



# The Sportsman

## The Mechanicsburg Sportsmen's Association Newsletter

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#### 2011 HUNTER TRAPPER EDUCATION CLASSES

by Dave Still

MECHANICSBURG SPORTSMEN'S ASSOCIATION will conduct the PA Game Commission's (PGC) Hunter Trapper Education (HTE) course on February 25-26, March 25-26, and in June 2011 (June class dates will be provided in the MSA April Newsletter). This two-day event is held Friday evening from 6-9:00 pm and Saturday from 8 am to 4:30 pm. (Lunch will be provided free of charge for class participants on Saturday.) Successful completion of the PGC HTE course is required by anyone wishing to obtain a valid hunting license in PA for the first time, regardless of age.

The PGC establishes a minimum age of 12 to obtain a license to hunt or trap in PA. The HTE program states that training young hunters to become safe, responsible and knowledgeable is best achieved if that training occurs as close as possible to the onset of the legal hunting age. Registration for the class is open to all new hunters 11 years of age or more although a valid hunting license cannot be obtained until the legal hunting age in PA has been reached (12 years).

Register for HTE classes online at: [www.pgc.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/pgc/9106](http://www.pgc.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/pgc/9106)

Place the pointer over the 'EDUCATION' tab near the top of the home page.

Move the pointer down to 'Hunter Education' on the drop down menu. Another menu opens to the right.

Click on 'Hunter Education Class Calendar' to navigate to the 'Class Calendars - Select Your Course Type' page.

Locate the 'Basic Courses' header near the lower left of the page and click on 'Hunter-Trapper Education'. This will take you to a new window titled 'TODAY'S HUNTER in PANNYSYLVANIA'.

There are two items you may use to select a class location. First, select the search radius by selecting 'Within xx miles of (default is 25 miles; range is from 25-300 miles).

Then enter your zip code in the 'Zip' window, for example 17011 (Camp Hill). After entering your Zip Code information, click on the 'Search' button just to the right of the Zip window.

Navigate to the month you would like to take the class using the options '< Previous Month' and 'Next Month>' on either side of the month displayed in the calendar.

Click on the Hunter-Trapper Class 'Button' to open the class you would like to attend.

Fill out the required information on the registration page.

Click on 'submit' when finished.

That's it! You are registered for the class. Internet access is preferred but if you don't have access to the Internet, you can register for the HTE class by calling Dave Still at 730-7373. Space is limited. Registration for the class will be on a 'first come' basis.

#### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR NRA BOOTH

By Sharon Gregg and Dan Moyer

The National Rifle Association has a booth at the Harrisburg Sportsmen's Show every February to sign up NRA Memberships. The NRA has given several grants to Mechanicsburg Sportsmen's Association. Most recently we used a grant we were awarded for Outdoor Range Improvements. In turn, Mechanicsburg Sportsmen's Association helps support the NRA by volunteering at the NRA Booth every year. The Show will be held February 5, 2011 through Sunday February 13, 2011. We are looking for Club Members who would be interested in taking a few hours and volunteering at the booth. Volunteers are provided with free admission to the Show. Please contact Dan Moyer 717-732-2838 or Sharon Gregg @ 717-691-7930 for further details.

#### FIREWOOD

Firewood is available at a cost of \$10 per pickup truck load to club members and to non-members accompanied by a member. No live trees may be taken—only downed trees, cut limbs, and tree tops. Permits will be issued only to members; contact Jerry Coleman (766-2250) or Dennis Fillmore (732-6540) for a permit and directions as to which areas of the club has wood to be harvested.

***Mechanicsburg Sportsmen's Association  
Officers, Directors, & Chairpersons***

**Officers**

President	Dave Still	730-7373
Recording Secretary	Dave Prosser	576-6725
Membership Secretary	Sandra Box	732-5259
1st Vice President	Stan Gregg	691-7930
2nd Vice President	Ron Keslar	432-9039
Treasurer	Dan Moyer	732-2838

**Directors**

Archery	Phil Mentzer	766-8001
Buildings & Grounds	Vern Vandevender	691-0712
Calendar Coordinator	Gary Box	732-5259
Event Coordinator	Sharon Gregg	433-8025
Finance & Fund Raisers	Bob Dunn	766-0770
Firearm Safety-Chief Range Officer	Ron Keslar	432-9039
Fish Nursery & Block Shoots	Dave Eakin	245-9664
Fish Pond	Jim Weigher	790-9339
Game Legislation & Habitat	Don Heckman	761-5925
Indoor .22 Range	Glenn Zimmerman	766-3308
PA Federation of Sportsmen	Dennis Fillmore	732-6540
Trap	Bill Gardner	732-7849
Youth Archery	Julia Yarlett	579-7339
Youth Competitive Shooting Sports	Linda Tucker	766-7011
Advisor to the Board	Charlie Kemberling	737-3326
Advisor to the Board	Jerry Coleman	766-2250

**Committee Chairpersons**

Range Safety & Security	Stan Gregg	691-7930
Hunter Education	Dave Still	730-7373
Jubilee Day	Sharon Gregg	691-7930
Kids' Fishing Derby	Sharon Gregg	691-7930
Newsletter	Ron Keslar	432-9039
Public Relations	Sharon Gregg	691-7930
Rifle Range Maintenance	vacant	
.22 Rifle	John Gingrich	
Web Site	Rob Szivek & Carl Keslar	www.msa-pa.org

**JOIN THE NRA**

Show your commitment to defend the Second Amendment. Join the National Rifle Association. Membership in the NRA has many benefits including a subscription to one of three great NRA monthly magazines, \$1000.00 in firearms insurance coverage, and a wide variety of discounts and special offers from many national companies, and much more! Most important, you will be doing your part in defending our Right to Keep and Bear Arms. Join or renew through our club and MSA benefits, also. Adult and Junior NRA Memberships are available. Contact the membership secretary to learn more about joining the NRA.



**REMEMBER AND USE THE NRA's  
THREE GUN SAFETY RULES**

- Always keep the gun pointed in a safe direction.
- Always keep your finger off the trigger until ready to shoot.
- Always keep the gun unloaded until ready to use.

***TRAPSHOOTING***

By Bill Gardner, Trap Director

The August, September, and October, "fall 2010 Handicap Trap League" had 24 shooters divided into 3 teams. The winning team members were Bill Gardner, Rick Hess, Jerry Coleman, Barry Harman, Bob Bricker, and Roger Rosendale. The High Average winner was Bill Gardner and High Average Runner-up was Jeff Koser. For November and December we had a 16yd singles / 16yd wobble trap league.

The 2011 MSA winter 16-yd Scratch Singles League will start Thurs., Jan. 6th and run for 8 weeks. MSA will also have a team in the Central Penn Trap League. The participating clubs in the league are Mechanicsburg, Enola, Carlisle, and Palmyra. The CPTL will shoot on Saturdays in Jan., Feb., and Mar. All leagues are open to anyone who wants to shoot. The first shoot is on Sat. Jan. 8th, 9am to 2 pm.

We encourage everyone to come out on Thursday evenings or Saturday to shoot in the trap leagues or on the practice traps.

**MSA Weekly Trapshooting Schedule:**

Sunday 10am to 1pm **(NEW THIS YEAR)**      Tuesday 10am to 1pm      Thursday 4pm to 8pm

We want to thank all those who supported and helped with trapshooting in the past year. If you have any questions or comments about the trapshooting program at MSA please call me at 717-395-5263.

***FISH NURSERY***

By Dave Eakin, Fish Nursery Director

The fish are growing and getting big. This growth is due to our dedicated feeders. The trout get hand fed 3 times a day. Thanks to all the feeders.

We still have some fish left from last year and we will be stocking the pond as weather and help allows. Look for signs on the gate and on the website for when the pond is stocked.

## **ARCHERY SHOOT DATES FOR 2011**

### INDOOR SHOOTS

Feb 4, 5, & 6	CVAL	Indoor .22 range closed
March 18, 19, & 20	Penn Dutch	Indoor .22 range closed
March 25, 26 & 27	CVAL	Indoor .22 range closed

### OUTDOOR SHOOTS

June 4 & 5	Penn Dutch Outdoor Shoot
July 22, 23, & 24	PSAA Field & Hunter State Shoot. All Club grounds closed.
August 19, 20, & 21	PSAA Bowhunter/Animal State Shoot. All Club grounds closed.

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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Greetings to all members and their families! The 2011 New Year is in full swing and the Membership Renewal well underway. Our Membership Secretary, Sandy Box, will be quite busy for the next couple of months. The first year of controlled access using a FOB to enter club grounds is behind us. As with all new ventures there were ups and downs. The next challenge will be to coordinate the reprogramming of the FOBs with the Membership Renewal process. Sometime in early 2011, FOBs for Members who have not renewed for 2011 will be turned 'off' until the membership renewal is received by the Membership Secretary. Please be patient; while we will make every effort to provide a smooth transition, please keep in mind this is the first time through the renewal process and I am fairly certain we will learn from this experience just as we learned from the FOB distribution program. Additional Access and Security improvements are scheduled for 2011 and those systems will be integrated with the existing system.

Be sure to pause, reflect, and pray, for all our service men and women around the world who preserve the freedoms we enjoy, and sometimes take for granted, as Americans. We especially express our thanks to all our members and their families who are currently serving.

Lastly, be informed. Make time to attend the Membership Meetings held the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30 PM. and remember to display your membership card while on club property.

Here's hoping you a very Merry Christmas and prosperous, safe and Happy New Year.

Dave Still

## January 2011

Sun	2	CMP Rimfire Sporter match, 5:00 pm*	Mon	17	Block Shoot, 7:00 pm*#
Wed	5	General Membership Meeting, 7:30 pm%	Thu	20	Trap Shoot, 4:00 pm-7:30 pm
Thu	6	Trap Shoot, 4:00 pm-7:30 pm			4-H Shooting Sports, 7:00 pm-9:00 pm*#
		4-H Shooting Sports, 7:00 pm-9:00 pm*#	Sun	23	CMP Rimfire Sporter match, 5:00 pm*
Sun	9	CMP Rimfire Sporter match, 5:00 pm*	Mon	24	Block Shoot, 7:00 pm*#
Mon	10	First Block Shoot, 7:00 pm*#	Wed	26	Directors' Meeting, 7:30 pm%
Thu	13	Trap Shoot, 4:00 pm-7:30 pm	Thu	27	Trap Shoot, 4:00 pm-7:30 pm
		4-H Shooting Sports, 7:00 pm-9:00 pm*#			4-H Shooting Sports, 7:00 pm-9:00 pm*#
Sun	16	CMP Rimfire Sporter match, 5:00 pm*	Sun	30	CMP Rimfire Sporter match, 5:00 pm*
			Mon	31	Block Shoot, 7:00 pm*#

Indicates closed: \*Indoor .22 range, # Indoor archery range, % Indoor pistol range, & 25 Yard Range, \$ 50 Yard Range, @ 100 Yard Range

### MEMBERSHIP CARDS MUST BE DISPLAYED WHILE ON CLUB GROUNDS!

## February 2011

Wed	2	General Membership Meeting, 7:30 pm%	Thu	17	Trap Shoot, 4:00 pm-7:30 pm
Thu	3	Trap Shoot, 4:00 pm-7:30 pm			4-H Shooting Sports, 7:00 pm-9:00 pm*#
		4-H Shooting Sports, 7:00 pm-9:00 pm*#	Sun	20	CMP Rimfire Sporter match, 5:00 pm*
Sun	6	CMP Rimfire Sporter match, 5:00 pm*	Mon	21	Block Shoot, 7:00 pm*#
Mon	7	Block Shoot, 7:00 pm*#	Wed	23	Directors' Meeting, 7:30 pm%
Thu	10	Trap Shoot, 4:00 pm-7:30 pm	Thu	24	Trap Shoot, 4:00 pm-7:30 pm
		4-H Shooting Sports, 7:00 pm-9:00 pm*#			4-H Shooting Sports, 7:00 pm-9:00 pm*#
Sun	13	CMP Rimfire Sporter match, 5:00 pm*	Sun	27	Reloading Class, 9:00 am-6:00 pm%
Mon	14	Block Shoot, 7:00 pm*#			CMP Rimfire Sporter match, 5:00 pm*
			Mon	28	Block Shoot, 7:00 pm*#

## March 2011

Wed	2	General Membership Meeting, 7:30 pm%	Sun	20	CMP Rimfire Sporter match, 5:00 pm*
Thu	3	Trap Shoot, 4:00 pm-7:30 pm	Mon	21	Block Shoot, 7:00 pm*#
		4-H Shooting Sports, 7:00 pm-9:00 pm*#	Thu	24	Trap Shoot, 4:00 pm-7:30 pm
Sun	6	CMP Rimfire Sporter match, 5:00 pm*			4-H Shooting Sports, 7:00 pm-9:00 pm*#
Mon	7	Block Shoot, 7:00 pm*#	Sun	27	CMP Rimfire Sporter match, 5:00 pm*
Thu	10	Trap Shoot, 4:00 pm-7:30 pm	Mon	28	Block Shoot, 7:00 pm*#
		4-H Shooting Sports, 7:00 pm-9:00 pm*#	Wed	30	Directors' Meeting, 7:30 pm%
Sun	13	CMP Rimfire Sporter match, 5:00 pm*	Thu	31	Trap Shoot, 4:00 pm-7:30 pm
Mon	14	Block Shoot, 7:00 pm*#			4-H Shooting Sports, 7:00 pm-9:00 pm*#
Thu	17	Trap Shoot, 4:00 pm-7:30 pm			
		4-H Shooting Sports, 7:00 pm-9:00 pm*#			

#### **RELOADING CLASS -- RIFLE & PISTOL CARTRIDGES**

For the price of two boxes of ammo, you can gain the lifetime skill of ammunition reloading. Attend the NRA Basic Reloading Course for Metallic Cartridges held at MSA on Sunday, February 27, 2011 from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm. A team of NRA Certified Firearms Instructors will provide this 8-hour course which covers the basic knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary to safely reload metallic cartridges for your rifle or handgun. The \$50 fee covers the NRA Reloading textbook, NRA Safety Rules pamphlet, use of all reloading equipment and supplies, as well as a full day's training.

Topics include introduction to reloading and reloading safety, using the reloading manual and reloading data, selecting and setting up reloading equipment, requirements for a basic reloading bench, and a hands-on opportunity to practice reloading pistol and rifle cartridges.

An NRA Certificate of Completion will be awarded for successfully completing the course. This is not an advanced reloading course; it is intended for beginning reloaders. Pre-registration is required as class size is limited—for more information or to register for the class, contact Ron Keslar, 717-432-9039, rjkeslar@aol.com.

**2011**  
**Membership Application**  
**Mechanicsburg Sportsmen's Association**  
**493 Sample Bridge Road, Enola, PA 17025**

**To submit this application:**

Bring the completed application to a General Membership Meeting (1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month at 7:30PM)

**OR**

Mail this application to:

MSA Membership Secretary, 493 Sample Bridge Road, Enola, PA 17025

Make Check or Money Order Payable to: Mechanicsburg Sportsmen's Association.

New applications are voted on at the Membership Meeting, held the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30pm. Membership cards are mailed 7 to 10 days after the meeting. Membership begins when you receive your card in the mail. Please check your application before submitting. Incomplete or missing information may delay processing your membership. Allow 4 to 6 weeks for processing. Membership is on a **calendar year and expires December 31 each year.**

**For club information call (717) 691-9323 or visit our web site at [www.msa-pa.org](http://www.msa-pa.org).**

**OUR CLUB WILL BE AS GOOD AS YOU HELP MAKE IT**

As club members, we get to use the club's great facilities for shooting sports, fishing, hunting, and much more. Our membership dues cover only part of the funds needed to pay for the operating expenses and youth programs of the club. It is requested of each of our adult members to volunteer to help each year at one of our fundraising events, or help with maintenance, or sponsor one of our events or youth programs. No time to volunteer? Please consider a donation in lieu of volunteer work.

**Are you able to volunteer in one or more of the following areas?**

Please check all areas that are of interest to you:

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|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Fishing Derby                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Rifle Range Maintenance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hunter Education Class Instructor          | <input type="checkbox"/> Carpentry               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jubilee Day at Mechanicsburg               | <input type="checkbox"/> Electrical              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Kitchen / Food Stand / Help at Club Events | <input type="checkbox"/> Fish Nursery            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Field Day                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Masonry                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Block Shoots                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Work Party              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trap Shoots                                | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____             |

*Donations are accepted in lieu of volunteer work. See page 2 of application.*

# 2011 Membership Application Mechanicsburg Sportsmen's Association 493 Sample Bridge Road, Enola, PA 17025

*Main gate and indoor range access will be updated January 2. Membership expires December 31.  
Renewals are due October 1 thru December 31. You must renew by February 15 to avoid the \$15.00 Reinstatement Fee.*

**\* Required Information**

\*NEW APPLICATION \_\_\_\_ \*RENEWAL / LIFE MEMBERSHIP \_\_\_\_ \*CHANGE OF ADDRESS \_\_\_\_  
 \*NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ \*BIRTHDATE \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
 \*ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \*CITY/TOWN: \_\_\_\_\_ \*STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ \*ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \*PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

*I agree to obey all MSA Rules, Regulations, and By-laws. If a Family Membership, I am responsible for my family to obey all MSA Rules, Regulations, and By-laws. Children under the age of 18 must be under the direct supervision of a parent or guardians (who must be an adult family member of MSA) while on the Association grounds. I understand failure to comply may result in suspension of membership. A copy of the Ground & Range Rules and By-laws is sent to new members, and is available to members upon request. Contact the Membership Secretary.*

\*APPLICANTS SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ \*DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**FAMILY MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION**

\*SPOUSE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ \*BIRTHDATE \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

*List children age 17 and younger. List additional children on separate paper.*

\*CHILDS NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ \*BIRTHDATE \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
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- \_\_\_ \$25.00 Initiation Fee and Gate Access Fob: Required with NEW membership application.
- \_\_\_ \$15.00 Reinstatement Fee: Required for processing late RENEWAL application.
- \_\_\_ \$50.00 Adult Membership: Age 18 and older.
- \_\_\_ \$85.00 Family Membership: Includes member, spouse, and children age 17 and younger.
- \_\_\_ \$25.00 Spouse: ANNUAL fee to add spouse - Life Members only.
- \_\_\_ \$15.00 Indoor Range #1 Access: Indoor Archery / .22 rim fire range [Short, Long, LR only].
- \_\_\_ \$15.00 Indoor Range #2 Access: For RENEWALS only.  
*To obtain indoor center fire pistol range access for the first time, contact Ron Keslar at 432-9039 or attend a membership meeting.*
- \_\_\_ \$ 5.00 Club Patch    \_\_\_ \$15.00 Club Hat
- \_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Donation in lieu of volunteer work.
- Join / Renew NRA Membership (Provide NRA ID# to renew: \_\_\_\_\_)  
 \_\_\_ \$35.00 1-year    \_\_\_ \$60.00 2-years    \_\_\_ \$85.00 3-years
- Choose one magazine to receive with NRA Membership:  
 \_\_\_ American Rifleman    \_\_\_ American Hunter    \_\_\_ America's 1<sup>st</sup> Freedom
- Join / Renew NRA Jr. Membership (Provide NRA ID# to renew: \_\_\_\_\_)  
 \_\_\_ \$15.00 1-year (Age 18 and younger): Junior members receive **Insights Magazine.**
- \_\_\_ **Active Duty Military Membership:** Contact Membership Secretary.
- \_\_\_ **Life Membership:** Must be a current member to apply. Contact Membership Secretary.

TOTAL REMITTANCE \$ \_\_\_\_\_ CASH  CHECK  # \_\_\_\_\_

## FIRST VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

By Stanley Gregg

I would like to take this time and wish you all Happy Holidays. I would like to also express to all Club members a special thank you for your support this past year. I feel we made progress on keeping the Ranges safe by increasing patrol on a regular basis and making sure that guest passes are purchased before bringing a non-member on Club grounds. We unfortunately had a few major violations this year that resulted in suspension and expulsion of several members. It is my first priority to make sure that everyone is safe when using our club ranges. I can always use extra range patrol help. If you are interested in helping, please contact me @ 717-691-7930 or [sgreggexcavating@comcast.net](mailto:sgreggexcavating@comcast.net).

### RANGE SAFETY TIP

When using the rifle/pistol ranges, do not carry your firearm down range. This is an unsafe practice and a Safety Violation. Club Members at the bench will not know if your firearm is loaded.

When you need to check or change your target down range, firearms should be left at the bench, holstered, or cased. No one is to handle a firearm in any manner when people are down range. For more firearm safety and security when going down range, you may lock your firearm in your car.

\*\*\*Club ID MUST be displayed when on Club Grounds\*\*\*

### BOY SCOUT RIFLE SHOOTING MERIT BADGE PROGRAM

The Indoor Center Fire Pistol Range will be closed on the following Saturdays from 8:00 AM until 2:00 PM, for year 2011. Jan 15, Feb 12, Mar 12, Apr 16, May 7, Jun 4, Jul 9, Aug 6, Sept 3, Oct 8, Nov 5, and Dec 3. Local Boy Scouts, will be using this range to earn their Rifle Shooting Merit Badge. Participation is by appointment only. For information about this program, please contact Len Burg at 717-796-9366. This program has been approved by the MSA Board of Directors.

### CHILDREN'S FISHING DERBY

By: Sharon Gregg, Fishing Derby Chairman

We will be holding the Annual Children's Fishing Derby on Saturday April 9, 2010. Registration will be at 8:00 am, fishing from 9:00-1:00. It is open to the public for children ages 4-14. We have loaner poles available along with bait. We hold a free Children's Raffle with great prizes. We will need to have helpers the night before to help set up the portable pond. We will also need helpers the day of the Derby for food, pond security, registration, photos, fish measuring, and prizes. If you would be interested in helping, please contact Sharon Gregg @ 717-691-7930.

### ADVERTISEMENTS

If you would like to have an advertisement in the newsletter, contact Ron Keslar (432-9039), [ronald@keslar.net](mailto:ronald@keslar.net). Full Page-\$100 Half Page-\$50 Quarter Page-\$25 Business Card-\$15

### NEW MAILING ADDRESS FOR MECHANICSBURG SPORTSMEN'S ASSOCIATION

For a number of years, the club has utilized a post office box in Mechanicsburg. That box is no longer in use. Correspondence should now be sent to the club's current actual address (493 Sample Bridge Road, Enola, PA 17025) as noted on the front and rear pages of this newsletter.

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**Shoot Safely: Be sure of your target and what is beyond!**

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### CHILD GUN SAFETY

Teach your children that if they see a gun, they should  
**STOP! Don't Touch.**  
**Leave the Area. Tell an Adult.**

Support the NRA's Eddie Eagle Gun Safety Program!



### PENNSYLVANIA FEDERATION OF SPORTSMEN'S CLUBS

By Dennis Fillmore, Outdoor Writer

As a longtime member of the Pennsylvania Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs, our club is represented on a regular basis on Capitol Hill. The PFSC represents our interests as hunters, anglers, and gun owners. It is also involved in environmental and conservation issues that affect us all. I would like to receive members' input on their deer season and other impressions. Please feel free to e-mail me with your opinions, observations, and suggestions concerning hunting in Pennsylvania. You can contact me at 732-6540, or online: [dennyfill@aol.com](mailto:dennyfill@aol.com).

### AFFILIATIONS

Mechanicsburg Sportsmen's Association is affiliated with the Pennsylvania Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs (PFSC), National Rifle Association (NRA), Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP), Pennsylvania Rifle and Pistol Association (PRPA), Amateur Trap Association (ATA), Pennsylvania State Archery Association (PSAA), Cumberland Valley Archery League (CVAL), Penn Dutch Archery League, and National Field Archers Association (NFAA); MSA partners with American Legion Post 1001, which supports the club's youth, gun safety, and high power marksmanship programs.

## BLOCK SHOTS

By Dave Eakin, Block Shoot Director

The 2011 block shoots are starting. Would like to see lots of members and new faces this year. Every Monday night through end of April (Schedule below). 12 gauge shotgun only and we provide the shells. 32" barrel limit. We start signing up between 6:30 and 7:00 PM with shooting starting immediately afterward. With our 4 window setup we can get done early for those who have to get up early. Great Karn's meat prizes for shooting, play the wheel and our pie-boards. If the crowd is big enough we will run some raffle tickets. Kitchen is open with some great food for anyone who is hungry.

01/10/11	01/17/11	01/24/11	01/31/11
02/07/11	02/14/11	02/21/11	02/28/11
03/07/11	03/14/11	03/21/11	03/28/11
04/04/11	04/11/11	04/18/11	04/25/11 (Buy 3 get 4th round free)

We are especially looking for new helpers. We are going to lose one of our judges to relocation soon and we need to find some people that would be dedicated to come out every Monday night to help judge and set cards. The Block Shoot is a very important fund raiser for the club and without some new helpers we are going to have trouble running the shoots in the proper way. Please contact me if interested. Dave Eakin 245-9664

### Range Safety

*Shoot together and check targets together!!*

*Unload your gun and step back from it whenever someone goes down range.*

*Never handle your gun while someone is down range!!*

**MEMBERSHIP CARDS  
MUST BE DISPLAYED  
WHILE ON CLUB  
GROUNDS!**



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