

December 2018
Annual Newsletter

Fish & Game Newsletter

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****Anyone interested in helping or
serving on a committee see
any officer or committee head.**

Message from the President

Another year has come and gone. Yes, I started last year's newsletter out with the same line. A writer, I am not. We accomplished many achievements and tasks this year, including improvements on how our Club looks and operates. We updated our Club by-laws with minor changes that were necessary. Thank you to everyone who came out to vote to approve these changes. We now have them printed in small booklets for any member that would like one. Just ask for a booklet when you are at the Club during an event or meeting. The by-laws are also on our website at www.mhfg.org. Visit our website regularly to get more up-to-date information on all club news. I am trying to do a better job keeping the website up-to-date, as I learn how to manage it.

If you have been out to the Club this year you should have noticed big improvements to the building and grounds. We have a terrific Building & Grounds Crew that have been faithful, coming out almost every Wednesday morning to take care of various things from mowing to repairs and enhancements. One of the projects completed this year, was pouring a concrete floor in half of the Pole Building. We had a member that donated the concrete and it was poured with the help of some members. From what I hear, it's not just a work crew, it's a bunch of members who are getting together and having fun and enjoyment taking on these tasks. You will also notice we purchased stone for our parking lot that was very needed. During the winter, the lot is a muddy mess and this will be a great improvement. This brings me to another big thanks to a family that has been taking care of cleaning our Club House. In all my years at the Club, I have never seen the Club House this clean. Thank you to Heather and her family for taking this on over the past couple of years. It is greatly appreciated and is not unnoticed.

A big 'Thank You' to everyone who took the time to help us out at the Block Shoots, Running Deer, and Varmint Shoots. Without you, we would not be able to have them and ultimately the Club would not make the money that is needed to pay the bills. You are all greatly appreciated.

Again, last but not least, I want to thank the Club Officers and Committee Chairmen for the time they spend in governing and taking care of the business of the club. Many of them have held these roles for years and again I appreciate them, as so should you. In January we will be voting for new officers, and it would be nice to see some younger members stepping-up into leadership roles.

Running Deer, Varmint, and Block Shoots start back up in January. I've said it before and I will say it again; these shoots are what keep our doors open. We cannot operate on membership dues alone. What I am asking for is more help with these shoots. Running Deer help has been good, but we are just getting by on the Varmint and Block Shoots. If more people could step up, we can give some of our regular help a break and not have to rely on the same members for every match. We are also looking for someone to take over the Archery Committee. If you are interested in helping out with any of these events/committees, please contact myself or one of the Committee Chairmen. You can also select what you would like to help with on your membership application renewal by simply checking the box and someone will reach out to you. We added a "preferred way to contact you" section on the application, so we will know the best way to contact you and ease communication. Helping out in these events is not hard and is a good way to get to know people within the Club and make new friends.

This year, we also tried out a new event with a Gun Show in October. We are planning another one in April and will post information on the website closer to the date.

Lastly, please try and make it out to the January meeting, on Monday January 21st. We will be voting for new officers and holding our deer antler measuring for members who were successful in the current hunting season. Hope to see you all there.

Brad King, *President of Mt. Holly Fish & Game*

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Financial Secretary

The club's membership application has been modified for 2019. We updated the membership types available to reflect changes in the By-Laws effective January 18, 2018.

Regarding existing Golden Age Life and Life Time members; we are asking those members to submit the new application included with their newsletter so we can update our files. Home addresses, phone numbers and email addresses change over time and we want to have the most current info possible. Also if you can volunteer your time for any club functions (shoots, work parties, the fishing derby, etc.), please mark the items you can help with and the best way to reach you. Golden Age and Life Time members do not need to submit a self-addressed stamped envelope when they return the form for this update.

In order to keep costs down for the club and expedite processing of membership applications please include a self addressed stamped envelope with your membership renewal application. Mail applications to Dave Meloy, 35 Leah Street Dillsburg, PA, 17019.

Thanks, Dave Meloy, *Financial Secretary*

Block Shoots

Block shoots will start Saturday night, January 5th running every Saturday through March 30th. Registration starts at 6:00pm and we start shooting at 6:30pm. Cost is \$6.00 per shot in each of the 4 rounds. Maximum barrel length is 36". We will have special cash prize shots each month. More information will be announced at the first shoot. Again, we are looking for help (particularly people to set blocks) It's not hard, and we will teach you. If interested in helping call either Brad King at 717-432-9276 or Terry Stamer at 717-226-6676.

Running Deer Shoots

Running Deer shoots will be held Saturdays January 19th, February 2nd, 16th, March 2nd, 16th, 30th. We will start shooting around 11am. Rules have been updated for 2019. They are posted on the website and in the Club House. We can always use extra help. If you're interested in helping or if you have any questions please contact Buzz Frey at 717-528-8749.

Varmint Shoots

Varmint Shoots will be held Friday nights January 25th, February 8th, 22nd, and March 8th. We start shooting as soon as it gets dark which is typically around 7:00pm. There are restrictions on calibers that are allowed due to the noise. Rules have been updated for 2019. They are posted on the website and in the Club House. We need more help to have this event. If you're interested in helping or if you have any questions please call Bob Redmond at 717-486-4619 or Brad King at 717-432-9276.

Building & Grounds Committee

Mowing and Maintenance is done March thru November every Wednesday 8:00am to noon (weather permitting). Ranges are closed during this time. Any and all help is welcomed. Thanks to the "Retired Gang" (Bill, Bob, Brian, Brent and Cliff) for all of your help. We may schedule some evenings or Saturdays to do some larger jobs. Check the box for "Work Party" on your membership application so we know who to contact if you're interested in helping.

Marlin Ditmer, *Chairman of Building & Grounds*

Children Fishing Derby

The annual Children's Fishing Derby will be held April 27th, 2019. For more information contact Rob Robinson at 717-491-7366 or email at mrrobs@comcast.net

Hunter Safety Courses

We typically hold two Hunter Safety Courses per year. Usually, one is held in the spring and one in the late summer. The exact dates will be determined closer to spring. When they're decided, we will post on the website and announce at monthly club meetings. Registration is available on the PA Game Commission website.

Muzzle Loading and Black Powder

Our new application has an updated line to determine muzzle loading/black powder shooting interest at the club. We are considering both modern (in-lines) and primitive style (flintlock/percussion) shoots. Please note whether your interest would be as a participant or volunteer. Any questions, please contact Dave Meloy.

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Financial Information

Expenses

Loan for land **	28%
Building & Grounds	14.25%
Insurance	15%
Taxes	14.5%
Electric / Fuel Oil	13.5%
Advertising	3.75%
Snow & Trash Removal	4.75%
Tax Prep & Office Supplies	4.75%
Security Alarm & Phone	<u>2.5%</u>
	100%

Income

Membership	23%
Running Deer & Varmint	15%
Block Shoots	61%
Miscellaneous	<u>1%</u>
	100%

Loan Balance as of 10/31/18 **\$39,540.31

