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Dates to Remember

Every Wednesday night in December is Indoor Pistol - 7:00 - 10:00p.

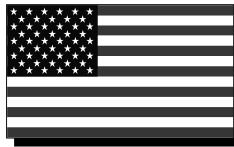
December 31st - Your 2011 membership expires!!! Mail your renewal form and payment today!!! DO NOT DELAY

2012 New Member Lottery

The new member lottery will take place on February 5th 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.

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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 20th, 7:30pm in the Fisherman's Cabin

FYI

Enclosed again as an insert with this month's newsletter is your **2012 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, 2011.** 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, 2011. ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS!**
- ◆ Be sure to check the Club's website for updated information and dates.
- ◆ Updated PA legal shooting hours can be found on the Club's website.

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Fishing

Charlie Guent

We'll stock for ice fishing around 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 2012 fishing license and trout stamp before January 1st. Check the Club's website for more information.



Official 2012 Membership Renewal Form

Enclosed with this newsletter is your 2012 official membership renewal form. As everyone knows, the completed renewal application must be paid or post- marked by December 31, 2011. There are absolutely no exceptions. Complete the form and send it in today!

Rifle

Andy Johnstone

The indoor Small-bore Rifle season will began with the first Small-bore match on January 5th, every Thursday from 7:00pm until 10:00pm. Standard Velocity ammo ONLY.

Basic Rifle instruction will start January 3rd. Juniors & adults can register, (12 years old and up). Application is on the Club's web site or call (215)679-0312 or email shrifleaj@comcast.net.

Please be courteous to other shooters and anyone using the ranges at the club and obey all safety rules, including orange hat, eye and hearing protection. NEVER HANDLE FIREARMS WHILE SOMEONE IS DOWN RANGE!!!

Please check the Club's website for up to date info on range closures, match info, work parties and other news, or contact Andy Johnstone; shrifleaj@comcast.net



Trap

Henry Kuestner

By now our hunter shoots are over. We had bad luck this year with the weather, getting rained out three times. Our winter series is still going strong. You can come out and shoot the series or just come out and shoot practice. The dates are on the web sight.

We will have our yearly committee meeting on February 15th, 2012 at 7:30pm in the Fisherman's cabin. Please come out and voice any opinions you may have. Also don't forget to ring the bell before you use the manual traps, as members may be hunting on the grounds. Thanks Henry



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 20th at 7:30pm or the January general meeting on the 17th 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 2011.

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Pistol

Tom Benjamin

There is a steel plate located at the rear of the Pistol Range for use, not abuse. Please read the note posted on the Pistol Range Bulletin Board located on the door of the Pistol Shed as to its use and proper pistol caliber to be used. If you do not understand the requirements contact Tom Benjamin for clarification. If you misuse the steel plate you can injure yourself or others on the range. Shooting at Static Steel does pose potential risks if not done properly. Don't assume, please ask questions as this is not common knowledge to the average shooter.

Eye and Ear protection is required for all shooters and bystanders. Please remove the target stands from the range once you are done shooting and the range is safe. The other issue on the range is the use / misuse of the wooden target stands. There are 3 pictures on the Pistol Range Bulletin Board located on the door of the Pistol Shed which show the proper use. These target frames are simple to use and setup. If you chose to assemble some other configuration other than the proper use, you will be subject to disciplinary action and / or expulsion from the Club for intention misuse / damaging of club property.

Any other items found on the Club pistol ranges are for the organized shoots and not for general use by club members. Please leave the barrels and steel bases where they are. For some reason they seem to grow legs and end up on the range from time to time.

Is there any interest in holding another Basic Pistol Course in the early part of 2012?

The indoor pistol league starts November 2nd, 2011 and runs until March 28th 2012 (every Wednesday night). The program is 50 foot bulls-eye NRA qualifications. (22 cal Rim-fire Standard Velocity ammo only).



Game

Kevin O'Driscoll

Youth Pheasant Hunt

The Game Committee will host a youth pheasant hunt for the 2011-2012 season on Saturday, February 11th. The hunt will be open to members ages 12-17 who have completed a Hunter/ Trapper Education course. Applications will be available on-line and as an insert in this newsletter. Volunteers are needed to ensure this hunt is a success. There will be an organizational meeting for volunteers on Sunday, January 22nd at 2pm in the Fisherman's cabin.

General Hunting on Club Grounds

Hunters on Club grounds must abide by Pennsylvania Game Commission regulations, in addition to the following regulations:

- ◆ 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 the 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 use a full body harness while on Club property.

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



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

If anyone is interested in taking a fly tying course beginning in January 2012, 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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Receive Your Newsletter via

Email

Do what a growing number of Club members are doing and elect to receive and read the newsletter via email.

Go to the Club's website, under Newsletter and click on the link. Be sure to put "Opt in Newsletter" in the subject line. Do it today!

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

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.



****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.



January 2012



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