



NHRC Newsletter

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NESSCOPECK HUNTING & RIFLE CLUB

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NHRC LINE UP FOR 2025

American Rimfire Association (ARA)

ARA Matches for 2025 will be held at NHRC on the second Saturday of the month at 8 AM from **April 12th** through November 11th. The public is invited to participate in the ARA matches. Participation in the ARA does not require you to attend all the matches – you can shoot when your schedule allows.

The ARA shoots are looking for volunteers to help set up and score the matches. For more information on shooting ARA call or text Joe Senick at (570) 239-0072 or Alex Vezendy at (570) 881-4092.

Blue Rock/ Trap Shoots

A new supply of birds are ready! – Trap shoots will start for the season on **Tuesday, April 15th**. Reminder that the trap shoots are open to the public. Also, it doesn't matter your skill level- beginner to experts are welcome to shoot. Set up began around 5PM with shooting beginning at 5:30PM. The shooting continues until the last group is finished, usually around 7-7:30 PM.

If you are available to help on any Tuesday night, volunteers are needed for setup, scoring and tear down. No experience in trap shooting is needed to help out. Hope to see you on Tuesday night!

PA Hunter Safety Course

The PA Hunter Safety Courses have been well attended at the club. NHRC plans to hold another class in 2025. A tentative date for the summer is being planned for new hunters. As a reminder, if you took the class years ago, you are welcome to sit in on the class as a refresher. Stay tuned to NHRC's website and emails for future dates and details.

Range Workday

Mark your calendars! On **June 7th**, NHRC will hold a range workday. Projects slated will be general clean up, target repair, and other projects. The day will start at 8:00 AM until the projects are completed. More details to come.

Coyote Hunt

Yes, you read that correctly! NHRC would like to know the interest in a coyote hunt. If you are interested, please respond to nhrc.clubnews@gmail.com with your interest.

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 fourth 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 required to display their membership card and scan 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.

CLUB EVENTS

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

American Rimfire Association (ARA). ARA shoots run the 2nd Saturday from April through November at NHRC. ARA Tournaments are held on Saturdays throughout the season. Please see the NHRC website for dates and further details. ARA is open to the public.

>>> GOLD MEDAL CLUB <<<

The NRA Clubs & Associations Department again awarded NHRC Gold Medal status. Gold Medal status is awarded to clubs who are committed to fostering and promoting Second Amendment rights and firearm safety and education. Check out the NRA's latest club page at [Club Connection | NRA Explore](#)

RANGE SAFETY AND FIRST AID

Although the use of the range is at our own risk, the club has provided a new device for sudden cardiac arrest. The club has an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) onsite. An AED is a portable device that automatically diagnoses life threatening heart arrhythmias and delivers an electrical shock if needed. Once connected to the machine, the AED will tell the user what to do. Signs of sudden cardiac arrest are suddenly becoming unconscious, not breathing normally or gasping and no pulse. If a person is conscious, breathing, or has a pulse an AED should not be used.

There is a small cupboard mounted on the wall right inside the entrance to the range building restrooms. The white box contains the AED/defibrillator and a Stop the Bleed kit. The club will be securing a small first aid kit that will be available for small cuts. ***If there is an emergency on the range, please call 911 for medic and/or ambulance services.***

BERWICK RIFLE TEAM



The Berwick high school rifle team concluded its regular season with a record of 6 and 4 and qualified for the league playoffs. Highlights of the season were seniors Wyatt Readler and Molly Conrad each reaching the 5000-point milestone. Molly won a 3rd place medal at the all-star tournament. Molly and Luke Sult qualified for the state individual tournament. A 99 average is required to participate.

The team was happy to have 3 freshmen compete in enough varsity matches to earn a varsity letter. They were Brennan Spaide, Parker Anawalt and Dominick Torsella. The team continues off season

practices on Mondays and hopes to improve their record in the 2025 -2026 season.

CLUB JUNIOR PROGRAM

The Nescopeck rifle club's junior program is up and running! On Monday evenings any junior shooter aged 8 to 18 can participate. The program uses the NRA sport shooting qualification course in air rifle air pistol and .22 rifle. ***New shooters are always welcome.*** For more information or to sign up, please contact Cathy Curtin at 570-854-1881 (cell) or cathycurtin4@gmail.com.

NEW NHRC MEMBERS

NHRC accepted new members into the club in February. John Allen, Rachel Boyer, Pete Caparro, Lewis Cassarella, Marlin Hornberger, Dylan Kronick, Gary Pantalone, Gary Price, William Slabinski, Donald Smith, and Michael Zapotocky. All the members received their new membership card and went through club orientation. New members learned the history and requirements of the club, the importance of range safety, range rules and how to use the new card system, etc. Welcome to NHRC!

RANGE DAMAGES

Please note that ALL lanes of the Indoor Range are now back up and operational! Thank you to the members who alerted us to the damages and for your patience as we obtained the supplies to make the tracks and units functional again. And a special “Thanks!” to Joe Senick who spearheaded the investigation and repair efforts.

The indoor and outdoor ranges have experienced some damage from shooting. Rich Yoder has done some maintenance to several of the outdoor targets and in the DPR. Further repairs are ongoing as we try to keep up with the increased use of targets within the DPR. Please be mindful of your target and the background – especially in the DPR.

When on the outdoor range, ***do not shoot at or towards the ground; Targets must be placed 36+ inches above ground level. Do not shoot at the ARA target holders!***

Report any damage as soon as it happens to nhrc.clubnews@gmail.com.

PERMANENT NHRC MEMBERSHIP/ACCESS CARDS

We received many inquiries from members about not receiving a new membership card for 2025. Fear not, you already have your card! Last year, we implemented a new Access Card System to replace the outdated method of sending an ‘Indoor Range Door Code’ card. As you paid your annual NHRC dues, your permanent membership card was updated to reflect the paid through date of your NHRC membership.

BUILDING COMMITTEE UPDATES

The Late Fall and Winter months have seen a slowdown in range building/property updates. We expect that all to change as the weather improves and we have our first Range Workday in June. Range improvement projects for this year include completion of finish trim in the new range building, the addition of an automated entrance gate and initial plans for renovation of the Indoor Range.

We would like to see more involvement from members with future projects around the range. Whether it’s ideas you may have or input you can provide regarding any of the trades or fabrication of materials, we would appreciate your thoughts. Please contact us at nhrc.clubnews@gmail.com.

NHRC PARENT MEMBERSHIP

Ever consider Parent Membership? As the governing body of the Club and its Board of Directors, Parent members are tasked with ensuring the continued success of our beloved Range. Parents also have the benefit and responsibility of using our camp property located in the Susquehannock State Forest in Potter County. The NHRC heritage all started in May of 1930 at our camp and with elk in the area and camping, hunting and fishing streams throughout the area, it’s a special place! We are looking for current Associate members to join us in these efforts. Consider being a part of the team that ensures NHRC will continue to serve our membership for future generations.

If you are interested, please contact any Parent member or President Bob Hettinger at (570) 759-1783.

Happy Shooting!!!



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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.

Attn: MEMBERS - YOU MUST ALSO SIGN THIS FORM

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

NHRC Member: 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.*****