

Carrick Sportsmen's Club News

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May - June 2023

May Meetings Membership - May 2 - 8 p.m. Directors - May 16 - 7 p.m. Work Party - May 20 - 9 a.m.

June Meetings

Membership - June 6 - 8 p.m. Directors - June 20 - 7 p.m. Work Party - June 17 - 9 a.m.

July Meetings

Membership - July 11 - 8 p.m. Directors - July 18 - 7 p.m. Work Party - July 15 - 9 a.m.

Lottery Calendars

The new Lottery Calendars (for July - October) are available for pick up. They sell for \$10 each and are packaged in lots of 5 and 10. Because this is **THE Major Fundraiser** for the Club, members are urged to sell as many of these as they can. We sell these Lottery Calendars twice a year to help maintain the Club and keep our dues at a minimum level. The Directors ask that everyone

help us help you by selling (or buying) 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. You can pick them up at the Club at Membership meetings, Director's meetings, or when the Club is holding a scheduled activity like the Monday

night pistol shoot or the trap shoots on Wednesdays evenings and Sunday afternoons. **Stubs <u>MUST</u> be turned in before July 1**. Please note that winning calendar payments are not retroactive. **Prize eligibility begins on the date the stubs are turned in**. To be valid, tickets must be either turned in at the Club or the sale must be verified by e-mail (see below) or phone call (to the Club message line at 724-348-7941) by June 30. If you have sold tickets but can't return 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. (All of the Director's e-mails are listed at the end of this newsletter.) Either message will trigger eligibility on the sold tickets.

A big "Thank You" goes to Roni Plappert for organizing and overseeing the break down and packaging of the July Calendar tickets and the Thursday Night Pistol Team for getting the packages prepared and organized. The work was performed on Thursday, March 30, with the following members participating: **Reno Baum, Joe DeFazio, Jim Johnson, Denny Nill, and Tom Plappert.** (If we missed anyone who was also there, we apologize for missing their name.)

The Directors thank everyone for helping get the calendars ready for pickup!

Thanks to everyone for selling these tickets !

Volunteers Needed for the Audit Committee

The Club is seeking additional volunteers for the Audit Committee to assist with our annual internal audit process. If you have any experience in accounting, we are asking that you consider joining the Audit Committee. Volunteers for the committee do not have to be members of the club. Once a year the committee preforms an audit on the club's finances and procedures, and then prepares a report for the Board of Directors. If you would be interested in serving and assisting the club in this endeavor, please contact Deny Nill at <u>denisrn@verizon.net</u> or Roni Plappert 18@verizon.net

Work Party Help Needed

The next work party will be held on Saturday, May 20. The Directors are asking everyone who can to come out and help. We are still installing new baffles in the indoor range and working on the roofing soffit and fascia in preparation of having a new roof installed on the main club house. In addition, there are tons of landscaping maintenance that needs to be attended to. So, if you can help at all for any amount of time, please come out and give us a hand. Lunch is provided and any time you can volunteer is greatly appreciated!

Boy Scouts Were at the Club!

The Scouts of Troop 238 were on the Club grounds for a weekend merit badge quest and camp out on April 21 and 22. The outing was only a two-day affair as the scouts arrived about 7:00 pm on Friday, April 21 and left about 6:00 pm on Saturday, April 22. They had 8 scouts and 4 assistants that shot rifles and shotguns on Saturday. Out of that eight, two Shotgun Merit Badges and One obtained his Rifle Merit badge with two more scouts getting partial Rifle Merit Badge accomplishments.

As Usual All Ranges Were Closed While the Scouts Were On the Property!

Kim Stolfer, FOAC Founder, Passes Away It is with deep sorrow that we

must announce the death of Kim

Stolfer, founder and President

Emeritus of FOAC (Firearms Owners Against Crime). Kim

was the most ardent defender of

the 2nd Amendment in Penn-

sylvania for over 30 years. He

wrote several key pieces of legislation that keep law-abiding

Pennsylvanian's safe today. He

was a patriot, a champion, and a mentor to everyone in the 2nd

Amendment community for de-



Kim Stolfer

Kim, age 68, of South Fayette passed away on Saturday, April 15, 2023 at home surrounded by his family after a hard-fought battle with cancer.

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Born November 7, 1954 in Pittsburgh, Kim was a 1972 graduate of Carlynton High School in Carnegie. At the young

age of 19 Kim became a Marine and served in VietNam as a crew chief on CH-47 Chinook helicopters. Kim was the crew chief of the last American helicopter to leave Vietnam when his CH-47 evacuated those left behind as Saigon fell in South Vietnam.

Kim regularly participated in recreational and competition shooting including IPSC practical pistol, rifle, and shotgun. He co-founded Shooters Active in Firearms Education (S.A.F.E.) and became active throughout the Southwest Pennsylvania teaching NRA-certified firearms safety and concealed carry classes through various sportsman's clubs and police departments. From there he was a founding member of both the Greater Pittsburgh Trap & Skeet Club and the Allegheny County Sportsmen's League (ACSL) club's legislative affairs branch, which got him involved in leadership positions in the Allegheny County Sportsmen's League (ACSL) and the Pennsylvania Sportsmen's Association (PSA). All of these efforts evolved into him founding the Firearms Owners Against Crime (FOAC-ILLEA).

His funeral was handled by Thomas-Little Funeral Service, Inc. and Crematory in Imperial. A service to honor and remember Kim's life was held at on Thursday, April 20, at the funeral home.

July Meeting Rescheduled

Because of the 4th of July holiday, the Membership meeting for July has been rescheduled from Tuesday, July 4 to Tuesday, July 11

Renew Your "License to Carry" Event in June at South Park

The Allegheny County Sheriff's Department is holding several Firearms License to Carry satellite events this summer. You will be able to renew your carry permit locally in Jefferson Hills (in April), South Park (in June), or Glassport (in July).

The Jefferson Hills event took place on Saturday, April 15 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at 950 Old Clairton Road; the South Park event will take place on Saturday, June 3, at the South Park Community Center at

2575 Brownsville Road from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.: and the Glassport event will take place on Saturday, July 15 at 544 Monongahela Avenue in Glassport from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

This is a renewal event and not for new applications. It usually takes under an hour from start to finish and you walk away with your renewed carry permit. In addition to the three local locations, the County Sheriff's office will be doing these once a month, through the summer For information on the remainder of the renewal afternoons, please see their web site at https://sheriffalleghenycounty.com/firearms/

Google Calendar on the Website

The Club's Google Calendar on our website, <u>http://carricksportsmen.org/</u>, has been updated for this spring . The calendar is available under the Events tab. As events come up, or as range closures need to be added or changed, the calendar will be updated.

NRA Classes

The Club is working on a schedule of classes for this year. As soon as the schedule is set, we will announce it in the Newsletter and/or via e-mail. We are trying to hold a few Basic Pistol courses and follow-up with a Personal Protection Inside the Home course and a Personal Protection Outside the Home course afterwards. It all depends on the availability of our instructors,

Information, costs, scheduling, and qualifications for the NRA Classes held at the Club will be disseminated once a schedule has been established.

Recreational Pistol League

The Monday Night Pistol League has finished its season and is now shooting metal silhouettes on the indoor range. The number of shooters has leveled off at about 8 - 10 each evening.

The cost to shoot the silhouettes is \$2 per line with the winner of the line getting his money back. The course of fire is 10 shots at each of 3 separate metal targets (chickens, groundhogs, and pigs) for a total of 30 shots per line. Each 10-shot round of shooting is timed at 1 minute.

You will need your favorite .22 firearm, 30 rounds of ammunition per line (with a velocity no more than 1200 fps), and eye and ear protection.

There is normally no need to sign up for this Monday Night Silhouette Shoot; just come to the Club about 7:15 p.m. and club check in. Because of the cost and availability of ammunition, there have not been many shooters participating in this shoot.

Bowling Pin Shoot

The Monday Night Bowling Pin shoot is up in the air.

If you are interested in shooting the Monday Night Bowling Pin shoot, please contact Steve Perry - <u>sdperry48@hotmail.</u> <u>com</u>

Membership

As of the April Directors meeting, the Club had 307 senior members, 8 junior members, and 25 associate members for a total of 340 members.

New Members

March - There were 3 new members join the Club in March. They were: **Robert Kent, Donald Murphy, and Jason Papinchak.**

April - There were no new members join the club in April.

Metro Police Revolver League (MPRL)

The team is wrappping up their indoor season and will be moving to the outdoor range as weather permits. As of match 11 they are in 3rd place out of 7 teams in .22 caliber and 3rd out of 6 teams in center fire.

They shoot on Thursday nights from 6:00 p.m. to about 10:00 p.m. and will begin practicing for their Summer outdoor competition which begins soon.

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 will not penalize 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.

If you decide to join the league there is a minimal fee to join the league.

For more information on the league, please contact Denny Nill at 412-531-5890 or Jim Johnson at 412-833-3582.

Facebook

Don't forget to check out the Club's Facebook page. We try to keep information on that page as current as possible. You can find it at <u>www.facebook.com/CarrickSportsmensClub/</u>.

Range Rules Have Been Updated The Board has updated our Range Rules, effective 24 April 2023 and they were e-mailed to all club members. Anyone who did not receive a copy via e-mail should contact John Papinchak at j.r.papinchak@gmail.com to request a copy.

They are posted on the ranges and in the range logbooks and will be added to our website.

Work Parties

Work Parties are held on the 3rd Saturday of each month to do maintenance and improvements around the Club. 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.

The next work party is scheduled for May 20 from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm; we will be working on the soffit and fascia on the building in preparation for a new roof, the new baffles have to be finished on the indoor range, and there is lots of grounds keeping work to be done - grass cutting, trimming, clean-up.

Please come out and help maintain the club. Lunch is provided.

March Work Party

There were 9 members who attended the March 18 Work Party. They were **Reno Baum**, **Reno Baum**, **Jr.**, **Joe DeBranski**, **Joe DeFazio**, **Scott Karmen**, **Rob Low**, **Jeff Mihoces**, **and Tom Plappert**, **and Ray Schuerger**. They installed new steel plates on the indoor range, did tractor maintenance, and cleared the fence line.

April Work Party

There were 11 members who attended the April 15 work party. They were **Reno Baum**, **Reno Baum**, **Jr.**, **Steve Boehm**, **Joe DeBranski**, **Joe DeFazio**, **Jim Johnson**, **Scott Karmen**, **Rob Low**, **Jeff Mihoces**, **Tom Plappert**, **and Larry**?. (Sorry to Larry, he did not put his last name on the board!) They continued on the baffle replacement on the indoor range, changed over the equipment (from winter to summer), cleared the fence line, and did grounds-keeping.

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 Sunday shoots started in March and have been able to shoot each Sunday thanks to the reasonably good weather. The Wednesday shoots started in April. Shooters may bring their own ammunition, but shot size may be no larger than 7-1/2. (A larger number denotes a smaller shot size.)

For questions on the Club's open trap shooting, or if you are interested in a trap league for the summer, please contact Joe DeFazio at <u>truck189engine277@gmail.com</u>.

Hunter Safety Course

The Club had a Hunter Safety Class scheduled for March but, because of low sign-ups the Game Commission canceled the class. We will be holding one in August or September. As soon as we have the schedule from the Game Commission, we will let you know.

Member Survey

The Board of Directors has set up a member survey using google forms at <u>https://rb.gy/b2e0f</u>. The Directors ask you to please complete this Club Member Survey. It will greatly help with the Club's planning, programs, and goals. Please take a few moments to complete the survey, Thank you.

Club Renewed NRA Affiliation

The Club has successfully renewed our affiliation with the NRA. After a few months of working at it with several club membership number changes, the club has a new affiliation number and affiliation status.

Junior Rifle Program

The Junior Rifle Program has completed its season. All the rifles have been cleaned and are stored until October when they will start a new program.

If you are interested in joining this program in October, please contact Chris Warden at <u>warden7@me.com</u>.

The Junior Rifle Program is for shooters age 12 to 80 (or older). There are two parts to the Junior Rifle program - an introductory, one-day session which should be held in early October - where participants learn rifle safety and shooting techniques including handling, maintenance, aiming, and shooting. The cost for this portion of the program is tentatively \$50 per shooter and includes use of the rifle, eye and ear protection, and all ammunition. The cost may be adjusted if ammunition prices continue to escalate.

Following the introductory session is the practice portion of the program which runs to the end of March where the participants practice and develop the skills they acquired in the introductory session. They shoot every Wednesday from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

The cost of the practice session is tentatively \$50 per shooter and, like the introductory session, includes use of the rifle, eye and ear protection, and all ammunition. The cost may be adjusted if ammunition prices continue to escalate.

Note - shooters have to complete the introductory session to participate in the practice session.

If you are interested in joining this program in October please contact Chris Warden at <u>warden7@me.com</u>.

Junior Shotgun Program

The Jr. Trap program will begin on Wednesday, June 7 at 6:00 p.m.; they will shoot each Wednesday in June. This program is open to the public for anyone age 12 and up that would like to learn to shoot trap in a controlled, safe environment with experienced instructors. The cost is \$5 per line of 25 birds. The Club will provide use of a shotgun and the eye and ear protection, but the shooters will have to provide their own ammunition (shot no larger than 7-1/2). If you are interested in participating in this program, please check with Chris Warden at warden7@me.com.

Background Checks Are Due Once Again

For instructors and members who are involved with the youth programs, we are required to have a state background check and clearance on file at the club. This can be done on line and as a volunteer, there is no charge to do this.

Click <u>here</u> to read the requirements for the clearances and click <u>here</u> for the forms to submit for your clearances; be sure to check the Volunteer box

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 p.m.
- Junior Trap Program Outdoor Range Wednesdays 7:00 p.m.
- Metropolitan Police Revolver League Indoor Range - Thursday at 6:00 p.m. - Moving Outdoors as soon as weather permits.
- **Open Trap Shooting** Sundays from 1:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.: Wednesday from 7:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.

Election Day Tuesday, May 16 is Primary Election Day. We urge everyone to get out and vote.



Buy CSC Branded Items

The Club has establshed a website where members can go to and buy various Carrick Sportsmen's Club items from Sweatshirts to T-shirts and Cups and Banners. All you have to do is click on the link below and you will be taked to the order form. Details on the items, colors, costs, and shipping are explained on the site. Please check back frequently, as we will be adding items periodically. The Club will gets a percentage of each sale. Click the link to see the

new items!

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Springfield Hellcat 9mm Black Micro Compact Pistol, 6" overall length, never fired.



Includes holster - \$550 - negotiable. Contact Larry at <u>arrigotaxman@verizon.net</u> or 412-926-6181.

Hyperlinks Should Be Active in Newsletter

The links referenced in the newsletter should be active in the PDF of the Newsletter. If you click on them you should be connected directly to the web page referenced or will open an e-mail form already addressed to that e-mail address. If they are not working, please let me know at <u>parknews@comcast.net</u>. Thanks

All Ranges

Are Open and Operational

2023 Membership Dues

Any member who has not renewed their membership by now has been removed from the club membership rolls and their FOB has been deactivated. They no longer have access to Club facilities. After a member has been removed from the club membership rolls they must reapply for membership.



Memorial Day is May 29 - Take time from your holiday activities to reflect on the meaning of the holiday!





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