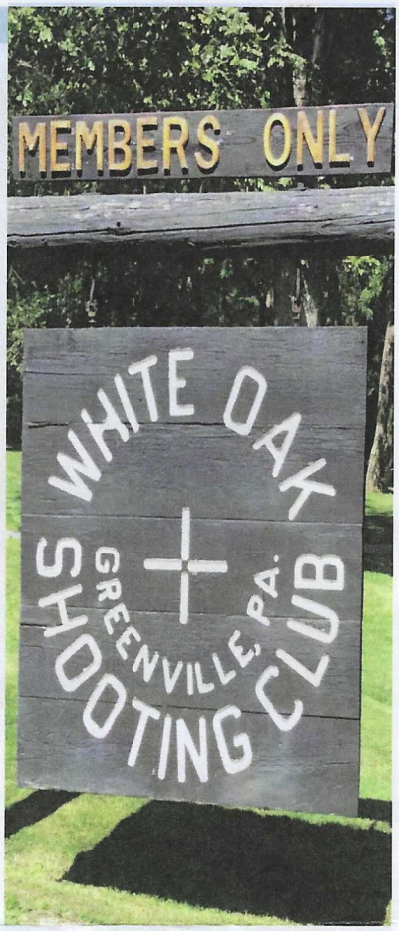
White Oak Shooting Club

November 2022

The Bull Shooter



Meetings

White Oak Shooting Club's monthly Club Board of Directors meetings are held on the third Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in the clubhouse. All members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Annual Meeting and Election of Officers

The annual meeting will be held on November 21, 2022. It will be conducted after the normal monthly business. Results from the annual internal audit will be provided and the election of officers for the following year will take place. **The Board is looking for some new, creative, and innovative volunteers.** If you are interested in becoming an officer or director, please contact one of the current officers prior to the November meeting. **These positions are voluntary and require your attendance.**

Membership

Please do not let your membership lapse! Your 2023 club dues are payable now. They should be paid by February 1st to maintain eligibility for continued membership. **Membership cards are no longer mailed out.**

Fill out the attached renewal form and mail it to the club at 26 Amasa Rd., Greenville, PA 16125, or bring it with you when you are out using the club's facilities. Make all checks payable to White Oak Shooting Club.

Free renewals are available to all active military personnel with a copy of your current military ID.

PLEASE REMEMBER. . .

Donations are always accepted and appreciated, and can be earmarked for specific shooting activities.

Absolutely no outside shooting on Sundays before noon.

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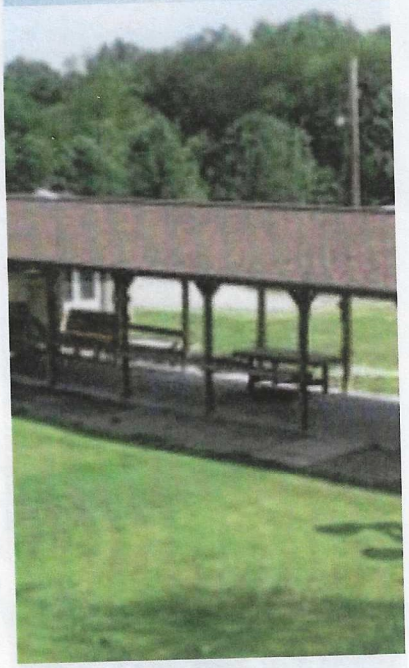
TECH UPDATE

- **You can keep up to date on club activities by visiting the club's website at whiteoakshootingclub.com.**



THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who worked to keep our buildings maintained and grounds looking nice!

ORIENTATION CLASSES

Orientation classes are mandatory for all new members and strongly recommended for all members. Failure to complete the new member orientation will deem the application payment as a donation.

Contact **Les Irwin** by phone at 724-699-2596 or e-mail at oldguypapairwin@gmail.com to schedule an orientation class.

HUNTER / TRAPPER EDUCATION CLASSES

Check the Pennsylvania Game Commission website at www.pgc.state.pa.us for class dates and locations.

This is a six-hour training class required by law for all first-time hunters and trappers before they can buy a license. You must pass a certification exam at the end of the class to complete this training. Students must be 11 years old by the day of the class.

You can register online at **www.pgc.state.pa.us**.

E-MAIL ADDRESS

Does White Oak have your e-mail address?

Please include your e-mail address on your membership renewal form. We would like to send more communication to our members regarding shooting events and work days.

CLUB OFFICERS and BOARD OF DIRECTORS

PRESIDENT - Keith Eddy
VICE PRESIDENT - Duane Lewis
SECRETARY - Doug Hilton
TREASURER - Jerry Green
ASSISTANT TREASURER - Ray Shearer

DIRECTORS:
Emerson Dick
Gary Eddy
Les Irwin
Wayne McCafferty
Phil Moore
Dwane Pears
Bob Rust

ALTERNATE DIRECTORS:
Joe Kanya
Roy Krepp

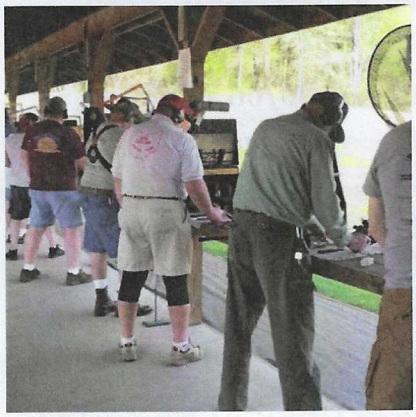
Enjoy good shooting and be safe!

MISSION

Our mission is to encourage organized shooting and firearms safety among citizens of our community and to develop a spirit of honesty, good fellowship, self-reliance and the essentials of good sportsmanship.

PISTOL and RIFLE

Bulls-Eye Pistol



Bulls-Eye Pistol shoots are held every Wednesday night and are open to the public. Sign up begins at 5:30 p.m. Shooting starts at 6 p.m.

We are looking for new shooters. There is always more room on the firing line, so come out, bring a friend, and join the fun!

For more information, contact **Jerry Green** at 724-815-9666.

Junior Rifle Club

The Junior Rifle Club will begin on Sunday, January 8, 2023, and run through the end of March. Meets will be held weekly from 4 until 7 p.m. This program is open to boys and girls ages 9 to 21.

Instructors are Jerry Green, Wes McClimans, and John McKelvey.

For more information, call **Jerry Green** at 724-815-9666. Please check the White Oak website for more information.

What's New

Metal targets were added to the 50' Outside Pistol Range and to the 100 & 200 yard Rifle Ranges

GENERAL RANGE RULES

The following rules apply to all ranges.

1. Absolutely NO HANDLING OF FIREARMS WHEN UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL OR DRUGS.
2. All firearms are to be cased, holstered, **or with actions opened** with an **EMPTY CHAMBER INDICATOR IN PLACE**, Magazines must be removed when moving to or from the firing line. Firearms are considered loaded when magazines are not removed.
3. **Please use your firearm's safety.** Safeties should be on when not firing. **No exceptions!**
4. Eye and ear protection are mandatory on all ranges.
5. Use only paper targets and all targets must be placed on the designated target frames.
6. **DO NOT HANDLE FIREARMS WHEN PEOPLE ARE DOWN RANGE**. All firearms must be cleared (slides back, magazines out, cylinders open, bolts open) **AND PUT AN EMPTY CHAMBER INDICATOR IN PLACE**.
7. No automatic firing.
8. No unsafe rapid firing.
9. No cross firing.
10. You are responsible to ensure all rounds fired impact the backstop, so make it a priority.
11. Your guests are your responsibility. You must accompany them and act as the safety officer.
12. **ANY UNSAFE, DESTRUCTIVE HANDLING AND FIRING WILL BE REASON FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION OR DISMISSAL.**
13. Any request for deviation from the rules or special functions must be made at the monthly meeting.

RANGE ETIQUETTE

1. Always pick up your spent cases and / or shells when you are done shooting.
2. Always take down your targets when you are done shooting.
3. Always straighten up your area before you leave.

DCM Rifle Matches

Shooting dates for the 2023 DCM matches are scheduled for the **fourth Saturday** of the month:

January 28 February 25 March 25 April 22
May 27 June 24 July 22

The course of fire will be:

- 5 sighter shots in 5 minutes
- 10 shots in 10 minutes OFFHAND slow fire
- 2 10-shot rapid fire strings in 60 seconds each SITTING
- 20 shots in 20 minutes slow fire PRONE

The club has four M-1 rifles available for use and 30/06 ammo is available at the club.

Match registration begins at 8:30 a.m. and closes at 12 p.m. Registration will be on a first come basis to capacity of each relay. These matches are open to the public so bring a friend and enjoy a day at the range.

For more information, contact **Phil Moore** at 330-442-6421. Please check the club website for more information.

2700s Matches

The following match dates are tentative:

- May 12 and 13, 2023
- June 9 and 10, 2023

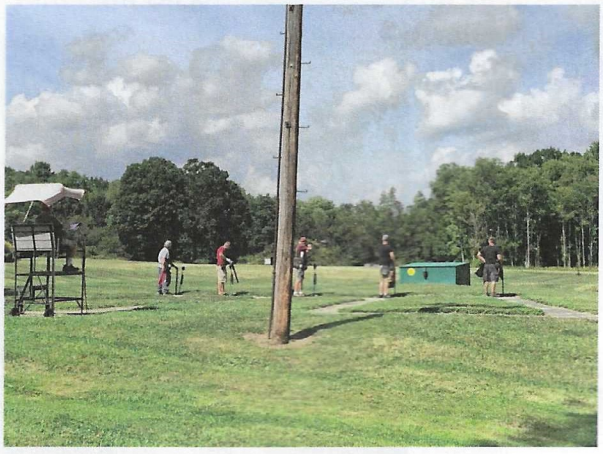
For more information, contact **Jerry Green** at 724-815-9666. More information will be available on the website at a later date.

Safety glasses and hearing protection are mandatory on all ranges.

SHOTGUN PATTERNING

1. Please bring your own cardboard for shotgun patterning.
2. Place target paper against backstop next to target frame.
3. Please do not fire shot shells directly at target frames.

TRAP and SKEET



Anyone interested in shooting clay targets can come out on Sundays from 1 until 4 p.m. or Thursdays from 6 until 8 p.m.

Trap and skeet are open to the public.

New shooters are always welcome!

Woody Dixon Memorial Shoot

The 47th annual Woody Dixon Memorial Shoot was held on Sunday, August 28, 2022. The turnout this year enabled White Oak to donate $200 to the ATA in memory of Mr. Dixon and Mr. Robert "Bat" Thomas.

Congratulations to the following shooters:

CATEGORY	WINNER	SCORE
High Gun Overall	Dwane Pears	104
High Trap—16 Yard Singles	Jacob Rust	25
High Trap—Handicap	John Hallberg	24
High Trap—Doubles	Gary Eddy	40
High Skeet	Justin Zirkle	23

Mark your calendar to participate in the 48th annual event on Sunday, August 27, 2023. Registration will be open from noon until 3:30 p.m. The cost for the 125-bird event is $35 for adults and $27 for juniors.

Contact **Stephanie Krepp-Rust** at 724-372-0838 for additional information.

Lake and Valley Trap League

The Lake and Valley Trap League is a group of five clubs located in northwestern Pennsylvania; Albion, Cochranton, Greenville, Linesville, and Saegertown. Ten shoots are held each season; one Sunday each month from September through June.

The 2021 / 2022 Lake and Valley Trap League concluded on June 5, 2022, at Linesville as they claimed first place for the season. Saegertown hosted the annual league meeting on July 17, 2021, at 2 p.m.

Lake and Valley Schedule
2022-2023 Season

September 18, 2022	Greenville	12 p.m. – 4 p.m.
October 19, 2022	Cochranton	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
November 20, 2022	Saegertown	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
December 18, 2022	Linesville	10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
January 15, 2023	Albion	10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
February 19, 2023	Greenville	12 p.m. – 4 p.m.
March 19, 2023	Cochranton	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
April 16, 2023	Saegertown	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
May 21, 2023	Linesville	10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
June 4, 2023	Albion	10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

New shooters are always welcome. Anyone interested in shooting the Lake and Valley Trap League can contact **Stephanie Krepp-Rust** at 724-372-0838 or visit the Lake and Valley website at http://lvtrapleague.weebly.com/index.html for further information.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

FIREARM SAFETY

The 12 Golden Rules for Safe Gun Handling

1. Always treat the gun as loaded.
2. Always keep the gun pointed in a safe direction.
3. Always keep your finger straight and off the trigger until you are ready to shoot.
4. Always keep the gun unloaded until you are ready to use it.
5. Never point the gun at anything you do not intend to destroy.
6. Be sure of your target and what is beyond it.
7. Learn the mechanical and handling characteristics of the gun you are using.
8. Always use proper ammunition.
9. Be sure the barrel is clear of obstructions before loading and shooting.
10. If your gun fails to fire when the trigger is pulled, hold your shooting position for several seconds; then with the muzzle pointed in a safe direction, carefully unload the gun.
11. Do not rely on the gun's safety to keep it from firing.
12. Be aware of your surroundings when handling guns so that you do not trip or lose your balance and accidentally point and / or fire the gun at anyone or anything.

INDOOR RANGE RULES

1. The indoor range can be used from 8 a.m. until 11 p.m. seven days per week.
2. The range is open to any 22LR pistol or 22LR rifle and center fire handgun cartridges.
3. No shot shells smaller than 00 buckshot.
4. No black powder guns.
5. No tracer ammo.
6. Use paper or cardboard targets only.
7. Prices for targets are posted on the target holder on the steel cabinet in the day room. The donation can is on the wall to the right side of the door when entering the range.
8. All targets are to be placed on the target hangers. If you need to be closer than 50 feet move up to the 21 foot line, but the targets must be kept in the pit on the hangers.
9. No smoking in the club house.
10. Check the calendar in the day room for indoor / outdoor pistol, rifle and trap events.
11. Please turn off roof fans, lights, and furnace before leaving.

OUTDOOR RANGE RULES

ABSOLUTELY NO SHOOTING OUTSIDE BEFORE 9 A.M. MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AND BEFORE NOON ON SUNDAY!

During all scheduled trap and skeet shooting, the 25 –100, 200, and 300 yard benches are closed to shooters. Sighting in a gun is possible if you check in at the trap building. No unscheduled night time shoots without club approval.

Remember, always clean up your mess, shoot only into backstops and, do not drive on grass or ranges. Please do not destroy club property as it is your club.

50 YARD OUTDOOR RANGE RULES

All targets must be placed on the 50 yard line. If you want to shoot closer, please move closer.

DO NOT MOVE THE TARGET TOWARDS THE FIRING LINE

1. The 25 yard target line is for .22 caliber rimfire and Bulls-Eye only (with the appropriate target frames).
2. If you are shooting under the roof, make sure the kitchen window cover is in place.
3. All combat style shooting is to be done with paper targets placed only at the 50 yard target line.
4. Center fire rifle to be done using wooden frames only at the 50 yard target line (ricochet hazard with metal frames).
5. Use paper targets on the backstop only; no metal, cans, glass, clay, or any other type of targets.
6. Targets are in the club house by the phone or in the range boxes.
7. Please remove all targets, clean up empty brass and cases, return scopes, staples, sandbags, and any other club property to the range cabinet.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

ADULT AND JUNIOR

- Adult Dues: $50
- Junior Dues: $3

Mail to: White Oak Shooting Club
26 Amasa Road
Greenville, PA 16125
Phone: 724-588-4503

Statement Year 2023 dues are payable to White Oak Shooting Club and must be paid prior to February 1, 2024 to keep your membership current.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

TELEPHONE: _____ **E-MAIL ADDRESS:** _____

_____	Annual Dues	$50
_____	Club Building Access (Only one key fob or prox card per member) **(Note: This is to replace a lost or damaged fob or card.)**	$10
	Donations are appreciated:	_____
	Total amount enclosed:	_____

By signing this renewal, I have read, understand, and agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the White Oak Shooting Club.

SIGNATURE: _____

WHITE OAK SHOOTING CLUB