

December 2019  
Annual Newsletter

# Fish & Game Newsletter

## **Officers, Directors, and Committee Chairs:**

### **President**

Brad King  
717-432-9276

### **1<sup>st</sup> Vice President**

Jeff Black

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President**

Terry Starner  
717-226-6676

### **Recording Secretary**

Eric Wickline  
717-528-8296

### **Financial Secretary**

Dave Meloy

### **Treasurer**

Dave Meloy

### **Board of Directors:**

Chairman of the Board of  
Directors/Marlin Dittmer – 717-  
766-3741

Sid Miller – 717-697-5538

Buzz Fry – 717-528-8749

Bob Redmond- 717-486-4619

Brian Starner

### **Solicitor:**

Richard P. Mislitsky, ESQ.

### **Committee Chairs:**

#### **Buildings & Grounds**

Marlin Dittmer – 717-766-3741

#### **Rifle Range**

Cliff Faircloth

#### **Block Shoot**

Terry Starner

Brad King

#### **Running Deer**

Buzz Fry

Bob Redmond

Terry Starner

#### **Archery**

Bob Shields

#### **Hunter Safety**

Terry Starner

#### **Website/Newsletter**

Rebekah King

Club Phone – 717-486-7710

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

## Message from the President

Mt. Holly Fish & Game had another successful year in 2019. We accomplished many things due to a lot of people standing up and pitching in. The Building and Grounds Team has done a fantastic job taking care of the Building and the Grounds. We have a core group that comes out Wednesday mornings from 8 to 12 to take care of things such as cutting the grass, painting, and taking care of our equipment. I've heard that their leader has suggested to skip some weeks in the fall due to hunting season and the team still wants to come out and work. They have built friendships and have fun getting together to work at the club which I think is great. Also thank you to those that helped with special projects like the pouring of concrete in our Morton Building. They poured the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the floor in the building, so it is now totally concrete, making it a much nicer place to work in. Shelves were built so that items can be better stored and taken care of. Thanks again to this crew for all of your time and hard work. Cheer up -- spring will come sooner than you think.

Block Shoots, Running Deer, and Varmint shoots were also a success. We had good help with Running Deer and Varmint and just got by with the Block shoots. A big Thank You to all of our helpers. We can always use help so if you're interested please let me know. The number of shooters were down a little but none the less we did good. As I have said many times these shoots are what keep the club going. Membership fees will not pay all of the bills as you will see in the financial report.

Speaking of financials, I want to bring to your attention on how far we paid down on the balance of the land mortgage. We decided to have extra monthly block shoots from May to August with the entire profit from the shoots going toward the mortgage. Every little bit helps in paying it off.

I want to thank all of the club Officers and Committee Members for their time running the club. Unfortunately, it seems to be the same people year after year. We are all getting old and we need the younger members to step up and take over some of these duties. Currently, Dave Meloy is handling two positions. It would be nice if someone would step up and take the Financial Secretary position which is currently open. We have our election of Officers at our January Meeting so if you are interested in serving please let me or one of the officers know.

We will be measuring antlers at our January meeting. If you were successful harvesting a deer in the 2019-2020 season, bring the antlers to the meeting so they can be scored. We give out trophies for Archery, Muzzleloader and Rifle along with a Junior Hunters category.

Just a reminder there is to be NO Alcohol on club property. We have been finding beer cans in our dumpster. Please remember, the dumpster is for Club-Use trash/garbage only. It appears someone has been using our dumpster for personal household trash. This dumpster does not get emptied on a regular basis and is emptied depending on when we have club events.

As another reminder, you must have your membership card on you when using club ranges and pond. If you are asked for your card and you do not have it, you will be asked to leave. We have found people using the ranges that were not members. Some came with members thinking we allow visitors to use the ranges. They can visit but only members are permitted to use the club range and pond facilities.

I close by wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Hope to see you all at our meetings and shoots.

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

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## Financial Secretary

Regarding existing Golden Age Life and Lifetime members we are asking those members 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. 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 Lifetime 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 St. Dillsburg, PA. 17019.

Thanks, Dave Meloy, *Financial Secretary*

## Block Shoots

Block shoots will start Saturday night, January 4<sup>th</sup> running every Saturday through March 28<sup>th</sup>. 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 are going to do something special based on attendance to the shoots. More information to be announced at the first shoot. Again, we are looking for help. Particularly people to set blocks. Not hard. We will teach you. If interested in helping call either Brad King at 717-432-9276 or Terry Starner at 717-226-6676.

## Running Deer Shoots

Running Deer shoots will be held Saturdays January 18<sup>th</sup>, February 1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> March 14<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>. We will start shooting around 11am. Rules were updated in 2019. They are posted on the website and in the Club House. We can always use the help. If 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 24<sup>th</sup>, February 7<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, and March 6<sup>th</sup>. 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 were updated in 2019. They are posted on the website and in the Club House. We need help. If 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

Almost all Mowing and Maintenance is done March thru October on Wednesday's 8:00am to noon weather permitting. NOTE! Most of the time ranges are closed during this time. Come out and help in keeping the Club looking good and make new friends plus having fun doing so. Thanks to the "Retired Gang" (Bill, Bob, Brian, Gary and the 2 Cliffs) for all your help. Also thank you to all others that have helped on special jobs. Major jobs coming up in 2020, including painting Club House roof (back part), Morton Building, and Pavilion roof. We will also be constructing a new Booth for the Running Deer and Varmint Shoots. If you're available for special projects, please check "Work Party" box on your membership application and indicate AM or PM or NO Sundays.

Marlin Ditmer, *Chairman of Building & Grounds*

## Children Fishing Derby

The annual Childrens' Fishing Derby will be held April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020. For more information contact Rob Robinson at 717-491-7366 or email at mrrobs@comcast.net

## Hunter Safety Courses

We typically hold 2 Hunter Safety Courses per year. One in the spring and one in the late summer. Exact dates to be determined closer to spring. When decided we will post on the website and announce at monthly club meetings. Registration is done 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. If you have questions, please contact Dave Meloy.

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## Financial Information

### Expenses

Loan for land **	38.75%
Building & Grounds	15.75%
Utilities	14.25%
Taxes	11.75%
Insurance	10.5%
Advertising	2%
Postage/Office Supplies	2%
Accounting	1.5%
Security & Alarm	1.25%
Miscellaneous	1.25%
Fish & Pond	1%
	<u>100%</u>

### Income

Block Shoots	58%
Membership	24.25%
Running Deer & Varmint	12.25%
Kitchen	4.5%
Miscellaneous	1%
	<u>100%</u>

\*\*Loan Balance as of 11/15/19 **\$17,965.49**

