

Irwin Sportsmen's Association

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Member of the National Rifle Association

Member of Pennsylvania Rifle and Pistol Association

Member of Pennsylvania State Pistol Silhouette Association

NRA Approved Small Bore Hunters Pistol and Hunter Pistol Silhouette

Member of Pennsylvania Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs and Wildlife Institute

August 2011 A MEMBERSHIP IS MORE THAN JUST PAYING DUES VISIT YOUR CLUB EDITOR: Debbie Harmison

MEETINGS: The Officer Meeting the SECOND Thursday at 7:00 pm. General Membership meeting will be at the Club House at 7:30 pm on the last Thursday of the month.

RIFLE RANGE: WHEN Sighting IN YOUR RIFLE PLEASE USE THE RIFLE RANGE.

FAMILY MEMBERSHIP: This is a reminder to the Members, who has sons or daughters that are 18 yrs of age must join ISA to continue using the club facilities. Initiation fee is waived if they become a member before their 18th birthday.

FUNDRAISER: Tickets for our next fundraiser will be available at the general meetings. Tickets will go off on the following date Aug 26, Oct 28, and Dec 30. Members must return any unsold tickets by the 15th of that month. Contact Lew Tuccarello 724-523-3262 for tickets and further info. Members who have tickets mailed to them will be asking to add \$1.00 with their returned stubs and cash to help offset the cost of postage for mailing these tickets. **IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SELLING TICKETS CALL LEW.**

MEMBERSHIP FEE FOR 2011: The dues are \$30 with a \$30 initiation fee for a total of \$60 for the first year. Membership fees thereafter are \$30 + \$ 10 for each of the 3 work parties that were not done. Your membership dues are reduce if you participated in a work party and/or volunteer to assist around the club for any reason. For more information, contact one of the Officers.

CHAIRS: and **old tables** are available (on loan) to members on a first come first serve basis. Anyone who is interested, please contact one of the officers. The new tables are NOT for rent.

****CLUB RENTAL:** Renters are responsible for cleaning before and after using the clubhouse. The renter must take the trash with them when leaving, as there is no trash pickup at the club! **THE CLUB IS NOT OPEN FOR RENTAL FROM NOV TO APRIL.**

Do not forget, club rental for graduation is \$50 for members. Call John Reed for reservations: 724-724-864-2488. The Ranges are not closed when the clubhouse is rented, so be careful.

WORK PARTIES: Work parties are every Wednesday, from 5 -7 pm. If you would like to do work parties during the day call Lauren West for more information: 724-244-9053

PISTOL PINS: April 14 & 28, May 12 & 26, June 9 & 23, July 14 & 28, August 11 & 25, Sept 8 & 22. @ 5:30 pm – Contact Mike McCauley (724) 527-3055 or Paul Artman (724) 864-4506 for more information.

ACTION PISTOL SHOOT: April 7 & 21, May 5 & 19, June 2 & 16, July 7 & 21, August 4 & 18, Sept 1 & 15 @ 5 pm – Contact Jim Ambrust (724) 863-1967 for more information. Jim is on site as early as 4 pm.

SILHOUETTES SHOOT: April 2, May 7, June 4, July 2, August 6, Sept 3, @ 9 am contact Ed Onder (724) 744-2539

****SPECIAL NOTE: TURKEY SEASON IS IN AT DURING THIS SHOOT. TURKEY HUNTING ON THIS RANGE IS CLOSED**

WOMEN LEAGUE: Second Tuesday of the month - April 12, May 10, June 14, July 12, Aug 9, Sept 13 @ 7pm. Fee is \$3.00

President: John Reed 724-864-2488
Vice President: Jack Ruffner 724-744-2514
Financial Secretary: Sam Petrill 724-523-9216
Recording Secretary: Diana Ruffner 724-744-2514
Treasurer: Mike Serlo 724-523-3748
Council: Joe Kelly 724-744-1730
Dave Marshall - 724-527-5226
Jim Fisher 724-863-3764
Dave Brentzel – 724-864-5532
Andy Valentine 724-744-4685
VACANT
John Shaffer 724-744-1332
Matt Reed 724-864-2488
Brian Mahl 724-864-8819
Mike McCauley – 724-527-3055
County League: Sam Petrill 724-523-9216
Debbie Harmison 724-523-3164
Grounds: Dave Marshall 724-527-5226
John Shaffer 724-744-1332
Lauren West 724-244-9053
Jon Gilmore – 724-864-8572
Dave Brentzel – 724-864-5532
Newsletter: Debbie Harmison 724-523-3164
Pistol Action: Jim Ambrust – 724-863-1967
Pistol Pins: Mike McCauley – 724-527-3055
Pistol Silhouettes: Ed Onder 724-744-2539
Rifle: Jack Ruffner 724-744-2514
Fund Raiser: Lew Tuccarello 724-523-3262
Kitchen: John Reed 724-864-2488

See WWW.IRWINSPORTSMEN.COM for complete information on the club.

New Members:

JR. RIFLE CLUB: Post 228 Jr. Rifle Club will begin basic rifle instruction starting in April. Meeting every Monday and Tuesday evenings. Boys and Girls age nine thru 18 are welcome. All equipment is provided. Jr. Rifle Club is selling tickets for \$2 to win \$200. If you can help the club by selling 10 tickets, it will be equal to one work party. Please contact Vic Maccagnan for details and tickets. 724-523-5810 Contact Richard Lawson @ 724-523-3361 or Bob Cain @ 724-834-8926

RIFLE RANGE REMINDER: When you complete your shooting, please remove your targets. When shooting a shotgun, please do not use the backstops. The damaged that it causes requires the backstops to be replaced frequently. **RANGES RULES HAVE BEEN POSTED, PLEASE READ THEM, AND COMPLY WITH THEM. If you do not comply with these rules, your membership can be terminated.**

5 M.P.H. SPEED LIMIT: Members are reminded to observe the 5 M.P.H. limits using the road to the club. We have a smooth paved road part way to the club, BUT the speed limit of 5 mph MUST STILL BE OBEYED. It is hard to Go slow; but, please set an example - be good Neighbors to families living on this road.

Fill Needed: We need clean fill behind the Pin Range. Please Contact Jack Ruffner to make arrangement. No shingles, please. The nails are dangerous. **THE WATER CO WILL BE DUMPING DIRT; A SIGN POSTED WHERE THE DUMPING WILL OCCUR. NO SHOOTING WHILE THE DUMPING IS OCCURRING.**

SURVEY MAP: As a result of a recent survey, there will be a map hanging in the Clubhouse for members to consult to verify the boundaries of the club. Please use this when visiting the club

MEMBER DRAWING: ISA will be drawing a random membership number at each monthly meeting. You must be present to win. The jackpot now is up to \$90.00 and increases \$5.00 every month until someone wins. August's winner is Jeff Holup. Jeff was not present at the meeting. The jackpot will be \$95.00 for September.

COME AND CELEBRATE HUNTING AND FISHING DAY OUR ANNUAL HOUSE – September 25, 2011 12 NOON – 5 P.M. FUN FOR ALL. – food donations are needed for this event.

LUCKY BB SHOOT – SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8

The 200 yr range needs level – feedback is needed from the club members.

To HVAC club members we need volunteers that would like to relocate the furnace to the back room. Please contact one of the Officers.

On all fund raisers – the first number drawn on the 7 pm lottery drawing is the official number for our fundraiser.

Of interest to Club Members: When you are using the Facilities at the club house and find something damaged Alternatively, not working properly, please notify one of the officers as soon as possible so the problem are fixed. Thank You!

NRA Membership: Contact Bob Cain @ 724-834-8926 or Dave Brentzel @ 724-864-5532. When you renew your NRA membership with Bob or Dave you receive a discount of \$10 making the cost only \$25. The Jr Rifle League also receives \$10 in NRA dollars.

"VERY IMPORTANT" - SAFETY ZONE: Your responsibility; 150 yards w/firearms. Statewide safety zone, archers only 50 yards.

AD SPACE: We have openings for sponsors. Any member bringing in a sponsor will be paid \$5 for each one.

ISA is asking any current sponsor or winner of the club ticket to sponsor the cost of producing the club ticket, which is \$75.00. Your name or company name printed on the envelope of a 1000 tickets for one drawing. For more information, contact Lew Tuccarello 724-523-3262

MISC NEWS:

CWD is now within 10 miles of our southern border of PA. The G.C. has an action plan in place if CWD is found in PA. Tplan will be immediately put in action without delay.

With the rising cost of postage, ISA is asking if you receive the newsletter through the US Post Office to send a few dollars as a donation for the postage. A BIG THANK YOU TO THE MEMBERS THAT HAVE SENT A DONATION FOR POSTAGE

If you have hunting & fishing clothing and/or equipment that you have outgrown or no longer, need. Please bring them to ISA, we can always find someone who is in need of these items but cannot afford to purchase them.

ISA is seeking a person for the position of Club PR, this person coordinate events with the Newspaper and responsible for photographing club events. IF YOU HAVE OR CAN CONTACT A COMPANY THAT WOULD MAKE A DONATION FOR THE HUNTING TRAPPING EDUCATION CLASSES PLEASE DO SO. WE ARE LOOKING FOR AT LEAST 100 to 200 ITEMS FOR THE KIDS.

NRA GRANT APPLICATION – applications for grant money are available on the NRA website, the application must be completed by Sept 2011 for 2012.