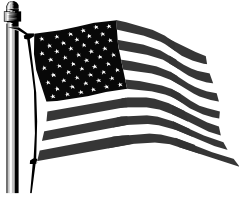


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Monthly Membership Meeting
Third Tuesday of every month 7:30 PM
Clubhouse, 1793 Meadows Road, Hellertown, PA

From the President October 2016

Raffle tickets, raffle tickets! I'm sure you're wondering why it seems like every time you open your newsletter there are more raffle tickets. To put it bluntly, the club needs revenue. Attendance at work parties is down and because of this we are hiring more contractors to accomplish tasks that in the past were done by members. Each year we examine the results of the raffles and find that only a small portion of the members return these tickets. Your club needs your support. The board is asking all members to purchase or sell all of the raffle tickets you receive in the mail. This will allow us to continue to operate the club and perform the required maintenance and improvements needed in the future. As always, additional tickets are available at the club. Remember to bring all of your tickets to the Fall Turkey Shoot on November 20th at noon.

It's that time of the year again. Cool weather, the leaves are starting to turn, and the archers are sitting quietly in their trees every morning and evening hoping for the big buck to stroll down the path. Hopefully we will hear about that nice rack instead of the one that got away.

Deer season will be here before you know it. Don't forget beat the rush.....

sight in your rifle early.

See you at the club
Jim Bambu

L.V.P.R.L

The last night for scores is Wednesday Oct. 19th. Our practice league will begin Wednesday Oct. 26th from 6:00 to 9:00 pm. The 79th annual league banquet will be held Saturday Nov. 5th cocktail hour begins at 5:30 pm with dinner and awards to follow. Please bring door prizes to chance off after dinner to fund our insurance cost for the next shooting season. Our 80th shooting season will start Wednesday, January 4th at 5:00 pm. I would like to thank the league members that have volunteered to help by being range officers. Please consider volunteering to run the range. If you would like to practice being the range office come in during practice league when there are not as many shooters. Shoot Safe,

Chuck Adams, LVPRL President

TRAP....Our trap group still welcomes news shooters, unless the weather is horrific...we'll be there. Thur. 6: to 9. (we have lights) and Tue. 9 to Noon. First 'round' \$5. next ones are \$4. We throw a 'green or off colored bird each squad..you break that one....get a FREE one!

ARCHERY NEWS

The Wednesday Night Archery League ended their year with their Annual Lobster Bake enjoyed by all. With the remaining money in their kitty, the Archers purchased a "Last Chance Archery Bow Press" for the club. It's been installed in the ever growing Archery Closet and anyone who would like to use it please contact Lou. We are still looking for donations of general tools, as Jim would say, "for the good of the club." Come check out the Outdoor Archery Range and see the new bales!!!

Another wonderful club improvement. Although purchased at a great price, improvements such as these are costly, so the club will be selling \$1 chances for a cash prize of \$100 (6 chances for \$5), to help offset the expense of these bales. Please take a chance. Drawing will be at our Fall Turkey Shoot on November 20th.

Geyer's "2 cents"

Recently a farmer In Kansas who had a

[Geyers 2 cents cont. page 3](#)

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 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. Bull's-eye

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
Lou Bove 610-865-5857
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Jr. Archers

Mondays 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM
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Trap Shooting

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

2017 Firearms Training Schedule

NRA Basic Pistol Shooting Course
(One day program)

This course may or may not be available for 2017. We will keep you informed so look for any changes and or dates in the coming newsletters.

Concealed Carry Level I
(One and a Half Day program)
Saturdays, April 15 & 22, 2017
Saturdays, June 24 & July, 1 2017
Sundays, November 5 & 12, 2017

Concealed Carry Level II
(Two day program)
To be scheduled at a later time

Introduction to Handgun for Women
(Two Half Days program)
Saturdays, May 6 & 13 2017
Saturday, Sept 2 &
Sunday Sept 10, 2017

For further information on any of these courses, contact Paul Piscator, S&W Certified Instructor at 610-847-5396 or padona@epix.net

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Geyer cont..... a large pig herd was quoted as reporting he had lost 30,000 piglets in a recent flash flood. A news reporter was sent to investigate this disaster. The farmer said..very clearly and slowly "I SAID I lost 30 SOWS and piglets" Many years ago there was a Penna. Game Commission employee who was known to have a bit of "Dutchified speeh". He was quoted in the Game News as saying "When I furst choioned this state game group, I couldn't even say Norse or Souse. Now I can say bose!"

Tips for Shooting a Gun with Both Eyes Open

BY [SURVIVAL LIFE](#) WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2014

Most of learned that shooting with one eye closed was the proper technique, and we have been doing it that way our whole lives. But have you ever tried shooting with both eyes open? When faced with a life-threatening situation, your shooting skills will be tested and you may need to use skills you've never used before. Keeping both eyes open while shooting can be a great benefit because it allows you to be more aware of your surroundings while shooting. When it comes to defending your family, your neighbors, and yourself, good and quick judgment is key, and that means being able to perceive what is going on around you. It might seem difficult at first, but you can learn to shoot with both eyes open by doing a little target practice and getting used to it. It's easier than you think.

Tips for Shooting with Both Eyes Open

It is important to remember that real crisis situations are far from what you see in the movies; that is, one opponent to face at a time. You have to learn to keep both eyes open as you focus on the target and stay aware of other threats. Most of the time, these happen very quickly. Here is a very helpful article and video on learning how to shoot with your eyes open.

Learn to Shoot with Both Eyes Open

You don't walk around with one eye closed, do you? Why should you shoot with one eye closed? Closing one eye while shooting decreases both situation awareness and depth perception. In a tactical situation this can be deadly. You need to learn to shoot with both eyes open in order to maneuver properly as you shouldn't be standing still in a firefight. You also need the extra vision to "keep an eye out" for other targets. .

Most practical shooters and enthusiasts may find this difficult to master but all they need is time, effort and practice. In low light situations, people who shoot with one eye shut will have problems, most of which would be avoidable if this shooting skill is learned. After all, having and using a firearm is all about protecting yourself and your loved ones

Before you can become an accomplished shooter you have to know which eye is the dominate one. You may naturally assume that if you are right handed then your right eye is the dominate one; this may not be the case however. If you are right handed but left eye dominate then this is called cross dominance and you may not even be aware of it

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Cont from page 3 ...The dominate eye looks directly at an object and you can easily determine which eye is dominate. Extend your arms palms out and form a triangle with both hands by overlapping your fingers and thumbs. Pick out an object in the distance and now close your right eye. If you can still see the object you are left eye dominate. If you cannot see the object then of course you are right eye dominate. Keep in mind, over the years your eye dominance may change, so it must be checked, as you grow older.

If you are right handed, but left eye dominate then you may not be shooting as well as you could be. You have to know this to be able to advance your shooting capabilities. You simply cannot shoulder the weapon right handed and crane your neck to look through the sights with the left eye.

If you cannot shoot left handed even though the left eye is dominate then you can close the dominate eye to force the other eye to perform or cover one lens of your shooting glasses with something to block the view. This is why you should learn to shoot with both eyes open and this is particularly important if you are cross dominate.

Keeping both eyes open when shooting gives you better peripheral vision. This is ideal when shooting clay pigeons, for example, because you can catch the launch out of the corner of your eye and of course you can carry this technique over when you are hunting game birds in the field. In a tactical situation you can spot other shooters advancing on you or when they move positions.

This article was taken from the Survival Life Website and due to limited space the article continues on about.....

Why It Is Important To Be Able To Shoot With Either Hand

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Fall Turkey Shoot

Block Shoot for
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Silent Auction



Food and Beverages

**Sunday, November 20,
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Raffle Ticket Drawing



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Raffle Tickets

In the September and October mailing you will find Club Improvement Raffle Tickets. Please sell these tickets to your friends and return the ticket stubs with appropriate funds in the self-addressed envelope. We need all of our members to participate in this very worthwhile and needed effort.

HSA Silent Auction

Back by Popular Demand

Donate your unwanted items to this very worthwhile fundraiser activity.

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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