

York Rifle Range Newsletter

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President's Message - Fall 2018

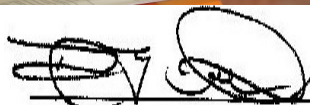
I am going to start with a history lesson. Next year will be the York Rifle Range Association's 84th anniversary. The York Riflemen was formed in 1935. Although we do not have any charter members living, we still have a handful of members that joined within the first ten years. The original Club house is now the garage. The rifle ranges have always been located where they are found today. When the troops came home from World War II, there was an upsurge in rifle range memberships and York was no exception. Taking the marksmanship that was learned in the service the GI's had a love affair with their guns. With not much money and a lot of volunteer labor the existing Club house was built in 1948. You can still see the concrete for the floor, that was poured in stages as the Club would put together enough money.

I am happy to report that this volunteerism that started this Rifle Range is still present today. We are able to maintain the facilities and sponsor events with no paid employees, just volunteers. I would like to say Thank You to all these loyal and dedicated members who took extra time out of their busy schedules to provide maintenance, up-keep and helped with Club functions over the past year. We are so fortunate to have these individuals stepping up to the plate to make York Riflemen a better place that is enjoyed by a multitude of members. This past year was an active year with membership hitting an all-time record and reaching our limit. Presently we have 1,199 Senior members, 329 Life members and 60 Junior members, for a total of 1,588 members. I am proud to announce that York Riflemen had a strong showing at the National Matches in Camp Perry, Ohio this year. The most exciting news I have to offer is the Junior Program that is producing some great shooters that will continue our rich heritage.

Please exercise your right to vote and support the Pro-gun ...Pro 2nd Amendment candidates. The largest voice we as gun owners have is the NRA. If you are not a member please become one. It is easy and can be done right from the York Riflemen's web-site.

This is our busiest time of the year at the range, where a lot of us are preparing for the upcoming hunting season. Please come out and enjoy yourself but most of all **BE SAFE**. On behalf of the Officers and Board of Directors of the York Rifle Range, I bid you a safe and successful hunting season and an enjoyable holiday season.




Doug Nace, President
York Rifle Range Association Inc.

York Rifle Range

2018 Officers

- **President:**

Doug Nace

- **Vice President:**

T. Richard Ide

- **Treasurer:**

Cheryl Gerhart

- **Recording Secretary:**

Jeff Walters

- **Membership Secretary:**

Jim Jensen

Board of Directors

- **Chairman:**

Greg Livingston 2018

- **Directors:**

Ken Kreiger 2017 - 2018

Jeremy Bogdany 2017 - 2018

Devin Pentz 2018 - 2019

George Himmelright, Jr 2018 - 2019

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

- **Dues paid between Oct 1
and December 31**



**Club
Workdays**

**Volunteers
needed
Please**

**MANY
HANDS
MAKE
LIGHT
WORK**

**Come up to the
Clubhouse before
8:30am**

**Ask for George or
Dave**

**Saturday
November 3rd
8:30am to Noon**

**Saturday
November 10th
8:30am to Noon**

Members transitioning to next level for 2019

9 - Juniors transitioning to Senior Membership

Beginning on January 1st 2019, the members listed below will transition to **Senior Membership** with the York Rifle Range. As a **Senior Member** your **Yearly Dues** will be **\$20.00** and are due every year on or before **December 31st**. You will be issued an access card that opens the gate and clubhouse door that will become active on January 1, 2019. The Access card does not get replaced each year.

Congratulations on becoming a Senior Member.

Nikolaos	D.	Daoularis		Seth	C.	Marseglia
Joseph	M.	Good		Colby	A.	Mong
Zachary	K.	Grove		Kyle	W.	Morrison
Lillian	F.	Herring		Andrew	J.	Strayer
Josh	H.	Huber				

21 - Seniors transitioning to Life Membership

Beginning on January 1st 2019, 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 and Clubhouse door does not get replaced each year. You will be issued a Life Member membership card that can be replaced if it becomes worn or damaged.

Dr. Robert	G.	Bagian		Brian	L.	Flinchbaugh
Daniel	E.	Belker		Joseph	M.	Fortune Jr.
Samuel	J.	Bortner		Paul	C.	Gibbs
Mark		Burchfield		Gary	G.	Gillette
Thomas	H.	Butcher II		Michael	G.	Keller
Charles	P.	Campo, Jr.		Steven	A.	Killion
Donald	L.	Chronister		Roger	G.	Marshall
Robert	E.	Culp		David	K.	Peters
G. Foster		Doak		Alex	J.	Soussa
Jack	E.	Everhart		James	A.	Walker
Donald	E.	Fink				

Get your York Riflemen Club apparel

We have Sweatshirts, Tee-shirts, hats and now golf shirts.

Come up to any Monthly club meeting to pick out your color and size.

If you would like to get a different color or style than what we have, you can stop over to Athletic Lettering on Eastern Blvd in East York and check out everything they have. If you use our current logo they have you won't be charged a set up fee



High Power

2019 Season York Riflemen CMP / NRA Approved High Power Program

What is NRA or CMP High Power Rifle? It is an organized and extremely challenging type of marksmanship that takes place at 200, 300, and 600 yards. Most competitors use rifles that range from .223/5.56mm to .308/7.62mm. Frankly, in this area almost all competitors use an AR15 based rifle (either the service rifle or match rifle configuration). The particular characteristics for each rifle type and the courses of fire can be downloaded at the NRA and CMP High Power Rifle Rules posted below.

The proposed 2019 York High Power Rifle schedule for NRA Approved 80 rnd. matches and CMP M1 Garand matches will follow years past (4th Sunday from April through September) - April 28; May 26; June 23; July 28; August 25; September 22. The CMP John C. Garand Match Dates (30 rounds) are slated April 28 and October 5 pending approval (course of fire is 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 date and approved match Schule will be posted early 2019 at www.yorkriflemen.org/programs/high-power/ or you have any questions about the High Power Team you may contact:

Fred Haag at haagfred@gmail.com

If you are interested in competing in High Power Rifle events, most folks use an AR15 based rifle (either the service rifle or match rifle configuration). The particular characteristics for each rifle type and the courses of fire can be downloaded at the NRA and CMP High Power Rifle Rules posted below.

NRA RULES <https://rulebooks.nra.org/documents/pdf/compete/RuleBooks/HPR/hpr-book.pdf>
CMP RULES <http://thecmp.org/competitions/cmp-competitions-rulebooks/>

Small-bore

Hi Folks, Another summer season is in the books and I'm happy to report that Team South has secured the Outdoor trophy for the 3rd consecutive season. Team South is made up of shooters from York Riflemen, Seitzland Rifle Club and Columbia Fish and Game. The matches are shot with 22 match rifles using Iron sights or Scope sights from the prone position and firing from 100 yards. Forty record shots are fired at a 2 inch , ten ring with a one inch X ring in the center. Many times that ten and X ring proves to be very elusive. Teams from the league gather on Friday nights at 7:00 pm at the host club to fire the match under the lights. The competition is serious but is always good natured and fun. We also shoot three daylight matches during the season. These matches are held on Saturday mornings and are not only fired at 200 yards but also 50 yards. Iron sights are required for half of the match unless you're sixty or older. In that case, you get a reprieve and can use optics. Thank goodness the league take care of it's old folks. Well that's about it for now. The York team is starting the winter Three position season, so look for an update in the next newsletter. Also, match results are posted on the Small-bore — Highpower bulletin board in the clubhouse.

If anyone is interested in additional information contact:

Greg Livingston @ acebowyer@aol.com, Jeff Walters @ jeffwalters@gmail.com or any team members.

Greg Livingston
Small-bore Committee

Indoor Range Access

As mentioned in a previous newsletters, 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 18 Indoor Range Certification classes and there are 391 members that have attended. We are scheduling 2 more classes coming up in November. BOTH classes will start at 1:00pm. The dates will be Sunday November 11th and 18th. *You can sign up on the sheet in the Clubhouse or online.* We are using use Signup Genius for the signups and I will send out the notice if I have a current email address for you. Since the new restricted access we have not had any significant damage to this range. Most likely it was one of 3 reasons; either we didn't do a good job at informing members of the rules and proper use of the indoor range, people using the indoor range now know that they are being tracked when they use the range because they have to swipe their card and are now recorded when they enter, or we are now keeping the person or persons out that were doing this damage. What ever the reason we are happy to report that at this time it has seemed to correct the problem and we are not forced to put cameras up to record the activity in the Indoor Range. Thank you all for treating and using the Indoor Range as a place to sharpen your shooting skills and not just a place to unload your guns of ammunition as fast as you can pull the trigger.

If you bring Guests to the Indoor Range they must be signed in on the GUEST LOG on the count in front of the refrigerator AND the Guest Log inside the Indoor Range. They only have to pay the guest fee once. Members not Certified on the Indoor Range may be brought into the Indoor Range as a GUEST of a Certified Member and must sign the Guest Log inside the Indoor Range. AS ALWAYS Guests are limited to 2 guest per Member.



Card Reader



Junior Air Rifle Program



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. We have just started our 2018-19 shooting season on October 1st and we will always welcome new young shooters who want to go beyond just plinking and be introduced into the challenging and rewarding world of competitive shooting. 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 between the months of October and May. New shooters practice during in the first session between 6:30-7:30 pm, and the more advanced shooters practice during the second session between 7:30-9:00 pm. The junior shooters will learn at their own pace about firearms safety, and basic marksmanship skills while using sporter class target air rifles.

Everyone begins shooting off a supported rest on the bench to get used to the air rifle and its aperture target sights. After some practice on the bench the young shooters will learn about and practice prone, kneeling and standing positions. A number of our junior shooters have taken what they have learned and are now shooting for our club's smallbore and highpower rifle teams. This is the first step into the world of competitive shooting that can lead to college scholarships and the foundation of future success on and off the rifle range.

This program is made possible through the support of the club, volunteer coaches, personal donations and generous annual grants underwritten by the NRA Foundation. Over the past two years we have been fortunate to receive almost \$10,000 in supplies and equipment from 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.

If you have a child, grandchild, niece, or nephew that might be interested in this program come on out and give it a try.

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. If you are a former competitive rifle shooter and some of your old equipment is collecting dust we can put it to good use with our junior program. We can always use gently used equipment like shooting mats, slings, gloves/mitts, spotting scopes, and stands. If you would like to help out the next generation of competitive shooters please consider donating your old items to our junior program. The items will be greatly appreciated by our young shooters and their parents/ guardians, and be put to good use.

For more information or if you would like to donate to our junior program please contact **Jeff Walters: jeffsabwalters@gmail.com**

Club elections held at the October Meeting

The yearly elections were held at the October Monthly Club meeting. There were 31 members present to cast their vote.

All 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. All 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 attend the October meeting to

do so. The results of this years election:

Re-elected for 2019:

Officers

President: Doug Nace

Vice President:

T. Richard Ide

Recording Secretary:

Jeff Walters

Treasurer: Cheryl Gerhart

Membership Secretary:

Jim Jensen

Directors for 2019 - 2020

Norm Taylor

Fred Haag

The 5th Director is appointed by the President for a 1 year term. Appointed this year: Greg Livingston

The 5 members of the Board of Directors will hold a meeting after the first of the year in 2019 to elect the Chairman of the Board.

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



Membership Renewals for 2019 are now being accepted!

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL DUE ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2018 NO GRACE PERIOD!

1. This form can **ONLY** be used for **RENEWING** a Membership. If you are an active member renewing for 2019 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.
3. If a current Senior Member is 65 or older on or before December 31 **AND** has been a member for 15 consecutive years or more 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 attend a Pre-membership meeting.
5. Make check or money order payable to: **York Rifle Range** A check returned for any reason will be charged \$30.00

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

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

Name: _____ Member # _____ Member Level: _____
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Membership Dues for 2019

**Dues accepted between
October 1 and December
31 for the following mem-
bership year.**

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

Senior dues - \$20.00
 Junior dues- \$5.00
 Life Member - No Dues required

No Family or Group member-
ships available with the York
Rifle Range.

Sponsoring New Members

The York Rifle Range Association is a wonderful organization to belong to. We have 1,588 current members. You as members decide who the New Members will be by sponsoring people that you know for open Membership positions and then attending a monthly club meeting for voting to accept or deny a person for membership. New Members come in as Senior or Junior Members. Senior Memberships are awarded to persons 18 years of age or older. The Club Constitution limits the Senior Membership to a total of 1,200. Junior Memberships are available to persons under the age of 18 with the permission of a parent or legal guardian. There is no limit to how young a person is, our current youngest member is 8 months old. It's wonderful to have the Junior members knowing they are learning the proper and safe ways to handle and respect firearms that they will have to use for their lifetimes.

Each year we have a limited number of senior memberships become available due to a number of different reasons. There are also an unlimited number of Junior membership available each year. To fill these Memberships, both Senior and Junior, there is a process required for a person to be brought up to the membership for a vote.

A person requesting membership must be sponsored by a current Life Member or Senior member that has been a member for more than **12 months**. The **current waiting list application form** must be completed and submitted for a person to be placed on the waiting list. The waiting list form can be found at the clubhouse. It can be picked up after you, the sponsoring member, give your prospective member a tour of the Ranges. Please don't take extra copies home so that there are copies at the clubhouse. **Old forms submitted will not be accepted.** Each form has a serial number on it.

Before a person requesting membership can be announced to current membership as requesting to be a member, they will be contacted by email and invited to attend the required Pre-membership meeting. They can't just show up to join.

They must attend this pre-membership meeting WITH the person that is sponsoring them. Attending the meeting **WITH** the Sponsoring member is how the applicant will get in the gate and clubhouse. Also the prospective member is still a GUEST and is not allowed on Range property without their sponsor. These pre-membership meeting will be held prior to the start of the monthly club meeting on Tuesday evening. The pre-membership meeting starts at 6:45pm but instructions to arrive before the start of the meeting will be suggested so there is time to complete the full application and pay the required dues and fees of new members. **New Member meetings will start in April and each month after, until senior membership is full.**

In 2016 the club implemented a new requirement for new Senior Members. They are now required to obtain a PATCH, (Pennsylvania Access To Criminal History) Report and submit it when they attend the Pre-membership meeting. They should get this report only after they have been invited to attend a pre-membership meeting as it must be dated within 3 months of when they attend the pre-membership meeting.



York Rifle Range

Mailing address

P.O. Box 3592
York, PA 17402

Clubhouse phone

717-755-7694

Question about the club?

Email: Yorkriflemen@yahoo.com

Questions about membership?

Email: YRMembership@yahoo.com

Support your "Right to keep and bear arms"

Join the NRA

Club's Website:

www.yorkriflemen.org

Newsletter Editor in Chief: - Jim Jensen

It's time to pay your 2019 Membership dues, see page 5 for details



Club Workdays - See page #2 for dates and times



Get out to VOTE Tuesday NOVEMBER 6th

Hunting season will soon be here! Public Sight-In dates set for 2018

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 11 and November 18** 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.

Sight-in will be held rain or shine. Stop by the clubhouse to warm up and get some warm food and refreshments as well as conversing with fellow members and friends. There's always a good story to be heard!

Weather permitting we will again

hold the annual "running of the deer". Try your skills on our moving 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 those days from 11am to 4pm so you can pay your **YRR 2019 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 New Club apparel in limited sizes and qtls that you can purchase either of these days or come to a monthly club meetings.

