

Next Monthly Meeting

April 2nd 2018

Monthly General membership meetings are held on the 1st Monday of the month Start Time Is 7:30pm

PLEASE CALL

If you live a great distance from the club, call prior to leaving home, to verify the ranges are open. (215) 624 9454 8am to 4pm

Club Shooting Hours

8am To 10pm

Weekly Activities

Saturday And Sunday

Skeet And Trap

Winter Hours

9:00am To 2:00pm

Monday (Daytime)

Open Skeet And Trap
9am To 1pm

Monday Night Sr Rifle (Indoors)

7pm To 10pm

Tuesday Night Open Trap

6pm To 10pm

Jr Rifle (Indoors) From

7pm To 8:30pm

Wednesday Night

Open Skeet 6pm To 10pm

Friday Night

Jr Skeet & Trap

DUES ARE \$100:00

DUES not paid by JANUARY 31st 2018 are Delinquent. Your Holmesburg News will not be mailed until your dues are current.

After April 30th there will be a \$10.00 late charge added to your dues each month.

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The President's Column

A Time to Take Action

By President: Kevin Kubacki.

Maybe it was wishful thinking, but I naively thought that when Donald Trump ascended to the presidency and made his first Supreme Court appointment, and while Republicans have control of both houses of congress, that our troubles as gun owners and shooting sportsmen were over. Maybe I just wanted to believe this. Well, that veil along with any false sense of security was soon lifted. I got an email from one of PA's US Senators (you soon know which one) the other day, telling me he is "calling on Congress to have a sustained debate on guns" and how we should "ban military assault weapons ..., limit the magazines" and yadda, yadda - the same tired rhetoric that completely misses how this is NOT a gun issue. I wrote back saying that this is a violence, mental health and social values issue, and that I don't know how you legislate a return to nuclear family/Judeo-Christian values. My guess is you don't, but therein lies the remedy. How else do you establish and maintain a respect for life and liberty? One way you certainly do not do it is by infringing on the absolute rights to keep and bear arms and to self defense.

Outraged by media claims that the NRA, gun owners, manufacturers, retailers, sportsmen and competitors are somehow responsible for the death of children and other innocents, and by their apparent strategy that no matter how fallacious, when such things are repeated often enough, they come to be believed, if not accepted as out and out facts, I realized that this is no time to be complacent, comfortable or anything less than hyper vigilant. So-called reputable news agencies are promulgating the notion that our guns are more important to us than the lives of children - completely exonerating by omission, how a lack of gun law enforcement, ineffective criminal and mental health in-

formation transfer into NICS, and dare I say, disparaging the nuclear family and faith-based morals could in any way enable and aid madmen and terrorists to commit murderous atrocities. And forget the notion that everyone has the human AND legal right to self-defense, to protect themselves and others. That gets no air time!

So now what? What do we do to insure the right to keep and bear arms lives forever unfettered in this country? The NRA says it's "Time to Take Action" and while I agree, maybe it's also time to double down. Start by writing, emailing and calling legislators. The following link is an easy way to get started: <https://www.nraila.org/articles/20180223/tell-your-lawmakers-today-punishing-law-abiding-gun-owners-is-not-the-answer> VOTE! Volunteer your time to the NRA and other pro-gun rights organizations. Let's sell out the FNRA banquet at Cannstatter's on Tuesday, March 27th. Send your contributions to the NRA, NRA-ILA, NRA PVF and FNRA. Vilified as they are by the media and the left, the NRA and some of the other pro-gun organizations are still the best hope of getting the word out. The word is that gun control as proposed by the Left are not the "commonsense" measures they purport them to be, but their antithesis. They are ineffectual in combatting violence/criminal activity and an affront to the rights of free men and women. Taking a page from their playbook, maybe if enough people in this country hear this true word often enough, they'll come to believe it and accept it as fact even if it doesn't come to them from the media - just maybe.

Thanks for Your Time, Consideration and Action. Back to HF&G specific news next month - I hope.



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Club shooting Hours

Saturday, Sunday and Monday from dawn until 11pm. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 5pm to 11pm. The rifle range may be used for pistol or rifle shooting from Tuesday thru Friday from dawn until 3pm, except when noted.

NRA 15th Annual Banquet

Well its that time of the year that the Liberty Bell Chapter Friends of the NRA are having their 15th annual Banquet. to be held on Tuesday March 27th 2018 Doors will open at 5 PM and Dinner will be served at approximately 7 PM. This Banquet will be held at Cannstatter's, 9130 Academy Road Phila., Pa 19114. Live & Silent Auctions, Drawings, Door Prizes, Firearms, Wildlife Art, Men's & Women's Jewelry, Shooting Accessories, NRA Specialty Items Support in this banquet means a lot to the Holmesburg Fish and Game Protective Association Junior Program. Over the past several years, our Junior Program has received a fair amount of money each year, this enables the people that runs the Junior program to buy more rifles. shotguns and ammunition for these guns, to keep the Junior program running. I know quite a few members has attended this banquet and have all had a great time. To anyone who has not attended, you don't know what you are missing. Again the doors open at 5PM, so that you can browse all the items for to be auctioned off. The menu is a choice of Prime Rip, Or Chicken and a cash bar all evening. The cost of the tickets are only \$45.00. For tickets or information you can contact Mike Hamilton at 267-258-6319, or by e-mail at; Hamzey@aol.com Or you can see Mike down at the Club on Tuesday nights with the Juniors or taking Memberships on Sunday morning from 10am to 1pm.

Pennsylvania Game Commission target of audit by Pennsylvania Auditor General

Pennsylvania Auditor General Eugene DePasquale today launched a "performance audit" of the Pennsylvania Game Commission. He described the upcoming audit as "an independent assessment of the commission's revenue and expenditures," but noted that he will "evaluate the commission to ensure its resources are being used to benefit the millions of Pennsylvanians who enjoy hunting, trapping and other outdoor recreational activities." Noting that this will be "the first performance audit of the Game Commission in nearly a decade, DePasquale said the audit will cover July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2017, identifying and analyzing "all sources" of revenue and expenditures, and the acquisition of property by the commission. DePasquale was joined by Rep. David Maloney, R-Berks, who the auditor general said "has been on me tirelessly to do this audit for at least a year and a half." However, he noted, other representatives of both political parties have expressed support for the audit. Rather than the fiscal aspects of the audit addressed by DePasquale, Maloney discussed deer management by the Game Commission, declining numbers of hunting license sales and complaints of revenue lost by businesses due to declining participation in hunting. "If we do not have the product, we will not have the pursuit of it," said Maloney, who noted that the "No. 1 reason for hunting license sales... is to pursue white-tailed deer." Asked in the press conference if his audit will examine deer management by the commission, DePasquale

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Target of audit

said, "We will be looking at the regulations of the Game Commission making sure they comply with the regulations. For example, when we look at something based on science, or that is supposed to be based on science, we don't go in and question the science. We make sure they are following the proper procedure." However, he added, the audit "will touch on those subjects." Later, after a few audience members criticized deer management by the commission, DePasquale was asked if the audit he had just announced could impact game management. He responded, "If there's something wrong there, nobody's going to a stronger advocate for the hunters and the sportsmen of the state than me." I took this artical from the web site

By Marcus Schneck

**22 Indoor Offhand Match
 Scores For 1/21/2018**

Week 3 had a good turnout, .To keep the match interesting we challenged the shooters by changing the indoor bulls eye targets with silhouette targets, Sniper Joe seemed to be in favor of the change with the overall high score. results are listed below

Open Sniper Joe	-----	367
AI S D'arcangelo	-----	359
A2 Bob Stott	-----	340
A3 Chuck Padulese	----	331
A4 John T Jr	-----	330
A5 R Steinbrecher	----	329
A6 Rick Miller	-----	316
A7 M Hladchuk	-----	305
B1 John Kevlock	-----	305
B2 John Sabo	-----	301
B3 B Crossland	-----	291
B4 Pete Cassalia	-----	290
B5 Anthony Pini	-----	285
B6 Ed DiMaio	-----	276
B7 F DalaCruz	-----	255
C1 Geno Rapone	-----	239
C2 Bob Guinup	-----	222
C3 Kevin Kubacki	-----	210
C4 Jim Secrease	-----	197
C5 Jim Poretta	-----	189
C6 Rick Miller	-----	192
C7 Chas	-----	141

By Steve D'Arcangelo

**22 Indoor Offhand Match
 Scores For 1/28/2018**

I'm happy to say the match turn outs have been pretty good.. Once again we changed the course of fire with some new challenging targets. Today it was Albert Rogers bringing the heat with the high overall score, Great shooting Albert. There's always room on the line for more shooters so get your 22 rifle out and come join us! Who knows what next week's target challenge will be? *indicates shot match twice

Open Albert Rogers	---	488
A4 John T Jr	-----	452
A4 Dallas Kane	-----	430
AI S D'arcangelo	-----	429
A6 Rick Miller	-----	429
B7 F DalaCruz	-----	428
A3 Chuck Padulese	----	423
A4 Sniper Joe	-----	417
A5 R Steinbrecher	----	403
A5 Steve Franks	-----	398
B4 Pete Cassalia	----	396
B2 John Sabo	-----	394
A7 M Hladchuk	-----	391
B3 B Crossland	-----	389
B3 John Binkley	-----	380
C1 Geno Rapone	-----	356
C1 Geno Rapone *	-----	356
C1 Tom Scollon	-----	339
C3 Kevin Kubacki	----	318
C3 Patrick Apice	-----	314
C5 Jim Poretta	-----	289
C5 Jim Secrease	-----	287
C7 Chas	-----	229

By Steve D'Arcangelo



Photo sent in by Kevin Kubacki

In or Out? Match coordinator Steve D'Arcangelo and Rich Cook score targets at the wildly popular .22 LR Offhand Indoor shoots that were run in January and part of February. Every shoot had between 20 and 25 shooters participate!

**Tell Your Lawmakers TODAY:
 Punishing Law-Abiding Gun
 Owners is Not the Answer**

Even as the nation was grieving the terrible loss of life in Parkland, Fla., gun control activists were doing what they do best: exploiting tragedy to advance their political agenda. Gun control activists are pushing a message that you are to blame for the criminal violence that took place last week. They're attempting to capitalize on this tragedy to convince members of Congress to vote for their gun control wish list. Proposals to ban the most popular rifles in America, arbitrarily limit magazine capacity, require a waiting period on all firearm sales, and restrict the right of law-abiding young adults to acquire rifles and shotguns have been suggested as "solutions" by those who wish to curtail the rights of law-abiding gun owners. Legislation encompassing these proposals could be voted on in the U.S. Congress in the coming weeks. That's why it's imperative that you contact your U.S. Senators and Congressional Representative today and ask them to oppose all gun control schemes that would only impact law-abiding gun owners.

PA Ridgerunners:

Our second shoot of the year will be tentatively scheduled for April 22nd 2018. Anyone who is interested in participating in the shoot that hasn't shot black powder before, you own a gun or you don't, feel free to stop down and see how it's done. Don't forget to ask any questions you have, and most of the shooters can steer you in the right direction, and won't hesitate to let you take a few shots with their gun if you ask. We usually start around 9 o'clock and wrap up around 2 or 2:30. For more information on these shoots you can give me a call at (267) 968-6564 or see me around the club or give Jim Shomper a call at (215)338-5770.

By Patrick B Clarke

Please Note:

While the PA Ridgerunners shoot is taking place, the rifle range will be closed. As stated above, the shoots normally go from 9 until about 2 or 2:30. Sometimes we wrap up a little earlier, depending on how many shooters we have. If you are planning to come down to the range and shoot, you can call me

March

Sunday March 4th 2018

Cowboy .22Pistol/Rifle Pistol Range
9:30 Start

Wednesday March 7th 2018

Bull Eye Pistol Team Practice
Indoor Range 7pm

Friday March 9th 2018

Bull Eye Pistol Team Practice
Indoor Range 7pm

Sunday March 11th 2018

Center Fire Rifle League 9am Start

Monday March 12th 2018

Firearm Fundamentals Class 6pm Start
Must Register

March 13th & 14th 2018

Dept. Of Navy On The Rifle Range
From 8am To 2pm

Wednesday March 14th 2018

Bull Eye Pistol Team Practice
Indoor Range 7pm

Friday March 16th 2018

Bull Eye Pistol Team Del State
Indoor Range 7pm

Sunday March 18th 2018

Bull Eye Pistol 50 RF & 50 CF NMC
10am Start

Wednesday March 21st 2018

Bull Eye Pistol Team Practice
Indoor Range 7pm

Friday March 23rd 2018

Bull Eye Pistol Team Practice
Indoor Range 7pm

Sunday March 25th 2018

Tactical Pistol #1 10am Start

Sunday March 25th 2018

Pa. Ridgerunner Black Powder Meat Shoot
9am Start To 2:30pm?

Monday March 26th 2018

Firearm Fundamentals Class 6pm Start
Must Register

Wednesday March 28th 2018

Bull Eye Pistol Team Practice
Indoor Range 7pm

April

Sunday April 8th 2018

Center-Fire Rifle League 9am Start

Sunday April 8th 2018

Military Pistol #1 Straight 10am Start

Monday April 19th 2018

Firearm Fundamentals Class 6pm Must
Register

April 10th & 11th 2018

Dept. Of Navynsa On The Rifle Range
8am To 2pm

Sunday April 15th 2018

Bullseye Pistol 90 Rounds Revolver
10am Start

Saturday April 21st 2018

Hunter Trapper Education Class
From 8am To 3pm

Saturday April 21st 2018

.22 Rifle Plinking Shoot 9am Start

Sunday April 22nd 2018

Military Pistol #2 10am Start

Sunday April 22nd 2018

PA Ridgerunners Meat Shoot 9am To 2:30?

Monday April 23rd 2018

Firearm Fundamentals Class 6pm Must
Register

Saturday April 28th 2018

ARA .22 Rifle Match 9am Start

Sunday April 29th 2018

Cowboy cf Pistol/Rifle 9:30 Start
On The Pistol Range

Newsletter Electronically

We have been getting a lot of new members and I have been trying to get to the General membership meeting to let these members know that they can receive this newsletter by e-mail, but unfortunately, I cannot attend all of the General membership meetings. All the new members or current members you can receive the newsletter by e-mail. If you are interested, just send me an e-mail from the e-mail address that you want to receive it to. Send the e-mail to: paridgerunner1@gmail.com

By Patrick B Clarke

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