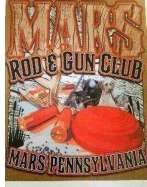


Life at MRGC

“The Official Newsletter of MRGC.”

November 2023



Website: marsrodandgunclub.org

Email: marsrodandgunclub@gmail.com

Facebook: Mars Rod and Gun Club Official Page---Please answer all the questions!

Prospective Members who attended New Member Orientation Mtg in Oct need to be present at Dec mtg to be introduced and voted onto probation:

- Clayton Ford -R
- Larry Kramer-Sr
- Michael Lipinski-Sr
- Jack Loadman Sr
- Donna Lisanti A
- Richard Stoehr Sr

If anyone knows of any concerns or challenges regarding these prospective members, please let Faye know ASAP!

Holiday raffle 12/25 See Jeff C. for tickets

-3 digit # Drawn first @ 7pm.\$10.00/

2024 Renewal Information: A review of the current bylaws regarding renewals:

Failure to pay dues by 12/31/2023: Renewal fees must be paid prior to Jan 1 each membership year. A grace period from 1/1 to 1/31 of the membership year shall be available to current members to renew their membership. A \$50.00 late fee/initiation fee will be assessed to members during this grace period. No membership renewals will be accepted after 1/31. Members who fail to renew their membership by 1/31/24 shall lose all membership privileges and must reapply for membership, following the same procedure as a new member applicant (including payment of initiation fee.)

Payment methods/forms:

1. **Cash** for exact amount. A receipt will be given to you at the time of payment.
2. **Personal checks/Business checks** are accepted. Starter checks may not be used for payments. Make checks payable to Mars Rod & Gun Club.

Faye (or designee) will take in-person payments:

- on most Tuesdays after 5pm
- before and after monthly meeting

We hope to begin to accept credit card payments by Nov. 15, 2023. More info to follow.

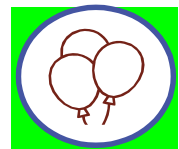


Any questions, call Scott Cukovich 724-679-9596):

Trap practice/learning to shoot trap. Every Tuesday 5:00-8:00 pm. Once Sno Ball League starts, please remember you may be

*Any member who already has their activity card completed for the year, may turn in their cards to Faye to file for the next renewal period.

*All probationary members need to have their 10 hrs. completed by the end of year so you do not have to pay for your gate access card. If you don't understand this, please ask me, an Officer or a Board member.



Credit Card Payments:

We are currently in discussions with GabPay to enable the option of paying fees at the Club using a credit card. Our goal is to facilitate payments for renewal fees, merchandise, and potentially league shooting fees in the future. I will keep you informed once we have

ticket. Only 500 tickets available. Winner takes all:
1. Colt Python 357 Magnon 6" stainless steel w/case & walnut wood grips/1 bx shells &
2. Ruger M-77 Rifle 270 WSM w/superpower Vortex Scope & 1 bx shells. **All tickets MUST be turned in at the Dec. 7th Mtg at the latest!**



Elections Results:

All Officers from 2023 retained their positions.

President

Mike Vogel

Vice Pres

Bill Caudill

Secretary

Kraig Wolf

Membership

Secretary

Faye Sabina

Treasurer

Greg Semashko

Board of

Directors:

New - 2 yr term –

Dale Bittner

Tom Brosenitsch

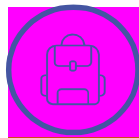
shooting on the line with League members.
*Members \$10.00/50 birds \$5.00/25 birds
*Jr Members \$5.00/50 birds \$2.50/25 birds
*Nonmembers Adults/Jrs \$10.00/50 birds.
Come and learn to shoot trap and/or have your kids learn with you! Or....come and learn to help with marking/scoring/loading the birds in the machine between shooting sessions. There are handouts available.

Sno Ball League Tuesdays @ 4:30 – 8pm and then every Tuesday through March 2024.

32 shooters this year. Help needed to set up, tear down along with marking. Great time to learn to keep score. Adults \$13.00/50 Juniors \$8.00/50 Normally, there are shells available for purchase.

Kitchen help needed for all league nights!!!!!!

If you signed up for the Kitchen Committee, we need your help. Please sign up on the calendar posted on the door when you are available. If you didn't sign up for the committee, we would still love your help. If you are willing to make food, salads, desserts, etc. and drop it off at the club; please let Faye know. This is a great way to get your activity/work hours in. If you provide a receipt, I will be able to reimburse you up to a specific amount. Please call Faye for more info.



Cleaning the Clubhouse – Anyone can do this!

The maintenance room has undergone a reorganization, ensuring that all cleaning supplies and garbage bags are now stored there. Inside the door, you'll find a spreadsheet where you can record the date, your member number, and the hours worked. Additionally, please use the designated paper to note down any required supplies.

acquired the required equipment to finalize this process. An email will be sent out to notify you when this payment method becomes available. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Faye.

Gals and Guns... "On hold for winter"

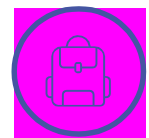


Black Powder League

Contact Mark Caudill with any questions 724-355-0727

-Will start Saturday, January 6th and continue through February 26th for 8 weeks

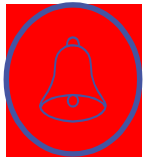
– Breakfast and Safety meeting at 8:00AM with shooting starting at 9:00AM
- \$10 per person – Walk through course



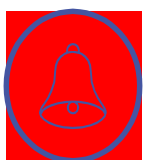
Aaron Bernstine PA State Rep, made a short presentation at the meeting regarding the work he is doing regarding 2nd Amendment work. If you have questions, feel free to call his office @ (724) 847-5291.

Gary Heyl
Bob Lucas
Randy Szymik
Joe Weltner
**Remaining
BOD in office
thru 12/31/24.**
Jeff Carelle
Scott Cukovich
Fred Dean
Julie McClelland
John Noto
Ryan Trugan

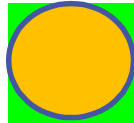
**Thank you to
the members of
the Nominating
Committee for
counting the
election votes!**
Brian Felsing
Mark Sabina
Mark Yoest



REMINDER #1
Starting October
1. No guests are
permitted at the
club to shoot
until Jan 1st,
2024. The only
exceptions are
Sno Ball League
nights, Any
questions, ask
an Officer or
Director.



REMINDER #2
Do not let
anyone in the



Work Day @ the club can be Any Day!

There are still a significant number of tasks on our to-do list, and our window of favorable weather for completing them is narrowing. As we navigate our busy lives and household responsibilities, individuals who must fulfill their work hours before the year's end (or face a \$100.00 gate fee) are running out of available months to do so. We're actively seeking younger and less fatigued club members to contribute, as our typical grounds and workday crew averages a 65-year age range.

Joe and John are open to scheduling evening work sessions and facilitating access to the garage/equipment, but it's crucial that volunteers possess the necessary equipment-handling skills.

A Grounds and Maintenance Spreadsheet has been posted outside the kitchen door on the porch's bulletin board. Please sign in with the date, time spent, and member number upon completing your assigned tasks. Prior to starting, consult with Joe and John for any essential information.

If you've made plans to contribute, kindly be considerate of others' time commitments. Appreciation goes out to those who have already assisted throughout the year, and we eagerly anticipate collaborating with you in the future.

We are in the process of taking bids for the wall and concrete work at Trap/Pavilion 2. Let Tom B or Joe W know if you are aware of a contractor that could help us.

Merchandise-Get yours before we run out.

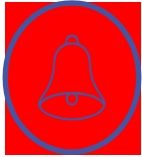
- Available for purchase. See Tracey
 - SS T-shirts:**
 - L/XL \$18
 - 2XL \$20
 - 3XL
 - LS T-shirts:**
 - L/XL \$21
 - 2XL \$23
 - 3XL \$24
 - Hoodies:**
 - L/XL \$30
 - 2XL \$32
 - 3XL \$33
 - Zip Hoodies:**
 - L/XL \$36
 - 2XL \$38
 - 3XL \$39
 - Caps:**
 - L/XL \$20
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Miscellaneous

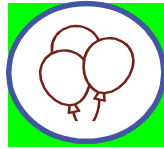
- Winner of the 50/50 raffle was Gary Heyl
- Glenn Yoho was the winner of "The Pick of the Table"

gate without proof of membership or you know them to be a member.

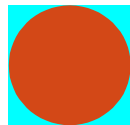


**REMINDER #3
No Parking in the Grass at any of the ranges.**

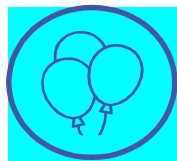
Please remember that there are to be no vehicles in the grass at the ranges or are allowed to be out of the parking lot. While we understand that you may have a lot of equipment with you to carry to the range, we all still need to get our steps in for the day. Thank you for understanding.



Good luck to all our hunters, whether you are going to camp or staying local. Everyone-please obey all laws and take all safety precautions to keep us all safe. Stay safe and stay healthy and bring home the big one. Remember, we have a Annual Wild Game Dinner to stock!!!!



The Board is working on the idea of more Handicap parking spaces on the Club grounds. Any ideas, call Bill C.



**Next Meeting DEC 7th, 2023.
See you there!**



All tree stands to be utilized on the Club property, must be registered with Kraig Wolf, and be labeled with member name and #. Otherwise, they will be confiscated and removed.



Anyone interested in helping with Newsletter, new Website upkeep, or computer work, please let Faye know. Most work can be done at home after we set it up!***

CALENDAR OF EVENTS OCT '23 & NOV '23

NOVEMBER 2023 DATES	EVENT	TIME	RANGES CLOSED	COMMENTS
Nov 14, 21 Tuesdays No league Nov 28	SnoBall Trap League & Kitchen	4:30 pm – 8:00 pm	Ranges closed 3:30p	Help needed set up, marking, kitchen
Nov 14, 21 Tuesday	Trap Practice	5:00 pm to 8:00 pm	Ranges closed 3:30p	
November 23 Thursday	Happy Thanksgiving			
Nov 25, 26, 27, 28 & 12/2	Hunting Season	All Day	Ranges closed each day	Ranges closed all day Nov 25, 26, 27, 28 & 12/2
DECEMBER 2023 Dates	EVENT	TIME	RANGES CLOSED	COMMENTS
Dec 5, 12, 19, 26 Tuesdays	SnoBall Trap League & Kitchen	4:30p to 8:00 p	Ranges closed 3:30p	
Dec 5, 12, 19 & 26	Trap Practice	5:00 pm to 8:00 pm	Ranges closed 3:30p	
Dec 7 th	Dec Monthly Mtg	700 pm		Bring raffle ticket stubs to mtg.....Bring renewals to meeting
Dec 7 th	Hanukkah begins			
Dec 25	Merry Christmas			
Dec 31, 2023	Renewals due by 11:59 pm			If pay after 12/31, will pay initiation fee also
January 2024 Dates				
January 6, 13, 20, 27 Saturday	Black Powder League	8:00 am – 2:00 pm	Ranges closed till 3pm	Help needed for set up, Breakfast 8a followed by Mandatory Safety briefing
January 31, 2024	Late Renewals due			Membership will be suspended with loss of yrs. of service toward Life Membership

Officers:

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Secretary	Kraig Wolf	(412) 580-5729	wolauto88@gmail.com
Membership Secretary	Faye Sabina	(724) 321-2691	fayegnoth@ymail.com
Treasurer	Greg Semashko	(724) 816-1892	fangsrus@zoominternet.net

Directors:

Dale Bittner	Tom Brosenitsch, Jr	Jeff Carelle	Scott Cukovich
Fred Dean	Bob Lucas, Jr	Julie McClelland	John Noto
Tony Olesnevich **till 12/31	Ryan Trugan	Joe Weltner	Tom Yeager till 12/31