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

From the President March 2019

It's Spring! Does everybody know what that means? HAS's Spring Ham Shoot is just around the corner. Remember to mark your calendars for our annual Spring Ham Shoot on April 14th. Stop by the club or contact any board member if you need additional raffle tickets. Remember to bring your old and unwanted sports items for our Silent Auction. These items should be in good shape and be outdoor related items. We will use all of the proceeds from this auction for club improvements. Bring your friends – our shoot is always a great time with lots of chances to win prizes.

If anyone has an idea for a new club activity or is interested in helping with a current one, please contact any board member. HSA is here for the benefit of all its members. Let's utilize our facilities to promote any type of hunting, fishing, or shooting activity.

See you at the shoot,

Jim Bambu

Notice to all Life Members

HAS now requires that all life members complete a membership application each and every year so we can keep your contact information up to date. This notice was listed in our October 2018 newsletter. Any life member that does not send in a completed application by the Spring Ham Shoot will have their names removed from the membership list and will no longer receive a newsletter.

Al Stair Memorial Fishing Tournament for Kids

Saturday May 11, 2019 Saucon Creek
8am-11am for 5 to 8 year olds
12pm-3pm, for 9 to 12 year olds

Prizes will be awarded in each of the two age categories for the largest trout by weight. Also prizes awarded for several tagged trout if caught. Lunch will be provided from 10:00am to 2:00pm for each pre-registered participant. Also included are raffles, games and an annual t-shirt if you pre-register. Check the website to get the form and mailing address. Only 75 kids per age group will be accepted on a first come first serve basis. Contact:

Brock Williams/ASMFT
2020 Taylor Drive
Center Valley PA 18034
Phone 610-748-1209

Sponsorship opportunities are available for \$100.00. The sponsorship includes: Business, organization, or family name & telephone number or e-mail address displayed on the back of the shirt. All business or organization advertisements will also be displayed on a sponsor board during the tournament and in H.S.A.'s summer club newsletter as well. Additionally, if you have a company banner, we would be glad to display it during the tournament as well.

The shirt space is limited and all spaces will be sold on a first come, first served, basis. HSA has no control over ad layout and placement. All advertisements must be received before **April 21st, 2019** to guarantee their inclusion on the shirt.

Junior Archery is still on Monday's 6-8 pm. But just because they are in the middle of their year, you can still come and try it out. For the winter schedule, if school is closed so is league. Check with instructors for holiday schedule. The banquet will be after the Spring Ham Shoot. Please note all Ranges are closed for this class.

Hellertown Archery has started Wed. Jan 2 and Fri Jan 4 and runs for 12 weeks. Don't think equipment is a problem to check it out. A competitive sport but most say they are surprised how good they are naturally!

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. Please use sign in book.

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 kjoinc@aol.com
USPSA Member Match
3rd Tuesday 7-9

L.V.P.R.L. Bull's-eye

Wednesdays 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Bill Books 610-417-0161
Chuck Adams 610-252-3169

Hellertown Archers

Mon. Morning & Evening during Winter
Wed. & Fri. League 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Lou Bove 610-865-5857

Jr. Archers

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

Trap Shooting

Tuesdays 9:00 AM - until
Thursdays 4:00 PM - until
Lou Repyneck 610-838-7455

2019 Firearms Training Schedule

Paul Piscator

NRA Certified Instructor

Introduction to the Handgun for Women Only:

2 half day programs for each class from 9 AM to 12 PM. Cost \$100.00

May 18, 2019 and June 15, 2019
October 19 & 26, 2019.

Conceal Carry Level I:

One and a half day program
Day one 9 AM-4 PM
Day two 9 AM-1 PM
Cost \$175.00

April 20 & 27, 2019
September 21 & 28 2019.

Please see the H.S.A. website for Registration Application.

Lehigh Valley Project 9-12

WWW.LVTP.ORG

Monthly Meeting

1st Thurs of Every Month at 7:00 PM
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Chuck Adams Retired!
Congratulations!

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Email: thetoppings1@gmail.com

Paul Piscator

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Affecting Your Safety - Influencing Factors

Paul Piscator, Firearms Training Instructor

Look around and observe the number of people who live by and on their phones. As they walk, shop, drive, eat in restaurants, in meetings, and general conversation, you name it they are connected with their phones just like the umbilical cord to unborn child. Without being present in your environment and not connected to your surroundings you have no domination or command over your circumstances, conditions or the aggregate of social influence affecting your life, if you come under attack. By being in a state of preoccupation, the obsession with your phone, creates a failure of attentiveness. Being fused to your cell phone you become unmindful, without awareness, sensation, perception, judgment, reasoning or volitional processes. Absent of your environment makes you a prime selection for attack.

Within today's environment we need to be sensitive to our surroundings, by that I mean the ability of awareness, connecting to and perceiving potential dangers. When we are attentive, we are able to perform when attacked without thought. This is known as "*intense concentration and focus*" which greatly improves a person's performance in physical and mental action, function, or sphere of action in order to be successful. We need that ability to be able to connect to and feel the plausibility of attacker(s) intentions and actions, able to respond to acts of violence.

Opposite of being aware of yourself and others, including the aggregate of your surroundings, emotionally you will be overwhelmed and unable to respond with effectiveness under attack creating a state of being mentally clutched, producing tunnel vision, becoming unfastened, absent of breath, potentially freezing or behaving in an unrestrained or dissolute way, doing things that you never intended, making mistakes, being panicky, and trying to think of what to do, instead of doing, a state of hypomania (the inability to remember how to perform with competence). At this point you have no control or command, over your attacker(s). Attacker(s) can change strategies at any moment. By being aware of your environment and connecting with your surroundings automatically if there is a change of strategies by your attacker(s) you will be able to adapt quickly and effectively.

Unfortunately, under attack we don't have enough time to make *conscious decisions*, where we have adequate time to evaluate all available information looking for various options defining the objectives and making a decision. Through scenario base training and along with component training, we are training our minds to process information quickly, accurately and without errors or faults in our subconscious, becoming instantly available when needed.

To avoid potential apocalyptic situations an acronym to remember every time you exit your car or enter a location is SIPDE from the Motorcycle Safety Foundation.

- S -Scan aggressively in all four directions
- I -Identify potential hazards
- P -Predict what the hazard will do
- D -Decide what you should do and how you will do it
- E -Execute the maneuver



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Geyer's Corner

That bright orange hunting safety vest or coat can still be a potential life saver ever after the regular season is over. Since it is small and bright colored may I suggest that you find a place for it in you car or your children's car. If they have or come upon an emergency on the road it is of upmost importance to be SEEN. Much like that spare tire... you don't really want to use it.. 'another thing...if at an accident scene, you may want to be a good and helpful citizen and attempt to direct traffic...STAY out of the way!. ONLY if you are directly asked by an officer...keep to your own business and safety. Too dam many bad things happen to good people, who at times try to be helpful. For years I carried a substantial husky plastic gallon jug attached to a foot long board...used a 50 foot rope ...I thought just in case that might be a life saver during an icy dunking or swimming problem. Took very little space...I also suggested when ice fishing (well, really fishing THROUGH the ice) it would be a good idea to have a good ladder handy.... Once I fished with a dotted line....caught every other fish.

L.V.P.R.L

I would like to thank the league members that have volunteered to help call commands as range officer during shooting Wednesday nights.

For many years we had a hard time finding 22cal. ammunition, now that it is available some of the 22's do not have primers in the casings, recently league members are having alibis with new ammunition. If you have this issue contact the manufacturer giving the vin number on the box, maybe you will receive credit for more ammunition. Supper Bowl Sunday a small group of league members attended an NRA 900 -22 cal. Match Dan Karpulla for the second year in roll won the match, GREAT JOB Dan!!

Shoot Safe,
Chuck Adams, LVPRL President

Spring Ham Shoot

**Block Shoot for
Ham or Meat Trays**



Silent Auction



Food and Beverages

**Sunday, April 14, 2019
From Noon Until 5:00 PM**

*Our main source of fund-raising.
We need all of our members to participate in this very worthwhile and needed effort.*

**Wheel Spins for
Ham or Meat Trays**



Raffle Ticket Drawing



Fun for the entire family

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There will be a .22 cal Rifle Game in addition to the Block Shoot

Raffle Tickets

In the 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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