

Next Monthly Meeting
MARCH 21st 2011

Monthly General membership meetings are held the 3rd Monday of the month @ 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

Current Club Schedule

Saturday to Thursday

7am To 11pm

Friday 5pm To 11pm

Weekly Activities

Saturday And Sunday

Open Skeet 9:30am To 3:30pm

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 And Thursday Night

Open Skeet 6pm To 10pm

Friday Night

Jr Skeet & Trap

DUES not paid by April 31st 2010 are Delinquent. Your *Holmesburg News* will not be mailed until your dues are current.

After April 31st 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.

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The President's Column Marching On...

By Kevin Kubacki

Hopefully the groundhog was right and the worst of winter is behind us. For the most part that's helpful when it comes to getting things done around the club, but one thing it will delay is getting the utility poles overhead on the rifle range. The ground is likely to be too wet and soft to be able to get a crane in time soon, have to watch for conditions are the rest of cilities, it s p r i n g a n d time. The complete

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the ups and downs – the backplash needs to go up and the floor needs to go down. On the pistol range we're coordinating with the PPS to get the backstop berm turned over and fronted with new sand. Security cameras have been repaired and will be repositioned. Hopefully, we've seen the last of them being vandalized. The indoor silhouette league got a late start, but they are shooting every other Wednesday now and look for the return of outdoor, metallic silhouette this spring/summer! Now just a couple of words about what you can do to help the club out. This all comes under the heading of doing what's right and stopping what's wrong. The Friends of the NRA Banquet at Cannstatters is on Wed. March 29th. Contact Anna Mae Guille, Joe Gaynor or Mike Hamilton for tickets. Not only is it good food and a great time, but it's a fun way to support the NRA's efforts to support HF&G as a club and also all responsible gun owners everywhere. You should have no doubts about how effective the NRA has been in both those efforts, so please show your

support by coming to the banquet. Two other groups that continue to support us are the Holmesburg Civic Association & the Upper Holmesburg Civic Association. Those of you living in the neighborhoods encompassed by these two fine organizations would do well to join and attend their meetings. Both have links to their web sites on our home page, and again, they support us and what we do, so let's please do all we can to support them. We are all a part of the same community. Now onto stopping what's wrong. Folks we have to stop shooting up the ranges! Recently it's come to my attention that there's been a rash of inappropriate targets on the pistol range – mostly shotgun shells and clays placed atop the wood cladding. We all know it's paper only on the pistol range, but it seems some folks aren't happy unless they damaging something. As I wrote earlier, we're working to get the cameras back up, but until then, anything you can do to stop or report whoever is shooting things up would be a real service to the club. Let's all make every effort to be safe, be nice and have fun shooting at HF&GPA.

Death Notice

Louis A Schoppet a life member of Holmesburg passed away in November 2010. Louis joined the club in 5/18/1959 He loved to shoot rifle pistol trap and archery On behalf of the executive committee of Holmesburg Fish and Game Protective Assn. our thoughts and prayers go out to his friends and family.

Death Notice

Joe DeFazio, a former member of Holmesburg passed away on February 3, 2011. Joe joined the club in 8/5/1990 and dropped out when his health declined. Joe enjoyed shooting black powder and rifle. On behalf of the executive committee of Holmesburg Fish and Game Protective Assn. our thoughts and prayers go out to his friends and family.

Membership Renewal Form

By order of the Board of Directors-

No membership card will be issued without the following...

- (1) A self-addressed stamped envelope with your dues of \$100.00.
- (2) This form must be filled out and returned with your dues
- (3) Complete name (No Nick Names) for insurance purposes.

Last _____ First _____ Middle _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone # (_____) _____ BirthDate ____/____/____

Occupation _____

(circle correct info where appropriate)

Marital Status- Married or Single

NRA member? Yes or No Expiration Date ____/____/____

Type Of Membership _____ Membership No _____

All NRA members must send a copy of your membership card or the label from your NRA magazine showing the expiration date.

Club activities you participate in- (circle)

Rifle Pistol Skeet Trap Archery Fishing Black Powder or All

The club newsletter is available on our web site and in the club house.

Do you want the newsletter mailed to you? (circle) Yes or No

Don't forget club dues are due at the end of March. This is the renewal form that needs to be filled out and mailed in with your dues. As you can see on the bottom, it will give you the option to receive the paper or opt out of receiving it. You can also receive the newsletter via email. If you choose email, all you need to do is give us your email address.

Hunter Education Class

I am pleased to announce that we are again hosting PA Hunter Trapper Education classes at HF&G. The courses will fill quickly and, as in the past, you must register for them at the PA Game Commission web site. (www.pgc.state.pa.us) The courses will be posted soon if they are not there already. In the Spring, Thursday April 7th 6:00pm to 10:00pm And Saturday April 9th 8:00am to 4:00pm and then for the Fall, Thursday September 8th 6:00pm to 10:00pm And Saturday September 10th 8:00am to 4:00pm.

By Kevin Kubacki



The General Membership Meeting Schedule For 2011

March ---- 21st -- 2011

April ---- 18th -- 2011

May ---- 16th -- 2011

June ---- 20th -- 2011

July ---- 18th -- 2011

August ---- 15th -- 2011

September ---- 19th -- 2011

October ---- 17th -- 2011

November ---- 21st -- 2011

December ---- 19th -- 2011

This is a list of all of our General Membership meetings for 2011. Please cut this out and post for easy reference.

Short Irish Jokes

O'Connell was staggering home with a small Paddy in his back pocket when he slipped and fell heavily. Struggling to his feet, he felt something wet running down his leg. "Please, God," he implored, "let it be blood!"

2 On Low 8 by Rich Soban

It's been a few months since I posted an article. There hasn't been much shooting going on due to this lousy winter weather. The first registered Skeet shoot was held at the club Sunday February 20th "The Skelton Cold to The Bone Open". We scheduled a 12 Gauge event hoping the weather would cooperate and to our surprise it wasn't so bad, a little cold and light winds. Turnout was pretty good with 16 shooters showing up, out of the two Skelton boys Mike shot but Harry was a no show. Shooting started around 12:45, a 10 and wrapped a shoot-off was held to determine Gun Champ with Tom Johnson Loyola. Gordon Kurtz must not be allowed out cause this is the

16 shooters showed up for the "The Skelton Cold to The Bone Open".

second shoot-off he forfeited by going home early. Gun Champ was won by Jaime Loyola, AA1 Tom Johnson 97, B1 Rich Soban 95, C1 Herb Baker 96, D1 Greg Gripman 96 and E1 John Kevlock 81. Our next registered shoot will be held on Sunday March 27th "The Ducks Flew South Mallon Doubles Open" a sign up sheet will be in the club house or call me @ 215-421-5577. Any new shooters interested in shooting registered skeet can sign up the day of the shoot and receive their first year membership free to the NSSA. Just a reminder to all shooters last year we added a Runner-up, and added money to Class 1st winners. Other important upcoming dates Thursday Night Skeet and 5 Stand will resume March 10th, 5 Stand will be shot on the second and fourth Thursday of every month.

Sharpshooters begin culling deer at Valley Forge

KING OF PRUSSIA, Pa. (AP) – Sharpshooters have killed more than 200 deer as part of an operation to reduce the deer population in Valley Forge National Historical Park. Pennsylvania Game Commission officials say 225 deer were killed in November, about half the goal for this winter. Park officials are trying to reduce the herd from about 1,250 to under 200 over the next two years. Natural resource manager Kristina Heister tells The Philadelphia Inquirer the burgeoning deer population is endangering the habitats of other species, including ground-nesting birds. Heister says nearly 7,000 pounds of venison have been donated to the needy as a result of the hunt. Critics are trying to halt the deer kills, saying wildlife officials have failed to consider other options, including boosting the coyote population.

Short Irish Jokes

Definition of an Irish husband: A man who hasn't kissed his wife in twenty years, but he'll kill the man who does.

Friends of the NRA Annual Banquet



I have recently been informed that the Friends of the NRA have awarded the HF&G Junior program just about everything I asked for in 2011. This should be about \$9000.00 and represents %100 of what I had requested. Needless to say, I'm thrilled. I should note that our grant allocation has increased in each of the last six years. 2006 - \$3000, 2007 - \$3500, 2008 - \$4500, 2009 - \$6100, 2010 - \$8100, 2011 - approx \$9000.

In 2010 was used chase 5 3 new and loads We also money to price of by 50% prior divi-

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have also reduced the cost of rifle ammo to free, and offered to provide free ammo and instruction to scout troops, the PPS youth mentoring program, PPD explorer program and Navy Sea Cadets program. I don't think it's a stretch to suggest that our youth and instructional programs were highlighted prominently in our pitch for the political support that we courted during the dark days of 2007 - 2008. These programs were used to demonstrate our value to the community. In an effort to bring increased attention to all that we have to offer, I have reached out to the local civic associations and offered introductory instruction to their respective groups. This activity could also be funded with this grant money. Now my sales pitch. I have attended the FNRA dinners every year since 2001, and noticed a steady decline in the number of HF&G members who attended until 2009. In 2009 and again in 2010 I believe we set a ticket sale records for the Philadelphia chapter of FNRA. Thanks again to all who help to make these dinners a continuing success. As the "premier sportsman's club" that we advertise ourselves to be we should have the FNRA event oversold and be turning people away. We're getting there, but still have plenty of available seats. As a members/directors of the ONLY sportsman's club in Philly I

this money to purchase new rifles, shotguns of ammo. use the cut the skeet/trap for the junction. We

am asking that you not only make an effort to attend, but actively talk it up and help sell tickets. How about it? It's \$35 per head, a cheap night out. Talk it up among friends, perhaps buy a table, and make a night of it. I do. It's a good time, trust me. The dinner is on Tuesday 3/29/11 at Cannstatter's 9130 Academy Rd. That's Academy and Frankford Aves. It runs from 5 to 9 / 10 PM. Tickets are \$35, that includes dinner (Chicken or Beef), cash bar. There are bucket raffles, chances, live and silent auctions. Also, parking is off street and free!!! There are various items being offered that should appeal to just about anyone's taste. You can check out this site for a list of what is being offered this year. <http://friendsofnra.org/2011-merchandise.aspx> Also, there's usually additional stuff that's not listed here. For tickets: Anna Mae / 215.338.3114 / fnralibertybell@aol.com Mike Hamilton / 267.258.6319 / hamzey@aol.com Or you can see me. I'm at the club each Tuesday and Friday night from 7 to 9 pm.

Thanks, Joe Gaynor

The Fun Of Ice Fishing

I finally got the opportunity to go up to Potter County to do some ice fishing. Upon arrival, it took the three of us two hours to dig a path to get up to the cabin. The weather was cold, and we had about 14 inches of snow with about 4 inches of ice on top and about another 6 inches of snow on the ice. But when we got to the lake the next day the lake had about 22 inches of ice the fishing was good. We caught some nice trout and some nice yellow perch. I also got a day of ice fishing on Tuscarora Lake in Schuylkill County. I caught a lot of blue gills and hopefully i will get back up to Tuscarora and Beachwood lake within the next couple of weeks i hope the ice will hang around another two or three weeks but we will see

By Patrick B Clarke

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MILITARY RIFLE LEAGUE SNIPER MATCH 2/13/11

Our second specialty match consisted of 6mm or up caliber rifles shooting thirty slow prone shots at silhouette targets. The snow covered ground caused some glare problems on the bottom target, dropping scores a bit, but it was a close match for the top four shooters. Bill Ream used his M1 to win the match by one point over Guinup's M1A. Stone and Hladchuk duked it out with 03A3's with Stone winning by one "X". Sabo had the prettiest gun, a wood laminated pristine M1 from the USMC armory...too bad he could not shoot it. Our two newest shooters, Goron and Chwieroth, with their newly acquired M1s, shot decent scores. DeLaCruz had equipment problems. Ream, Guinup and Goron won some money. And Chas was...just Chas.

Overall Winner

Bill Ream ----- 294 10x

A Class

A1 Bob Guinup ----- 293 11x
A2 Rom Stone ----- 291 11x
A3 Mark Hladchuk -- 291 10x
A4 John Sabo ----- 282 05x
B1 Myron Goron ---- 279 01x
B2 Tom Chwieroth -- 272 02x
B3 Ghas O'Connor -- 138 00x
B4 Frank DeLaCruz - 083 01x

The next match, on March 13th, will begin the shooting for League score. Any iron-sighted military rifle, forty shots—ten each: Offhand, Rapid Sitting, Rapid Prone and Slow Prone. The weather will be warmer next month, so open your safe, find your rifle, reload some ammo and come on out!

By Ron Stone

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March 2011

Sunday 13th 2011

Military Rifle League

Sunday 20th 2011

Bulleseye Pistol

Rim & CF NMCs

Sunday 27th 2011

Mill Pistol Straight (1)

April 2011

Sunday 3rd 2011

Mill Pistol Sideways (2)

Sunday 3rd 2011

ARA Benchrest

Sunday 10th 2011

Military Rifle League

Sunday 17th 2011

Bulleseye Pistol

90 Round Revolver

Saturday 17th 2011

NRA-50/BR-50



Affiliations: National Rifle Assoc., Institute for Legislative Action, ATA, NSSA, United Sportsmen of Penna., Inc. Phila. Federation of Spotsmen's Clubs, Penna. Federation of Black Powder Shooter's Inc. The North-South Skirmish Assoc.

XRING

On Sunday, February 20, we held our 2nd match of the 2011 season. The day was sunny enough but still too cold and windy to be outside so all 22 competitors opted for the warmer confines of our indoor range. The match was 90 rnds of .22 cal. on standard targets. It was a very good turn out, I guess the old cabin was getting to everybody. The match results are below.

Overall Winner

Ron Steinbrecher - 857 28x

A Class

1 Mark Hladchuk -- 849 29x

2 Tom Scollon ---- 830 14x

3 Matt Hladchuk -- 804 12x

4 Ben Blum ----- 789 13x

5 Kevin Kubacki -- 789 11x

6 Joe Tighe ----- 773 07x

7 Bill Ream ----- 771 12x

B Class

1 Frank DelaCruz - 769 11x

2 Bob Stott ----- 754 07x

3 Brian Applegate 753 04x

4 Rich McLaughlin 745 09x

5 Bob Guinnup ---- 741 06x

6 Tom Blum ----- 735 04x

7 D.E. Insanna ---- 734 10x

B Class

1 Brooks Garrison 717 04x

2 Mr C ----- 615 03x

3 Steve Darcangelo 601 03x

4 Mike Insanna --- 589 03x

5 Jerry A To Z --- 565 04x

6 Chuck Padulese - 534 02x

7 John Sabo ----- 502 02x

Our next match will March 20, hopefully it will be outdoors, and we will be shooting 50rnds. .22cal, and 50 rnds. of Cf. I'll see you on the firing line.

By Mark Hladchuk

.22 Indoor Silhouette League

After a late start to the season, we had a decent turn out for our first match of the year (results below). We have two matches scheduled for next month, March 9th and 23rd. Practice starts at 6pm and the match starts at 7. The course of fire is 2 matches per night, 2 targets per match, 20 shots per target. The match cost is \$2 per match and \$1 for the Lucky Shot match. The match can be shot with any sporting or target .22 rifle, any sights. Everyone is invited to join in the fun, Juniors included.

Ryan Heinemann ----- 37

Audrew Blum ----- 36

James A To Z* ----- 24

Shane Siegle* ----- 23

Matt A To Z* ----- 16

Mr C ----- 11

Junior Members*

By Andrew Blum

