



York Rifle Range Newsletter

York Rifle Range
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President's Message - Fall 2022

It's hard to believe another year has just about gone by. Days are getting shorter, the temperature is a bit crisper, holidays are just around the corner, and hunting camps are gearing up. It's time to get ready for the season!

Politically it looks like we're in for another fight for our rights. This administration seems hell-bent on attacking our right to buy and use our firearms and ammo. Please be vigilant at keeping aware of what legislation is being proposed that will affect our rights. We're about to enter into the mid-term election process and it is our responsibility to stay informed and elect officials that will support and fight for our Second Amendment rights. Do your part and vote!

The year is shaping up to be a good one for us. We've made some improvements around the facility that included continued clean-up from the timbering, repaired the roof in the running deer shack, completed some much needed painting around the facility this spring, improved our firewood handling stuff, replaced the "swiss cheese" door on the block house at the high power range, created a small archery range behind the clubhouse, and made the usual repairs to the target frames. Although the range frame damage seems to be getting better, we're still experiencing some that is clearly intentional and substantial. I reiterate that these actions by what appears to be just a few careless and/or inconsiderate individuals must stop. When they are caught, they will be dealt with appropriately.

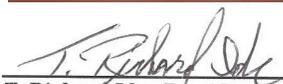
All members and guests are reminded to place their targets BELOW the red "no-shoot" zones on the frames and fasten the targets where they will NOT be shooting into any wood parts of the frames. And the number boards above the red zones are not targets and are not to be used as such. Pistol shooters are also reminded that the bottoms of the pistol target frames are not targets and are not to be used as such.

Our outdoor competitions for small bore and high power had very successful seasons and we're now looking forward to the fall/winter indoor small bore matches, and our youth programs. I encourage you to come out and view these events and inquire about participating or helping with them.

As always, remember that this range belongs to ALL the members, and it is your responsibility to treat it, and the others using it, with respect and commonsense. Mount your targets correctly, clean up all trash and spent cases, and above all, observe our rules and be safe when handling your firearms. Safety first, last, and always!

On behalf of the Officers and Board of Directors, thank you for another great year! I wish you good health and a safe and joyous holidays!




T. Richard Ide, President
York Rifle Range Association Inc.

York Rifle Range 2022 Officers

- **President:**
T. Richard Ide
- **Vice President:**
Greg Livingston
- **Treasurer:**
Cheryl Gerhart
- **Recording Secretary:**
Jeff Walters
- **Membership Secretary:**
Jim Jensen

Board of Directors

- **Chairman:**
Doug Nace 2021
- **Directors:**
George Himmelright, Jr. 2021 - 2022
Nathaniel Brown 2021 - 2022
Norm Taylor 2022 - 2023
James Arvin 2022 - 2023

York Riflemen Club

- Meetings held the 2nd Tuesday every month at 7:30pm in the clubhouse. All Members are encouraged to attend

**Club's Mailing Address
send your yearly dues to:**

- **York Rifle Range**
PO Box 3592
York, PA 17402
- **Pay your dues between**
Oct 1 and December 31



Club election held at the October Meeting

The yearly elections were held at the October Monthly Club meeting. The Members present cast their vote.

The Officers are elected for a one year term. Directors are elected for a 2 year term. 2 of 5 Directors are up for election each year. The Officers and Directors are voted on by the members that attend the October meeting. All Senior and Life Members are eligible to cast a vote but you must be in attendance at the October meeting to do so.

The 5th Director normal-

ly is appointed by the President for a 1 year term. The exception is if there is an Outgoing President the Outgoing President fills the 5th Director Appointment for a one year term.

The results of this years election:

Officers Elected for 2023

President:

T. Richard Ide

Vice President:

Greg Livingston

Treasurer:

Cheryl Gerhart

Recording Secretary:

Jeff Walters

Membership Secretary:

Jim Jensen

New Directors for 2023/24

Jeremy Bogdany

Devin Pentz

The 5 members of the Board of Directors will hold a meeting after the first of the year in 2023 to elect the Chairperson of the Board.

The Chairperson will hold that position for 1 year.

Congratulations to those elected and Thank You for your time and service to The York Rifle Range.

If you would like to be part of the York Rifle Range leadership team come to the Monthly Meetings, Special events and Workdays to see what is going on at your club and let others get to know you. The September meeting is when you can be nominated to be on the ballot for the yearly October club elections.

Junior Air Rifle Program

As you are reading this article we have just started up our 2022-23 season of Monday evening youth air rifle. Each year we have a small group of dedicated juniors learning basic safety and marksmanship skills. If you have a child, grandchild, or you know of a person aged between 10 and 18 that might be interested feel free to come out and see what we're all about.

The 2022 CMP National Matches are now a pleasant memory and I am happy to report that one of our junior shooters, Jacob Sands, was able to attend Smallbore prone week and he did well shooting the four day 6400 match. Jacob and I also shot on a put together Pennsylvania team called the "Pennsylvania Leftovers" and our team placed third in the team match. Coach Jeff also had a chance to shine in the sudden death prone elimination match. It was real "pressure cooker" but I managed a first place win by 1/10 of point over the second place shooter. Hopefully 2023 National matches will also be a successful endeavor and we can have our other junior shooters participate.

The York Rifle Range was founded by competitive shooters and sportsmen over 80 years ago, and to continue this legacy of competitive marksmanship with the next generation of shooters we created a Junior Air Rifle program in 2015. Our next junior air rifle shooting season begins in early October, 2022 and continues through the end of March 2023. Over the past six years a lot of our junior air rifle shooters eventually compete in smallbore, highpower, or bullseye pistol. This program is open to anyone between the age of 10-18. The group meets Monday nights between 6:30-9:00 pm at the indoor rifle range. The junior shooters will learn at their own pace about firearms safety, and basic marksmanship skills while using sporter class target air rifles.

This program is made possible through the support of the club, volunteer coaches, personal donations and generous annual grants underwritten by the NRA Foundation. Because of this overwhelming support we are able to provide all equipment, supplies, and instruction free of charge to members as well as the general public.

On behalf of myself and my fellow volunteer instructors it has been our honor to teach the next generation the safe and proper use of firearms and basic marksmanship skills. I am proud of every young shooter who has tried our air rifle program. If you, like myself, feel that this is worthy cause I would ask you to please consider donating to the NRA Foundation and other organizations that support the next generation of firearm enthusiasts.

For more information please check out our club website or contact Coach Jeff Walters: jeffsabwalters@gmail.com

Wintertime and snow removal at the club — By Secretary Jeff Walters

As I am writing this short article it is a pleasant 70 degrees, the sun is shining, and the trees are slowly changing to their fall colors. Winter seems to be a long way off but in reality the frigid snowy days we be with us in short order. With that in mind I would like to remind our members and their guests of how things work here at the club during the depths of winter.

Typically we try to make the driveway as well as the parking areas passable, but not necessarily perfect. There will be areas of ice and snow left behind after we hit the area with the tractor and its 72" snowblower, but with care a member can access the club without too much trouble, just drive and walk with care while on club grounds. I would also ask that you refrain from visiting the club 24 hours after a snow storm. It is a 10x harder to remove snow from the driveway and the parking areas if the snow has been compacted by multiple vehicles accessing the club property. It is not fun when I have pull vehicles out with a chain or I have to play "chicken" with a car or truck on the driveway while I am trying to clear the area with the tractor & snowblower. While I do not mind clearing the snow and it can be somewhat fun using the giant snowblower I am freezing my butt off while doing the job. So the faster I can get the job done the faster I can get warmed up in front of the fireplace or drink some hot chocolate. If I have to pull people out or work harder due to compacted snow it turns a two hour job into an all day ordeal. So in short, have a heart, stay home and wait a day so we can clear the snow as quickly and efficiently as possible.



Small-bore

Here we are again, time for the Fall Newsletter and by the time you read this, the Smallbore team will be several matches into the Winter 3 Position season. We had a great summer prone season with a lot of personal goals realized. Our Juniors shot very well and made Coach Jeff and I proud. Also, it was great to have Greg Baublitz shooting again.

Members of the York Riflemen and other members of the Inter County Rifle League shot matches outside of the league this summer. Brad Throne from York and Steve Anjeli or Palmyra, did great at the ASSA Nationals. Coach Jeff and Jacob Sands shot well at Camp Perry. Several of us shot a Cmp Postal League over the summer and finished well. I won't list the scores here as they are posted on the Smallbore Bulletin board in the clubhouse.

The 3 Position season will be over in no time and the Prone season will be here before we know it. Is there any way we can slow it down just a little? I Wish!

If you have questions about the matches, what you would need to start shooting or how to get involved, contact Greg Livingston - acebowyer@aol.com or Jeff Walters - **Jeff Walters: jeffsabwalters@gmail.com** Be Safe

Greg Livingston

Vice President / Chairman Small-bore committee

HIGH POWER RIFLE at the YORK RIFLE RANGE

The 2022 High Power season is now in the books (with only one rain cancellation). The York Riflemen had a strong presence at the National Matches at Camp Perry. Five York Riflemen made President's Hundred and One of our teammates, Tom Lowry, made it to the President's Hundred shoot off. The team's performance in the National Team Trophy match (NTT) was our best yet, earning 6th place for in-competition civilian teams (the teams ahead of us were all military and state association teams).

While almost everyone uses AR15-based rifles chambered in .223/5.56mm (in either the service rifle or match rifle configuration) for the 200-yard reduced 80 shot CMP Matches fired at York, there are a wide variety of suitable configurations. If you are interested in competing in High Power Rifle events, the particular characteristics for each rifle type and the courses of fire can be downloaded at the NRA and CMP High Power Rifle Rules links posted below.

NRA rules <https://competitions.nra.org/competition-resources/rule-books/>
CMP rules <https://thecmp.org/competitions/cmp-competitions-rulebooks/>



The proposed **2023** York High Power Rifle schedule for our CMP sanctioned 80 round matches and CMP M1 Garand matches will follow years past-the 4th Sunday from April through September (April 23, May 28, June 25, July 23, Aug 27, and Sept 24). The CMP John C. Garand Match Dates (30 rounds) are planned for the 4th Sunday in April (April 23) and first Saturday in October (Oct 7) pending approval.

The Garand Match course of fire is CMP Course A 15 shots slow-fire prone (first 5 shots are sighters); 10 shots rapid-fire prone; 10 shots slow fire standing. All shot from 200 yards.

If you would like to get more information about the York Riflemen High Power Rifle Program, the finalized dates and approved match Schedule* will be posted early 2023 at www.yorkriflemen.org/programs/high-power/ or if you have any questions about the High Power Team you may contact: **Fred Haag at haagfred@gmail.com**

*Consult club website for the finalized dates in late January

Fred Haag
Chairman Highpower committee

Indoor Range access

As mentioned in previous newsletters, in 2016 the Indoor Range was updated. In addition to updates to the Indoor Range it was also updated with a Card reader that requires your access card to allow entry into the range. **You are required to attend an Indoor Range Certification Class to get your access card programmed to allow entry into that range.** You must attend a Certification class prior to your card being reprogrammed. We have already held 30 Indoor Range Certification classes and there are 405 current members that have attended. Check the Club Website and postings in the clubhouse for future class dates and times. At the time this newsletter went to the printer dates were not yet confirmed. At least one of the 2 Sundays before Thanksgiving we will schedule a class if there is enough interest. You must sign up to attend.



Members transitioning to next level for 2023

10 - Juniors transitioning to Senior Membership

Beginning on January 1st 2023, the members listed below will transition to **Senior Membership** with the York Rifle Range when their Senior Membership dues are paid. As a **Senior Member your Yearly Dues will be \$30.00 and are due every year on or before December 31st**. You will be issued an access card that opens the Main gate and clubhouse door that will become active on January 1, 2023. The Access card does not get replaced each year. You will have to attend an Indoor Range Certification class after you become a Senior Member to have you access card programmed to open the Indoor Range door.

Eathan	R.	Jacoby
Joseph	W.	Jefferson
Gavin	E.	Landis
Makayla	G.	McMillion

Levi	S.	Phillips
Sarah	J.	Ritter
Jacob	R.	Sands

Elizabeth	I.	Schwinger
Jaggar	V.	Witte
Jett	V.	Witte

Congratulations on becoming a Senior Member with the York Rifle Range.

40 - Seniors transitioning to Life Membership

Beginning on January 1st 2023, the members listed below transition to **Life Membership** with the York Rifle Range. As a **Life Member** you are no longer required to pay annual dues but will retain the same membership privileges that you had as a Senior Member. Also remember that your access card for the Main gate, Clubhouse door and Indoor Range door if you completed the Indoor Range Certification does not get replaced each year. You have been issued a Life Member membership card this year and it was mailed to you October 1st. Life Membership cards are not replaced each year but if it becomes worn or damaged over time let me know and I will print you a replacement card.

Gary	L.	Anderson
Joseph	J.	Barry
Vernon	E.	Billet, Jr
Gary	S.	Braham
James	A.	Burger, Jr
Patricia	L.	Cavanagh
Robert	E.	Clipp
Paul	L.	Cover, Jr
Barbara	A.	Culton
Michael	F.	Davila
Michael	J.	Eisenhart
William	A.	Euculano
Thomas	B.	Fox
Dawn	A.	Gerhart

William	J.	Gerhart
Kim	R.	Godfrey
Michael	A.	Gurreri
Douglas	A.	Hake
David	W.	Hall
N. Wayne		Hammonds
Melvin	J.	Harlacher, Jr.
William	D.	Hynak
Nancy	A.	Insley
Donald	E.	Jasmann
Todd	R.	Kubala
Karl	E.	Landis
Robert	E.	Lehman

Joseph	D.	Locondro
Richard	M.	Masemer
Stephen	J.	Millwater
Duane	E.	Pentz
Richard	E.	Roberts, Jr
Ray	L.	Sawmiller
Stephen	J.	Sipe
Gregory	L.	Smith
Philip	K.	Smith
Byron	A.	Stare
Mark	A.	Tyler
Steven	A.	Villella
Thomas	P.	Wise

Congratulations on becoming a Life Member with the York Rifle Range.



Club Work Day Club Work Day
Saturday November 5th, 2022 Rain day November 12
8:00am — Noon



Your help is needed and appreciated REALLY! We need your help
All RANGES WILL BE CLOSED UNTIL NOON



Membership Renewals for 2023 are now being accepted!

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL DUE ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2022 NO GRACE PERIOD!

1. This form can **ONLY** be used for **RENEWING** a Membership. If you are an active member renewing for 2023 you can use this form. **It should not be used for a person to be placed on the Waiting List.** The Waiting list form can be found in the Clubhouse.
2. If a current Junior Member is 18 on or before December 31 they will renew as a Senior Member. At the Senior member rate.
3. If a current Senior Member is 65 or older on or before December 31 **AND** has been a member for 15 or more consecutive years just prior to the beginning of the year, they will transition to a Life Member as per the Club Constitution.
4. If payment is not received by December 31, your membership will be terminated and your access card deactivated. If you wish to rejoin after your membership has been terminated you are required to have a current member sponsor you and you must attend a Pre-membership meeting.
5. **Make check or money order payable to: York Rifle Range** A check returned unpaid for any reason will be charged \$30.00

Name: _____ Membership # _____
 Street address: _____ D.O.B. ____/____/____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: ____ - ____ - _____ Email: _____

Membership Dues for 2023

Senior dues - \$30.00
 Junior dues- \$10.00
 Life Member - No Dues required

Dues are accepted between October 1 and December 31 for the following membership year.

**Mail payment to:
 Yor Rifle Range
 PO Box 3592
 York, PA 17402**

No Family or Group memberships available with the York Rifle Range.

Additional member payments— List each member below. All Membership dues paid by one person will be mailed to one address.

Name: _____ Member # _____ Member Level: _____
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Membership Dues Increase for 2023



See new rates listed above

!!Security Access Card!!

If you get a replacement access card because you previously reported one as lost, The “LOST” card gets deactivated and will not work at any of the range access points. It does not matter now many times that you swipe it. Also, if you have not completed the Indoor Range Certification course your card will not open the Indoor Range door.

Payment Options for your Yearly Membership Dues

The NEWest OPTION IS putting your payment in the lockbox located inside the clubhouse. If you have been inside the Clubhouse in the last year or so you may have noticed the new Lockbox installed on the wall by the freezer. This Lockbox will be used to collect yearly membership dues. You can deposit your dues in the lockbox the same dates that yearly membership dues are collected each year. Those dates are as you are all aware, October 1st through December 31st for the following membership year. It is suggested that you do NOT use this box for submitting waiting list applications and have the applicant follow the instruction on the back of the form. Emailing the form allows me to capture the actual email address.

York Rifle Range



Mailing address
P.O. Box 3592
York, PA 17402

Clubhouse phone
717-755-7694

Question about the club?

Questions about membership?

Email: YRMembership@yahoo.com

Newsletter Editor in Chief: - Jim Jensen

Support your "Right to keep and
bear arms"
Join the NRA

Club's Website
www.yorkriflemen.org

Club Workday - Saturday Nov. 5th rain day Nov 12 8:00am—Noon - We need your help

It's time to pay your 2023 Membership dues, see page 5 for details

Running of the deer / Public Sight-In dates set for 2022

Mark your calendars! The annual Public Sight-in and Running Deer dates are set for the two Sundays before Thanksgiving. This year the dates are **November 13th and November 20th** from 8am to sunset. **Don't miss it!**

This event is open to the public and non-members are welcome on these dates only. Any type of hunting rifle may be sighted-in and if needed, assistance will be available.

We're hoping to have the concession food available, too. If you haven't participated in the past, maybe consider it this year.

Sight-in will be held rain or shine. Weather permitting we will again hold the annual "running of the deer". Try your skills on our mov-

ing deer target. You'll get three trips across the range for a modest fee, proceeds to go to the club for range upkeep. Again this year we are continuing a 5-shot string maximum for each run for safety reasons as well as reducing wear and tear on the equipment. Also for these reasons we ask that no slug guns or calibers larger than 30 cal. be fired at the deer target.



And just in case you were wondering, the pistol and shotgun ranges

will also be available for use those days too. So come on out and make a day of it!

We're sorry but the outdoor .22 range will be closed because the operators for the running deer are behind that range in the woods and they might not appreciate the gunfire coming at them from both sides of the little area they are hiding in.

The Membership Secretary will also be available both days from 11am to 4pm so you can pay your **YRR 2023 membership dues**. Payment may be made by cash or check.

If you are not an NRA member, now would be a great time to join at a discounted rate; if you are an NRA member, you can renew thru the club also at a discounted rate.

Checks or Credit Cards are preferred for NRA membership. Make checks payable to the NRA.

We also have Club apparel in limited sizes and qtys that you can purchase either of these days or come to a monthly club meeting.

