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Upcoming Events

May

- 16 **USPSA Match** 8 am
All Ranges closed till 3 pm
- 17 Monday Night Trap 6 pm
- 18 Outdoor **General Membership Meeting** 7 pm
- 22 **Funshoot** 9 am
- 24 **Monday Night Trap** 6 pm
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June

- 1 **Board Meeting** 7 pm
- 7 **Monday Night Trap** 6 pm
- 11-13 **MAMGC** 8 am
All Ranges closed 5pm June 10-13
- 14 **Monday Night Trap** 6 pm
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If you have business with the Board, please email Gary Swope at ghswope@gmail.com

Youth Field Day for 2021 has been cancelled. Bring on 2022!

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From the President's Desk:

Last month's membership meeting went fine so we will be holding our next membership meeting May 18th at 7:00 outdoors in front of the clubhouse. Bring a chair and dress appropriately. We will be meeting outside until the Governor relaxes the restrictions.

We will be holding club elections at the June 15th membership meeting. It is not too late to get on the ballot if you're interested and we will be taking nominations from the floor (or grass) at the May 18th membership meeting. Be smart, stay safe,

—Howard Thompson president@yorkiwa.org



JUNIORS

Hi Juniors!

The kids had fun doing the egg hunt last month. It also helped spark some interest for future Junior members.

Any remaining eggs can be disposed of if found. We also have some bat boxes and mason bee boxes that the juniors made a few years back for sale. Please inquire if interested. Money for these boxes go toward future activities. In April we had an in person meeting. The kids and I went over to the camping area and took down the broken bird boxes. We replaced them with mason bee boxes (made by juniors). We are curious to see if any bees move in there. We will watch them this summer to see if there is any activity. I have some other interesting projects planned for the summer. Please make sure that your child is dressed for the elements and getting dirty. There also may be some paint involved. Juniors keep an eye on your email for monthly meeting plans. If I don't have your email please let me know. **Clearances:** Pennsylvania requires clearances when interacting with children. I ask that all members submit their clearances especially anyone doing any activity that may have an unaccompanied minor. For more information see the IWLA website. *Sarah Chenoweth*

717-841-5136, juniors@yorkiwa.org



NEW BIRTH OF FREEDOM CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP will again be held this year in the front half of the club ground from July 12-July 16. Please avoid this area of the club grounds that week, and watch out for scampering scouts as you drive through that area to the ranges.

Visit our website or blog spot for more info:
www.yorkiwa.org/calendar.html
<https://yorkpistol.blogspot.com>

All Information for the June Newsletter due to: **Nancy Webb** by 6/2/21
Send to: iwlanewsletter@yorkiwa.org

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SHOOTING SPORTS

All of our matches are open to the public, but most require pre-registration. For the latest information and announcements for our events, please subscribe to our Blog at www.yorkpistol.blogspot.com. For questions, comments or to get involved, please email yorksignup@gmail.com



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Thank you to Tom Symonds for the Shooting Photos!!!

Pistol Committee In May we will have a USPSA on 5/16 (ranges closed until at least 3:00) and a Fun Shoot on 5/22.

In June The Mid-Atlantic Multi-Gun Championship will be held June 11th, 12th and 13th. All ranges will be closed for this event from Thursday evening on the 10th until Sunday the 13th sometime in the afternoon. This is a great spectator event featuring some of the best shooters in the world. Bring eye and ear protection and come watch. On 6/20 we will host a USPSA match (ranges closed until at least 3:00), and a Fun Shoot on 6/26.

In July we will have a 3 Gun match on 7/11 (ranges closed until at least 3:00), USPSA on 7/18 (ranges closed until at least 3:00) a Fun Shoot on 7/24 and a Falling Steel match on 7/25

3 GUN NEWS Thank you to all the 39 shooters that came out to our second match of the season in April. Congrats to Garrett Boop for the overall Win! Our 2021 3-Gun Schedule is on our calendar for every second Sunday of the month. And our Mid Atlantic Multigun match is scheduled for June 11-13. Please feel free to reach me with any questions at: 717-668-2325 — Chris Webb



MONDAY NIGHT TRAP Join us every Monday night at 6pm. **Voice activated Pullers and lighted range** Cost per 25 targets: \$4.50 for adults, \$3.50 for Juniors (16 & under) We are not stocking or selling ammunition this year. Side note, we are always looking for help to setup, break down and load the houses. Any little bit will be greatly appreciated. We are all volunteers and aren't getting any younger. Looking forward to seeing everyone on the range.

USPSA NEWS 71 shooters attended our April York Practical Shooters match. Congratulations to the following winners: Open: James Han, Limited: Ameet Das, Production: Bennet Boyer, Single Stack: Noel Zarza, Revolver: Rob Naulty, Carry Optics: Andrew Margolin, PCC: Joseph Santos. Our next match is Sunday, May 16th. Registration is via Practiscore and opens Sunday, May 9th at 7PM. Match setup takes place Friday, May 14th at 10AM. Contact Jim or Russell with any questions.

Reminder: Parking and driving on the range is limited to club match and repair activities and handicapped persons only. Please walk out to change your targets.



LEGISLATIVE

There is a primary election coming up on May 18th. This election is open to all political parties and is very important. Appearing on the ballot are 4 questions, including 2 State Constitutional questions that will shape the future of how states of emergency are handled by our elected officials. Please read all these questions carefully, as they are written very poorly and are quite confusing. Please look up the ballot questions and read them ahead of time at <https://www.dos.pa.gov/VotingElections/Pages/Joint-Resolution-2021-1.aspx>.

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TROUT COMMITTEE

WE DID IT! Another successful IWLA Trout Season...and we couldn't have done it without all our fish-volunteers.

THANK YOU! We just can't thank you enough—all the feeders & stocking volunteers who helped during the 2021 season. They did a great job all season and it showed by the size and health of the trout. The turn-out of additional volunteers for releasing the trout exceeded our expectations. This strong IWLA member support provided shorter working hours for the trout-crew, faster release for the trout and a fun learning experience for young & old(er) volunteers. The 2020-21 season ends in May and the final clean-up of the nursery completes our spring activities. Mark your calendars now for the 2021-22 Trout season, starting up late October. Hopefully, we won't have Covid restrictions, allowing for normal trout activities then. Jerry and I look forward to seeing the familiar faces from this Spring, and to welcoming new member-volunteers to help raise a new hover of juvenile trout. Kudos for a great year with trout and we invite any member who would like to participate with trout activities to contact Bob Nelson at treasurer@yorkiwla.org.



Stocking and fishing at the South Codorus Branch stream.

BUILDING & GROUNDS

We will have another work day Sunday, May 23rd from 1:00 pm until 4:00 pm. When attending these work details always wear old clothes, boots and gloves. Bring saws, rakes and other similar implements to these first two work details. Trucks and trailers for moving brush and wood are a plus too. We will focusing on spring cleanup of the grounds May to include trimming along the driveway and edges of the woods for mowing etc.



STREAM CLEAN UP

Twenty-one members from York Water, HRG, Ecotone, and Izaak Walton League volunteered their time to help pick up trash along the East Branch of the Codorus Creek May 1st. The event was a great success with three full pick-up loads of trash being removed from the area between Log Rd and Iron Stone Hill Rd! This not only benefits the aesthetics of the area, but helps improve the habitat and reduce pollution. Some notable items found include: approximately 20 tires, an entire port-a-potty (stuck since 2011!), parts of a picnic table, a traffic barrel, and the entire front end bumper of a car! We are very thankful to all of the volunteers for helping improve and protect our source water, and look forward to next year's event!

LAKE TONIAN

Time to dust off your fishing equipment (if you haven't already done so). The largemouth bass have been in the shallows, on beds, for the last three(3) weeks. The beds are very prominent as plate sized circles of white, clean rock. Fish are being caught using small crankbaits and grub style (Twister tails for those of us who are older) jigs. There has been a very consistent topwater bite that lasts about an hour just before dusk. Remember to release any bass 13" or larger back into the pond. We are seeing an increase in the 13-15" fish this year. The panfish have moved into the mid to upper water column. The males are beginning to darken in color and the females are egg laden, so in a few more weeks they will be found on the flats tending to their spawning beds. These fish are being caught with small jigs presented with a slow, steady retrieve and on small crankbaits (1.5-2" lures). Panfish will continue to be under the catch and release management plan. There are currently four(4) tagged fish in the pond. The tags are brown and cylindrical in shape, found in the dorsal fin area. Any tagged fish are of the size/type that are to be released back into the pond. If you do catch a tagged fish, please note what area of the pond it was caught in and the length of the fish (preferably no guessing on the length), and contact Greg Zeigler (717-578-1718 or zigs-jigs@comcast.net) with the info. Pictures are always a great bonus and greatly appreciated if they can be taken. There may be a bounty prize to go with your catch as well! Remember, it's warmer outside so the other pond residents will be out and about more frequently. Toads, birds, snakes, etc. are not unusual sightings around the water. As always, enjoy your time at the pond!

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