

Carrick Sportsmen's Club News

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July - August 2023

July Meetings Membership - July 11 - 8 p.m. Directors - July 18 - 7 p.m. Work Party - July 15 - 9 a.m. August Meetings Membership - Aug. 1 - 8 p.m. Directors - Aug. 15 - 7 p.m. Work Party - Aug. 19 - 9 a.m. September Meetings Membership - Sept. 5 - 8 p.m. Directors - Sept. 19 - 7 p.m. Work Party - Sept. 16 - 9 a.m.

Troop 28 Is Coming to the Club!

The Club is hosting a scout outing on the weekend of September 15-17: Troop 28 will be on the club grounds for a weekend merit badge quest and camp out on September 15, 16, and 17. As always, for the safety of everyone involved, all ranges will be closed during this event. All ranges will be closed from 6:00 p.m. Friday, September 15 to noon on Sunday, September 17.

Anyone that would like to come out and assist with this scout outing is asked to please contact Steve Boehm at <u>carricksportsmenclub@gmail.com</u> to volunteer and coordinate times with our

other volunteers. In addition, anyone volunteering to work with the scouts needs to have a volunteer background check done and on file with the club. If you have not already done so and have your paperwork on file, the process does not cost you anything and only takes 10 to 15 minutes on line. When you complete the process you can print out the clearance verification sheet yourself. You will have to bring this clearance sheet with you to the event and turn it in to the Club.

When you send Steve Boehm your e-mail about volunteering, he will send you the link to initiate the process. If you can't come out and assist, but want to help the Scouts in this endeavor, please consider donating a box (50) or more of 22lr ammunition for the kids going for their rifle merit badge or a box (25) of 12ga (preferred) or 20ga shotgun shells (sizes #7-1/2, 8, or 9) for those attempting to garner their shotgun merit badge. That would be a kind and generous thing to do; for many years, no scout has ever had to pay additional fees for the extra 22lr ammunition required to earn their badge and we would like to extend that courtesy to those now attempting to earn their shotgun merit badge as well, if we can.

We are fortunate enough to have an ample supply of 12ga but would like the kids to use 20ga if we can get enough ammunition. Using the 12ga is better than not being able to participate in the shotgun merit badge quest. Donations of ammunition for the scouts are ALWAYS welcome!

All Ranges Are Closed While the Scouts Are On the Property!

Lottery Calendars

The Club's current Lottery Calendars (for July - October) is currently underway. Because this is **THE Major Fundraiser** for the club, members were urged to sell as many of these calendars as they could. The Lottery Calendars are sold twice a year; proceeds from these fundraisers help maintain the Club and keep our dues at a minimum level. A big "Thank You" goes to the Thursday Night Pistol Team for packaging the Calendars and for getting the packages prepared and organized. **We sold a total of 696 calendars.** A substantial increase over the number sold for last summer's lottery. *The Directors thank everyone for selling these tickets!*

Work Party Help Needed

The next work party will be held on Saturday, July 15. The Directors are asking everyone who can to come out and help. We will be working on the roofing soffit and fascia in preparation of having a new roof installed on the main club house. This work has to be done as soon as we can get it done if we are toget the new roof installed before winter. In addition, at this time of year, there is a ton of landscaping maintenance that needs to be done. So, if you can help at all, for any amount of time, please come out and give us a hand.

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.

NRA Classes

Currently the Club NRA classes are on hold. The NRA has modified their courses and we are trying to analyze these changes and ensure that the changes are incorporated into our classes.

Our goal was to hold a few Basic Pistol courses and try to follow-up with a Personal Protection Inside the Home course and a Personal Protection Outside the Home course afterwards. The Club has been working on these classes but for various reasons, a schedule has not been set yet. Preparing and scheduling these classes depends on the availability of instructors and their competency in the new class information.

As soon as it is available, information, costs, scheduling, and qualifications for the NRA Classes at the Club will be disseminated to all members via the newsletter and/or e-mail.

Membership

As of the June Membership meeting, the Club had 315 senior members, 8 junior members, and 26 associate members for a total of 346 members.

New Members

May - There were 4 new members join the Club in May. They were: Sean Biagini, Raylene Gilbert, Anthony Kicielinski, and Thomas Recker.

June - There were 5 new members join the club in June. They were: Brian Ashton, Kevin Jagielski, Ron Paul, Edmund Phillips, and Michael Strum.

Junior Rifle Program

The Junior Rifle Program is off till September.

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 late September - where participants learn rifle safety and shooting techniques including handling, maintenance, acquiring a target, and shooting. The cost for this introductory session of the program is \$50 per shooter and includes use of the rifle, eye and ear protection, and all ammunition. The cost may have to be adjusted depending on ammunition prices.

Following the introductory session, the practice portion of the program will run to the end of March. In this portion of the program participants practice and develop the skills they acquired in the introductory session. They will shoot every Wednesday from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on the indoor range.

The cost of the practice session is \$50 per shooter and, like the introductory session, includes use of the rifle, eye and ear protection, and all ammunition. Again, the cost may have to be adjusted depending on the cost of ammunition.

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

If you are interested in participating in the Junior Rifle program, please contact Chris Warden at <u>warden7@me.com</u>.

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.

Rangemaster Waiting List

The names of members who wish to become rangemasters are on a waiting list; new members who express such a desire are added to the bottom of the list and move up as new rangemasters are approved. As rangemaster openings become available and a Rangemaster Orientation Class is being offered, members on the waiting list are contacted via e-mail or phone in the order in which they appear on the list.

Recently, attempts to contact members fpr the class have been going unacknowledged and there is no way to tell if the particular member is still interested in becoming a rangemaster. In the past, the names on the waiting list have maintained their relative position on the waiting list. However, starting with the next rangemaster class, contacted members who do not respond will have their names moved to the bottom of the waiting list. If there is some reason you can not make the class, and you let us know, your name will not be moved, otherwise you will be put at the bottom of the list. It is just not fair to hold a spot on the list if you are not courteous enough to let us know if you're still interested.

Junior Shotgun Program

The Junior Trap Program shot trap through June and has ended.

Annually, 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 eye and ear protection, but the shooters have to provide their own ammunition (shot no larger than 7-1/2). If you are interested in participating in this program next year, please check with Chris Warden at warden7@me.com.

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 www.facebook.com/CarrickSportsmensClub/.

Recreational Pistol League

The Monday Night Pistol League finished its season in March and is now shooting metal silhouettes on the indoor range. The number of shooters varies from week to week and everyone is welcome to come out for an evening of fun shooting. The course of fire is 10 shots at each set of metal targets (chickens, groundhogs, and pigs - five metal silhouettes on each target) 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 under 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 and give it a try - they sign-in at 7:00 p.m. and start shooting about 7:15 p.m.

Hunter Safety Course

The Club is planning another Hunter Safety Class for the Fall. A date has been submitted to the PA Game Commission. They will integrate our request into their overall fall schedule for hunter safety classes and will post the date on their web site. Registration will be done on their web site. If you can help out at this event, please contact Steve Boehm at CarrickSports-menClub@gmail.com.

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 July 15 from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm; we have lots of grounds keeping work to be done - grass cutting, trimming, clean-up.

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



Hunter Safety Class The Hunter Safety Class has scheduled for the Fall. As soon as the Pa Game Commission sets up its Fall schedule of classes and has it open for registration, we will have a firm date and will notify everyone when it is. Registration for the class is done online but can also be done by contacting Steve Boehm at CarrickSportsmenClub@gmail.com

Sight In Day The Club is considering reviving our "Sight-In Day" where hunters can come and sight in their rifles in preparation for hunting season or just to sight them in. We did this for many years but, participation was falling off, and when the COVID lockdowns hit, we did not hold any at all . We are now looking at reinstituting that practice for this year's hunting season. If you would be interested in attending or helping out at a new "Sight-In Day,"

May Work Party

There were eight members who attended the May 20 work party. They were Steve Boehm, Joe DeBranski, Joe De-Fazio, Scott Karmen, Rob Low, Jeff Mihoces, Tom Plappert, and Ray Schuerger. They finished the new baffle replacement on the indoor range, installed new lights in the equipment trailer, and cleared just about all of fence line, and grounds keeping.

June Work Party

There were ten members who attended the June 17 work party. They were Joe DeBranski, Joe DeFazio, Scott Karmen, Tyler Karman, Jim Lawrence, Rob Low, Jeff Mihoces, Ron Morris, Tom Plappert, and Glenn Woods. They started work on the roof overhang, painted the new indoor range baffle, and grounds keeping.

Work Party Help Needed

The next work party will be held on Saturday, July 15. The Directors are asking everyone who can to come out and help. With the poor attendance of the last couple of work parties there are a lot of items that need 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!

Trap Shooting

The trap ranges are open on Sundays from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and on Wednesdays from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for general trap shooting. All members and the general public are welcome to come up and try 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. 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, please contact Joe DeFazio at truck189engine277@gmail.com.

Metro Police Revolver League (MPRL)

The Club team is currently shooting in their outdoor season; they are in week 8 of their 14-week season. As of match 1 they are 3rd out of 7 teams in .22 and 5th out of 6 teams in center fire. There are times through the season when the team does not have enough shooters for a full team submission and suffer in the standings. They are asking any member who would like to try this competition, to come out and give it a try. You will not hurt the team at all as only the four highest scores are submitted to the league 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.

They shoot outdoors on Thursday nights from 6:00 p.m. to dusk.

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

Scheduled Shoots

- Monday Night Recreational Pistol League Indoor Range - Monday at 7:30 p.m.
- **Open Trap Shooting** Sundays from 1:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.: Wednesday from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
- Metropolitan Police Revolver League Outdoor Range -Thursday at 6:00 p.m.

New Outdoor Pistol Range Hours for Club Members

The Club is going to be having Outdoor Pistol Range Hours for Class A & B members on Wednesdays, July 12 and August 9 from 7:00 p.m. until dusk. *This is an opportunity for Class A & B members to come out and shoot on the outdoor pistol range.*

There will be a Range Master present so that Class A & B members can sign in and shoot on the outdoor range (25 yds or 50 yds). To shoot, each member will need to supply their own firearm, ammunition, targets, ECI's, and eye & ear protection. Also, please remember to have your Club membership card available and visible. These are open range hours,

and not an organized shoot.

Please Note - We are not extending this opportunity to guests, the range will be open to CSC members only. We hope to see some of you on these dates.

CPR and AED Information

We are sharing information that may help you to one day save a life. Please review these free resources on CPR and AED use, as well as Stop the Bleed.

https://www.aedcpr.com/cpr-aed-certification-training/

https://www.stopthebleed.org/

We hope that this will be informative to you, and that you never need to use this information. However, it is better to be informed, educated, and prepared than not.

All Ranges Are Open and Operational

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Winchester Model 70 Featherweight Rifle – 270 Post model with a 3x9 Redfield 5-star scope set in Bell

Post model with a 3x9 Redfield 5-star scope set in Bell and Carlson custom fiber stock. Adjustable Fajen trigger. It's a beauty and I'll include a box or two of ammo.

\$650 OBO Please call Ron at 412-855-9918 S&W Gen 1 Shield 40

Smith and Wesson Gen 1 Shield 40 mm pistol - Used. Approximately 300 rounds have been put through it and is has been very well maintained. Comes with 2 magazines (one 16 round and one 17 round magazines).

\$250.00 IWB Comfort Tuck holster is also available \$25.00 (retail is \$65.00) Please call Ryan at 412-519-3243

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! <u>https://teespring.com/carrick-sportsmen-s-club-colle</u>



Member Survey

The Board of Directors has set up a member survey using google forms at https://rb.gy/b2e0f. 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.

Google Calendar on the Website

The Club's Google Calendar on our website, http://carricksportsmen.org/, has been updated for this summer. 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.

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 for the background check.

Click here to read the requirements for the clearances and click here for the forms to submit for your clearances; be sure to check the "Volunteer" box.

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 Wayne Perry know at parknews@comcast.net. Thanks

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.

Officers and Directors - 2023

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