

# NHRC Newsletter

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#### **NESCOPECK HUNTING & RIFLE CLUB**

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#### NHRC EVENTS FOR 2023

Spring is upon us with warming temperatures and increasing daylight hours. That means it is time to head to the range for sun and fun with guns! NHRC has many activities lined up to improve your marksmanship and have some fun with fellow shooters at the same time.

# American Rimfire Assosciation (ARA)

With the mild winter those serious ARA shooters have already been practicing for the 2023 season. It is an understatement to say it's addictive. ARA shooting can be competetive but also lots of fun! Everyone from experienced to new shooters are invited to attend. Newer shooters to ARA will find an amazing group of people who are supportive, friendly and willing to share any helpful tips. Below are the upcoming matches and tournaments. Participants are not required to attend every event- you can shoot at the matches when your schedule permits.

ARA Match Schedule for 2023

Date	Туре	# <u>of</u> Cards
3/11/2023	Match	4
4/8/2023	Match	4
5/13/2023	Match	4
6/10/2023	Match	4
6/24/2023	Club Tournament	6
7/8/2023	Match	4
8/12/2023	Match	4
9/9/2023	Match	4
10/14/2023	Match	4
10/28/2023	Club Tournament	6
11/11/2023	Match	4

\*Update: The 3/11/2023 Match was rescheduled to 3/18/2023\*

For more information, checkout the American Rimfire Association or contact Match Directors Joe Senick, (jsenick1@gmail.com, 570.239.0072) or Tim Honeywell, (tim.honeywell@verizon.net, 570.441.9511).

# **Blue Rock/Trap Shoots**

Tuesday night bird shooting kicks off on Tuesday, April 18<sup>th</sup>. The clays start flying at 5:30 PM. The shoots are usually completed by 7PM. Trap shoots are open to the public as well as members.

#### **PA Biathlon**

Time to start training – *Run Fast; Shoot Straight; Stay Healthy!* The PA Biathlon Association will be holding the summer meet at NHRC. The dates will be July 14<sup>th</sup> (evening setup) and 15<sup>th</sup> (8AM event). For more details and to register: Events (pabiathlon.com)

#### **NHRC Workday**

Calling all landscapers and painters! The club is planning on another annual workday, date TBD. Projects including general cleanup, landscaping, painting, repairing trap house steps, etc. are slated for the workday. Watch your email for more details.

# GENERAL INFORMATION AND CLUB RULES

#### **CLUB MEETINGS**

Regular club meetings are held on the fourth Friday of the month at **7:00 PM** in the range house on Pine Street in Nescopeck. The November meeting is held on the second Friday of the month. For more information, please contact Robert Hettinger, NHRC President at 570-759-1783

\*Please note there is no meeting held in December.

#### SHOOTING RANGE

#### **Indoor Hours**

Mon.-Sat. 8 AM to **10 PM** Sunday 1 PM to **10 PM** 

#### Outdoor and DPR Hours

Mon.-Sat. 8 AM to sundown Sunday 1 PM to sundown

**Membership Cards**. All members are <u>required</u> to display their membership card and sign in while using the range facilities.

**Non-members**. Non-members may only use the club facilities under the following conditions:

- 1) they are with a current NHRC club member and
- 2) they have completed a Liability form. Liability forms are located in the club house and on the outdoor range. Place completed (signed and dated) forms back in the bin. A form must be completed yearly.

**Targets.** Only paper targets and various steel targets provided by NHRC are approved for use. All other non-approved targets are not permitted and in violation of club rules.

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**Trap Shoots.** Trap shoots are held on Tuesday evenings starting at 5:00 PM from April to October. The shoots are open to the public.

**NHRC Gun Show.** NHRC hosts an annual Firearms and Outdoor Sports Show every January. The 2024 Gun Show will be held on January 13 and 14 at the Nescopeck Township Volunteer Fire Company off Route 93. Show hours are Saturday from 9-4 PM and Sunday from 9-3 PM.

# \*\*\*\* NHRC CLUB MEETINGS \*\*\*\*

Monthly meetings occur on the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month except for the month of November (2<sup>nd</sup> Friday). Meetings start at 7PM. Club meetings are held in the new meeting building.

NHRC is moving forward with improved facilities and activities to support the education of firearm safety and responsive gun ownership. The club is open to offering new programs that align with the NHRC's mission. Bring your ideas for new programs to a meeting and get involved!

# **RANGE IMPROVEMENTS**

If you haven't been to the club property in a while, you will be surprised at the improvements. With the mild winter, more projects on the range property have been completed. To start, the large outside light fixture near the outdoor range as been upgraded to an LED light. Lights

have been mounted on the outside of the new meeting room.



Progress has continued inside the building too. Inside, all the electric (outlets, switches, lights) lines have been installed. Lights in the main room have and pocket lights in the kitchen have been hung. The building has been drywalled and spackling/sanding has begun.



Before the weather gets too warm, insulation needs to be installed in the attic area. Warm weather means landscaping can begin around the new building. With the help of volunteers to complete the last of the projects, the new building will be open soon. See you on the range for the workday.



# **NHRC GUN SHOW**

The annual NHRC gun show celebrated its 40<sup>th</sup> year of hosting a show for members. To commemorate this special milestone, the club auctioned off a Crickett .22 rifle. Keystone Sporting Arms, LLC. (KSA), located in Milton made the custom firearm engraved with NHRC 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary on the barrel. KSA also provided a rifle case and tee shirt as part of the prize.



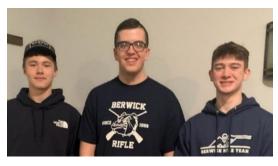
There were a lot of wide-eyed gazes by the younger attendees when they noticed the smaller firearm that was sized for them. The rifle created quite a buzz throughout the show and many purchasers stuck around Sunday for the drawing. Emily from WNR firearms of Cogan Station pulled the winning ticket. Congratulations to Roy Snyder of Nescopeck who was the lucky winner! A huge

thank you to Larry Surkin for organizing the event and to all who helped with the show. Thanks to the Rifle team for helping manage the parking lot during the show.



# BERWICK RIFLE TEAM

The Berwick High School Rifle team finished its 22-23 season with a winning record of 6 and 3 and in 5<sup>th</sup> place in what was a very competitive season. The Bulldog's 2 of the 3 losses came after a tie and were lost by x count. The team was led by Berwick Senior Colton Rinehimer who finished 5<sup>th</sup> in the



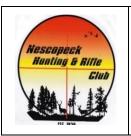
league as an individual. Rinehimer along with senior Trace Maneval reached

the 5000-point benchmark. Pictured are Wyatt Readler who shot a 400, Maneval with a 385 and Rinehimer with a 396 at the state individual tournament held in February. Readler, a sophomore was a big contributor to the team's success this year as well.

# 2023 GOLD MEDAL CLUB

The NRA Clubs & Associations Department gave special recognition to NHRC. Gold Medal status is awarded to clubs who serve as a role model club committed to fostering and promoting Second Amendment rights.

**NHRC** is updating to a swipe card system. More details to come!



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# PROPERTY ACCESS / LIABILITY RELEASE

I understand that participation in any shooting event or activity might be hazardous to the participants.

By signing below, I assume any risk of harm or injury which might occur to me or to the participant due to their participation in the shooting event or activity. I release the Nescopeck Hunting and Rifle Club Instructors, Officers and members in charge from all liability, cost, and damages which might arise from participation in the shooting event or activity. If the participant is a minor, I agree that the minor has my consent to participate in all events and activities. I further provide my consent for the Nescopeck Hunting and Rifle Club or for the Instructor in charge to seek emergency treatment for the minor if necessary. I agree to accept all financial responsibility for the costs related to this emergency treatment.

NHRC Member - Print Name	NHRC Member's Signature	Date
Visitor - 18 years and older		
Print Name	Visitor's Signature	Date
Visitor - Minor Participant (Under	18 years old)	
Print Minor's Name	Print Parent or Guardian's Name	_
	Parent or Guardian's Signature	Date

<u>NHRC Member:</u> You can bring 2 non-members. You are responsible for and must stay with non-members at all times.

\*\*Failure to complete and sign Liability Form will result in suspension of membership.\*\*