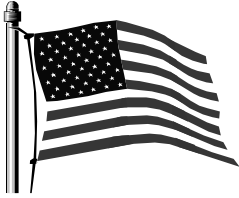


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**Monthly Membership Meeting**  
Third Tuesday of every month 7:30 PM  
Clubhouse, 1793 Meadows Road, Hellertown, PA

## From the President September 2019

I'm sure you already found the raffle tickets that came with this newsletter. It's our annual "Fall Club Improvement Raffle." All of the proceeds will be used for club improvements that will benefit all members. The board has made a list of some of the future repairs needed.

- Replacement of the roof and rain gutters on the indoor range. This will be a costly project.
- Repairs to the macadam on the outdoor pistol range.
- Seal coating of the parking lot,
- Replacement of 2 more heating units.

We really need this fall's raffle to be a big success. Please purchase or sell the enclosed tickets to help fund future club improvements. Additional tickets are available from any board member or stop by the club on meeting night. I look forward to seeing everyone at the fall shoot on November 24<sup>th</sup>.

See you at the club,  
Jim Bambu

## ARCHERY HUNTERS

The Hellertown Sportsmen's Association has outdoor bales as well as a compound target for members to practice. The range is available from 9am to 9pm daily. Anyone under 16 must be accompanied by an adult member. Please wear your membership badges and sign in on the log book when shooting on the range.

## 13th Annual Al Stair Memorial Fishing Tournament 2019

The kids had a great day on May 11th at Saucun Creek for the 13th Annual Al Stair Memorial Fishing Tournament! We had good weather all day which made for a great day of fishing for all the kids. We even had a terrific display of sportsmanship when one of our participants foul hooked one of our over 25 inch lunker trout---and threw it back in!!! When keen eye staff witnessed the event, we made sure he got the lunker prize anyway and was recognized for his outstanding sportsmanship actions! These type of examples is why it makes us proud to continue our youth events. Looking forward to next year....The entire fishing tournament staff.

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## MEMORIAL

Hellertown Sportsmen's Association extends their sympathy to the families of Neil Stackhouse and Gordon Fegley. Both long time members asked that donations in their memory be sent to HSA. What a fitting tribute to both of these avid sportsmen and Life Members of HSA. HSA remembers both Neil and Gordon and we thank all who contributed in their name. All donations will be used towards continued club improvements. We thank all who have contributed in their memory.

### **Penn State Veterinary Entomology Lab Deer Tick & Ked Study**

Is conducting a survey this hunting season. If you would like to contribute to our study please fill out the form on <https://www.parasitehunters.com> Members will help to advance our understanding of deer ked and tick distributions, vector-borne disease risk, and deer parasitology. The collections you provide will not only protect you and your family from disease transmission, but also provide conservation efforts for deer to maintain healthy, huntable populations. Kits will be available at H.S.A. monthly meetings.

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

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

Wednesdays 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM  
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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  
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### Trap Shooting

Tuesdays 9:00 AM - until  
Thursdays 4:00 PM - until  
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*Paul Piscator*

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### Conceal Carry Level I:

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Day one 9 AM-4 PM  
Day two 9 AM-1 PM  
Cost \$175.00

September 21 & 28 2019.

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

## Lehigh Valley Project 9-12

WWW.LVTP.ORG

Monthly Meeting

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## GEYER'S CORNER

I'm not saying I originated the phrase "If you like a particular item, whether it be in the gun line, fishing lures....special outdoor gear,,, buy ANOTHER.....because sooner or later that wonderful item will not be available" An example; Back in 1963 (before most of you were driving) a gun expert, Lee Jurras developed a new Hi performance cartridge for the .38 Special....called it Super-Vel. At the time I was into re-loading pretty heavy....some for Mass. State Police....and I chanced to see and buy some of these new empties....I figgers...hey, that brass gotta be pretty top stuff if it's developed to take on Hi velocity ...and I latched onto a hefty batch. Now, I've been shooting .38's in the league (and others) Allentown, Guthsville...Unami using THAT batch....they are now starting to show cracks now and then...but I sure got money's worth.....NOW I see super-vel is coming back....sorry to say I didn't maintain solid records of how many loads I got....but they sure beat any of the others.

In his excellent book "The Complete Guide To Handloading" Phill Sharpe (American Rifleman) had a chapter on some "rejected German aircraft ammo....found in a factory after WWII....he sent a batch home...long story shortened...THESE REJECTS took a HUNDRED re-loads...and were not suitable for the Luftwaffe!

Pick up any gun magazine today and you'll be sure to see at least ONE article on the great 1911 .45 Semi auto....dozens of copies...and yet, NO major changes. Colt made up a 'kit' whereby the .22 rimfire ammo could be used.....never really took off... wasn't accurate for serious target shooters...cheap and almost quiet compared that snappy & loud .45 stuff.

Enter a new line of 1911 copies....in .22! Several that I know of...in the \$300. range...in particular I am familiar with the GSG (German Sports Guns) ...from 3 feet away...you cannot tell if it is a .45 or .22....odd thing is I haven't seen any big ads about this nifty well made copy...same type of safety...adjustable sights (they give you 3 front sight inserts) rear is adjustable. It is that nifty...I'm taking my own advice from paragraph ONE!

Members...officers....all Directors....I never really thanked all those members....especially Pres. Jim Bambu for the outstanding and appreciative sign with my name on the indoor range.....I've looked at it more than you can imagine...and I still get a bit tingly when I see it! Sorry to say that some former members are not around to see it. THANK YOU ONE MORE TIME! Completed in 1990....the roof still looks pretty good....testimony to maybe thirty guys that were up there that hot August day!

Now and then lately I've been asked "what's with the newsletter?" I really cannot answer that..I just write stuff....even Pete Rinaldies shop boss made an inquiry....I figured they must have run out of toilet paper! Again. Taking a guess I would say that 80% of our members have a .22 rifle of some sort....when's the last time you fired it? Take a lazy day off...get some ammo....mixed brands just to show the difference in accuracy from some brands that "like" your rifle....still a fun gun..quiet..almost no recoil...

Even though we all know there is very little recoil while shooting a .22, you will notice that ALL the good pistol shooters will have that one hand in a pocket OR in their belt....trust me..that little .22 will actually have enough oomph to move that loose swinging arm...just a wee bit maybe..

Seems just about every small town has at some time a pain in the rear gossip person..knows everybody's business...blabs to anyone who will listen. Apparently no one cared to tell her off because they were actually concerned she might turn on them. A new member of her church was her latest target....she let everyone who would listen that when they saw Frank's pickup truck in front of the local bar...that he was just a drunk and good for nothing.....Frank let Emma spout off and said nothing. Later that night Frank parked his truck in front of Emma's house.....and walked home.

If I see ONE more article on the over rated highly priced fairly reliable German Luger...I just might lose my breakfast. OK OK from a COLLECTOR's stand-point..historical item...you may have something there. But in some 60 years... yeah..sixty years of various sorts of pistol competition....pins, steel..Bullsye..combat... this 'ole boy has YET to see anyone using that famous poorly balanced pistol. IF you would plan to hold an endurance test..of say maybe 5,000 rounds of military grade ammo, I'll be willing to bet you'd need THREE of them to complete the test....and the good 'ole .45 model 1911 would very likely be still running. Last comment; IF you had a Luger...AND a gov't .45 by your side...and you needed some protection....tell me... which one are you gonna grab first? Thought so.



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## MAINTENANCE REPORT

Here is a list of some of the major improvements made over the past few years:

- Signs on the clubhouse and indoor range.
- 3 new heating systems 2 in the clubhouse and 1 in the pistol range.
- Central air conditioning for the clubhouse.
- Major repairs to the floor in the clubhouse.
- New rain gutters on the clubhouse.
- Removal of a dozen trees throughout the property.
- New PA system for the clubhouse
- Closed circuit TV cameras.
- Repairs to the driveway.
- Sound insulation for the indoor range.
- New Cleaning Help by Pep Garcia!

This list does not include all of the routine maintenance done on a monthly and seasonal basis.

## L.V.P.R.L

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

Mark your calendars for these dates, the general league meeting Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm, the last night for score October 16<sup>th</sup> and the new date for your league banquet Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup>. You have more than enough time to finish your scores before the end of the shooting season. We also have shirts, hats and sweatshirts for sale every Wednesday nights.

Shoot Safe,  
Chuck Adams, LVPRL President

# Fall Turkey Shoot

**Block Shoot for  
Turkey or Meat Trays**



**Silent Auction**



**Food and Beverages**

**Sunday, November 24, 2019  
From Noon Until 5:00 PM**

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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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