White Oak Shooting Club

November 2023



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 20, 2023. 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 2024 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.

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 Roy Krepp Wayne McCafferty

Phil Moore Les Irwin Bob Rust

ALTERNATE DIRECTORS:

Joe Kanya Stephanie Krepp-Rust

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.

Enjoy good shooting and be safe!

PISTOL and RIFLE

Target Time - Girls Night Out

Target Time is a women's only group for women 18 years and up that meets monthly on the third Thursday of each month. Each meeting has an instructional theme and then range time to practice.

RSVP is requested-call or email Danielle Wilson at 724-456-0001 or ducks4dogs@gmail.com

Be sure to watch for the NRA Women On Target Clinic in April

Bullseye 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 7, 2024, and run through the end of March. Meets will be held weekly from 3:00 until 6:30 p.m. This program is open to boys and girls ages 9 to 21.



John Lopochonsky Jr. Memorial Award winner: Calvin Watson Bench Rest Winner: 1st Corrine Putt, 2nd Alex Holtz, 3rd Harper Johnson

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

An archery target was added. It is behind the garage. It is movable and can be shot at from the 300 yard tower.

A 40' x 70' parking lot was added to the Rifle range. No excuses to get out and practice now!



GENERAL RANGE RULES

The following rules apply to all ranges.

- 1. Absolutely NO HANDLING OF FIREARMS WHEN UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL OR DRUGS.
- All firearms are to be cased, holstered, <u>or with actions</u> <u>opened</u> with an <u>EMPTY</u> <u>CHAMBER INDICATOR IN</u> <u>PLACE</u>, 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.
- 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 INDICA-TOR 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 DISCIPLI-NARY ACTION OR DISMIS-SAL.
- Any request for deviation from the rules or special functions must be made at the monthly meeting.

RANGE ETIQUETTE

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

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.

DCM/CMP Rifle Matches

Shooting dates for the 2024 DCM/CMP matches are scheduled for the **fourth Saturday** of the month:

January 27	February 24	March 23	April 27
May 25	June 2	2	July 27

The course of fire will be:

- 5 sighter shots in 5 minutes
- 10 shots in 10 minutes OFFHAND slow fire
- Two 10-shot rapid fire strings in 60 seconds each SITTING
- 10 shots in 70 seconds rapid fire PRONE
- 10 shots 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 10 and 11, 2024
- June 7 and 8, 2024

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.

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 48th annual Woody Dixon Memorial Shoot was held on Sunday, August 27, 2023. This year's turnout enabled White Oak to donate \$255 to the ATA in memory of Mr. Dixon and Mr. Robert "Bat" Thomas.

Congratulations to the following shooters:

<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>WINNER</u>	<u>SCORE</u>
High Gun Overall	Joel Stewart	108
High Trap—16 Yard Singles	Jacob Rust	24
High Trap—Handicap	Stephanie Krepp-Rust	23
High Trap—Doubles	Gary Eddy	43
High Skeet	Bill Brenner	21

Mark your calendar to participate in the 49th annual event on Sunday, August 27, 2024. Registration will be open from noon until 3:30 p.m. The cost for the 125-bird event is \$35 for adults and \$30 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 six clubs located in northwestern Pennsylvania; Albion, Cochranton, Greenville, Linesville, Meadville, and Saegertown. 12 shoots are held each season from September through June.

The 2022 / 2023 Lake and Valley Trap League concluded on June 4, 2023, at Albion. Linesville claimed first place for the season. Linesville also hosted the annual league meeting on July 16, 2023, at 2 p.m.

Lake and Valley Schedule 2023-2024 Season

September 17, 2023 October 1, 2023 October 15, 2023 November 12, 2023 December 17, 2023 January 21, 2024 February 18, 2024 March 17, 2024 April 21, 2024 May 5, 2024 May 19, 2024 June 2, 2024 Saegertown Albion Cochranton Greenville Linesville Meadville Saegertown Albion Cochranton Greenville Linesville Meadville

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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.



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.
- Always keep your finger straight and off the trigger until you are ready to shoot.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

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.
- 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 REFORE 0 A M MO

OUTSIDE BEFORE 9 A.M. MON-DAY 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.
- 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.
- Please remove all targets, clean up empty brass and cases, return scopes, staples, sandbags, and any other club property to the range cabinet.

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