Northern Lancaster County Game and Fish Protective Association

2025 Newsletter

N.L.C.G. & F. is offering **REDUCED MEMBERSHIP DUES** to a married spouse of a current or new member. The annual fee for the second membership is \$40 instead of the regular rate of \$50. Information regarding membership renewal forms and new membership applications are available on our website as well as included with this newsletter.

We will be holding our normal *3rd SUNDAY BREAKFAST AND SHOOTS (weather permitting) starting in March and ending in October. As previous years, we will start serving breakfast at 8:30 AM and shooting events (trap, 22 and 3-D archery) will start at 9:00 AM.

*April breakfast and shoot is moved to 4th Sunday 4/27 to accommodate the Easter Holiday.

*July breakfast and shoot is moved to 4th Sunday 7/27 to accommodate Youth Conserv. School

Last year the Association offered two **\$1,000** scholarships to high school seniors planning to attend college in the field of conservation. One student from Ephrata High School and one student from Conrad Weiser High School each received \$1,000 last year. We will again be offering scholarships, however; because of a very generous donation, we will be offering three scholarships in 2025 for \$1,000 each. In addition, if anyone wishes to donate to the scholarship fund, they can do so by adding their donation on the designated line on their membership renewal/application form. Any money donated in this matter will be 100% applied directly to the scholarship recipients. All donated revenue will be divided evenly among the three scholarships offered.

FISHING PASSES will be issued again this year at a cost of \$25. Anyone wishing to fish in the pond will be required to have N.L.C.G. & F. Membership as well as a Fishing Pass. The only exception is that youth (under age 18) will need to have Junior Membership, but will not need to purchase a Fishing Pass. A valid Pennsylvania fishing license is also needed by persons age 16 or older to fish in the pond.

The **RIFLE RANGE** is a <u>carry in and carry out</u> range with only paper targets to be brought in. Do NOT bring in metal targets. There are permanently installed metal targets which may be used with the appropriate type of ammunition.

The range is maintained by hard-working volunteers. They mow the grass, replace the target holders, target supports and unfortunately have had to clean up trash which should have been carried out by members or guests who brought it in. Please **follow the range rules**, be **safe**, **respectful** and **courteous** while enjoying the range.

Do NOT use any ammo or targets that will damage the holders or supports. Please clean up shell casings, targets and any other debris before you leave.

Make sure that all of your shots are aimed towards the earth back stops. There have been reports of reckless shooting at the rifle range. Anyone found to be acting in an unsafe and reckless manner will be subject to review by the N.L.C.G. & F. Board and may face possible membership termination. This is a serious matter that requires everyone's cooperation, respect for one another and our neighbors.

Safety for everybody depends upon each and every individual following safe use of firearms and proper personal conduct at the rife range.

The rifle range is closed for the first two weeks of rifle deer season, during the week of the Lancaster County Youth Conservation School, during the Lancaster County Longrifles Encampment as well as various other events that may take place during the year. Be sure to check the event calendar and the website for current information and details.