

Next Monthly Meeting
June 1st 2020

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

6am To 11pm

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 2020 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.

Do NOT send CASH!

Send a check, payable to the club.
Mail To:

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The President's Column

HF&G Amid the COVID-19

Outbreak

By President: Kevin Kubacki.

No General Meeting for HF&G on Monday, May 4th. Sorry, but the Stay at Home Order for the Commonwealth of PA strictly prohibits us gathering together.

When will the outdoor ranges be available again? And the indoor range? The clubhouse, the classroom? When and how will we be able to utilize HF&G? I don't know and I don't think anybody else knows either. Even if Governor Wolf allows the current Stay at Home Order to expire on May 8th (I'll believe it when I see it), the plan to phase in a return to normalcy based on the percentage of COVID-19 cases per 100,000 people for a hotbed like Philadelphia doesn't bode well for us. It all gets explained this way: All 67 Pennsylvania counties are now under a Stay at Home order until May 8 (Friday, May 8 at 12:01 AM. The initial order was set to expire on April 30).

All individuals in counties subject to this policy must STAY AT HOME except for certain essential activities and work to provide life-sustaining business and government services.

On Wednesday 4/22, Governor Wolf made an announcement with plans of reopening the state in a safe manner. Areas with fewer confirmed cases of COVID-19 will be the first to move toward reopening with other regions remaining under current orders until they reach a level of fewer than 50 cases per 100,000 people for a period of 14 days. The administration will roll out a regional plan that allows the reopening of Pennsylvania in stages.

There are three stages in this plan:

PA will utilize a three-phase matrix to determine when counties and/or regions are ready to begin easing some restrictions on work, congregate settings, and social interactions.

Red – The red phase, which currently applies to the whole state, has the sole purpose of minimizing the spread of COVID-19 through strict social distancing, non-life sustaining business and school closures, and building safety protocols.

Yellow – Some restrictions on work and social interaction will ease while others, such as closures of schools, gyms, and other indoor recreation centers, as well as limitations around large gatherings, remain in place. The purpose of this phase is to begin to start back up the economy while keeping a close eye on the public health data to ensure the spread of the disease remains contained to the greatest extent possible.

Green- The green phase eases most restrictions by lifting the stay-at-home and business closure orders to allow the economy to strategically reopen while continuing to prioritize public health. While this phase will facilitate a return to a "new normal," it will be equally important to continue to monitor public health indicators and adjust orders and restrictions as necessary to ensure the spread of the disease remains at a minimum. Go to: <https://www.governor.pa.gov/process-to-reopen-pennsylvania/> and <https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Pages/Coronavirus.aspx> for information straight from the state. That's where I gathered most of the above.

As much as it pains us to have to wait and see, that's exactly what we must do. When we see what PA and Philly do to lift restrictions, only then can we determine what we can do to ease back into shooting and socializing at HF&G. That just may (especially initially) look pretty different from how we did these things in the past.

Scouting Field Day 6/20, Independence Day Picnic 7/4, even our 90th Anniversary, Club Outing/ Open House 9/13 could be affected by the COVID-19 Outbreak. The 2020 FNRA Dinner and Auction is now scheduled for Tuesday July 28th. Keep your fingers crossed and don't lose your tickets!

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Friends Of The NRA 17th

Annual Banquet

To be held on Wednesday July 28th 2020

at Canstatter's Volkfest Verein

9130 Academy Rd. Philadelphia Pa. 19114

Door's open At 5:00pm for Preview & Dinner

served @ 7:00pm

Banquet Tickets \$50.00

Sponsor Tickets \$300.00

Table Events \$1500.00

NRA Sponsor Ticket Includes:

2020 Sponsor buck knife with presentation box, Special Sponsor Hat, Subscription to Traditions Magazine.

"Table Events"

Price \$1500 (includes 10 meal tickets and a gun or 2 guns, you choose). Call Mike for gun choices, A drawing can be held for the Gun at your table between all 10 or the buyer may keep the gun or guns for himself. Must be full table of 10. Limit of 5 tables at this year's banquet. Call Mike at: 267-258-6319

****Deadline for this is July 10th 2020***

******** Cash bar all evening ********

Banquets Tickets (s) \$50.00 each _____

NRA Sponsor Ticket (s) @\$300.00 each _____

Table Event @\$1500.00 each _____

Dinner Choice

Prime Rid _____ Chicken _____

Send Check Or Money Order To

Liberty Bell FNRA

2654 Ash Street

Philadelphia Pa 19137-2146

Make Checks Payable To FNRA

NRA 17th Annual Banquet

Well its that time of the year that the Liberty Bell Chapter Friends of the NRA are having their 17th annual Banquet. to be held on Wednesday July 28th 2020 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 Pro

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Club Shooting Hours
Saturday, Sunday and Monday from 6am 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.

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COVID-19

What can you do while we're closed? Keep watching the PA State site, and the HF&G home page for any changes. We'll post new information as it becomes available. Your club executives and directors have met via internet conferencing while we were prohibited from meeting face to face. We'll do so again if we still can't meet in person. You can also engage in a little online activity while you're waiting for us to open the ranges and our doors. Consider this notice: **NRA Launches Online Safety Courses as Gun Sales Spike Over COVID-19** (<https://onlinetraining.nra.org/>) That's one way to stay active with the shooting sports, even if you can't get out to actually pull the trigger. If you have not paid your dues yet, please be aware that the grace period expired on April 30th. That means if you pay dues in May, you owe \$110. When you mail in your dues, please remember to enclose your completed application for renewal (Available from our home page at www.holmesburgfishandgame.com) and stamped, self-addressed envelope.

When they aren't busy chasing away folks that shouldn't be there, your RSOs, club manager, and some of the directors and executives are doing what they can to answer the phones and mail, and maintain and improve the facility so we're ready to go when we do get the green light to reopen. So stay healthy and look forward to when we can all congregate at the club again.

Late Breaking News: **Limited Outdoor Recreational Activities Reopening May 1** - Gov. Tom Wolf announced a number of businesses related to outdoor recreational activities are to reopen Friday, May 1. Outdoor recreational activities permitted to reopen include, golf courses, marinas, guided fishing trips and private campgrounds. All businesses included in the governor's list must comply with CDC recommendations and follow guidelines of social distancing. You'll notice that neither gun clubs nor shooting ranges are mentioned outdoor recreational activities – we continue watching for any glimmer of hope that we'll be able to reopen, at least partially, soon. Please continue to watch the association web site. We will update it and send out email blasts as soon as there is any change that allows us

to utilize the club again. If you would like to be included in our email blasts, please email your name, address and phone number (so we may also email your newsletter and remove you from the snail-mail list) to webmaster@holmesburgfishandgame.com. Stay well, my friends!

Obituary

On the morning of 4/9/2020 HF&G lost one of its favorite sons. Jerome Azarewicz, better known around the club as Jerry AtoZ, passed quietly at 81 years of age. Jerry was a life member, avid shooter and long-serving director of HF&G. Respected and loved by all, Jerry was a strong advocate for making HF&G a place that everyone could enjoy. He was Phila. Fireman for 40 years and retired as a Captain. He leaves behind his wife Frances, 5 children, 11 grandchildren, 7 great-grandchildren and a very grateful HF&GPA. We are a much better Association for the privilege of having known him. RIP, our very good friend. The entire club wishes to extend our condolences to Frances and the rest of Jerry's family.

Pennsylvania Ridgerunners

With the Covid-19 virus, still around i will wait and see when our club will be allowed to reopen before i decide what i am going to do with the May 31st 2020 shoot. The safety of our shooters and club members is more important than the shoot. I am asking everyone to stay safe and stay at home, when this is over we can get out and enjoy what we were doing before all of this happened.

By Patrick B Clarke



Both photos sent in by Kevin Kubacki

Oh yeah - photos of the shot screen damage, after all the heavy winds we hab in the last several weeks.

Summer Bulls Eye pistol league

To all shooters out there, Holmesburg pistol league runs an outdoor 25 yard pistol match weekly. These events are held each Thursday night June through August. The first match relay begins at 7PM sharp the second match begins approximately 8pm. It is a 2 gun match, both 22 rim fire and center fire caliber of your choice. Each match consist of 3 relays for each pistol, each match consist of 30 rounds, The first relay is 10 rounds in 10 minutes, the second relay is 5 rounds in 20 seconds twice for a total of 10 rounds, the third rely is 5 rounds in 10 seconds twice for a total of 10 rounds. This is for both pistols. It's a fun match and practicing this discipline will certainly improve your shooting skills. Please don't be shy everyone needs to start somewhere and most do not have this skill set without practice. At the end of the season we have a cook out including awards. This is an NRA sanctioned match, upon completing the season you will receive a NRA classification card. Please come out and have a good time and make some new friends PS everyone on the shooting line will be glad to assist and advise with ammo and equipment. Any questions in regards to this message please feel free to contact me at 484-343-4322 Tom Scollon

***Please Note
The New Date For The
Friends Of The NRA
17th Annual Banquet
To be held on Wednesday
July 28th 2020***

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

May

Sunday May 3rd 2020

Tactical Pistol #2 10am Start

Sunday May 3rd 2020

Mini Paima (.22) 100 yds Rifle Range
9:00 am Start

Sunday May 10th 2020

Center-Fire Rifle League 9am Start

Monday May 11th 2020

Firearm Fundamentals Class 6pm
Must Register

May 12th 13th & 14th 2020

PHDPD Training On The Rifle Range
From 8am To 2pm

Saturday May 16th 2020

.22 Rifle Plinking Shoot 9am Start

Sunday May 17th 2020

Bullseye Pistol 50 rnds .22 & 50 rnds cf
On T & R Targets 10am Start

Tuesday May 19th 2020

PHDPD Training On The Rifle Range
From 8am To 2pm

Tuesday May 21st 2020

PHDPD Training On The Rifle Range
From 8am To 2pm

Sunday May 31st 2020

PA Ridgerunners Meat Shoot 9am TO 2:30?

Saturday May 31st 2020

Military Pistol #3 Indoor 9am Start

June

Sunday June 7th 2020

Cowboy .22 Pistol/Rifle 9:30am Start
In The Indoor Range ??

Monday June 8th 2020

Firearm Fundamentals Class

Sunday June 14th 2020

Military Pistol #4 Vintage 10am Start

Sunday June 14th 2020

Center-Fire Rifle League 9am Start
s 6pm Must Register

Saturday June 20th 2020

.22 Rifle Plinking 9am Start

Sunday 21st 2020

Father's Day

Bullseye Pistol 90 rnds All .22 10am Start
Plus Lunch At Noon

Monday June 22nd 2020

Firearm Fundamentals Class 6pm Must
Register

Sunday June 23rd 2019

PA Ridgerunners Meat Shoot 9am TO 2:30?

Important Note to Anglers

Many waters in Pennsylvania are on private property, the listing of waters by the Fish and Boat Commission does not guarantee public access. Always obtain permission to fish on private property.?



Turkey Photos:

By the time you're reading this article, Turkey season will be underway. Anyone who is lucky enough to bag a turkey or anyone who brings a young person out hunting and they're lucky enough to bag a turkey, don't forget to send in the photos so they can be published in the newsletter. Or, if you're lucky enough to get a coyote while you're out turkey hunting send them in as well. If you're taking photos, make sure to get close ups in well-lit areas. You can email them to me at paridgerunner1@gmail.com.



A wee bit of Irish Humor Driving Home Drunk

An Irishman who had a little too much to drink is driving home from the city one night and, of course, his car is weaving violently all over the road. A cop pulls him over. "So," says the cop to the drunk driver, "where have ya been?" "Why I've been to the pub of course," slurs the drunk. "Well," says the cop, "it looks like you've had quite a few to drink this evening". "I did all right," the drunk says with a smile. "Did you know," says the cop, standing straight and folding his arms across his chest, "that a few intersections back, your wife fell out of your car?" "Oh, thank heavens," sighs the drunk. "For a minute there, I thought I'd gone deaf."