

Newsletter of the Helderberg Rod & Gun Club

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# *The RUFFED GROUSE.*

May 2022



## HRGC SPRING 5 GUN RAFFLE ONLY 250 TICKETS

RUGER 10-22 22LR, SAVAGE AXIS 243 WIN, OUTLANDER PA15 5.56,  
RUGER WRANGLER BIRDSHEAD 22LR, IMPALA NERO 12GA SEMI AUTO

5 Separate winners, Winner gets choice of firearms available

\$20.00 DONATION

There are still a few raffle tickets left. Contact me or go online to the website store and purchase.

<https://www.helderbergguc.org/store>

ALL WINNERS MUST BE ABLE TO PASS A FEDERAL BACKGROUND CHECK.  
ALL GUNS MUST BE PICKED UP WITHIN 60 DAYS OR GUNS BECOME THE PROPERTY OF HRGC.  
RAFFLE WILL BE DRAWN UPON THE SALE OF ALL 250 TICKETS  
ALL PRIZES ARE SUBJECT TO REPLACEMENT OF EQUAL VALUE PRIZE  
ALL SALES ARE FINAL

**Mark your calendars!** The annual **Charlie Fairman Trap Shoot** June 15th this year.

In case of inclement weather, the event will be held on Wednesday, June 22nd.

Over \$200 in cash prizes will be awarded in memory of both Charlie Fairman and Ed Schlier. Each shooter will shoot 2 rounds of 25 birds.



One of the prizes is a "blind score" where a random number between 4 and 24 is picked and whoever has shot that score wins not only a cash prize but gets their name added to the Charlie Fairman Memorial Plaque. There are flyers posted around the range offering

more information. **Shooting commences at 6 pm.**

We have a few new members to welcome very soon! They are as excited about joining as we are having them. Once all the requirements are filled, we will welcome them formally (likely in next month's letter).

### *Conservation Pledge*

*I pledge to protect and conserve the natural resources of America. I promise to educate future generations so they may become caretakers of our water, air, land, and wildlife.*

The Indoor range project is well underway! Stay tuned for more on this exciting project that we all have been waiting for. We will be looking for some help soon, so keep an eye on your email for project dates!



## TRAP REPORT

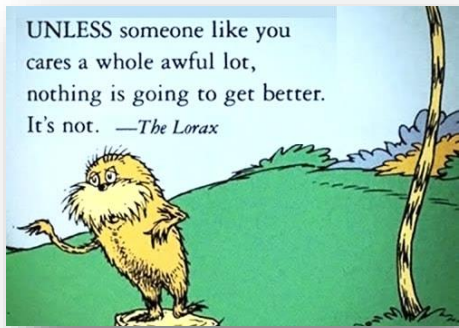
As of May 1st, the league took in \$397.00 of which \$357.30 was deposited in the Trap Fund and \$39.50 was deposited into the Trap Equipment Fund. This resulted in an estimated “profit” of about \$170 to the club. Shooting for April averaged 13 rounds per week with no days lost to inclement weather.



The season started off strong with a number of 23s and 24s in the first week. On April 13th we had two 25s shot in one round. Mike Galusha had his first 25 at the club and Steve Smith also had a 25. Jerry Seyboth had a 24 out of 24 in the same round. He opted to shoot at a piece of a broken bird and missed with one of his shots. The official scorer credited Jerry with a 24 1/2 for the round.



On the next round **Steve Smith** followed up his 25 with another perfect 25 for **50 straight**. This was the first 50 straight that the current Trap Chair has seen in his 7 or 8 years of shooting. **Congratulations Steve!**



There are many projects happening at the club. I think it will end up being a very exciting year for improvements! The ranges indoor and out. Planning Bridges to the 200! New members to help with expanding programs such as archery and reclaiming the pond and surrounding area. Improving the wood lots and so much more! If you haven't stopped by in a while—come and check it out!

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**Do you know your club Officers?**

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**June 2022**

June Monday Nights – Outdoor Pistol Shooting @ 6:00 pm  
June Wednesday Nights - Trap Shooting @ 6:00 pm  
June 2 Executive Meeting – 7:00 pm (Approve Renewal Form, Approve New Member Application Form)  
June 9 Membership Meeting – 7:00 pm  
June 15 Charlie Fairman Memorial Trap Shoot (Rain date June 22)

**July 2022**

July Monday Nights – Outdoor Pistol Shooting @ 7:00 pm  
July Wednesday Nights - Trap Shooting @ 6:00 pm  
July 14 Membership Meeting – 7:00 pm  
July 30 Hunter Education Course

**August 2022**

August 2021-22 Renewal Forms Available (10/1/22 Due Date)  
August Monday Nights – Outdoor Pistol Shooting @ 6:00 pm  
August Wednesday Nights - Trap Shooting @ 6:00 pm  
TBA Albany County Pistol Safety Class – 7:00 pm  
August 4 Executive Meeting – 7:00 pm (Proposed Annual Calendar)  
August 11 Membership Meeting – 7:00 pm (Election Committee, Picnic Committee)  
August 31 Last Day to Meet 5 Hour Work Credit Requirements for Work Assessments

**September 2022**

September Wednesday Nights - Trap Shooting @ 6:00 pm  
September 8 Membership Meeting / Annual Business Meeting – 7:00 pm  
(Election of Officers & Directors, Annual Committee Reports, Approve Annual Calendar, Budget Proposal, Renewal Forms & Dues Collected, 2022/23 Cards & Pins Available)  
September 12 Indoor Pistol League 2022-23 Season Registration & Meeting – 7:00 pm  
September Monday Nights - Pistol League @ 6:00 pm  
TBA Annual Club Picnic & Chinese Auction`