



**July, 2024**

**Harrisburg Hunters' & Anglers' Association**

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

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**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. **Fishing is for members only!**

**Vice-President's Pen**

It's Summer and the shooting hours are longer. Always be safe and responsible when using Firearms. Here are just some of the basic rules to keep in mind at all times at your club or anywhere that you might be shooting guns or handling firearms.

**1. ALWAYS KEEP THE MUZZLE POINTED IN A SAFE DIRECTION**

This is the most basic safety rule. If everyone handled a firearm so carefully that the muzzle never pointed at something they didn't intend to shoot, there would be virtually no firearms accidents. It's as simple as that, and it's up to all of us.

**2. FIREARMS SHOULD BE UNLOADED WHEN NOT ACTUALLY IN USE**

Firearms should be loaded only when you are in the field or on the target range or shooting area, ready to shoot. When not in use, firearms and ammunition should be secured in a safe place, separate from each other. It is your responsibility to prevent children and unauthorized adults from gaining access to firearms or ammunition.

**3. DON'T RELY ON YOUR GUN'S "SAFETY"**

Treat every gun as though it can fire at any time. The "safety" on any gun is a mechanical device which, like any such device, can become inoperable at the worst possible time.

**4. BE SURE OF YOUR TARGET AND WHAT'S BEYOND IT**

**5. USE CORRECT AMMUNITION**

**6. IF YOUR GUN FAILS TO FIRE WHEN THE TRIGGER IS SQUEEZED, HANDLE WITH CARE!**

**8. BE SURE THE BARREL IS CLEAR OF OBSTRUCTIONS BEFORE SHOOTING**

Alan Bernardi

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**CLUB DRAWINGS**

At the June general membership meeting, Justin Depasqua's name was drawn to win the \$250 drawing, and Wyatt Dunn's name was drawn to win the \$50 drawing. Neither member was present. The 50/50 drawing for \$47 was won by Daryl Barry. He donated a portion of his winnings to the youth programs.

## UPCOMING GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

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

- July 2
- Aug 13 (National Night Out is on Aug 6)
- Sep 3

## POLICE PISTOL COMBAT (PPC) MATCHES

Our next PPC match will be held on Saturday, May 4th. No pre-registration is required. Just show up.

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

- July 6
- August 3
- September 7
- October 5

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.

We've added something new this year. 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.

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.

John Kline, Match Director, 717-514-0404, [jpcline601@gmail.com](mailto:jpcline601@gmail.com).

## KIDS FISHING DERBY

Kids Fishing Derby will be held on Saturday, July 13 from 9:00 a.m. - noon. Registration from 8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. There will be separate categories for kids ages 5-8 and 9-12. Hot dogs, chips and drinks will be served to all. Bring the kids and come out for a great time. For more information, please contact Brian Mountain at 717-574-3254.

## CLUB DINNER

On Saturday, July 27th, a grilled BBQ Chicken Dinner with baked potato, veggie, dessert and drink. Will be served from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m., or until sold out. Donation \$14.

## NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

National Night Out will be held Tuesday, August 6th, from 5-8 p.m. at George Park. It enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. HH&A has been an active participant for many years. We set up a few popups, have several games for the kids to play to win prizes, and give out informational pamphlets to advertise our club and its many programs. We are always looking for a few more volunteers to help out. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Connie Tyson at [roadside1973@gmail.com](mailto:roadside1973@gmail.com) or 717-433-7724.

## SUMMER PISTOL LEAGUE

The HH&A 2024 Summer Pistol League runs from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. every Wednesday evening through August 21st at our Outdoor Pistol Range.

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 five Striker-Fire Challenge combat pistol matches in 2024. 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).

Three Gun Classes will be used: Stock (Iron Sights only), Open (Optics allowed) and Concealed Carry (Iron Sights Only, 3.7" barrel max, 2 mags needed per stage). Shoot as many relays as you like (pending availability of space), and 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 website 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)

- Aug 31
- September 28
- October 26

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

## 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.

## HH&A LEGISLATIVE & REGULATORY OBSERVATIONS

The US Supreme Court recently ruled in favor of the NRA in a landmark first-amendment case. In 2018, the state of New York began to 'black list' the NRA in financial matters, then use the power of the state to coerce banking and financial institutions to do the same. This case demonstrates the extent that those in power will go to attack your rights.

At the state level, the NRA ILA continues pushing back on a hostile state house that has passed a number of anti 2A bills. These bills are coming through the house judiciary committee. This is the price Pennsylvanians are paying since handing over the reign of the lower chamber to progressives. Make sure you vote this November. You can follow all legislative activities in Harrisburg by accessing the legislature's website as well as the NRA's ILA site:

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

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

John Kline, NRA Benefactor Member & HH&A Board Member

"Liberty cannot be preserved without a general knowledge among the people, who have a right ... and a desire to know."

John Adams, 1765

## DAILY GUEST PASSES

Daily guest passes are \$10.00 per day per guest. Limit, two passes per visit. They can be purchased by a HHA member only so be prepared to show your current membership card.

Daily guest passes can be purchased at the club with advance planning; contact the office or at:

- Staudt's Gun Shop, Prince Street, Harrisburg
- Ron Steins Barber Shop, Linglestown
- Hoffman Ford, Parts Dept. Jonestown Road

These businesses sell passes as a courtesy to the club; they do not profit by selling passes. Please be patient if they are busy with customers.

Annual Guest Passes are available from club officers. They are sold to current members only. Annual guest passes are \$80.00 per year and allow a current member to bring a guest as often as that member wishes.



The full Moon in July is called the **Buck Moon** because the antlers of male deer (bucks) are in full-growth mode at this time. July's full Buck Moon will rise on Friday, July 21, reaching peak illumination at 6:17 A.M. Eastern Time. It will be below the horizon at that time, so plan to look towards the southeast after sunset to watch it rise into the sky. Another interesting moon fact: On July 20, 1969, Neil Armstrong became the first person to step foot on the Moon and placed the American flag there. (almanac.com)

## SPRING WOODS WALK - MATCH RESULTS

We held our spring Woods Walk match on Sunday, May 19th at the Black Powder Woods Walk Range. A record-breaking 52 competitors used modern, cartridge handguns to shoot at 10 different steel animal type targets set up in a wooded hunting environment. The weather was great, and a good time was had by all.

Cash awards were determined by Lewis Class for shooters competing in 3 different Gun Classes.

Winners were as follows:

### 1. Centerfire (Iron Sights)

Lewis Class A	Sue Heist	1st
	Zack Russell	2nd (Tie)
	John Plouse	2nd (Tie)
	Fred Rogers	3rd
Lewis Class B	Ron Rife	1st (Tie)
	David Fehr	1st (Tie)
	Jim Miller	2nd
	Mark Baynham	3rd
Lewis Class C	Matt LaVelle	1st
	Dennis D'Agostino	2nd (Tie)
	John Slotterback	2nd (Tie)
	John Lobach	3rd

### 2. Centerfire (Red Dots)

Lewis Class A	Zack Russell	1st
	Tiffany Zehner	2nd
	John Sergi	3rd

### 3. Rimfire (Any Sights)

Lewis Class A	Andy Katzenmoyer	1st - New Record! Hit 50 out of 50!
	Sue Heist	1st (Tie)
	Zev Dunn	2nd (Tie)
	Barry James	2nd (Tie)
	Nik Pagerly	2nd (Tie)
	Jeremy Schach	2nd (Tie)
	Sue Heist	3rd (Tie)
	Adam Limbert	3rd (Tie)
	Cory Fasnacht	3rd (Tie)
Lewis Class B	Rick Walters	1st
	Mark Morrison	2nd
	Keith Betz	3rd

Following the Woods Walk, we held our traditional Long Shot Contest (starting at 100 yards). Twenty-three shooters threw \$1 in the hat to try their luck, and it wound up being a mutually-agreed-upon, 4-way tie between Cory Fasnacht, David Fehr, Sue Heist, and Jim Miller.

Thanks to all who came out to shoot with us, and to everyone who helped setup and run the match.

Our next Woods Walk match will be held on Sunday, October 6, 2024. Please join us if you can.

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



**Carp-e Diem!** According to the Old Farmer's Almanac, the best days to go fishing in July 2024 are July 5-21 during the time between a new Moon and a full Moon.

## MASSAD AYOOB GROUP (MAG) 40/80 CLASSES

You may have noticed that we had 10 days of intensive training on the rules of engagement and the use of defensive firearms going on in the clubhouse recently. Massad Ayoob was here again doing his annual MAG 40 Class on May 2-5 and MAG 80 Class on May 6-10, 2024.

This year, HH&A had two students attending – Sue Heist in MAG 40 and Chuck Acre in MAG 80. Sue and Chuck also served as Range Officers during the range sessions for the class that they were not attending.



*Sue getting signed \$1 from Massad Ayoob for shooting a perfect qualification score.*



*Chuck getting his MAG 80 certificate from Massad Ayoob.*

## CLUB GROUNDS ARCHERY HUNT

There will be an archery hunt this year just like we have done in the past. The drawing for the hunt will take place Wednesday July 10th at 7:00.

For the hunt the club is divided into 4 hunting zones and you will have a zone to yourself for a week of the season. You don't need to be present for the drawing, but if you are and your name gets picked you can select which week and hunting zone you prefer. If you are not present and your name is picked you will be assigned a week and zone after all that are present have selected.

I will allow hunters to have a proxy attend the drawing if the hunter cannot be there. The hunter must tell me in advance who the proxy is. The hunt is open to all current HH&A members (bring your membership card to the drawing) and is an antlered or antlerless hunt, provided you have the proper tags for WMU 5B. There will be a \$10 non-refundable fee to register for the hunt (no fee for Jr. hunters). The fee must be paid before the drawing occurs and can be paid the night of the drawing. Anyone that registers but does not pay the fee will not be included in the drawing.

If you are interested in participating please register in advance by calling or texting Barry Peterson (cell, 717-439-4980).

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### CLUB NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING

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

The cost is \$15 per newsletter and should be business card size.

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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.

