Life at MRGC "The Official Newsletter of MRGC." August 2023

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Labor Day
Gun Raffle
The winner of
this raffle was
Mike Bahur!
Congrats!

Holiday raffle 12/25 See Jeff C. for tickets

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



Membership Renewal-New for all!

<u>Incentive Program for Early Payments</u> <u>for 2024 MRGC membership renewals:</u>

Pay your renewal fee and gate access card fees before 10/1/23, and you will be entered into a drawing to win a 2025 Membership renewal. Two (2) individuals will win! This only applies for the membership renewal fee and does not apply for the gate card access fee. Drawing will be at the October 6th mtg.

The 2024 renewal form can be filled out by:

- clicking on the link (I will send the link out by email when the form is ready), filling out the form, printing it , & submit it with your renewal fee/activity-work card; or
- printing the form, fill it out legibly, & present it with your fee/activity card. Link will be sent out as soon as fillable form is completed

Renewal Information cont'd: 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 Membprivileges and must reapply for membership,



*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.



WORK DAY

Watch the Club
Calendar for next
scheduled work
day Call Joe Welter
for more
information & let
him know other
times you may be
available to work!

See note last pg.



Castlewood Sporting **Clays Shoot Benefit-New** Castle Sept 23rd Call Bob Lucas for more info @ 724-312-7720 Lunch provided for shooters-all others \$10. More info on Club Bulletin Board.

Board of **Directors Mtg** date changed to **Thursday Sept** 28, 2023 at 7:00PM

Veteran's Day Dinner Sunday Nov 12th, 2023 at Mars Rod & Gun Club. Call **Bob Lucas at** 724-312-7720 to register by September 30th. The club will be hosting a dinner this Veteran's Day November 12th to honor those who have

served our

country. We will

also be hosting the Evans City

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.

We hope to begin to accept credit card payments by Oct 1, 2023. More info to follow.

Faye/(designee) will take in person payments:

- -on Tuesdays after 5pm starting 9/12/23
- -before and after monthly meeting



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 shooting on the line with League members. *Members \$10.00/50 birds \$5.00/25 birds *Ir Members \$5.00/50 birds \$2.50/25 birds *Nonmembers Adults/Jrs \$10.00/50 birds.

Trap Cont'd:

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 courtesy of Rick Martell that review trap procedures. Thanks Rick for your hard working creating this guide.

North Suburban Trap League **Monday, 9/25** 4:00 PM- 8:30 PM. Help needed to set up and tear down the traps along with marking. Great time to learn to mark/keep score!



Pistol Shoot

Saturday

September 30th (Call Bill Caudill 724-766-1876 for questions)

Set up 8am. Mandatory 9:45 AM Safety meeting whch everyone must attend. Safety Glasses &

Hearing Protection required!

Bring your own firearm & ammo. Cost is \$10.00. + donation for lunch! Children shoot free.

Targets will be set up on the 10, 25, 50 yard ranges & 100yard rifle range (for .22 LR only).Possibility

All ranges are closed till 3pm. VFW. All
veterans from
both
organizations are
welcome to
attend. Doors
open at 1:00 PM
and meal will be
served at 2:00
PM. Must preregister with Bob
Lucas by phone
or text 724-3127720

Elections will be Thursday November 2nd at the Annual Mtg.

You must have attended 7 meetings to be considered eligible to run for an office. If you are unsure of your eligibility, please call Kraig Wolf. Regular, Senior & Life members may vote. **Nominating** Committee was selected & is as follows: Brian Felsing Rick Martell Mark Sabina

Butler County Trap League Wednesday Done till next

year.Thanks to all that came out to help with setup, marking & Kitchen.

Sno Ball League Tuesdays started 9/12/23 @ 4:30 – 8pm and then every Tuesday through March 2024. Help needed to set up, tear down along with marking. Great time to learn to keep score.

Kitchen help needed for all league nights!!!!!!! If you signed up for the Kitchen Committee, we need your help. 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 - for those that signed up for 'Building Cleaning,' we are trying to organize a group of people to clean together or separately every 2 weeks and before a club rental.

We made a checklist so if someone comes to do work, they will have a guide to follow what has been completed already. The maintenance room has been reorganized so all the cleaning supplies & garbage bags are there. There will be a spreadsheet on the inside of the door to mark down the date, member # & hrs. worked. Please also mark down on the appropriate paper if any supplies are needed.



Gals and Guns...(call Julie McClelland at 412443-6972 for apt)

.....is a women's pistol club organized by women for women. Currently, Julie is only providing 1:1 instruction or up to a group of 4. Must have your own ammo. Call Julie for an appointment. Also, classes on pistol cleaning are also available.

HELP IS NEEDED!

Lots of help needed for events-set up, tear down, marking, safety, possibly kitchen. Come get your hours completed before your December renewal is due. If you are unsure of what work you can do for the hours, talk to Bill, Faye or any chairperson.



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 or sponsored shoots (Zombie Shoot.) Any questions, ask an Officer or Director

REMINDER #2

Do not let anyone in the gate without proof of membership or you know them to be a member. No Parking in the Grass at ranges
Please remember that there are to be no
cars in the grass at the ranges. No cars 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.

Work Day @ the club can be Any Day!

We still have much to do on the task list and we are running out of good weather to do it.

While we all are busy with life and home, those that need to get work time in before the end of the year (or will have to pay \$100.00 for gate fee) are running out of months to do the work. We are looking for younger and less worn-out Club members to do work, other than our average grounds & workday crew age of 65.

Joe and John are looking for ways to get others involved. They have been listening to what members have said. They are willing to set up work time in the evenings and make arrangements for you to have access to garage/equipment. We need to know that you know how to use the equipment. We have posted a Grounds and Maintenance Spreadsheet, which will be outside the kitchen door on porch's bulletin Board for you to sign the date, time spent and member # when you have completed work for the date.

If you can do something on the list, please check with Joe and John if there are tidbits of information you may need to know before you start. If it is a bigger project, we can attempt to find some people to help you. For the newer club members, if you have any special skills to help the Club, please let us know. Also, if you make plans to come and work and something else comes up, please call or text and let those know who may be expecting



Miscellaneous

- Winner of the 50/50 raffle was Glen Yoho.
- ♣ Next Meeting October 5th, 2023. See you there!

you. Thanks to those who have helped out, and we look forward to working with you in the future.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS AUG & SEPT 2023

September Dates	Event	Time	Ranges Closed	Comments
9/19, 9/26 Tuesday	Trap Practice	5;00 PM – 8:00 PM	All Closed at 4PM every Tuesday	Pls know you may be shooting on a squad with the league members after 9/5.
9/23 Saturday	Castlewood Shoot			
9/25 Monday	NSTL & Kitchen	4:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Ranges Closed 3 PM on	Help needed set
9/26 Tuesdays	Sno Ball Trap League & Kitchen	4:30 PM - 8:00 PM	Ranges Closed 3:30 PM on	Help needed set
9/28 Change of date	Board Meeting	7:00 PM		Change of Date from 10/12
9/30 Saturday	Bill's Pistol Shoot	9:45 AM – 2:00 PM	All closed till 3PM	Set up 8:00am, Mandatory Safety Mtg @ 9:45 AM
October Dates	Event	Time	Ranges Closed	Comments
October 1 Sunday	Rental of Club	12:00 PM on	All closed till 5PM	
Oct 3,10, 17, 24, 31 Tuesdays	Sno Ball Trap League & Kitchen	4:30 PM -8 PM	All Closed at 4PM every Tuesday	
Oct 3,10, 17, 24, 31 Tuesdays	Trap Practice	5PM – 8Pm	All Closed at 4PM every Tuesday	
Oct 21 Saturday	Zombie Shoot	9AM – 3 PM	All closed till 4p	Set up Friday Night. MANDQTORY SAFETY MTG AT 9AM
No guests permitted October 1, 2023 till Jan 1, 2024				

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