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HARRISBURG Hunters & Anglers ASSOCIATION

Harrisburg Hunters' & Anglers' Association

Meeting 1st Tuesday each month 7pm

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CLUB OFFICE

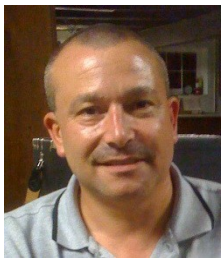
The club office is open during club meetings. Day guest passes, belt buckles, club license plates, pins and targets are available for purchase at those times.

SHEESLEY LAKE

The lake is open for fishing. **Fishing is for members only!**

President's Pen

May, 2026



The Harrisburg Hunters and Anglers Board of Directors wanted to address an issue with the members concerning ranges being used by particular groups and not available to members. Specifically Constellation Energy, formerly TMI, will be using the 100 yard rifle range from April 27 - June 25th, Monday - Thursday from 7 am to 3 PM.

HHA and Constellation have had a relationship for over 30 years that has benefited both parties. Constellation has a place to train and HHA has been compensated both financially with each member of their security force being full rate paying members. Additionally, funds to help with the upkeep of the club in general have also been provided to the club over the years.

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CLUB DINNER

On Saturday, May 30th, a Ham Dinner, with potato, vegetable, rolls, beverage, and dessert, will be served from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m., or until sold out. Donation $14.

UPCOMING GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS?

The next three general membership meetings will be held at 7 p.m. on:

- May 5 - Mark Bogey and all about honey bees
- June 2
- July 7

Light refreshments will be served at our meetings.

CLUB DRAWINGS

At the April general membership meeting, Angela Plantz's name was drawn to win the $250 drawing, and Douglas Waddell's name was drawn to win the $50 drawing. Neither member was present. The 50/50 drawing for $48.50 was won by Fred Schulthies.

SUMMER PISTOL LEAGUE

The HH&A 2026 Summer Pistol League (Bullseye) began in April and runs from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. every Wednesday evening through August 26th at our Outdoor Pistol Range.

The one-time League Registration fee is $10 for the 1st gun, and $5 for a 2nd gun (optional). Match fees are $1.00 per relay. Includes 3 targets: 1 Slow Fire, 1 Timed Fire, and 1 Rapid Fire.

Four relays are held each evening, weather permitting. Shoot as many as you like.

Course of fire is the 30-shot National Match Course. All targets are shot with one hand at 25 yards using turning targets.

Note: Two-handed shooting will be allowed, but scores will not be eligible for awards.

Any safe rimfire or centerfire semi-auto pistol or revolver (.32 to 45 caliber) may be used. Both iron sights and red dot optics are allowed. Bring your own stapler, staples, pasters/tape, pencil or pen, and empty chamber indicator (ECI). Ear and eye protection are mandatory. Brass catchers may be used.

All scoring will be done by shooters downrange. Pass scorecards right, score left. Scores will be recorded and averaged for the league by gun class, and cash awards will be given out at the end of the season using Lewis Class.

The Match Flyer, Course of Fire, Range Commands, Safety Briefing, How Awards Are Determined, and other details are on the HH&A website at https://www.harrisburghunters.org/summerleague.

NEW FOR 2026: Junior Class and Prizes!

Juniors (under the age of 21 at date of registration) shoot free for the 2026 season. Juniors that shoot at least 15 relays will be eligible for cash prizes at the end of the season, in a separate junior class. Loaner .22lr pistols (with ammo), introductory lessons on the course of fire, and mentoring will be available upon request, please contact the match director 7 days before-hand to make proper arrangements. Juniors must be capable of handling a firearm safely and follow all club gun safety rules and range commands. Shooters under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent or responsible adult.

Please mark your calendars and plan on joining us for some fun. Our matches are open to the public. Contact: Bob Hempt, Match Director, robjankate@aol.com.

CASFY MEETINGS

If you would like to help with Youth Field Day, please come to the monthly Capital Area Sportsmen for Youth (CASFY) meetings in the clubhouse.

The meeting dates are:
- Monday, May 4th at 7 p.m.
- Monday, June 1st at 7 p.m.
- Monday, June 15th at 7p.m.

YOUTH FIELD DAY NOTICE

All ranges will be closed all day on Friday, June 19th for Youth Field Day Setup, and again on Saturday, June 20th for Youth Field Day.

CAPITAL AREA SPORTSMEN FOR YOUTH FIELD DAY

Capital Area Sportsmen for Youth Field Day will be held at HH&A on Saturday, June 20th, with registration starting at 7:00 a.m.

STRIKER FIRE CHALLENGE

Our Striker Fire matches for 2026 will commence in April and run through October. There will be five total matches throughout the year. They are held the last Saturday of the scheduled month.

Remaining Match Dates are:
- June 27
- July 25
- September 26
- October 31

We will also have an updated match flyer posted with all the details on the club's website as well. Each relay is $10 and we shoot 1 to 5 relays in a match. 50 rounds of centerfire ammo is required per relay. Shooters are welcome to shoot just one or all 5 relays. Half of the match proceeds go back to the shooters depending on how competitors scored based on the Lewis classification which means you don't have to be the best to win money.

This is the best match for inexperienced shooters or someone who wants to start competing. It requires the least amount of equipment and movement to safely participate. The format caters to gun owners who want to get more experience and be comfortable with their firearm under some stress of a match. Any striker-fired handgun is welcome. Typical models include Glock, Springfield Armory, Canik, any model without an external hammer. Typical models include Glock, Springfield Armory, Canik, any model without an external hammer.

For any questions or more details on how the match goes, contact the match director, Gene Cash at gene_cash@yahoo.com or 408-568-7665.

NRA-NMLRA BASIC MUZZLELOADING SHOOTING COURSE

There will be an NRA-NMLRA Basic Muzzleloading Shooting Course on September 12, 2026 at the HH&A PPC Classroom & Blackpowder Range. The cost of the class is $80. The estimated length is 12 hours.

- Lesson 1 - General Muzzleloading Knowledge and Safe Handling (classroom)
- Lesson 2 - Black Powder and Loading Muzzleloading Guns (classroom)
- Lesson 3 - Firing and Cleaning a Muzzleloader (Range)
- Lesson 4 - Shooting a Muzzleloading Rifle from the crossed sticks Position (Range)
- Lesson 5 - Shooting a Muzzloader from the Offhand Position (Range)
- Lesson 6 - Shooting Activities with Muzzleloaders (classroom)

For more information, contact Fred Rogers at mrrogers5@verizon.net. To register for the class, go to www.nrainstructors.org.

NRA BASIC PISTOL INSTRUCTOR CLASS

There will be an NRA Basic Pistol Instructor Class at HH&A on September 26-27, 2026 in the HH&A Clubhouse. To be a candidate for a basic pistol Instructor, one should be an experienced pistol shooter practicing safe gun handling skills and have taken the NRA Basic Pistol class.

For more info on becoming an NRA Instructor, please contact Fred Rogers at mrrogers5@verizon.net. To register for the class, go to www.nrainstructors.org.

BIG FISH CONTEST RESULTS

Winners in the 2025 Big Fish Contest were as follows:

Category	Place	Winner	Size
• Blue Gill	1st	Gunner Zelko	10"
• Bowfin	1st	AngelinaHarris	21", 1 lb, 15 oz
	2nd	John Zelko	19", 1 lb, 10 oz
• Channel Catfish	1st	Angelina Harris	27", 9 lbs, 2 oz
• Quillback (Bowfishing)	1st	John Zelko	18.5", 4.8 lb
• Rainbow Trout	1st	Scott Arnold, Jr.	27"
	2nd	Chloie Goodsell	16"

Thanks to everyone who participated in the contest. Good luck in 2026!

BB GUN

Winter Championship: Held on February 14th and 15th. A total of 24 teams participated. HHA Team A placed 4th, team B placed 10th and team C placed 18th. 136 shooters participated. A total of 25 shooters scored a 100 on the test. HHA had the most with 9 shooters scoring a 100 on the test.

NRA Sectionals: A total of 18 teams (5 shooters per team) participated and a total of 94 shooters. Overall HHA team A placed 2nd, team B placed 7th, team D placed 15th and team C placed 18th (only 4 shooters on the team) Ayden Leed placed 2nd in total shooting and 3rd in kneeling, Destiny Specht placed 3rd in standing.

BB1 (ages 13 -15) HHA Team A placed 2nd. Ayden Leed placed 2nd in total shooting and 3rd in kneeling. Destiny Specht placed 2nd in standing.

BB2 (ages 10 - 12) HHA team B placed 3rd, HHA team C placed 8th. Grant Hess placed 2nd in total shooting, 3rd in prone, 2nd in kneeling. Trevor placed 3rd in kneeling.

BB3 (ages 8 - 9) HHA team D placed 3rd. Simon Cooper placed 3rd in prone.

Spring Fling: A total of 23 teams and 134 shooters participated. HHA team A placed 2nd, team B placed 9th, team C placed 21st. 38 shooters scored a 100 on the test. HHA had 7 shooters score a 100 on the test. Thank you HHA for hosting this match.

1st year shooter match: 40 shooters participated in this match. In the overall category, Ava Keyser placed 1st in total shooting, 2nd in prone, 3rd in standing, 3rd in sitting, 2nd in kneeling. Destiny Specht placed 2nd in total shooting, 1st in standing, 1st in kneeling.

Age 10 - 12: Ava Keyser 1st in total shooting, 2nd in prone, 2nd in standing, 1st in sitting, 1st in kneeling

Age 13 - 15: Destiny Specht 1st in total shooting, prone, standing, sitting, kneeling.

PA State Championship: A total of 7 A teams participated. Top 3 teams qualify for the National Championship hosted by Daisy in Rogers, Arkansas during the month of July. HHA A team placed 4th. Missing out by 7 points for 3rd place.

A total of 11 B teams participated. HHA team B placed 3rd missing 2nd place by only 6 points. Team B1 placed 10th.

A total of 114 shooters participated. Michael Keller placed 2nd in prone shooting a 99-6x. Abigail Sowers placed 3rd in kneeling shooting a 97-4x. A total of 14 shooters scored a 100 on the test. HHA had 5 shooters score a 100, Martin Birch, Grant Hess, Michael Keller, Trevor Kerstetter, and Ava Keyser.

We wish to thank HHA for all its support this shooting season. We will continue to hold some practices over the non shooting season to prepare for next year. Please review HHA's google calendar for when these practices will be held. Thank you, Burt Stockton 717-903-0496, hbgshooters@gmail.com .

ACTION SHOOTING - MOVE AND SHOOT

On April 3rd and 4th, we hosted our first USPSA match as an affiliated club. The match nearly filled up with almost 100 competitors over the two days. Friday was a setup day for volunteers and match staff to get everything ready and shoot their match. Sat the 4th was the main event with almost 70 shooters. We had some of the best shooters from around the region, some traveling 2 hours to shoot our match. The feedback was tremendous and positive. Our next match will be May 2nd and 3rd in the same format, setup day, then main match.

This fun and dynamic event will challenge shooters or all experience levels. If you are tired of shooting the same target from the same position and want to challenge your ability to move, shoot, think, reload while safely navigating a course of fire, this is the match for you. Events will be on the club calendar, but registration will occur using the Practiscore website at www.practiscore.com.
If you want to learn more or get involved, contact Gene Cash at gene_cash@yahoo.com or 408-568-7665. We need volunteers for the setup day, tear down at completion, and maintaining the match equipment.

INDOOR PISTOL RANGE RULES REMINDER

A few members have been using B27 or other full body sized targets on the Indoor Pistol Range. Targets of this size are not allowed on the Indoor Pistol range for safety reasons. The only time they are allowed on this range is for approved and sanctioned training events such as the Handgun Safety Classes and Law Enforcement training. If you have any doubt about what targets you are allowed to use, check the by-laws or read the sign posted in the range lobby.

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This scheduling from April through June is necessary for Constellation to train its security force due to the restarting of Three Mile Island. This is a "one time" schedule accommodation. Future Constellation training will not require this amount of range time.
During this training period there are things being done to accommodate HHA members.

1. The HHA Calendar is updated daily should the range be freed up for one reason or another. Check the calendar before you come to the range.

2. The 100 yard range will be available after 3 pm during the Constellation training period.

3. The Black Powder 100 yard range will be available for use by members to shoot center fire rifles when the 100 yard range is not available due to Constellation training. The 100 yard targets are only on the extreme left of the firing line. NO OTHER DISTANCE TARGETS OR STEEL TARGETS THAT MAY BE VISIBLE FROM THE FAR LEFT POSITIONS SHALL BE USED. PAPER ONLY POSTED ON THE 100YD BACKER.

The Board feels Harrisburg Hunters and Anglers has a responsibility to be of benefit to the community, it also strengthens our reason to exist in this day and age. The Board entertains numerous requests for range usage. Not all requests are granted. A substantial factor when evaluating a request is how it will impact the HHA members' usage. The Board feels this one time training request can be accommodated with short term inconvenience to our members, at great benefit to both.
We encourage all members to bring issues to the attention of the Board. We are committed to providing the best club for you and the community at large.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Are you liking and following your club on Facebook? Do you have your family members and friends liking and following us as well? As Harrisburg Hunters and Anglers continues to grow, more and more information is on Facebook (as well as other social media). Are you sharing the events articles and information to gain more interest? On Facebook, just search for **Harrisburg Hunters and Anglers**. HHA also has 4 other related programs on Facebook. Like and follow them! **Harrisburg Hunters and Anglers Youth BB Gun Team, Competitive Harrisburg Association of Marksmanship Programs** (this is the 501c3 portion for the competitive youth programs), **Harrisburg Hunters and Anglers Air Rifle Small Bore Team**, and our newest page, **Harrisburg Hunters & Anglers 3 Gun Shoot**. Our BB Gun team is also on Twitter and Instagram!

DAILY GUEST PASS NOTICE

Daily guest passes will only be sold at the club only. Our thanks to the businesses that have sold them for us in the past.

HHA'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS

For the most up to date information on events, range usage and closings, please check our website http://www.harrisburghunters.org/calendar/ Add this to your calendar on your phone. Many times events could be shortened, cancelled or range usage is necessary for unexpected events.

PLEASE REMEMBER HH & A IN YOUR WILL

POLICE PISTOL COMBAT (PPC) MATCHES

Our matches started in April and will be held monthly on the first Saturdays through October at PPC Range #2. Two perfect scores of 600 were shot at our first match of the season by Harry Russell. Harry, a retired law enforcement officer and nationally ranked shooter is a regular at our matches. His photo is below with his target scoring 600 points, 54 of the 60 shots were in the X ring. Congratulations Harry!



Remaining match dates are as follows: (No match in July because of the holiday.)

- May 2
- June 6
- August 1
- September 5
- October 3

We will have 5 Gun Classes to shoot in and will run 5 relays per match date, as long as we have enough shooters. Cost is $5 per relay. Shoot as many relays as you like, pending availability of space.

A minimum of 50% of fees taken in will be paid back as cash awards to winners using the Lewis Classification System. Each Gun Class will be handled separately for awards.

An End of Season Award raffle (gift cards and/or shooting accessories) will be drawn in November for those shooting more than 10 relays during the season.

For more details about our matches (e.g., match flyer, safety briefing, course of fire, range commands, how awards are determined, etc.), please go to our web page at: https://www.harrisburghunters.org/ppc.

On match days, the security gate opens and range setup/registration will begin at 8:00 a.m. Safety briefing at 8:50 a.m. Hammer down at 9:00 a.m. We are usually done by noon.

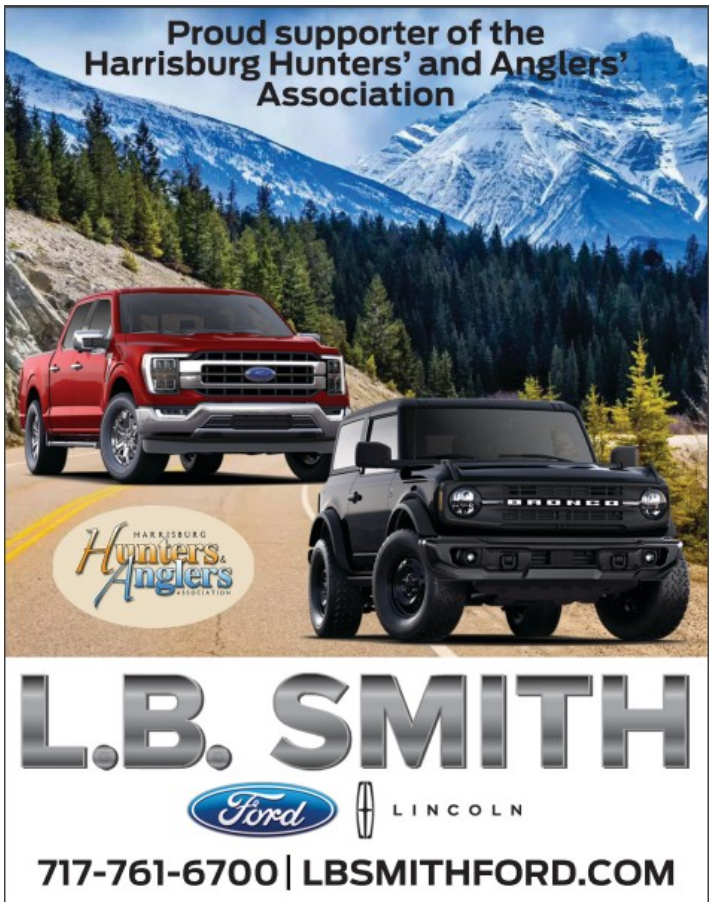
We run a cold range. Do not bring loaded guns to the range. Guns must remain unloaded and holstered or cased, except when under the direction of the range officer on the firing line, or when in a safe gun handling area.

Please come and join us for some fun. Bring a shooting friend with you. Our matches are open to the public. Beginners are welcome. We have a number of shooters who are available to act as coaches to assist you.

Contact: John Kline, Match Director, 717-514-0404, jpkline601@gmail.com.

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CLUB NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING

The club is now able to provide advertising in the Newsletter. **This service is open to members only.**

The cost is $15 per newsletter and should be business card size.

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BRASS RECYCLING PROGRAM

When at the ranges, please utilize the recycling buckets provided for spent brass, steel and aluminum cases. You can throw them all in the same recycle bucket since we recycle all three types of cases now.

We recycle the brass in two ways: (1) we sort by caliber and sell all brass suitable for reloading to club members at very good prices, and (2) we sell the remainder, along with the steel and aluminum cases, to a salvage company.

All funds made from sales and recycling are used to help fund the club's growing youth programs. Thank you for your continued support.

T-SHIRTS and HATS

Show support for your club by wearing club T-shirts and hats. They are available for sale at regular membership meetings.

INDOOR RANGE QUALIFICATION

To schedule for an Indoor Range Qualification and access, contact one of the following:

- John Plouse 717-903-9554
- Alan Bernardi 717-514-2729
- Richard Willier 717-884-4878
- Scott Faust 717-525-7847
- Luis Rodriguez 717-648-5705
- Chuck Acre 717-756-8975
- John Hill 717-503-7936
- James Lambert 717-773-1319
- John Kline 717-514-0404
- Steve Touw 717-319-7306

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Join the NRA, or renew your membership, through our web site and get a $10 discount. Instead of paying $45, the cost will only be $35. Click on the ***JOIN TODAY NRA*** logo on our web page and follow the instructions.

