

SHARP SHOOTER

FHRPC NEWSLETTER

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WINTER/SPRING 2012

ANNUAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

The annual meeting of the Fort Hill Rifle and Pistol Club (FHRPC) was held on Friday, February 3, 2012 with 71 members present. The meeting was held at the Allegany County for Technical Education (CCTE) in their auditorium on McMullen Highway in Cresaptown, MD. The topics of interest were protective barrier construction, possible pavilion/building/indoor range, lights above shooting benches at MSR1, distribution of future raffle tickets to all members, and election of officers.

EXCAVATION OF BERMS

President Cliff Bennett gave a detailed report on the six day excavation work which created two new safety berms and possibly a future site for a pavilion/building or a designated fifty yard range at MSR1. Contractor Buck Dayton and his crew did a sizeable amount of excavating in six days. Buck Dayton came in with the low bid of \$17,000 while the other contractor was double that at \$34,000, another contractor was dismissed with an incomplete bid. With the amount of earth that was moved to meet grade at the excavation site we were able to add quite an extension to the parking lot.

FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR BUILDING

Kenny Fuller brought up for discussion that some members wanted a new club house. After some floor time and input from several members on the subject President Cliff Bennett said we needed a committee to do some feasibility and investigative study on the subject.

The committee consists of President Cliff Bennett, Gary Dawson, Denny Jedlowski, Paul Hardy, Rod Paxton and Mike Shay. They are to do the leg work and report back to the membership at a **Special Meeting scheduled for Friday, June 15, 2012 at 7:00 pm at MSR1. Mark your calendars.**

UPDATE; Monday, April 2, 2012 while in the process of having this month's Officers Meeting we were joined by Denny Jedlowski, Paul Hardy and Rod Paxton from the committee. They brought us up to date on the developments of the building study. That included an architectural drawing of the structure and a cost analysis was presented. They have received one estimate from L. D. Rudolph & Sons (contractor that built our pavilion) and we are waiting on other estimates at this time. Possible funding possibilities were discussed.

CLUB OFFICERS FOR 2012

FHRPC officers for the year 2011 are;

1. President, Cliff Bennett (304-790-0441)
2. Vice-President/Membership, Chris Bennett (301-268-1642)
3. Treasurer, John Dowell (301-724-5866)
4. Secretary, Marvin Smith (301-777-0358)
5. Executive Officer, MSR1, Steve Isner (301-268-8696)
6. Executive Officer, WMR2, Danny Jackson, Jr. (301-729-9343)



The club officers welcome your feedback. If you have any questions, suggestions, comments or concerns please feel free to contact any of your club officers. Officers meetings are the first Monday of each month at the club house at Morningside Range #1 at 7:00 PM. You are welcome to contact us there, the first thirty minutes of the meeting is available to club members.

FHRPC CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Club members should mark their calendars for Saturday, October 13, 2012 for the first club championship match. The match will consist of several courses of fire with typical production firearms. The match will start at 9:00 a.m. at MSR1 so bring out family and friends for a great day of shooting fun, food and drink will be available. More information will be forthcoming as planning is completed.

METALLIC RIFLE TARGET AT MORNING SIDE

A metallic target was the topic of a Special Meeting of the Range Development Committee held Monday, April 2nd at MSR1. All thirteen members or alternates for the committee were present. After a discussion by various committee members a vote was taken and the outcome was 10 for and three sustained, we will have a six inch metallic target at the 100 yard impact berm at MSR1.

Actual location of the target along the shooting line, and type and style of target to be determined.

RENDEZVOUS 2012

Rendezvous 2012, scheduled to start at 9:00 am on Sunday, September 30, 2012 at WMR2. This high-power and muzzleloader event is a great time to shoot, fellowship and just have some fun, eat free food, and find some wanted or sell some unwanted items in our member provided swap meet. More details and postings later mark your calendars you will not want to miss this.

VANDALISM AT RANGES

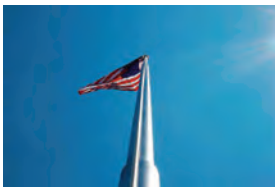
Van-dal-ism * a willful or malicious destruction or defacement of public or private property.

This is what has been happening at both ranges gentlemen, and the 1% of us that are involved in this type of behavior be forewarned, "When we catch you and we will catch you, your membership will be dismissed and criminal charges will be brought upon you."

To the other 99% of the membership, be attentive to who is there when you leave, especially if you do know or recognize the individuals that are there. This seems to happen when they are by themselves or very few are present, pay attention to vehicles, license plates, description of individuals. And notify any officer of any infraction you may witness.

On Sunday, April 1, 2012 vandalism occurred at MSR1 a sign was shot up on the 100 yard range, a description of a late model silver Dodge pickup with Maryland tags and two men that were seen shooting a AK-47 was given to the officers. The investigation continues, if you saw anything concerning this act or other infraction please contact an officer.

Remember it only takes a few to ruin everything we have had since 1944.



*In
Memoriam*



FHRPC LOSES FREDERICK D. KREIGER, SR.

The FHRPC lost a good and Faithful friend this past month. Frederick D. Kreiger, Sr., a life member of the FHRPC, having joined the club in 1987. He was born May 4, 1930 and passed from this earth to his greater glory on February 19, 2012 at home. It was with great sadness when we, his friends at FHRPC, heard of his passing.

Fred was a longtime builder and shooter of muzzle loading rifles, and devoted much of his life promoting the sport, mentoring younger shooters, and shooting competitively. He was a two time Pennsylvania State champion in the over 60 division. Fred was the current FHRPC's Chairman for the Muzzleloader League that shoots on Monday evenings. He shot with a Tri-State award winning group known as the Fort Hill Flinters. He was also a lifetime member of the National Rifle Association and the Shawnee Rangers Muzzleloaders. Your friends at the FHRPC will miss you.

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Well, another winter is past and the new Shooting Season is soon upon us. As the range improvements at the morning side Drive Range wind down, I am looking forward to shooting much more this year. I would like to remind everyone that the Fort Hill Rifle Pistol Club was formed to promote organized shooting. We have League shooting available almost every weeknight and high power matches are scheduled several weekends a month. If you are not taking advantage of these activities, you are missing a great chance not only to improve your marksmanship abilities, but you can have some great fellowship and fun with others who have like interests. I would like to encourage everyone to try at least one discipline this year, not just you, but your youngsters as well. Remember all league activities are open to the public so invite your friends who are not members as well.

We hope to add several new activities this year such as a Turkey Shoot and a Club Champion Match. Details on these will be forwarded as information becomes available.

There is still plenty of room for new shooters Friday nights during the small bore league. Come out and bring a youngster. If you want to give it a try, the league will provide your targets and ammo for your first match. I will also bring all the equipment you will need.

Please be aware that when walking to the benches or moving firearms around behind the firing line, all actions should be open. We also encourage the use of Empty Chamber Indicators. These indicators are inexpensive and allow everyone around you to see that your firearm is unloaded.

The 100 Yard firing range is designed for different target frames to be used for different purposes. Using the improper frame is dangerous. Wooden target frames are to be used only for 100 yard shooting. Never use the wooden target frames at 50 Yards. The red metal target frames are for use only when shooting from the bench at 50 yards. The Silver Aluminum Frames may be used for 50 yard from either the bench or the offhand position. If you are shooting at 25 Yards be certain that whatever frame you use (silver or red) allows your bullet to impact the berm behind the 100 yard line.

Portable targets such as spinners, knock downs, boxes or cans should never be placed on the deck of the range. Bullets fired at these type targets will ricochet off of the range floor and leave the range. At some time in the near future we hope to have a permanent metal target at the 100 yard line.

If you see someone improperly using the range, please bring it to their attention. One Accident can ruin our facility for all of us. If anyone sees someone intentionally acting in an unsafe manner or abusing club property please try to get name or license plate number and report it to a Club Officer.

I hope everyone has a safe and productive season. I'll see you at the range.

Cliff Bennett



Starting early is important for future Service Rifle shooters!

Front Row: (L to R) are Stephen, Ryan, Matthew, Towson, Carter and Alex who was celebrating his 13th birthday at the range.

Back Row: (L to R) Shooting mentors are Gib, Wayne, Jason, Don, Mike and Danny.

GRAINS OF INFO

The members of FHRPC would like to thank Danny Webster for his time and prominent layout and welding ability in the fabricating of the 50 yard aluminum target frames. And for spearheading the building of the permanent table tops attached to the back of the pavilion with the help of some black powder shooters. Also, last but not least to Chris Bennett and to Gill-Simpson, Inc., for the donation of the aluminum material used to make the light weight target frames possible. Thank You All so very much.

NRP Special Presentation, Officer Donnie Simmons of the Maryland Natural Resources Police and Coordinator of the Maryland Hunter Safety Education Program was at the Annual Meeting on Friday, February 3rd to present a plaque to the membership of FHRPC for years of service to new hunters in our area and for the cooperation displayed to the Maryland NRP in hosting the events. Accepting on the behalf of FHRPC was President Cliff Bennett.

Maryland Hunter Safety Classes through the Maryland NRP are scheduled for Sunday, May 6, 2012 and Sunday, October 14, 2012 at Morningside Range #1 starting at 3:00 pm thru 6:00 pm both dates. Morningside Range #1 will be closed to shooting during these times. Range closures will be posted for the events.

Criminal Justice Students from CCTE (Vo-Tech) is scheduled for Friday, May 18, 2012 at Morningside Range #1 starting at 8:00 am thru 2:00 pm for their Annual Hunter Safety Class. Morningside Range #1 will be closed to shooting during these times. Range closures will be posted for the event.

Orientation Classes; The FHRPC took in 27 new members recently, on Sunday, March 4th we held the first orientation class for 2012, 17 prospects were present. And on Saturday, March 10th we held the second orientation class for 2012, 10 prospects were present. So if you see some new faces at the ranges, introduce yourself and welcome these men to our ranks, I'm sure they all have questions that you probably have the answers to. This brings the number of dues paying FHRPC members to 356 plus 91 life members for a total membership of 447 as of this newsletter.

DUES NOTICE; FHRPC dues are due by December 31st of each year, members who joined FHRPC after December 31, 2000 are required to be members in the NRA. Proof of NRA membership (legible photo copy) is required each year when paying FHRPC dues. Renewing NRA membership through FHRPC is proof enough, plus you save \$10 and write one check and use one stamp. FHRPC membership dues are (\$50) and NRA membership is (\$10 for associate NRA membership, no magazine) for a total of \$60 or (\$25 for Annual NRA Membership with magazine) for a total of \$75. NRA Membership Applications are located on the last page of all newsletters, fill out and mail to: Chris Bennett, 11710 Morning Side Dr., NE, Cumberland, MD 21502. Chris strongly requests that you do not hand deliver dues to his residence.

Please cleanup and place your unwanted BRASS in the 5 gallon buckets provided at the different ranges, do not throw brass in the garbage containers. The brass is recycled and the funds acquired support the youth shooting leagues. Any brass that club members have at their loading stations that are not wanted or needed may be donated to the youth leagues, contact any officer for more information. Once brass is placed in the brass bucket it then becomes the property of FHRPC. Please do not steal from our youth....

BR-50 League, Frank Snyder reported at the Annual Meeting that the benches are getting full but always room for one more. Averaging eleven shooters, precise shooting is the hallmark of these precision shooters. League shooting starts Wednesday, April 18th at 6:00 pm.

Muzzleloaders, Roger Rowe reported at the Annual Meeting 8-12 smokepole shooters, inline shooters are welcomed to come out and shoot. The 2012 season will start Monday, April 2nd. Starting times vary between 4:00 and 6:00 pm, whatever time fits your schedule? Shooting will be every Monday thru the first Monday in October.

Informal 22LR off-hand shooting is held at MSR1 on Monday evenings starting between 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Visit the clubs webpage and surf through it for club information @ www.fhrpc.org



FORT HILL HIGH POWER RIFLE SCHEDULE FOR 2012



Sanctioned Service Rifle Matches

Sun, 5/27/12	Excellence-In-Competition Match	National Match Course
Sun, 6/3/12	Sanctioned Service Rifle Match	4x20 Course (80 shots)
Sat, 7/21/12	Excellence-In-Competition Match	National Match Course
Sat, 9/22/12	Maryland State Service Rifle	4x20 Course (80 shots),
Sun, 9/23/12	Championship	EIC Match

CMP Rules – Rapid-fire start from standing; no sighters



Approved High Power League (Across the Course)

Sun, 4/15/12	80 Shot Regional Course Rifle Match	200, 300, 600 yards
Sat, 6/16/12	80 Shot Regional Course Rifle Match	200, 300, 600 yards
Sat, 7/7/12	80 Shot Regional Course Rifle Match	200, 300, 600 yards
Sun, 8/19/12	80 Shot Regional Course Rifle Match	200, 300, 600 yards
Sat, 9/1/12	80 Shot Regional Course Rifle Match	200, 300, 600 yards

NRA Rules – Rapid-fire start from position; two sighters



Games Matches

Sat, 4/28/12	As-Issued Military Matches	Two matches, 200 yards
Sun, 4/29/12	As-Issued Military Match, Vintage Sniper Match	Two matches – (1) 200 yards; (2) 300, 600 yards
Sun, 6/10/12	D-Day/Belleau Wood (Course A)	Two matches, 200 yards
Sat, 6/30/12	M1 Carbine/Rimfire Sporter	Morningside 100 yd range
Sat, 7/14/12	As-Issued Military Matches	Two matches, 200 yards
Sat, 10/6/12	Classic Service Rifle XTC Match	NMC (200, 300, & 600 yd)
Sun, 10/14/12	Vintage Sniper Match	300 and 600 yards



Approved High Power League (Mid-Range)

Sat, 4/21/12	3 x 600 (Three 20-shot strings @ 600 yd)	Prone or F-class
Sun, 5/20/12	3 x 600 (Three 20-shot strings @ 600 yd)	Prone or F-class
Sun, 6/24/12	3 x 600 (Three 20-shot strings @ 600 yd)	Prone or F-class
Sun, 7/8/12	3 x 600 (Three 20-shot strings @ 600 yd)	Prone or F-class
Sat, 8/25/12	3 x 600 (Three 20-shot strings @ 600 yd)	Prone or F-class
Sat, 9/29/12	3 x 600 (Three 20-shot strings @ 600 yd)	Prone or F-class

2012 SMALL-BORE SILHOUETTE SCHEDULE WARRIOR MOUNTAIN RANGE

April	5	Open date	Clean up and practice	Work Party ..see Jim S.
	12	Open date	Clean up and practice	Work Party ..see Jim S.
	19	Match # 1	Match Day 6:00PM	Forty shots
	26	# 2	Match Day&cook-out	Forty shots
May	3	Open date	Open Day	Work Party ..see Jim S.
	10	Match # 3	Match Day 6:00PM	Forty shots
	17	# 4	Match Day 6:00PM	Forty shots
	24	# 5	Match Day 6:00PM	Forty shots
	31	# 6	Match Day&cook-out	Forty shots
June	7	Open date	Open Day	Work Party ..see Jim S.
	14	Match # 7	Match Day 6:00PM	Forty shots
	21	# 8	Match Day 6:00PM	Forty shots
	28	# 9	Match Day&cook-out	Forty shots
July	5	Open date	Open Day	Work Party ..see Jim S.
	12	Match # 10	Match Day 6:00PM	Forty shots
	19	# 11	Match Day 6:00PM	Forty shots
	26	#12	Match Day&cook-out	Forty shots
August	2	Open date	Open Day	Work Party ..see Jim S.
	9	# 13	Match Day 6:00PM	Forty shots
	16	# 14	Match Day 6:00PM	Forty shots
	23	#15	Match Day 6:00PM	Forty shots >>>Will start early maybe around 5:30 if we can
	30	# 16	Match Day&cook-out	Forty shots >>>Will start early maybe around 5:30 if we can
September	6	Open date	Open Day	Work Party ..see Jim S.
SUNDAY	9	Match # 17	Match day 1:30 PM husband/wife/girlfriend picnic to follow	

Questions...See Jim Soulsby 301-724-0724 or Frank Snyder 301-777-1298

Match Rules

- 1-----N R A rules and regulation will govern all matches
- 2-----Match Fee \$5.00 per match \$7.00 for nonmembers
- 3-----Shooters must shoot at least 7 matches to qualify for any prizes
- 4-----All shooter must have a good time
- 5-----Students under age of 20 and still in school(including college) can shoot free



FORT HILL RIFLE & PISTOL LEAGUE

2012

PISTOL LEAGUE SCHEDULE



Match	Dates	Match Type	Caliber	Keep your scores
1	May 1	SC \ SC 60 Rnds	22	_____
2	8	SC \ SC 60 Rnds	CF	_____
3	15 **	NMC \ NMC 60 rnds + <i>novelty match</i>	45	_____
4	22	"900" 90rnds	22	_____
5	29 *	NMC \ Slow + HB-match	22/HB	_____
6	June 5	2gun NMC \ NMC 60 rnds + <i>novelty match</i>	22/CF	_____
7	12	NMC \ Slow + HB-match	45	_____
8	19	"900" 90rnds	CF	_____
9	26	NMC \ Rapid + HB-match	22/HB	_____
10	July 3	2gun NMC \ NMC 60 rnds + <i>novelty match</i>	22/CF	_____
11	10	NMC \ Rapid	45	_____
12	17	"900" 90rnds	45	_____
13	24	NMC \ Timed	22	_____
14	31	NMC \ Timed	CF	_____
15	Aug 7	2gun NMC \ NMC 60 rnds + <i>novelty match</i>	22\45	Summer Picnic?????
16	14	NMC \ Rapid	22/HB	_____
17	21	NMC \ Rapid	CF	_____
18	28	2gun NMC \ NMC 60 rnds	22\45	_____
19	Sep 4	NMC \ Timed	22	_____
open	11	Make up date	any	_____
	See Note	2gun "1800" 180 rounds	22/CF	_____

See Note

Note>>>

call League Secretary, Jimmy Soulsby, anytime at (301) 724-2512

Match & Targets

	Slow	Slow	Timed	Rapid	Timed	Rapid	
Slow fire match	(2)B6C	X	X	X	X	X	total 2 targets
Timed fire match	X	X	(2)-B8C	X	X	X	total 2 targets
Rapid fire match	X	X	X	(2)-B8C	X	X	total 2 targets
National Match Course	B-6C	X	B-8C	B-8C	X	X	total 3 targets
900 Aggregate	(2)B6C	B-6C	B-8C	B-8C	(2)-B8C	(2)-B8C	total 9 targets
Hard ball match	B-6C	X	B-8C	B-8C	X	X	total 3 targets

* **Hard Ball (HB)** Handgun can only be 9mm or 45cal with military ammo or equivalent.

** **Novelty match.** A center fire revolver any caliber(except mag.)with metallic sight, targets will be determined later

Rules & Regulations

- 1>N.R.A. Rules and regulations will govern all matches.
- 2>Match times Tuesday 10A.M. & 6:30 PM
- 3>Match fees are \$2.00 and \$3.00 for "900"and \$1.00 practice match
- 4>All shooters must have a good time.
- 5>Shooters must complete 10 regular matches to qualify for NRA classification, picnic, dinners, etc.

Note As soon as the weather breaks and the temp. gets above 50 degrees, some of us will be shooting Tuesday morning for practice. All shooter are welcome.

FORT HILL RIFLE & PISTOL CLUB, INC 2012 NRA ACTION PISTOL LEAGUE SCHEDULE

Date	Course of Fire				Total Score
	Practical	Barricade	Mover	Plates	
Apr 23					
30					
May 7					
14					
21	NO MATCH				
22 - 26	NRA Bianchi Cup - National Action Pistol Championship Columbia, Missouri				
28	MEMORIAL DAY - NO MATCH				
June 4					
11					
18					
25					
July 2					
9	NO MATCH				
16					
23					
30	NO MATCH				
Aug 6					
13					
Sat 18	Western Maryland Regional NRA Action Pistol Championship				
Sun 19	Maryland State NRA Action Pistol Championship				
20	NO MATCH				
27					
Sept 3	LABOR DAY - NO MATCH				
10					

1. NRA Action Pistol rules will govern all matches.
2. Match times Monday 6:30 pm, Regional & State Championship match times 9:00 am
3. Match fees are \$ 1.00 / target (recycled target) or \$2.00 / new target (except championships)
4. Pastors are available for \$ 10.00 per box of 1,000
5. Eye and ear protection is mandatory.
6. Suggested equipment: 200 rounds of ammo, holster, timer, shooting mat.
7. All guns are to be in a holster, case, or range bag before shooter moves from any firing line.

Questions or comments? Contact John Dowell at 301 724-5866 or jksdowell@atlanticbb.net.

FORT HILL RIFLE & PISTOL CLUB – SMALL RIFLE LEAGUE 2012

Morningside Drive Range • Matches Start at 6:00 P.M.

May 4	50 yd	40 rounds	August 3	Dewar	40 rounds
May 11	50 meter	40 rounds	August 10	600	60 rounds
May 18	100yd	40 rounds	August 17	600	60 rounds
May 25	Dewar	40 rounds	August 24	Dewar	40 rounds
June 1	600	60 rounds	August 31	100yd	40 rounds
June 8	600	60 rounds	September 7	50 meter	40 rounds
June 15	Dewar	40 rounds	September 14	50 yd	40 rounds
June 22	100yd	40 rounds	September 21	Make Up	
June 29	50 meter	40 rounds	September 28	Make Up	
July 6	50yd	40 rounds	October 5	Make Up	
July 13	50yd	40 rounds			
July 20	50 meter	40 rounds			
July 27	100yd	40 rounds			

Match fee is two dollars

For more information call Cliff Bennett at 304-790-0441

NRA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

DATE: _____

NRA RECRUITER ID NUMBER: XC010920

TYPE OF NRA MEMBERSHIP: **(please check one)** NEW RENEWAL

NRA NUMBER: _____ DATE OF BIRTH: _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

TELEPHONE: (_____) _____ E-MAIL: _____

MAGAZINE: **(please check one)** AMERICAN RIFLEMAN AMERICAN HUNTER

NRA DUES: **(please select membership desired)**

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP **(with magazine)** \$25.00 \$ _____

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP **(no magazine)** \$10.00 \$ _____



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