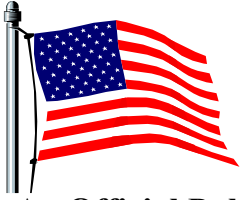


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Monthly Membership Meeting

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

From the President

Good day, Hellertown Sportsmen's members,

It's hard to believe that we have had this extreme cold weather over the winter months. Thankfully it is almost over. It's time to look forward to spring activities. HSA junior activities are slowly winding down and end of their season banquets for the junior archery and for the junior BB gun course will be held.

At the November Board Of Directors meeting the board nominated four HSA members who go above and beyond the normal call of duty and here are their names that will be put on a plaque at the inside the clubhouse. These names were added to the plaque hanging in the clubhouse wall for recognition for outstanding dedication and commitment.

1. Raymond E. Mette was the person that organized the senior archery league back in the early 1980s and was the president of the H.S.A. Senior archery league for many years.
2. Walt Shimer Jr. was a trap league representative for many years and an active archer. He was a welder by trade and volunteered to do many welding jobs such as repairing the railing on the bridge and welding of the 25 yard pistol back stop.
3. Williams C. Books Sr. began the safety orientation course more than 12 years ago. This course for new members is run before every general meeting. Bill is also an NRA certified ranger officer.
4. Robert J. Kennedy is a certified NRA range officer has worked with Bill Books on the HSA safety orientation course for approximately eight years. Bob assists with the course and takes new members on an orientation tour of the property.

I would like to take the time to thank all the members who bought and sold the fall raffle tickets. It was a great success. Spring improvement raffle tickets have been included in this newsletter. We encourage you to buy and sell tickets to support HAS.

I invite all members to come to our June meeting when the drawing will take place. Enjoy the fellowship at the meeting, light refreshments, and food. You will be able to talk to other members and ask questions of the officers about the many club activities HSA has the offer our members.

This past January, we lost a life member of HSA. Lou Bove was our club secretary, archery representative and a junior archery coach for over two decades. He will be missed. Please keep the Lou Bove family in your thoughts and prayers.

Thank you, Chuck Adams



BB GUN picture on the left is half the class. The Rifles are pointed in a safe direction! Range Officers had 17 students in the program this year. The banquet is Thursday, April 9th at 6:30 pm. The plaque is an example of their award. We love when the kids are having fun!

New Membership Secretary for H.S.A.

My name is Sue Greenwood. I'm a PA Raltor and live by Lake Nockamixon with my husband, Darren. Darren is the owner of Trigger Shack (Sells & buys firearms) and Trigger Planet (www.TriggerPlanet.com), a new social media and classifieds platform for all things firearms related. We were introduced to the club by the wonderful and always cheerful Bill Lambert! I look forward to working with the Board Members and meeting everyone at the monthly meetings. I'm happy to answer any questions you may have, I can be reached by email at: hsamembersecretary@gmail.com.

Club and Range Closings

All Ranges Closed
Third Tuesday of Month 7:30 pm
During Monthly Membership Meeting
Every Monday Night 6:00 pm
During Junior Archers
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. Please no .50 BMG.

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Calendar of Events

Monthly Membership Meeting
Third Tuesday every month 7:30 PM
Safety Orientation Class begins at 5:30 pm prior to the monthly meeting. To register for the class call Bob Kennedy at 484-358-5672.

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 & Bryan McGroarty
Chuck Adams.....610-657-5328

Hellertown Archers

Evening during Winter
Fri. League
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Justine Williams.....484-634-1110

Jr. Archers

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

Trap Shooting

Tuesdays 9:00 AM - until
Thursdays 5:00 PM - until
Mike Dattilio.....610 442-6881

Plate Shooting

1st & 3rd Thursdays of the Month
7:00pm to 9:00pm
Bill Hashagen.....610-428-2352

Junior BB Gun

October to March
2nd & 4th Thursday of the Month
6:30pm to 7:30pm
Amber Hitcho.....610-349-5466

2026 Firearms H.S.A. Training

Emanuel Kapelsohn is promoting a seminar on active shooting events. The information below will give you the times and dates and when the training will take place.
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Defensive Handgun Course for House of Worship Protective Team Members

March 27, 28, 29, 2026
Friday 6:30-9:30pm,
Saturday 8:00am-6:00pm,
Sunday 1:30pm-6:30pm.
If interested, contact us via email at jwgrant6@gmail.com

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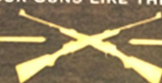
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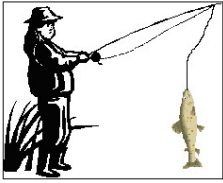
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JR. ARCHERY AT H.S.A. DON JENNY'S 40 YEAR JOURNEY

When Jr. Archery starts up in the fall of 2026, it will be the program's 40th year in existence. What started as a simple program to give a handful of kids a place to practice, has turned into a multi-generational experience.

Don Jenny started the program in 1986 when his eight-year-old daughter showed interest in archery with no place to shoot. At that time, no "Jr" programs existed, so Don approached the HSA board and asked to start a program on Monday nights from 6-8 PM in the main clubhouse building. They enthusiastically supported the vision.

As the number of kids grew, so did the program. Eventually with help from the senior archers—rolling targets on wheels were added to the indoor pistol range building to provide more shooting space. Now at its highest participation rate, jr. archery regularly has 35-40 archers every Monday night between the two buildings. Beginners eagerly shoot 60-80 balloons every Monday night, while the experienced teenagers test their skills by shooting playing cards, soda can tabs and play archery bingo.

At the conclusion of each year, Jr. Archery has a potluck banquet which easily has 100+ attendees. Jr. archers who participate in the tournament, where they learn to score an archery target, receive a trophy with a shiny golden archer perched on top.

Don has had many supporters over the years, which helps dramatically to keep things running safely and smoothly. All have been instrumental and our thanks go out to them because without their devotion, Jr Archery wouldn't exist---Rich Fenner, Ellie Fenner, Lou Bove, John Delre, Wayne Williams, Dave Schweisgut, Paul Arnold, Bob Weikert, Brock Williams, Justine Williams, Trace Williams, and Darlene Jenny. Many jobs are done behind the scenes that parents never see---showing up early to turn on heat, putting together targets, repairing bows & arrows, stocking & running break time, collecting paperwork & memberships, sending e-mails, buying supplies, and making trophies. Everyone's devotion to this program has been nothing short of amazing.

As the circle of life continues, many former Jr. Archers are now returning with their own children to the program. The experience they enjoyed as children themselves is now transformed to their own children, which is incredible to witness. Don himself has said "I never imagined this would still be going after 40 years". It just goes to show, when you put your genuine heart and soul into something, everyone benefits.

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Anyone new to shooting bullseye must begin with a .22-caliber pistol and demonstrate proficiency before advancing to other firearms. If you do not have a pistol, please stop by, and we will gladly let you try one of ours to see if it's right for you. Although Bullseye (precision pistol) is usually shot one-handed, we also have a separate division for those who prefer shooting with both hands. No need to feel intimidated if you are new or a novice, as we have shooters of all levels.

Our league season runs from January through October on Wednesday evenings and wraps up with our banquet in November, featuring great food, fun, and awards! We run a practice league from October through



December so everyone can sharpen up their skills, try new guns, work up new loads, or just come out and have a great time.

Following an incredible 2025 season, we honored Steve Swartley and Chris Haas Lifetime Memberships at our year-end banquet. Bill Books received a long-overdue Lifetime Service award for over 30 years of helping LVPRL run seamlessly.

Despite the cold, we have been off to a great start for 2026. Come down and join us on Wednesday nights, 6 pm-9 pm (5 pm - 9 pm starting in March, when the JR rifle teams wrap up)!

If you have any further questions, please feel free to email me at bryanmcgroarty@yahoo.com or stop by the range on Wednesday night. Bryan McGroarty, Vice President – L.V.P.R.L.

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