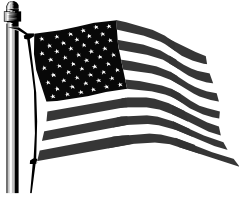


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Monthly Membership Meeting
Third Tuesday of every month 7:30 PM
Clubhouse, 1793 Meadows Road, Hellertown, PA

From the President

We had a good turnout for our Spring Ham Shoot. Congratulations to all of our lucky winners. Mark your calendar for the Sunday before Thanksgiving. Our Fall Turkey shoot is always a good time. We are going to have another silent auction at the fall shoot. So dig out you old unwanted sporting equipment. Bring it to a meeting and donate it to HSA. We'll put it aside for the fall auction. Put your unwanted items to work for your club. Remember all of the proceeds go toward club improvements.

Spring is here. We all know that means the start of a new fishing season, which will be here before we know it. Mark your calendar for May 14th. That's the date of this year's Al Stair Memorial Fishing contest for all of the kids. This is the 10th year of the tournament. It will again be sponsored by the club and be free to all participants. I would like to thank Brock Williams and his crew for their efforts in keeping this event going year after year. Check the web page for more details. HSA is looking for tools. Please if you no longer use or have duplicates

of tools. We are trying to assemble a supply of tools to be used at club work parties. When you have a group of people you can get more done with extra tools. We are looking for a variety of items. Here is a small list: Shovels, rakes, brooms, and other yard tools. Hammers, wrenches, sockets, pliers, screwdrivers, small tools boxes, and other hand tools. If you have any questions about items you have that might be useful to the club give me a call at 610-442-7193. See you at the club!

Jim Bambu

L.V.P.R.L.

I would like to thank the league shooters that gave up their Wednesday night shooting to move the rubber belting to make extra room for parking. The first League general meeting will be Wed. June 8th at 7:30 pm in the HSA club house. The 4th annual league picnic fun shoot will be held Saturday June 11th, the shoot will start at 10:00 am and the family picnic will start after the fun shoot ends. The League is ordering more tee shirts please write the sizes and the amount that you may like so we can place the order.

The NRA 2700 out door match season is in full swing , talk to Wendel Ferris for dates and locations.

Shoot Safe,
Chuck Adams, LVPRL President

ARCHERY

HSA is open Monday mornings for archery practice from 9:30am to 1pm. Any member can come and shoot in our beautiful indoor range. Leagues will continue on Wednesdays and Fridays 6pm. If anyone is interested contact: Lou at 610-393-0073

Geyer's Corner

I am one of those people who pays for all the free stuff Obama gives you.

While looking from the kitchen window the wife exclaimed to her husband "Would you look at this, the people next door don't even know

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Club and Range Closings

All Ranges Closed
Third Tuesday of Month 7:30 pm
During Monthly Membership Meeting

Rifle Range Closed
Every Tuesday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Every Thursday 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm
During Trap Shooting Sessions

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Range Hours and Rules

9:00 AM – 9:00 PM Every Day

Use of Ranges Limited to Members Only

When using any of our outdoor ranges you must have your membership card visible.

Due to insurance requirements and liability issues guests are not permitted to use the facilities except for organized events.

Members who permit guests to use the ranges will immediately lose their membership for a minimum of one year.

Guests may observe but under no circumstance may participate or take an active role in use of the ranges.

USE PAPER TARGETS ONLY

After shooting, please take off all used-targets and pick up your spent brass.

Observe all club/gun safety rules printed on the back of your membership card and also posted at the ranges. You will lose your membership privileges for not obeying the rules.

Calendar of Events

Monthly Membership Meeting
Third Tuesday of every month 7:30 PM

Action Pistol

1st, 4th, & 5th Tuesday - 6:00 PM
Ken Ortbach 908-310-2079

L.V.P.R.L. Bullseye

Wednesdays 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Bill Books 610-417-0161
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Hellertown Archers

Mon. Morning & Evening during Winter
Wed. & Fri. League 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
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Jr. Archers

Mondays 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Don Jenny 610-691-1903

Trap Shooting

Tuesdays 9:00 AM - 12 Noon
Thursdays 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Rich Geyer 610-838-8908

2016 Firearms Training Schedule

NRA Basic Pistol Shooting Course
(One day program)
Saturday, April 9, 2016
Saturday, July 16, 2016
8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

For further information on any of these courses, contact NRA Certified Instructors:

Bill Books at 610-417-0161 or
Bill Lambert at 610-417-5005 ~
wlambert@bellatlantic.net

Concealed Carry Level I
(One and a Half Day program)
Saturdays, March 5 & 12, 2016
Saturdays, June 4 & 18, 2016
Saturday, September 17 &
Sunday, September 25, 2016

Concealed Carry Level II
(Two day program)
Sundays, November 6 & 13, 2016

Introduction to Handgun for Women
(Two Half Days program)

Saturday, May 7 &
Sunday May 15, 2016
Saturdays, July 23 & August 6, 2016

For further information on any of these courses, contact Paul Piscator,
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Geyer cont...

how to wash clothes, stuff on the line is still dirty” This observation and comments went on for several days when she finally said “Well, someone must have told her about her dirty wash” Her husband’s comment. “I just washed the kitchen windows” Nothing is often a good thing to do, and always a clever thing to say. I guess I’ll never hear any news about my several new ideas and inventions...things are quite here...except for catalogs! Well, there was the idea of water-proof litter boxes for catfish.....safety boxes for silverfish....handles for pot-holes...mattress traps for bedbugs....I thought I had a sure fire magnetic minnow for steelheads...but...nothing doing. Maybe sun visors for gas caps may take off...doing business without advertising is like winking at a girl in the dark...You know what your doing, but no one else does.

When using the outdoor pistol range...especially when shooting really close up to the backstop...there are a few deep dents put in there by some idiot shooting the wrong gun/ammo and a ricochet is bound to happen....so be sure to wear glasses especially when doing close-up stuff! Finally got rid of that old vacuum cleaner, all it was good for was collecting dust. Surging gun sales spurred by fears of new gun regulations have caused firearm manufacturers’ stock prices to soar. The share prices for Smith & Wesson and Ruger have both increased more than 900 percent since 2009, outpacing the S&P (which is up 147 percent over the same period) and even Apple (up 800 percent) New York Times. Turtles are effected by the cold too...so I’m thinking of “people neck” sweaters. Hey, I’m still tryin’ A pessimist curses the wind...An optimist waits for a change...The leader adjusts the sails.

Laughing stock: Cattle with a sense of humor.

When do you stop shooting at an knife-armed attacker? Well, I guess the only answer is when you are out of ammo. A determined guy, from a standing start can cover 21 feet in about 2 seconds.....can you draw that fast and hit? Years ago a few of us that were active in the “action shooting,” were told that to be on the SWAT team, you had to be able to hit a “bad guy” holding your buddy as hostage....and their heads were just about touching in this ‘drill’ and get this shot off in under two seconds! Well, trust me, most of us thought that was pretty much out of the question....so, of course we tried it. Now realize we are ‘set’ and know the situation, but from the draw and fire...accurate enough to do the job properly.....a bunch of us were happy to get a shot of in 1.7 and 1.8 seconds. If you care to give it a try just get a target about as wide as a human’s head, put ‘em side by side and give it a try. Might shoot some ‘ears’ off, but hey, they make hearing aids.

SO LONG AS YOU HAVE FOOD IN YOUR MOUTH, YOU HAVE SOLVED ALL QUESTIONS FOR THE TIME BEING.

It is the duty of the patriot to protect his country from the government. Thomas Paine.

This info may be of interest to the “old guys that still shoot wheel guns”..many years ago when they first developed the .357 Mag...the engineers at S&W were concerned that accuracy would be effected by the small ‘jump’ when .38 special ammo was used in the Maggie. As most magnum owners know, .38 spec. ammo is very popular in the Maggie, that is what makes it a most versatile handgun....well, what they found was ‘no problem’ but what they did prove was that by easing up on the mainspring..thus changing the hit on the primer...(nothing else was changed), they actually changed groups. Now a lot of S&W owners have lightened that mainspring to make cocking easier....but according to S&W...it is not a good idea. And every so often some guy will say “My grandfather had a .38 special...well, maybe so, maybe not. JUST because it has .38 S&W on the barrel, a lot of

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Geyer cont ...people think it's a .38 SPECIAL! Not so. And when they developed the .357, they were aware that the more potent .357 ammo was SAME diameter....and it WOULD fit in a .38 Spec. so they made the case about a tenth of an inch longer....so it couldn't be fired in the spec. They did the same thing with the .44 mag....that snappy stuff would fit into .44 specials unless they made the brass longer. I didn't know of any examples personally, but it was rumored that during the Korean war, SOME low down dealers supposedly reamed OUT .38 SPEC cylinders...to sell them as .357's and of course blew 'em up....heard of it..didn't see any.

When I watched the last episode of that on going search for SUSQUACH....I dang near spilled my pablum all over my animal crackers. I got my laughs at that show...not too many funny shows lately...anyway, after all sorts of camera, recorders, lights, at times these people made NO noise...other times they whacked a tree with a baseball bat to duplicate" a noise these ????made. Anyway....I guess I missed the actual 'trapping', but they got this 'thing' in a steel cage....and it's romping aroind, shaking the bars and making antics much like I would compare to some of todays professional wrestlers.....so they watch these antic for awhile....and the entire crew goes to BED! Next day....guess what....the PRISONER is gone!!!

Seems NO ONE bothered to LOCK THE GATE! Ihaven't heard anymore reports, but 'way back I sez" Get a couple lion dogs from out west...in two hours you'll have a two or four legged animal 'treed" I also noted that most of these SUSQUACH animals only had one leg! Well, they almost always took a cast of just one foot!

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HSA Silent Auction

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Bring your items to the Monthly Membership Meeting or contact one of the Board of Directors to arrange for a drop off.

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