We hear a lot of grumbling from time to time and to be honest, I’ve done some of it myself. How many times have you heard it? Some folks don’t like the way this is being done and others don’t like how long it takes to accomplish that. Still others want to know why we aren’t doing the other thing. Then there’s the big one – the one most everybody seems to hate most – there’s a schism in the club.

I know “schism” is a religious term, but boy does it seem to apply at the club. One side against the other, but boy does it seem to apply at the club. One side against the other, there’s us and there’s them. So how do we get past all of that? How do we make it so most folks feel comfortable doing their own thing and everything at HF&G? Well, you vote! You discuss the issues with your friends and with other members.

What are the issues facing the club today and tomorrow? Which candidates come down on what side of which fences? Which can make this a better club for not just for some members, but for all members? Who is best suited to negotiating our agreement with the City? Who will dedicate themselves to doing the job selflessly and correctly? Who can lead us not just into the next two years, but also into the next eighty-two years?

Once you make up your mind which of the candidates fits the bill, there’s something else you have to do. You need to decide how important HF&G is to you. Is it important enough for you to be able find your 2011 Membership card (you can’t vote without it)? If you can’t find it, is it important enough for you to see Carmen for a replacement? Does HF&G mean enough to you so that you’ll take a day out of your hunt to come to the club and vote (there are NO absentee or proxy ballots allowed)?

We would presume to ask you here to vote for me or for the folks I’m endorsing (that wouldn’t be right and the newsletter couldn’t afford all of equal time/space), but I do have the audacity to ask that you please do vote. If you think your one vote doesn’t make a difference, then consider how we were unable to seat a 9th director after a resignation this year, because the next two candidates were tied in the number of votes they had. If just one more of you had voted two years ago, we wouldn’t be running with just eight directors today. Please make sure you make it to the other polls earlier this month too! There are some important races outside of our little HF&G world than have some direct inroads to us and what we do. Let’s cover all our bases. In other news, a member donated the materials, his time and his labor to repair the brickwork around our cannon memorial. The only problem is he did such a fine job replacing the crumbled post, that now the others look worse than ever. We’ll have to take him up on his offer to demo and replace the other three posts, I think. Also, if you find your teeth chattering as you drive into the club these days, it must be because you’re cold or scared, because it won’t be from the potholes jarring your teeth. As of my writing this, our parking lot and driveway have finally been repaired. Other than that, we’re in pretty good shape, for the shape that we’re in. We have only a couple of projects still wrapping up this year, including a renovation of the Trap Desk area in the front of the clubhouse. Then it will be time to start compiling a new list of things to do for 2012. Think about what other improvements you’d like to see around the club and either email them to us at: webmaster@holmesburgfishandgame.com or get them to a club officer to set in motion at a directors meeting. I think that’s about it for this month’s column. Let’s see, did I forget anything? Oh yes! Please remember to come out and VOTE!
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**Nominees**  
This is a list of the nominees that were nominated at the October General Membership Meeting:

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Tommy Johnson  
**Alternate**  
Joe Siegle  
**Alternate**  
Bob Hardcastle

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**Missed Newsletters**

Over the past several weeks I have received calls from a few members who have not received their paper. Some of these have not received it for several months. Unfortunately, there was a miscommunication that caused some names to not make it to the mailing list. This has since been resolved. A few of the members have informed me that they haven’t received the newsletter the previous month. When I went into the mailing list their proper name and address was in the mailing list. When I contacted the printing company that does the paper and also the Post Office, they could not give me an answer. If anyone has not received their paper for a few months, feel free to contact me at my email address paridgerunner@comast.net or call me on my cell phone (267) 968-6564.

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The Warren Frankenberger Oktoberfest Open 12 & 28 Gauge was held at the club on Sunday October 23rd. Warren who is a long time club member has been shooting skeet at the club for over 25 years. Since our club shoots started he has helped out pulling targets and shot unless he was shooting at a tournament held at another gun club. He has in the past ranked numerous times in the top 5 in the world for NSSA registered targets shot in a single season. I have shot with Warren on many occasions and believe me he likes shooting skeet, he even helped me out with low six. I was a little disappointed though, he didn’t show up in his German Alpine Hat Shorts and Suspenders but then again he did bring the pretzels. The 12 Gauge was shot in the morning with 14 shooters attending, winning the event with his first registered 100 was Ryan Bricker, who had his hat shot upholding a long time skeet tradition. Ryan shot with his father and pals from NJ with Buttons Matthews from Cape May winning RU with a 99. Class winners are as follows AA Tom Johnson 98, A Jay Taylor 92, B Rich Soban 98, C Herb Baker 93 and Zeke Walker D Class with a 94. The 28 Gauge was shot in the afternoon, 10 shooters took to the fields with Tom Johnson winning Gun Champ with a 99, and Jay Taylor RU with a 97. Class winners AA Jaime Loyola 97, A Paul Billings 91, C Zeke Walker 93. A shoot off for D Class was held between Herb Baker and Mikey Zorn shooting on stations 3, 4 and 5 Mikey prevailed to win the title. This shoot wrapped up the 2011 NSSA shooting season and I would like to thank all who participated and helped out throughout the year. Our first shoot for the new skeet year will be The Gordon Kurtz Deep Fryer Turkey Open Sunday November 20th. We finally got a 5 Stand in on Thursday October 13th the rain held up and we got to shoot, top score was Art Vogel shooting 23x235. Our next 5 Stand will be Thursday November 10th weather permitting. To all who read my column a VERY IMPORTANT REMINDER GET OUT AND VOTE ON MONDAY NOVEMBER 21st YOUR VOTE COUNTS!
A Pheasant hunters can expect to see a 40% reduction in stocked Pheasants this year due to damage done to two Pheasant farms from Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee. The good news is that the agency still expects to produce 200,000 Pheasants for the 2012 license year. Carl Roe, Executive Director of the PGC said that the two storms destroyed holding fields at the Loyalsock and Northcentral Game Farms in Lycoming Co. Roughly 40,000 birds either perished in flood waters or escaped when netting and fencing were swept away. Combined with the birds unaffected by the flood and recaptured around the two Lycoming Co. game farms, the agency has reduced pheasant allocations across the state by an equal share ? about 30%. Based on current figures, the minimum number of birds to be stocked this year will be 73,390 pheasants, including 11,510 birds for the junior-only season (Oct. 8-15). Roe stressed that the across the board reduction will not impact the 1,800 pheasants allocated for those clubs sponsoring mentored hunts for juniors on Oct. 8, but the late season (Dec. 26 ? Feb. 4) stocking will be canceled. I communicated with S.E. Regional Director Doug Killough and was told that the Junior Pheasant Hunt (Oct. 8-15) would have a 25% reduction in birds. I expressed my dismay in that PGC decision as the Junior Pheasant hunt is vital to recruiting youth. Certainly we older pheasant hunters could afford to see a few less birds in order for our youth to have a more productive experience. I would urge all of you to contact Carl Roe (croe@state.pa.us) and our S.E. Commissioner, Greg Isabella (southeastcommissioner@aol.com) and urge them to use their influence to grant the full allocation of pheasants to the Junior Pheasant Hunt.

Do small game hunters annoy hunters in tree stands?

As I was hunting in Nockamixon, Bucks County the last day of the early muzzle loading season, which turned out to be the first day of small game hunting. I got in my stand early waiting for the sun to rise. While the sun was rising, the small game hunters were having a ball downing some pheasants. Later, they moved into the woods and I enjoyed watching them working their dogs in search for the pheasants that were hiding in the heavy cover in the woods. I seen quite a few hunters, some fathers with their sons, and some grandfathers with their grandsons. Lunch time rolled around pretty fast, so I decided to head back to the truck for a large coffee and a sandwich. After taking about an hour nap in the truck, I decided it was time to head back and into my stand for the rest of the days hunt. While I was heading back in, I spoke with a couple of archery hunter who were heading out. They informed me that they were pretty annoyed with all of the small game hunters walking in near their stand. After listening to them for a few minutes, I let them know that I enjoyed the small game hunters moving around in the woods. Before lunchtime these small game hunters pushed in a nice buck and a doe well within reach of my muzzleloader. I couldn’t tell how my points the buck had, I really didn’t care because I couldn’t shoot a buck, but I did not have a clean shot at the doe. About an hour later, they pushed in a nice big eight point buck about thirty yards from my stand. About a half an hour later, when I turned to watch a couple of hunters go through heavy brush behind my stand. While I was turned around, a small doe came towards my stand. By the time I turned around, it was coming in under my stand. By the time I made a move it also made a move. And it was faster. I’m not disappointed because this one was a little on the small side. Later in the afternoon another doe was pushed into me, but I couldn’t get a clean shot off. So I enjoy seeing small game hunters moving around the woods.

By Patrick B Clarke

**Newsletter Electronically.**

Due to the fact that we got a lot of new members over the last couple of months, I don’t know if they are aware that they can receive the newsletter electronically. If you choose this way, all you have to do is send me your email address. You can send it to paridgerunner@comcast.net and you will be added to the list. Any other member who is interested can also sign up.

By Patrick B Clarke
**November 2011**

**Sunday 13th 2011**  
Military Rifle League

**Sunday 20th 2011**  
Bullseye Pistol  
90 Rounds .22 Seasonal Targets

**Saturday 24th 2011**  
NRA-100/BR-50

**Sunday 27th 2011**  
Mill Pistol Target Gun (9)  
Start 10am

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**December 2011**

**Sunday 4th 2011**  
Mill Pistol Straight (10)

**Sunday 11th 2011**  
Military Rifle League

**Sunday 18th 2011**  
Bullseye Pistol  
60 Rounds .22 And Luncheon

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Next General membership meetings will be on November 21st 2011

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**Tactical Pistol 3**  
**Match Results for 10/23/2011**

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**By Kevin Kubacki**

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**MILITARY RIFLE LEAGUE**  
**OCTOBER 9TH**

Beautiful October day saw 8 shooters complete, one shooter elected to shoot for practice only. Sabo and Padulese duked it out with Chuck winning by just two Xs. Only two more matches left this year...come on out and shoot. The next match will be Sunday November 13th. The results were:

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