Needed for Trap House

The Trap House is in need of a used refrigerator; the one that they have failed a few weeks ago. If anyone bought a new refrigerator recently and would like to donate their used one to the Club, please contact Stew Beck at stewbeck6@msn.com and he will make arrangements to get it.

All Ranges Are Open and Operational

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



SELL IT FAST
IN THE CLASSIFIEDS!
YOUR CLASSIFIED AD COULD BE
HERE IN THE NEXT ISSUE!!!
Simply e-mail it to parknews@comcast.net -
Before February 20!

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

Officers and Directors - 2021

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