



## Harrisburg Hunters' & Anglers' Association

Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday  
each month 7pm

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[www.HarrisburgHunters.org](http://www.HarrisburgHunters.org)

### CLUB OFFICE

The club office is open during club meetings. Day guest passes, belt buckles, club license plates, pins and targets are available for purchase at those times.

### SHEESLEY LAKE

The lake is open for fishing.  
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## President's Pen

As we roll into spring we are welcoming Academy Sports to the HH&A family as they are now a club sponsor. One of the benefits of this partnership is two weekends a year designated as Club weekends for our members. The Weekend dates for this year are May 17-18th and October 18-19. It will be weekends where members who show their club membership card at check out will receive a special discount. More details to follow as we get them on these weekends.



Also on April 26th at 10am there will be a Patriot Grave Marking Ceremony at the Cemetery of Private John Buck. Just to the east of the block garage. There is a gradual path to the cemetery. This ceremony will be conducted by the Sons of the American Revolution, Harris Ferry Chapter and Daughters of the American Revolution. A Sons of the Revolution Patriot Grave Marker will be placed on the grave at this time. Local media have been invited to document the event. The families of John Buck have also been invited and everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. SAR has applied for and was approved to have a Patriot Burial Marker made by the Pomeroy Foundation. This sign is similar to the Historic Place Markers we see throughout the state. This marker will be set later this year next to the road near the path entrance.

Come out and honor our Patriot who owned ground here at the club and fought in major battles and supplied grain and forage from the land our club is on to the Revolutionary War effort.

Thank you and see you at the club!!  
Jerry

April, 2025

### 2025 Club Officers

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#### 2025

### Board of Directors:

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**National Catch and  
Release Day  
is April 12**



*The Early Fish Gets  
Hooked for the Same  
Thing the Early Bird Gets  
Credit for.*

## IN MEMORIAM

Life member C.J. Miller passed away recently.

## CLUB DRAWINGS

At the March general membership meeting, Stephanie McKean's name was drawn to win the \$250 drawing, and John Plouse's name was drawn to win the \$50 drawing. Neither member was present. The 50/50 drawing for \$69.50 was won by Charlie Fogelsonger.

## UPCOMING GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

The next three general membership meetings will be held at 7 p.m. on:

- April 1 - Big Fish Contest Awards (light refreshments will be served)
- May 6 (light refreshments will be served)
- June 3 (light refreshments will be served)

## BB GUN

**BB Gun State Championship being held at HHA:** The entire clubhouse, indoor archery range and indoor pistol range will be closed starting on April 4th at 12:00 pm through April 5th till 8:00 pm. This event will bring over a total of 350 shooters, parents and relatives to HHA. The top 3 teams will qualify to attend the National Championship held in Rogers, Arkansas, Daisy's headquarters, held during the first week of July. Please view HHA's google calendar for any time changes.

**BB Gun Results:** Congrats to the BB Gun shooters!!!!

**Winter Championship** was held over February 22nd/23rd. HHA entered 3 teams (16 shooters). The A team placed 3rd with a total score of 2283-49x. The B team placed 7th with a score of 2198-36x. The C team placed 10th with a score of 2102-26x. A total of 19 teams participated. A total of 104 shooters participated and HHA's shooters ranked from 2nd to 72nd. Not a bad start!!!!!!

**NRA Sectional** was held over March 1st and 2nd. No test is taken for this match. This match is broken down into all teams and shooters, then broken down by ages of individuals on teams and as individuals. BB1 (age 13 to 15), BB2 (age 10 to 12), BB3 (age 8 and 9). Overall the A team placed 3rd, B team placed 7th and C team placed 9th out of 15 teams.

All shooting, Ayden Leed placed 3rd, 377-14x, Abigail Sowers placed 3rd in prone 97-7x, Giovanni Melendrez placed 3rd in standing 91-1x. HHA shooters ranked from 3rd to 69th out of 80 shooters.

BB1 category: HHA A team placed 3rd. Ayden Leed placed 3rd total shooting and 3rd in prone 97-5x. Giovanni Melendrez placed 3rd in standing.

BB2 category: B team placed 1st, 1691-31x and C team placed 3rd, 1615-17x. Abigail Sowers placed 2nd total shooting 365-12x, 1st place in prone 97-7x and 3rd place in sitting 92-3x. Tristan Shirk placed 3rd in prone, 95-4. Martin Birch placed 2nd in kneeling, 92-1. Grant Hess placed 3rd in kneeling, 91-5x

BB3 category: Simon Cooper placed 1st in prone, 93-3x.

Burt "Rusty" Stockton 717-903-0496 [hbgshooters@gmail.com](mailto:hbgshooters@gmail.com)

### Competitive Air Rifle/Smallbore

**Results:** 3P and 4P NRA sectionals held over March 1st and 2nd. 3P: Trevor Shirk placed 15th, score 474-8x, Laine Spahr placed 16th, score 458-1x 4P: Trevor Shirk placed 14th, score 340-10x. Great shooting for only having a few practices of smallbore.

The Competitive Junior Air Rifle & Smallbore Program is for youth ages 12 to 18 and runs throughout most of the year. Each season begins in September, but the youth can join anytime throughout the year. The program includes instruction on safe gun handling, the operation of both air rifles and smallbore rifles, and the fundamentals of Olympic Style three-position shooting. Practices are held from 6:15 to 8:30 p.m. on Mondays, with additional practices when necessary to prepare for competitions. The practices are held in the indoor pistol range. We also offer the opportunity to participate in clinics, leagues, and matches. Most matches are local, while some are out-of-state. For more information, please contact Chris Harr at 717-395-2393 or [chris@hhachamps.org](mailto:chris@hhachamps.org)

## POLICE PISTOL COMBAT (PPC) MATCHES

It's almost that time of year again! HH&A's first PPC match of the 2025 season is coming up on Saturday, April 6th.

Our matches will be held monthly on the first Saturdays, from April through October, at PPC Range #2. Match dates are as follows:

- April 5 (Orientation & Training Day)
- May 3
- June 7
- July 5
- August 2
- September 6
- October 4

We will have 5 Gun Classes to shoot in and will run 5 relays per match date, as long as we have enough shooters. Cost is \$5 per relay.

Shoot as many relays as you like, pending availability of space. A minimum of 50% of fees taken in will be paid back as cash awards to winners using the Lewis Classification System. Each Gun Class will be handled separately for awards.

An end of season award raffle (gift cards and/or shooting accessories) will be drawn in November for those shooting more than 10 relays during the season.

For more details about our matches (e.g., match flyer, safety briefing, course of fire, range commands, how awards are determined, etc.), please go to our web page at:

<https://www.harrisburghunters.org/ppc>.

On match days, the security gate opens and range setup/registration will begin at 8:00 a.m. Safety briefing at 8:50 a.m. Hammer down at 9:00 a.m. We are usually done by noon.

Note: For the months of June-July-August, we plan to hold an 'early bird', sixth relay at 8:15 a.m. prior to the normal schedule beginning at 9:00 a.m. This will allow more flexibility for some shooters and an extra chance to add to your total relay count for the 'end of the season' drawing in November.

We run a cold range. Do not bring loaded guns to the range. Guns must remain unloaded and holstered or cased, except when under the direction of the range officer on the firing line, or when in a safe gun handling area.

Please come and join us for some fun. Bring a shooting friend with you. Our matches are open to the public. Beginners are welcome. It will be nice to see everyone again!

Contact: John Kline, Match Director, 717-514-0404, [jpkline601@gmail.com](mailto:jpkline601@gmail.com).

## CASFY MEETINGS

If you would like to help with Youth Field Day, please come to the monthly Capital Area Sportsmen for Youth (CASFY) meetings in the clubhouse.

The dates for 2025 are:

- Monday, April 7 at 7 p.m.
- Monday, May 5 at 7 p.m.
- Monday, June 2 at 7 p.m.
- Monday, June 9 at 6 p.m.

## HHA'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS

For the most up to date information on events, range usage and closings, please check our website <http://www.harrisburghunters.org/calendar/>. Add this to your calendar on your phone. Many times events could be shortened, cancelled or range usage is necessary for unexpected events.

## BASIC HANDGUN SAFETY COURSE

The course covers SAFETY, function, care and cleaning, sight alignment, trigger control, grip, and other information on how to shoot a handgun safely and accurately.

Classes will meet and be held in the Clubhouse at Harrisburg Hunters and Anglers. The range session will be conducted in the indoor range. Instructors are NRA-Certified.

The course is \$75.00 (payable at the door via cash or check only). The course is open to the public. **NO NEED TO OWN A HANDGUN**. Registration starts at 7:45 a.m. Class runs from 8:00 a.m. until approximately 1:00 p.m.

**ADVANCE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. ABSOLUTELY NO WALK-INS.**

Dates for the 2025 Class schedule are as follows: (These are separate classes. You attend only one class.)

- April 12 Registration opens from March 10 through March 25
- October 11 Registration opens from September 12 through October 4

To register, send an email to [HHABasicPistol@outlook.com](mailto:HHABasicPistol@outlook.com) during the registration period.

"Class sizes are limited and students who fail to attend may find significant delays in their ability to re-enroll."

For more information, call 717-545-6834 and leave a message.

## ATTENTION FISHERMAN

Have you ever wondered how trout stocking was done? Did you think buckets of fish were just dumped at one location in a stream?? Actually, a wooden box with a metal screen in the bottom is filled with fish and walked downstream distributing fish over a quarter to half mile of the stream. Volunteers are needed to stock float boxes with trout, or carry buckets at Stoney Creek here in Dauphin County on April 17th & 28th. If you would like to help, or just curious and want to see how it's done, contact Brian Mountain at 717-574-3254 for more information.

## CLUB DINNER

On Saturday, April 19, an AYCE Spaghetti Dinner will be served from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m., or until sold out. Donation \$14. AYCE applies to spaghetti and sauce only.

## SUMMER PISTOL LEAGUE

The HH&A 2025 Summer Pistol League (Bullseye) starts on April 23rd and runs from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. every Wednesday evening through August 20th at our Outdoor Pistol Range.

We begin with a free practice night (2 relays) on Wednesday, April 16th, so the shooters can get their guns sighted in at 25 yards.

The one-time League Registration fee is \$10 for the 1st gun, and \$5 for a 2nd gun (optional). Match fees are \$1.00 per relay. Includes 3 targets: 1 Slow Fire, 1 Timed Fire, and 1 Rapid Fire.

Four relays are held each evening, weather permitting. Shoot as many as you like. Course of fire is the 30-shot National Match Course. All targets are shot with one hand at 25 yards using turning targets.

Any safe rimfire or centerfire semi-auto pistol or revolver (.32 to 45 caliber) may be used. Both iron sights and red dot optics are allowed. Bring your own stapler, staples, pasters/tape, pencil or pen, and empty chamber indicator (ECI). Ear and eye protection are mandatory. Brass catchers may be used.

All scoring will be done by shooters downrange. Pass scorecards right, score left. Scores will be recorded and averaged for the league by gun class, and cash awards will be given out at the end of the season using Lewis Class.

Note: Two-handed shooting will be allowed, but scores will not be eligible for awards.

The Match Flyer, Course of Fire, Range Commands, Safety Briefing, and other details are on the HH&A website at <https://www.harrisburghunters.org/summerleague>.

Please mark your calendars and plan on joining us for some fun. Our matches are open to the public.

Contact: Bob Hempt, Match Director, [robjankate@aol.com](mailto:robjankate@aol.com).

## STRIKER-FIRE CHALLENGE MATCHES

HH&A will be holding six Striker-Fire Challenge combat pistol matches in 2025. No pre-registration is required. Just show up.

Range set-up and on-site registration starts at 8:00 a.m., match rules and safety briefing at 8:45 a.m., relay 1 at 9:00 a.m.

Five continuous relays will be run at our Police Pistol Combat Range #2 from 9:00 a.m. until around noon. Cost is \$10 per relay. Fifty rounds are required per relay fired (40 for Concealed Carry).

Four Gun Classes will be used:

- Stock (Iron Sights only)
- Open (Optics allowed)
- Stock Concealed Carry (Iron Sights Only, 3.7" barrel max, 2 mags needed per stage)
- Open Concealed Carry (Optics allowed), 3.7" barrel max, 2 mags needed per stage)

Shoot as many relays as you like (pending availability of space) in either or both Gun Classes. Cash awards for each Gun Class will be determined using the Lewis Classification System.

Our Match Flyer, Course of Fire, Range Commands, Safety Briefing, How Awards Are Determined, How Lewis Class Works at Our Matches, Standing Records, and other details are provided on the HH&A web-site at: <https://www.harrisburghunters.org/strikerfire>.

Please mark your calendar and plan on joining us for some fun. Bring a shooting friend with you. Our matches are open to the public.

Match Dates: (last Saturday of the month)

- April 26
- May 31
- June 28
- July 26
- September 27
- October 25

Contact: Gene Cash, Match Director, [gene\\_cash@yahoo.com](mailto:gene_cash@yahoo.com) or 408-568-7665.

## LADIES NIGHT ON THE RANGE - 2025 SCHEDULE

Ladies, this informal session will allow you to shoot at your own pace. Instructors will be available to assist you if you need assistance. The session will run from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Bring your handgun and ammunition.

If you are new to shooting and do not have a handgun, we will provide a .22 LR semi-automatic handgun for you to use. Ammunition will be provided for club-owned guns at a nominal fee.

Pre-registration is required. Absolutely no walk-ins.

Please register with Chris Touw at [ceandersonfl@aol.com](mailto:ceandersonfl@aol.com).

- Sunday, April 27, 2025
- Sunday, September 7, 2025
- Sunday, October 19, 2025



**April 25 - Arbor Day**

The state tree of Pennsylvania is the Eastern Hemlock

*"Other holidays repose upon the past; Arbor Day proposes for the future."*

*—J. Sterling Morton*



## 2025 2 GUN SCHEDULE

2 Gun is a fast paced competition in which the participant is required to safely navigate a course of fire while switching between rifle and pistol in a safe and fun atmosphere. This year we will be running three stages per match. The match fee will be \$20. Set-up will be the Saturday before each shoot, beginning at 2:00 pm. The match fee will be waived for anyone assisting with set-up. If you have one of these Saturdays free, please consider coming out to help. These matches are tough to put on for the small amount of staff that we have.

Schedule:

- April 27
- June 22
- August 31
- October 26

### Gun Classes:

- Open - Optic of choice allowed on pistol, multiple optics allowed on rifle
- Tac Ops - Open sights only on pistol, one optic only allowed on rifle
- Armored - Open rules apply to weapons, must wear a vest with ballistic plates
- PCC - Pistol caliber carbine only, with no optic rules

**Minimum caliber:** 9mm for pistol, .223 for rifle

This is a fun and friendly competition. Scoring is time plus penalties. There are no prizes, and this is not a cumulative match. Point of contact is Jason Svidunovich via text message at 717-395-8374 or via email at hha3gun@gmail.com. Please be aware that phone calls are not preferred, as unknown numbers are not often answered. You may also find us on Facebook at Harrisburg Hunters & Anglers MultiGun.

## ADOPT A RANGE PROGRAM

A group of members have stepped forward and volunteered to adopt a range at your club. The purpose is to have regular eyes and ears on the range to take care of any items needing done to keep our ranges in the best of shape possible. All large projects will be completed with the help of a work party day. We are also looking for anyone willing to assist these individuals.

The ranges and names are as follows:

100-yard rifle range – Randy Stoner - [rstoner7@comcast.net](mailto:rstoner7@comcast.net) – 717-525-0286

25-50-yard rifle range – Randy Stoner - [rstoner7@comcast.net](mailto:rstoner7@comcast.net) – 717-525-0286

Matt Lavelle - [malavelle1@gmail.com](mailto:malavelle1@gmail.com) – 717-433-1720

Archery range outdoor – Barry Peterson - [hhatreasurer@aol.com](mailto:hhatreasurer@aol.com) – 717-439-4980

Black powder range – Fred Rogers - [mrrogers5@verizon.net](mailto:mrrogers5@verizon.net) – 717-602-8697

Bullseye range – Rich Willier - [willubelievehim@comcast.net](mailto:willubelievehim@comcast.net) – 717-884-4878

Indoor archery range/BB gun range –

Barry Peterson - [hhatreasurer@aol.com](mailto:hhatreasurer@aol.com) – 717-439-4980

Rusty Stockton - [rusty@hhachamps.org](mailto:rusty@hhachamps.org) – 717-903-0496

Indoor pistol range – Scott Faust - [scott.faust@comcast.net](mailto:scott.faust@comcast.net) – 717-525-7847

PPC – Kevin Melly - [kem219@gmail.com](mailto:kem219@gmail.com) – 717-503-7051

Steve Touw - [adtr101@aol.com](mailto:adtr101@aol.com) – 717-319-7306

Plinking range – Mark Lightner - [mlightner@comcast.net](mailto:mlightner@comcast.net) – 717-576-4576

Tactical range – John Glatz - [winderpa@comcast.net](mailto:winderpa@comcast.net) – 717-448-2006

Kevin Melly - [kem219@gmail.com](mailto:kem219@gmail.com) – 717-503-7051

**PLEASE REMEMBER HH & A IN YOUR WILL**

## WOODS WALK MATCH

HH&A will be holding a Woods Walk match on Sunday, May 18th at the Black Powder Woods Walk Range.

We allow three Gun Classes:

- Centerfire Handguns with Iron Sights
- Centerfire Handguns with Red Dots
- Rimfire Handguns with Iron Sights or Red Dots

Cost is \$10 per gun (limit 2 – must be in different gun classes). Cash awards will be determined by Gun Class, using the Lewis Classification System.

Fifty rounds of ammo are required for each gun fired. Any safe ammo is allowed.

Park at the Black Powder Clubhouse area. Check-in at the Classroom Trailer at the PPC Range.

Registration and squadding will run from 11:45 a.m. until 12:45 p.m. Mandatory safety and match procedure briefing starts at 12:45 p.m. Squads will proceed to the Woods Walk Range at 1 p.m.

An optional **Long Shot Contest** (starting at 100 yards) will be held after Woods Walk match. Cost is \$1. Winners in .22LR and in Centerfire Gun Classes will take all. Bring extra ammo.

More details (e.g., Match Flyer, Course of Fire, Safety Briefing, How Awards Are Determined, etc.) are available on our webpage at <https://www.harrisburghunters.org/copy-of-ml-winter-league>.

Please come and join us for some fun. Bring a friend, our matches are open to the public. No prior competition experience is required. Beginners are welcome.

Contact: Jim Lambert, Match Director, 717-773-1319, [jlambert4472@gmail.com](mailto:jlambert4472@gmail.com).

## YOUTH FIELD DAY NOTICE

All ranges will be closed all day on Friday, June 13th for setup, and on Saturday, June 14th for Youth Field Day.

## CAPITAL AREA SPORTSMEN FOR YOUTH FIELD DAY

Capital Area Sportsmen for Youth Field Day will be held at HH&A on Saturday, June 14, with registration starting at 7:00 a.m.

## HH&A LEGISLATIVE AND REGULATORY OBSERVATIONS

The new legislative session is underway in Harrisburg. Typical anti-freedom bills that infringe on your 2nd amendment rights are being introduced by democrats. None of these bills have begun to move yet. The NRA Institute for Legislative Action (NRA-ILA) is your best source to follow actions at the federal level as well as state level issues that require immediate action. The websites of the Pennsylvania legislature as well as the NRA-ILA are below.

Pro-freedom bills at the state level include a constitutional right to carry firearms. In the House, HB 454 sponsored by Representative Bernstine has been referred to the House Judiciary Committee. In the senate, Senator Chris Dush is circulating a co-sponsor memo (precursor to a bill) to allow the same freedom. Both Bernstine and Dush are rock-solid 2A supporters. We are fortunate to have them in the General Assembly.

Pennsylvania's legislative website: <https://www.legis.state.pa.us/>

NRA Institute for Legislative Action: <https://www.nraila.org>

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John Kline



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The club is now able to provide advertising in the Newsletter. **This service is open to members only.**

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### BRASS RECYCLING PROGRAM

When at the ranges, please utilize the recycling buckets provided for spent brass, steel and aluminum cases. You can throw them all in the same recycle bucket since we recycle all three types of cases now.

We recycle the brass in two ways: (1) we sort by caliber and sell all brass suitable for reloading to club members at very good prices, and (2) we sell the remainder, along with the steel and aluminum cases, to a salvage company.

All funds made from sales and recycling are used to help fund the club's growing youth programs. Thank you for your continued support.

### T-SHIRTS and HATS

Show support for your club by wearing club T-shirts and hats. They are available for sale at regular membership meetings.

### INDOOR RANGE QUALIFICATION

To schedule for an Indoor Range Qualification and access, contact one of the following:

- John Plouse 717-903-9554
- Alan Bernardi 717-514-2729
- Richard Willier 717-884-4878
- Scott Faust 717-525-7847
- Luis Rodriguez 717-648-5705
- Chuck Acre 717-756-8975
- John Hill 717-503-7936
- James Lambert 717-773-1319
- John Kline 717-514-0404
- Steve Touw 717-319-7306

### JOIN NRA

Join the NRA, or renew your membership, through our web site and get a \$10 discount. Instead of paying \$45, the cost will only be \$35. Click on the **JOIN TODAY NRA** logo on our web page and follow the instructions.

