



# ISA OnTarget

Irwin Sportsmen's Association Newsletter

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## Spotlight on Junior Rifle Team

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The Post 228 junior rifle team has been busy this year practicing and competing in the Pittsburgh and Suburban League. Our junior team is competing against seniors every Wednesday night either here at ISA or at the other team's home range. The team has been competing against other juniors in Ohio on Saturdays. The team has consistently finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the competition with other junior teams.

The team would like to thank the ISA for the continued support of the team as we raise money to compete at Camp Perry in July. We have monthly raffles and Triangle sub sales.

Stop by on Monday or Tuesday from 6 till 9 to see the future of our association in action. We are always looking for new shooters. See the ISA webpage (Jr. Rifle Team) for more information.





### Game Commission Unanimously Approves Proposed Rulemaking for New Semi-Auto Rifle Hunting Law

The Pennsylvania Game Commission unanimously passed the proposed rulemaking for the semi-auto rifle hunting law at the quarterly meeting. Final approval for the regulations will take place at the March 27-28 meeting. Signed by Governor Tom Wolf on November 21, 2016, Act 168 of 2016 eliminates the prohibition on the use of semi-automatic rifles for hunting and allows for the Pennsylvania Game Commission to regulate these sporting rifles for all game species in accordance with season and bag limits. The Commissioners also expanded the use of semi-automatic rifle hunting to now include fall turkey season in addition to small game and varmints, bear, elk and deer. As most other states have discovered, allowing hunters to use semi-automatic rifles is nothing more than expanding firearm selection for the hunter afield. Semi-automatic rifles simply give hunters a much greater ability to fire a timely and accurate follow-up shot, which can be the huge difference between wounding or quickly taking a game animal. Ending the prohibition on semi-automatic rifle hunting will provide Pennsylvania hunters the same opportunities and options enjoyed by hunters in 48 states.

#### Sale or Wanted

Wanted - Complete Issues of American Rifleman Magazine for 2015 and 2016. Contact Tom at 724-864-6542

Sale - Traditions .50 Caliber Muzzle Loader, Bolt Action, Inline, 209 ignition, Black Synthetic Stock, Blued Barrel, Fixed Scope, Sling, \$150. Contact Jamie after 4 PM at 724-396-7350.

#### Activities

Officers Meeting - 7 PM 3/9, 2nd Thursdays  
 2 Work Parties - 11 AM 3/25, Hook up Water  
 Membership Meeting - 7:30 PM 3/30/17, 4th Thursdays  
 Ladies Instructional Pistol Shoot starts 4/4, 1st and 3rd Tuesdays  
 Mens Instructional Pistol Shoot starts 4/11, 2nd and 4th Tuesdays  
 Pin Shoot starts 4/13 - 2nd and 4th Thursdays  
 Work party setup for course, 4/7 7:30 PM  
 Hunter Safety Course, 4/8, 8-3 PM

#### MORE INFO ON SEMIAUTOMATIC RIFLES

Semiautomatic rifles soon could be approved for Pennsylvania hunters participating in most seasons in which manual rifles can be used. The Pennsylvania Board of Game Commissioners today gave unanimous preliminary approval to regulatory changes that would permit the use of semiautomatic rifles and shotguns while hunting big game, small game and furbearers. When hunting big game, a five-round magazine would be required for all semi-automatic hunting rifles, with the total ammunition capacity limited to six rounds, based on the preliminarily approved measure. There would be no magazine restriction for small game and furbearers. The measure also preliminarily approves the use of air rifles for small-game and furbearers. The proposal will be brought back to the March meeting for a final vote.

**Two keys were found at the club on 2/19. They look like gun case keys. One was found at the pistol range and one at the rifle range. They were put in the shadow boxes at each respective range.**

Each membership meeting we offer 50/50 tickets for sale. Can't win if you don't play. Come to our meetings and buy one or more of our 50/50 chance tickets. \$36 this month to the winner.

At each membership meeting we draw a member name, and if present, the member receives the current value of our pot. \$60 was not won. It will increase by \$5 for each drawing that is not won.



 Rich Weaver, the other half of the Pin Shoot Leadership

## PHEASANT PERMIT MIGHT SOON BE REQUIRED

Hunting pheasants in Pennsylvania soon might require purchasing a pheasant permit in addition to a general hunting license.

The Pennsylvania Board of Game Commissioners today preliminarily approved creating a pheasant permit that would be required for all hunters who pursue or harvest pheasants.

The permit would cost \$25 for adults, based on the proposal. It would not cost junior hunters anything to continue to hunt pheasants. The proposed pheasant permit is expected to come up for a final vote at the board's March meeting.

## GAME COMMISSION SHOOTING-RANGE RULE CHANGES

The Pennsylvania Board of Game Commissioners today gave preliminary approval to a package of regulatory changes regarding the use of Game Commission-owned public shooting ranges.

One change would allow shooting ranges on state game lands to be open longer – from 8 a.m. to sunset – on Sundays within the firearms deer and bear seasons.

As it is now, shooting ranges on game lands regularly are open from 8 a.m. to sunset Monday through Saturday, but regular Sunday hours are noon to sunset. On the Sundays immediately preceding the firearms deer and firearms bear seasons, however, ranges are open from 8 a.m. to sunset.

Commissioners said the proposed expansion of Sunday hours, while minor, would create a convenience for hunters who might find themselves pressed for time to adjust sights or scopes on firearms at the height of the hunting season.

Other amendments would prohibit range users from intentionally shooting at or damaging the frames and stands on which target backboards are mounted, or using a firearms in negligent disregard for the safety of others.

An amendment clarifying that automatic firearms cannot be used on Game Commission ranges also was passed as part of the package, and another amendment clarifies that Game Commission shooting ranges, regardless of length or size, are designated by default as rifle ranges, and may be designated as handgun-only ranges if posted as such by the commission.



## New Members

Welcome to you all and may you find our facility and fellowship to your liking.

Bradford Tillman Jeannette  
Michael Nesbit Claridge  
James Mermigos Jeannette  
Jesse Hempel East Butler  
Jason Hempel Manor  
Malcolm Berger Irwin  
Luke Baverso N. Huntingdon

There is no need for anyone to work alone. Please call one of the following so that they can assist and provide additional safety. They have volunteered to be "on call" to assist.

John Bell [724-374-5024](tel:724-374-5024) Almost anytime  
Smokey Burdin [724-396-9627](tel:724-396-9627) M-F 9-5  
Kevin Kennelty [724-493-9565](tel:724-493-9565) Almost anytime  
Joe Curran [724-744-4329](tel:724-744-4329) or [412-610-3692](tel:412-610-3692), Except Thursdays  
Rich Boehm [724-953-4778](tel:724-953-4778)

### Give Our Sponsors Your Business

Industrial Tractor Parts, Jim, Bev or Jon,  
724-424-1200

City of Jeannette, Richard Jacobelli,  
724-527-4000 x28

RE/MAX Realty Access, George/Dana  
Kendall, 724-864-2200x20

All Vehicle Service, Shawn Mason,  
724-863-6424

Bell-View, Lee-Thompson-Fawcett Co,  
Robert Fawcett, 724-523-5406

Buchanan's Auto Repair and Sales, LLC, Bill  
Buchanan, 724-744-3055

K.C. Express Vending, Kenn Carasia,  
724-527-5233

Norwin Rental & Outdoor Power Equipment,  
724-864-1150

Revolution Arms, Charles Laughery, 724-527-  
2045

Robert Sandrick Excavating, Grading,  
Ditching, Bob, 724-863-5221

Fix's Body Shop, Inc., Insurance, Collision  
Work, 724-863-9305

Manor Grille, Derek Gutkowski,  
724-861-3404

Varine-Slavin Insurance, Eric Slavin, Agent,  
724-527-2802

PA Group Fitness, Jason Serbanjak,  
724-261-7171

Westmoreland Equipment, Rental Sales/Serv  
724-744-3130

David L. Holloman Tree Service  
724-863-9082

Howard Gasoline & Oil Co, Thomas Howard,  
724-864-5210

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We sadly announce the passing of the mother of our President John Reed on February 25, 2017. Arrangements will be posted on the web site when known. May our prayers uplift and support the families.



"Well, I seen all the commotion, with that there monster destroyin' half the city and whatnot, and I says to myself, 'Hell! Why don't someone just shoot the varmint?'"

### ISA 2017 Officers

<b>PRESIDENT</b>	<b>JOHN REED</b>	<b>724-864-2488</b>
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### ISA 2017 Council Members

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### ISA 2017 Responsibilities

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<b>NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE</b>		
<b>ARCHERY</b>		
<b>PISTOL ACTION</b>		
<b>PISTOL PINS</b>		
<b>PISTOL SILHOUETTE</b>		
<b>RIFLE</b>		
<b>WOMEN'S LEAGUE</b>		
<b>KITCHEN</b>		
<b>NRA</b>		