



MORaine CONSERVATION SPORTSMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Fall 2018

Greetings to all members,

2018 is rapidly moving along, and the crisp fall air is quickly approaching. We sincerely hope you have had a chance to use our ranges and will continue to do so.

If you have been to the **fifty yard outdoor pistol range** lately you should have noticed that we procured some new frames for the general membership to use. The old ones were well worn and were somewhat of a hazard to handle with the jagged holes in them. This damage was most likely intentionally caused by high powered rifles, and should not have happened. We can only wonder why anyone would want to purposely damage equipment and perform such a dangerous act. Please report any dangerous activity to our board of directors if you witness such activity, and note the day and time when you noticed it happen.

SOMETHING NEW: We had received requests for a target frame system that could be positioned at a distance other than the 25 or 50 yard line, and still allow the person to fire from the shooting benches. There are now **four frames that are painted white** that have a spike on the bottom of them that can be positioned at your desired location by simply pushing them into the ground. There are two short frames and two taller frames. The shorter ones are for those who are short of stature or for shooting off the bench. Whichever ones you use, **make sure all bullets are impacting the backstop AND ensure other frames are not positioned behind them.**

We are continuing to improve the rifle range, and are looking into moving it to the right side of the trap range. The main reason for this is the 100 yard back stop is quickly deteriorating from use and eroding the bunker behind it. We are considering possible alternatives, so stay tuned for more information.

The **MCSA Bylaws** will be reviewed at the November meeting, and we will be discussing the one year requirement for keycard applications, among other things. Changes will be voted on during the December meeting.

The "old-timers" have started up their 22 cal. Indoor Bench Rest shooting competitions (iron sights only) the first Monday in October. Start time is 9:00 AM, all ages welcome.

The **Junior rifle team** will be starting up again on Tuesday November 06. The team will be shooting on the **1st and 3rd Tuesdays** from 6:30 to 8:00pm. For more information, contact **Mike Ripley** at 724-794-2030.

Monthly meetings are the second Monday of each month at 7:30. It would be great to see you there.

Visit us online for more information and calendar of events at:

www.morainesportsmen.com

Or visit us on face book "Moraine Conservation & Sportsmen Association"

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Moraine-Conservation-Sportsmen-Association/115243771831850>

If you have any ideas or input to improve our club, please let us know!

Have a great summer and hope to see you at the range!

Thank you for your cooperation!

MEETING INFO

MCSA club meetings are the second Monday of each month at 7:30 PM. Everyone is invited to attend, particularly people that are interested in joining the MCSA.

TEAM NEWS AND CONTACT INFO

PISTOL The Pistol team shoots indoors starting in late September through March, and outdoors every Thursday through the summer. For more information, please contact: Stephen Gustkey 724-865-3283	TRAP Winter Trap league starts November 5 th , all are welcome. Practice will be on Sundays during the winter. Open Shoots every Tuesday @5pm until daylight savings ends in November. For more info, please contact: Tom Horstman 724-822-9242
Archery For more information, please come to our monthly meetings.	BLACK POWDER Meat shoots will be held the second Sunday of each month at 11:00am. For more info contact: Mike Ripley 724-794-2030
JUNIOR RIFLE The Junior Rifle program meets on the First and Third Tuesday evenings of each month starting in November. Anyone that has a son or daughter that is interested in shooting with us or would like more information should contact: Mike Ripley 724-794-2030	

CLUB / RANGE RENTAL

Club rental activities will be posted on the Bulletin Board outside the west door for each quarter, and can also be found on our website, www.morainesportsmen.com

Reminder: no casual shooting on the outdoor pistol range while the club is under rental agreement. Contact Stephen Gustkey (724-865-3283) or Peggy Fellenz (724-794-3676) for more information.

MEMBERSHIP INFO

Our annual membership renewal period will begin this October, and will end in February of this coming year. During this time, members looking to renew can stop by and see Brian Jesteadt at one of our monthly meetings, or send a check (payable to MCSA) and **please include self-addressed stamped envelope** to:

BRIAN JESTEADT
409 ISLE ROAD
BUTLER, PA, 16001

724-865-8015

**** Seniors - \$30.00 **** Spouse - \$15.00 **** Juniors - \$5.00 **** Life - \$300.00 ****

Husband and wife life membership is \$375.00.

Keycards are available to members (after one year) for \$20, with a \$10 fee at the start of each year.

Renewals must be completed by the February meeting. Members that miss the deadline will be required to pay a **\$15 reinstatement fee along with their dues.**