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June

Monday Night Trap 6pm

Youth Field Day 7am **Grounds closed to members**

Upcoming Events

- New Member Orientation 2pm
- **Board Meeting 7pm**
- 7-9 **MAMG Match 8am** All Ranges Closed All Weekend
- 14 Set up for USPSA Match 10am
- 16 **USPSA Match** 8:30am All Ranges Closed till approx 4pm
- Open Meeting-7pm 18 Junior Meeting 7pm
- York County Senior Games 8:30am Rife Range Closed till approx 4pm Trap Range Closed from 6pm on
- Fun Shoot 8:30am 22

July

Monday Night Trap 6pm

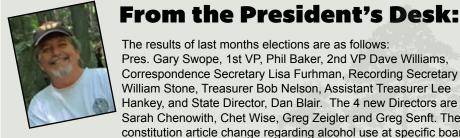
- **Board Meeting 7pm**
- Falling Steel Match 8:30am **New Member Orientation 2pm**
- 13 Set up for 3 Gun Match 8am
- 3 Gun Match 8:30am All Ranges Closed till approx 5pm
- 16 Memorial Service at Flags - 6:30pm Open Meeting-7pm Junior Meeting 7pm
- 19 Set up for USPSA Match 10am
- USPSA Match 8:30am 21 All Ranges Closed till approx 4pm
- Fun Shoot 8:30am 27











The results of last months elections are as follows: Pres. Gary Swope, 1st VP, Phil Baker, 2nd VP Dave Williams, Correspondence Secretary Lisa Furhman, Recording Secretary William Stone, Treasurer Bob Nelson, Assistant Treasurer Lee Hankey, and State Director, Dan Blair. The 4 new Directors are Sarah Chenowith, Chet Wise, Greg Zeigler and Greg Senft. The constitution article change regarding alcohol use at specific board

approved functions was approved. It was nice to see some new faces run for board, perhaps a few more new faces next year for offices?

I wish to thank those who chose to serve the club and be your representatives. I especially wish to thank you, our members, for your trust in us. I am looking forward to another year of growth, prosperity and member fellowship. This is the best organization I have ever been associated with and am proud to serve. See you soon.

Gary Swope

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Sunday, August 25th at 12:00 pm

Put it on your calendar now. All members, their families & guests are invited. This is also a great chance to introduce friends and neighbors to our club. The club provides the meat, rolls, drinks and ice cream, and everyone should bring a side or dessert. There will be games and door prizes.











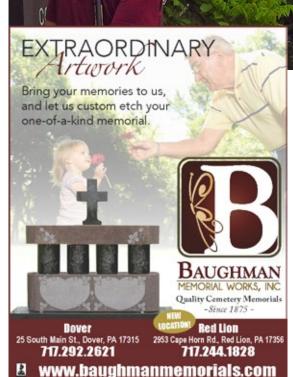








Items on the left are left over from The Outdoor Show to auction off at the next open meeting such as step ladders electric cords deep fryers



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JUNIORS



Hi Juniors!

I am trying to plan the Juniors campout. The proposed date would be Saturday August 3rd. My question is how many Juniors are interested in attending? Please send me an email either way (if you do want to attend or not). This will

also help me get to know all my Juniors. Please respond by June Juniors meeting (6/18) so that I will have adequate time to plan accordingly. Also, I am hoping to see more Juniors at the Juniors meetings. We meet the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7pm. Please remember to wear long pants and sneakers or hiking shoes. Never know when we are going to have an adventure! NEED YOUR HELP!!! I have no contact information on any of the Juniors. If any junior's parents would like to be in the know I need contact information. Thanks, Sarah Chenowith

IWLA Juniors are our kids. Ages 8 to 18, our kids are very active! Fishing trips, 3D archery shoots, making bird houses, help

in raising trout & pheasants, community service projects and much more! Membership is only \$20.00 per year. Meetings are the 3rd Tuesday of the month, 7pm at the IWLA grounds, Juniors Clubhouse. Visit our Junior Page for more information: http://www.yorkiwla.org/juniors.html or contact Sarah Chenowith at 717-841-5136,

juniors@yorkiwla.org YOUTH FIELD DAY

What a wonderful day to have 200 kids and their parents wander the grounds for our annual hosting of York Area Sportsmen for Youth, Youth Field Day. The kids experienced different outdoor activities from the shooting sports, to canoeing, fishing, and obstacle course and demonstrations on trapping, deer management and pelt identification. They were treated to lunch and went home with door prizes. The parents got a chance on raffles too.

I want to thank all of the folks who make this work. It was a marvelous thing to be a part of, again! Register early for next year, they filled, and have a wait list again!

Youth Field Day Photos more on our website at: www.yorkiwla.org/youth-field-day-1.html

























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SHOOTING **SPORTS**



Upcoming Shooting Sport Schedule:

- Monday Night Trap 6pm every monday
- Mid Atlantic Multi-Gun match June 7-9
- USPSA match June 16
- Fun Shoot June 22
- Falling Steel July 6
- 3 Gun match July 14
- USPSA match July 21
- Fun Shoot July 27
- Egg Shoot Aug 3
- 22LR RPS Shoot Aug 4

All of our matches are open to members and non-members but most require pre-registration. For the latest information on our events check our blog at www.yorkpistol.blogspot.com regularly. If you have questions about any of the matches at our club,

or would like to get involved with the Pistol Committee please email us at yorksignup@gmail.com

3 Gun 62 Shooters came out to our May 3 Gun match.

Congratulations to our top 3 shooters : Joe Pitha, Buddy Knight & Blaese Romano. Our Mid-Atlantic Multi-Gun match is scheduled on June 8 & 9. Set up on Thursday & Friday Nights. Please visit our website, and blog spot for changes and dates. visit: http://www.yorkiwla.org/invictus-practical-midatlantic-multi-gun-championships.html

..... USPSA Twenty-five shooters braved rain and cold to participate in our USPSA match on Mother's Day. We got wet, but everyone worked hard and we finished around 1PM allowing everyone to get home early. Congrats to the winners: Limited:

Matt "Rain Man" Schwartz • Carry Optics: Matt Santo • Production: JT Clarke Single Stack: Hunter Clarke • PCC: Brad Sweimler

We've been assured that the weather will be better for our Father's Day match, on June 16th with set up on Friday June 14th at 10am. Our July Match will be on the 21st.

..... Fun Shoot On May 25th we held our monthly FunShoot. Around 50 shooters engaged 6 stages of 25-30 pieces of falling steel each. A good time was had by all. Our FunShoots

are a casual, safe way to play with your firearms, without much movement or competitive pressure. We never require scoring or timers! Great for new and casual shooters. Our next one will be on May 25th, hope to see you there!

Our Funshoots are amost always the 4th Saturday of the month. For detailed announcements, please visit yorkpistol.blogspot.com, or better yet, subscribe to it!

..... **Trap** Friday May 10, we took on 8 full skids of clay targets for Monday night trap....in the rain. This should last the season. Monday night Trap is, open!!! Come join us every Monday Night 6pm-9pm. Open to the Public. Bring a friend. We have Voice Activated Pullers and Lit range. Cost per 25 targets: \$4 for adults, \$3 for Juniors (16 & under)



York Chapter #67 IWLA will be hosting 2 YORK COUNTY SENIOR GAMES Wed. June 19. Target Shooting on the 100/200 yard range at 1:00 PM. Trap Shooting at 6:00 PM. Practice rounds begin at 5pm

Detail booklets ®istration forms are available by contacting York County Area Agency on Aging at 717-771-9001 or 1-800-632-9073 or www.ycaaa.org. or visit: http://www.yorkiwla.org/2016-york-county-senior-games.html









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TROUT COMMITTEE



What a FANTASTIC DAY WE HAD at the Kids Fishing Derby!!! Thanks so much to all of you for your help. We all make a great team and this year's Fishing Derby would not have been such a success without each and every one of you!

I believe we had almost 250 kids register! One of the biggest crowds ever!

- Thank you, Don Robertson for organizing the monster trout from Limestone Springs!
- Thank you Lisa Fuhrman for helping me shop, making great cupcakes, and helping with food sales!
- Thank you, Jim Ebersole for manning the grill! You did a fantastic iob!
- Thank you, Bill Gross for all of your suggestions, advice and muscle!
- Thank you Heather and Don Harris for taking control of the fundraising sales and 50/50 so I didn't have to worry about
- Thank you Bruce Coyle for doing registration and having fun, as always, with the kids!
- Thank you, Theresa Gottshall for doing registration and keeping Bruce in line!
- Thank you, Jim Gottshall for having my back, running stream patrol, and doing anything we needed!
- Thank you, Rochelle Aurand for helping food sales and cleanup!
- Thank you, Patsy for your help with food sales!
- Thank You, Holly Fuhrman and Korey Klein for manning the Fish Cleaning!!
- Thank you, Dakota for giving Holly Fuhrman and Corey a hand with cleaning fish!
- Thank you, Owen Almony for your help cleaning fish!
- Thank you, Phil Baker for COOKING! and helping cleanup!
- Thank you, Jerry Lauer for purchasing so many prizes! and helping and guiding us!
- Thank you, Jon Chenowith for guiding everyone safely to the meadow and all you do!
- Thank You, Sarah Chenowith for your guidance and diplomacy with organization!
- Thank you, Chet Wise for strolling photos and getting me into this mess, lol!
- And, Thank you! Gary Swope, for not letting me give up!! and taking control when I lose it! (if I left anyone out, please forgive me)

These are only highlights! Thank you everyone for your support since August!

- Cindy Ness

Want to help? No experience necessary, any age can help! Questions call Gary 717-968-2544 president@yorkiwla.org

Pictures from Kid's Fishing Derby (more on website at www.yorkiwla.org/trout.html



















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JULY NEWSLETTER DEADLINES!

General Info & Info that needs approval - Due by June 29 Upcoming events/matches for July - Due by July 3 events/match summary & photos - 2 Days after event or r All Information to be in newsletter due to Nancy Webb at: iwlanewsletter@yorkiwla.org



















OTHER NEWS

Orientations - Orientations, where we tour the grounds and discuss rules and features of the club are mandatory for prospective members, and interesting for existing members. The next three for 2019 will be Saturday, July 6th, Sunday, August 4th, and Saturday, September 7th. All of these are at 2:00 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend. We meet in the upper floor of the clubhouse. Prospective new members should be reminded that our dues are by the calendar year now.

Buildings and Grounds - We usually don't have club work details in June or July, but if you see something around the club that needs done feel free to jump in and do it. You can also get involved with any committee activity. Our next work detail will be on August 24th at 1:00 pm to set up for the Family Picnic.

Club Scholarships - ANYONE going into Ecology, Stream Restoration, Game Warden, Park Ranger type majors; we may be able to provide a scholarship for those needing financial assistance. For more information and the registration form please go to: http://www.yorkiwla.org/scholarship.html

Legislative - To keep yourself more informed about legislative bills for the state of PA, you can find them at www.legis.state.pa.us. Such as HB.1176 which is in Environmental Resources committee. Then contact your representative on your like or dislike of what new laws should be passed. It takes all of us to give input, so the system works.

Turtle Catchers Needed - With PA reptile season fast approaching, the board would like to invite all permitted turtle catchers to remove as many snapping turtles from the clubs pond as soon as possible; there is a very healthy population. All PA reptile regulations apply.



May has proven to be the pivotal month for the future of our Lake Tonian. If you haven't been to any open meetings, or have heard through the grapevine, we have a committee formed to manage the pond located on our grounds. The pond has been in a state of flux for an extended period of time, receiving little to no management efforts. The decision has been made to build on the fantastic genetic base we have with the resident panfish to manage the pond as a trophy panfish waterway. (More on this in later months)

One of the key directives that we needed to have done was an electro-shock survey of the waterway to get a true view of what we have to work with as far as resident fish species, fish density, and health of the populations. This was performed on Thursday, May 30th by Skelly and Loy Environmental Consultants. We had a small turnout of members even though the decision to brave the forecast was made late the night prior.









For those that couldn't make the electro-shocking experience, I wanted to share a brief rundown of what was accomplished. We wanted an idea of our fish population; we learned the pond is extremely bass heavy. 92 largemouth bass, 22 bluegill, 3 crappie, 2 white suckers, 1 brown bullhead, and 5 Amur carp were sampled over 2½ passes around the pond.

The immediate suggestion (after just one sampling stop) was to concentrate on removing bass. We have a 1:4 ratio of bass:panfish - it needs to be 4:1. That in itself shows how far out of balance the pond is. Only four(4) of the 92

sampled largemouth were 13" or larger. The largest bass sampled was 14". So, not only do we have an over-abundance, they are also stunted (as suspected). Based on this information the pond is now under the following regulations:

- Any largemouth bass under 13" are to be removed/ unlimited creel limit
- Any largemouth bass over 13" are to be released back into the pond.
- All bluegill and crappie are to be released back into the pond.
- Any other species are to be removed/unlimited creel limit
- Bowfishing for Amur carp is encouraged at this time. Please make 100% certain of your target; the carp are unmistakenly large/unlimited creel limit

Now that we have a direction, and a set of regulations in place to "grow" the intended path of having a trophy panfish pond, we can set our eyes on the next steps: We know we have a 2-3 year age gap that is completely missing in our bluegill population. There is zero recruitment to replace the current trophy bluegill that we have as they die. Supplemental stocking of fingerlings (4-6") was discussed pond side. There will be further esearch on this; it will need done, but I need to figure out which strain of bluegill will do the best long term to meet our goal.

Aeration would benefit the waterway greatly; both from an ecological standpoint and a fish density standpoint. Here again, I want to get the facts straight before anything gets implemented.

A supplemental food source is also on the table over our 5-6 year plan. Here again, we have some direction but I'd like some serious and in-depth thought put into it before we chase the option.

Keep your eyes on the newsletter, or sit in on a monthly meeting; we have a lot being planned from now through the end of the year that involves yourself and/or your family enjoying time spent at our Lake Tonian!

There is a fantastic group of individuals that started the Pond committee at the beginning of the year. If any member is interested in being part of our little niche' please talk to me at any open meeting. — Zig

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