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Dates to Remember

Every Wednesday night in December is Indoor .22 from 7:00 to 10:00pm

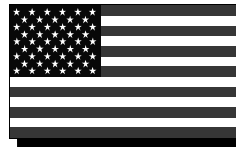
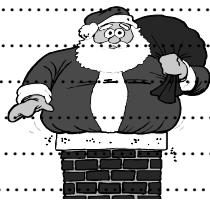
Small Bore League from 6:00 - 10:00pm on December 9th & 16th

December 31st - Your 2010 membership expires!!! Mail your renewal form and payment today!!! DO NOT DELAY

Volunteers are needed to help with the Trout Breakfast in April.

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The Club's Directors extend their wishes to each member and their families for a peaceful and joyous holiday season, along with a healthy and prosperous New Year.

There will be no general membership meeting for the month of December.

Director's meeting Tuesday, December 21st, 7:30pm in the Fisherman's Cabin

FYI

Enclosed again as an insert with this month's newsletter is your **2011 membership renewal** form. This will be the last one sent, but you can access the Club's website to print one, if need be.

- ◆ **All memberships expire on December 31, 2010.** Your completed membership renewal form, along with your check or money order in the amount of \$125.00, plus any donation to the fish fund, **MUST BE PAID or POST- MARKED by DECEMBER 31, 2010. ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS!**
- ◆ Due to space limitations, the 2011 Youth Pheasant Hunt application and 2010- 2011 Small Bore League schedule will appear as an insert (front / back) in this newsletter.

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Member's Dependents

Any member who has a dependent son or daughter wishing to join the Club must come to the December Director's meeting on December 21st at 7:30pm or the January general meeting on the 19th at 7:30pm.

The dependent must be accompanied by a parent, have proper I.D and proof of age, a school completion document, along with a check in the amount of \$125.00 check, made payable to Souderton-Harleysville Game, Fish & Forestry Association.

A dependent son or daughter is defined as someone who is out of school, or the military, and no longer living at home and was no longer dependent on their parent's support in 2010.

Trout Breakfast

As is our annual custom, a Fisherman's Breakfast will be served on Saturdays and Sundays, 6:00 am to noon, on the first two weekends of trout season. (April 2nd, 3rd, 9th & 10th).

We're beginning plans for the breakfasts. Volunteers of past breakfasts should be expecting a phone call. Anyone else wishing to volunteer, please contact **Louise McMurtrie** at (570) 689- 7868 or cell (215) 813 3919 .

Fishing

Charlie Guent

The fall stocking took place the end of October / early November with 700 13- 14 inch rainbow trout. We're also raising 3,000 in our tanks for spring fishing. We'll release another 600 for ice fishing the first week of January. You may fish with or without ice. The ice must be four (4) inches thick to safely walk on.

Friendly reminder: Don't forget to purchase your 2011 fishing license and trout stamp before January 1st.



2011 Opening Day of Trout

March 31st - we will stock 4,100 13- 14 inch (2,600 + 1,500 from our tank).

April 8th - we will stock 3,500 13- 14 inch (2,000 + 1,500 from our tank)

April 15th - we will stock 500 in the kid's pond, pickerel pond and catch and release pond for **Kid's Day** (April 16th), along with 5- 15 to 16 inch and 5- 16 to 17 inch.

April 22nd - we will stock 500 13- 14 inch.

A total of 8,600 trout will be stocked!!!

New Member Lottery

The new member lottery will take place on February 6th in the Fisherman's cabin. Stay tuned to the Club's website for more information.

If you are selected you must pay the initiation fee of \$200 and the annual dues of \$125 the day of the lottery. Cash, check or money orders will be accepted. You must also have proper ID.

Archery

Fran Devlin

I would like to thank all the members that came out to help this past 3D season. With your help the Club had a very successful 3D archery season. I would also like to thank everyone for the great turnout at our Disabled Veteran Benefit Shoot. Despite bad weather we were still able to send disabled war veteran **James Wilson** on an all expenses paid Trophy Whitetail Hunt in Nebraska. I'll keep you all posted on his hunt's outcome. Thanks to **Bob Fertch** and **Brush Busters Outfitters** for providing the hunt. We will be holding a meeting on February 15th at the Club at 7:00p. We'll set next year's schedule and we have some good ideas going around on getting some advertising out and making our shoots even better. The early archery season will be over by the time you read this. I hope all had a great season. If not, good luck in the rifle season. Any members wishing to help out with archery please contact me (215) 234- 0245. Thanks Again.

If you walk your dog on Club grounds, it is your responsibility to pick up after the dog.



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Trap Committee

Mel Nice

We have completed the three shoots of the fall and winter trap shooting series. The attendance has been down, however, anyone interested in shooting this series may still enter or come out and shoot practice rounds. Schedules can be obtained on the Club's website or at either cabin. The annual Trap Committee meeting will be held on February 16, 2011 at 7:30p in the Fisherman's cabin. I encourage anyone interested in trap shooting to attend this meeting.

The summer series ended September 10th with a class shoot-off. Due to space limitation in this newsletter, the results of the summer series, including the high gun and shoot-off winners can be found on the Club's website at <http://www.shgffa.com>

Also, the 2010- 2011 fall and winter trapshooting series schedule (December 5th and 19th, January 9th and 23rd, February 6th and 20th, with the fun shoot on March 6th) and details can be found on the Club's website as well.

For more information or questions, please call **Mel Nice** at (215) 723- 9179.



Game

Kevin O'Driscoll

The Game Committee will host a youth pheasant hunt February 12, 2011. This hunt is for members age 12- 17 who have completed a Hunter/ Trapper Education course. Youth hunters must be accompanied by a parent / guardian during the hunt. Interested members must fill out the enclosed application and mail it by January 10th. Applicants will be contacted with details. Volunteers are needed to make this event a success and are asked to attend an organizational meeting on January 23rd at 1:00p in the Fisherman's cabin. Clean Christmas trees will be accepted in the rifle range parking lot next to the firewood racks. In addition to PA Game regulations, the following rules apply when hunting on club grounds:

- ◆ No single projectiles while hunting with firearms on club grounds, hunting is limited to shotguns and archery equipment.
- ◆ Hunters must wear a fluorescent orange hat for all hunting on club grounds; this is in addition to any fluorescent orange required by PA game laws.
- ◆ Tree stands may not be left on Club property, and must be carried in and out each day.
- ◆ Hunters using tree stands are required to wear a full- body harness while on Club property.

Please hunt safely and respect safety zones while on Club property.



Pistol

Tom Benjamin

Indoor Pistol began on November 3rd from and runs through March 30, 2011 (every Wednesday night from 7:00- 10:00p) for the Fall / Winter Bulls-eye league (50 foot bulls- eye NRA qualifications format, 22 caliber rim-fire- standard velocity ammo only). Please wear eye and ear protection while on the ranges (this includes both shooters and spectators). You only get one pair of eyes per life time. Mark your calendars for the Outdoor Pistol group meeting on January 9th, 2011. The PSA Shoot out Practice will be held on April 17, 2011. Eye and ear protection must be worn on the pistol range. This rule is for your safety and is non- negotiable. Please police your brass and place it into the containers. Eye, ear protection and an orange hat/ vest must always be worn on the rifle range. Please call **Tom Benjamin** (610) 754- 8590 with any questions.



***** FLY TYING COURSES *****

If anyone is interested in taking a fly tying course beginning in January 2011, please clip out and mail:

Name: _____ Beginner / Novice
Phone: () _____ Check one: Intermediate
Email: _____ Advanced

Send to: SHGFFA, P. O. Box 308, Tylersport, PA 18971 Atten: Greg Brey

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Property

There will not be any seasoned firewood for sale at the Club this winter, however, there will be firewood available for sale next fall. The price will be \$150 per cord picked up. Mark your calendar for next fall and call **Butch King** at (215) 723- 8530.

Orange Hat / Vest Policy

A Florescent orange hat or vest is mandatory on the rifle range and while hunting. Not to supersede Pennsylvania Game Commission laws. Recommended, but not mandatory for all others. All Pennsylvania Game Commission laws apply.

The catch and release pond is closed through February 28th to fishing with tackle except fly rods and flies. No bait.

A bell has been installed between trap #2 and #3. Anyone wishing to shoot trap from the manual trap during fishing season is required to ring the bell ten (10) minutes prior to shooting. Anyone fishing in a drop zone is required to move to a safe zone.



PA Legal Shooting Hours

See the Club's website for the legal shooting hours for December and all of 2011.



January 2011



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Trout Stocking for Ice Fishing will occur the first week of January		<u>A florescent orange hat or vest must be worn on the rifle range at all times.</u>		Mark your calendar for the general membership meetings held every 3rd Tuesday of the month.		1 New Year's Day
2	3	4	5 Indoor .22 7:00 - 10:00pm	6 Small Bore League 6:00 - 10:00pm	7	8
9 Trap Shoot 11:00a - 2:00p	10 Outdoor Pistol Group Meeting on the 9th	11	12 Indoor .22 7:00 - 10:00pm	13 Small Bore League 6:00 - 10:00pm	14 	15
16	17	18 General Membership Meeting 7:30p	19 Indoor .22 7:00 - 10:00pm	20 Small Bore League 6:00 - 10:00pm	21	22
23 Trap Shoot 11:00a - 2:00p	24	25 Director's Meeting 7:30p	26 Indoor .22 7:00 - 10:00pm	27 Small Bore League 6:00 - 10:00pm	28	29 4th - New Moon 12th - 1st Quarter
30 	31	<u>A florescent orange hat or vest must be worn on the rifle range at all times.</u>				19th - Full Moon 26th - Last Quarter