



The

Straight Shooter

Newsletter of Milford Township Fish, Game & Forestry Association

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January/February 2017 Newsletter



Upcoming Events

March

- 4 Meat shoot, 12:00 PM to 5:0 PM
- 14 General membership meeting 7:00 PM
- 25 Work party
- 26 3D shoot
- 28 Director's meeting 7:00 PM

April

- 11 General membership meeting 7:00 PM
- 21 Stock trout for fish rodeo
- 22 Fish rodeo, 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM
- 22 Working party for 3D shoot setup
- 23 3D shoot
- 25 Director's meeting 7:00 PM

May

- 9 General membership meeting 7:00 PM
- 23 Director's meeting 7:00 PM
- 27 Work Party
- 28 3D shoot

OFFICERS 2016

President
Chuck Hotter

Vice President
Steve Arlee

Treasurer
Bill Anderson

Secretary
Melinda Dots

Board of Directors
Chester Dotts
(Chairman)

George Honeywell
Robert Reninga
Wayne Downs
Russ Grayson
Jody Connelly
Kyle Springer
Terri Kline

COMMITTEES 2016

Membership
Joe Fleager

Game

Refreshments
Kelly Downs
Sarah Springer

Archery
George D. Honeywell

Fish Report
Chuck Hotter

Fish Rodeo
Chuck Hotter

Forestry
George D. Honeywell

PR & Entertainment

Pistol Range
Steve Atlee

Rifle Range
Chester Dotts

Newsletter
George D. Honeywell

Clubhouse Phone
215-536-7875

Game Warden
Shawna Burkett
610-926-3136
610-926-3137

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The President's Column

I would like to welcome new members, and returning members, to another year at Milford Fish and Game. I encourage each of you to be involved in the programs and activities that your club must offer. Have a safe and happy 2017!

Chuck Hotter

For the Good of the Association

Use this address for all mailings to the club.

**Milford Township Fish, Game & Forestry Association
1685 Canary Road, Quakertown, Pa. 18951**

New Officers and Directors:

President	Chuck Hotter	Directors: Chester Dotts (Chairman)	Russ Grayson
Vice President	Steve Atlee	George Honeywell	Jody Connelly
Treasurer	Bill Anderson	Robert Reninga	Kyle Springer
Secretary	Melinda Dotts	Wayne Downs	Terri Kline

The club insists on utilizing the sign-in sheet including caliber being used and suggests hanging onto your targets after using the range to help in any additional investigations in the future.

The firearms/cash raffle tickets are available, (3) tickets will be dispensed with renewals and new sign ups as per Club policy. If you can sell more tickets that would be a great benefit to the club.

Members using the Club grounds during hunting season are required to wear orange clothing and hats while moving around.

Please remember to sign in and have your Membership card in your possession when using the Club grounds for any reason. You know where the sign in boxes are and it only takes a few seconds to do.

Newsletter

Robert Reninga is now editor of our newsletter.

Please provide information to: robert.reninga@yahoo.com, or

The Club email address: milford_fgfa@windstreaml.net

The bi-monthly newsletter can be viewed on the Club website: www.milfordtownshipfishandgame.com

Club Website

Everyone can now sign up for events through our website.

Links will be provided to other organizations.

Membership

Many new members were voted in, January and February. All new members will need to attend the new member orientation before they can use the club's amenities.

Joe Fleager

Fishing

We need volunteers to help at the fish rodeo. Help is also needed to stock fish and stand watch the night before. Contact the club if you can help.

Chuck Hotter

Game

Let's get the club grounds cleaned up and ready for next season.

George D. Honeywell

Forestry

Wood cutting permits have been altered to protect the Club from the Spotted Lantern Fly quarantine and any ramifications from wood being removed from the Club to areas outside of Milford Township which is not allowed by the quarantine. The club is exploring an opportunity to plant hardwood trees to replace those being removed. If you have resources or would like to help please contact the club.

Lands Trust made a walkthrough of the property on January 31. Overall, the grounds are in good shape.

The report will be sent to the club when finalized.

George D. Honeywell

Archery

Starting in 2017 we will allow persons with a handicap card to use a crossbow at the 3D shoots, we did some test shooting into one of the Rhinehart targets with a favorable outcome. **Absolutely no broadheads can be shot into the black practice targets. Use the layered target or the 3D bear for broadheads.** Our archery shoots will be advertised on "3DShoots.com".

George D. Honeywell

Ranges

The 100-yard range benches and pavilion are complete. You must shoot from the benches.

This is a reminder to use the flags when using the ranges. The red flag is to be flown when actively

shooting and posting or retrieving targets. The green flag is to be flown when the range is clear.

Please pick up your spent brass on the ranges.

Chester Dotts/Chuck Hotter

Kitchen

The kitchen committee needs your help. We support our club events with food and drinks, this raises money for the club and provides refreshments. If you can help in any capacity, please contact Kelly Downs at 610-754-1185 or tplsrd@windstream.net

Training:

The club is expanding its NRA shooting team and must train RANGE SAFETY OFFICERS. To do this, we are asking members for assistance with additional firearm types. If you have one of these that can be loaned to the club, please contact **Wayne Downs**:

Hinge action rifle	BB rifle
Falling block rifle	Air pistol
Percussion cap muzzleloader long arm	Air soft rifle
Muzzleloader pistol	Air soft pistol.
BB pistol	

Congratulations to Wayne Downs for certifying Chief Safety Officer.

Hunter safety courses will be held at the clubhouse on June 3, 2017 and September 2, 2017. See the club website for signup information.

If you are interested in assisting with youth programs we ask that you get your background check complete.

Activities:

The BLUE BIRD box building was another great success! 34 kids came to build and our members where there to enjoy the challenges of construction. Pictures are on the website.

Youth field day will be held at Ranch Valley this year. Plan to take part in this wonderful event on June 10, 2017.

The meat shoot has been very successful so we are continuing this fun activity. This next shoot brings something extra, we will raffle off a shotgun! Please bring your family and friends.

Public Relations/Communications

Additional "NO TRESPASSING" signs have been added to better mark property lines.

Joe Petrovec

Work Parties

Work parties posted in the Upcoming Events calendar.

Managing events and maintaining the grounds takes a lot of resources and everyone has skills that can be utilized. We need your help to continue growth and achieve success.

Remember that by working 5 hours in 2017 you can save \$50.00 on your 2018 membership fee.

50/50 and Membership Drawings

The 50/50 drawing started over in January. Only Members present at the GMM will be eligible to win.

<p>Hunting & Fishing Equipment and Licenses</p> <p>Guns & Ammo Sporting Goods</p> <p>WELLINGTON SPORTING GOODS</p>  <p>HOURS MON.-FRI. 10 AM TO 9PM SATURDAY 9AM TO 5PM</p> <p>206 MAIN STREET SOUDERTON, PA 18964 215-723-6217</p>	<p>James Erb <i>Proprietor</i></p> <p>EJ'S BARBER SHOP 215-536-1104</p> <p>1635 Sleepy Hollow Rd. Spinnerstown, PA 18968</p> <p>Mon: closed Tues. thru Fri: 8:30-6:30 Sat.: 8:00-1:00 Lunch: 1:00-2:00</p>
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Milford Township Fish Game & Forestry Association Membership Application

Mailing: **Membership Committee**
1685 Canary Road, Quakertown, PA 18951

- All members (including life, seniors and free seniors) must purchase three (3) gun raffle tickets at renewal time.
- Please make all checks payable to Milford Twp. Fish, Game and Forestry Assoc.
- All new members joining are subject to a \$30 application fee. New members joining in Nov- March are also required to purchase 3 gun raffle tickets.

Memberships:

Regular – Includes spouse and children under 18 \$70 + \$30 gun raffle= **\$100 Total**
 Senior - Ages 65-75 inclusive \$25 + \$30 gun raffle= **\$55 Total**
 Seniors over age 75 (with 5 years prior membership) \$ 0 + \$30 gun raffle= **\$30 Total**

New app Renewal

Member name: _____ Age _____

Address _____ Phone (____) - _____ - _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail _____ Spouse _____

Child _____ Age _____ Birth Date _____

Child _____ Age _____ Birth Date _____

Child _____ Age _____ Birth Date _____

New Members: Sponsor's Name _____ Their Member # _____

Please check at least one committee where you can lend a hand:

<input type="checkbox"/> Membership	<input type="checkbox"/> Grounds	<input type="checkbox"/> Shoots	<input type="checkbox"/> Kitchen
<input type="checkbox"/> Forestry	<input type="checkbox"/> Rifle	<input type="checkbox"/> Hunter/Safety	<input type="checkbox"/> Archery
<input type="checkbox"/> Game	<input type="checkbox"/> Youth Activities	<input type="checkbox"/> Publicity	<input type="checkbox"/> Fish

- Dues must be renewed between Nov – Jan. A *\$30 Late fee is charged for renewals after Jan 31st in addition to the above amounts*
- *New applications must be brought to a General meeting, not mailed in. The meetings are the second Tuesday of every month, 7:00 pm. New members must attend an orientation before using club property.*
- If you are mailing in your **renewal dues**, please indicate if you want us to fill out your raffle ticket for you and send you back the stub only. If you are sent your full ticket you will be responsible for turning your stubs in:

Stub Only Full Ticket

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