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FROM THE PRESIDENT

2008 - Busy As Ever

Hello All! The year ahead looks as promising as ever. We have many activities and events to look forward to. March begins our annual 3-D Archery schedule with 9 shoots on tap. March also marks the return of IPSC monthly matches along with some special IPSC events to be announced. In April, the Monday and Tuesday Night Trap Leagues return. Youth BB Gun and Archery continue as we speak, and, in the Spring, Youth .22 Rifle returns for its second season. Regularly scheduled CMP matches continue year round the first Sunday of each month as do Steel Plate Shoots on the second Sunday and fourth Saturdays of every month. PAFOA (Poofa) shoots continue on the second Sunday of each month with the addition of two special members only full-automatic shoots in March and September. In July we have the privilege of hosting the Allegheny County Sportsmen's League Youth Day event. This is the first time that the event will be held outside of the Millvale Sportsmen's Club. It is a great honor for us to host this event as it will bring us great publicity, many potential new members and a chance to showcase our premiere facility. The entire Pitcairn-Monroeville Sportsmen's Club will be closed July 19, 2008 for Youth Day. Much help will be needed and very much appreciated as we will be hosting approximately 175 children from across the county. More information about Youth Day will follow at our meetings, on the website and in future newsletters. Additional Youth Day information is available at www.acslpa.org. Finally, July ends with our Fourth Annual Gun Bash on July 27, 2008. I look forward to seeing all of you at these events and wish you all a happy and healthy 2008!

See you at the Club!

-Ron Bachy, President PMSC

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Meet Our New TICKET Committe Head

Welcome and thanks to Mike Vance for volunteering to Chair the Gun Ticket Committee. Mike and his Committee continue the fine tradition started by Don "Whitey" Waugaman of offering a quality ticket for only \$20.00. Thanks Whitey for the smooth transition.

PAFOA (Pennsylvania Firearm Owners Of America)

PAFOA Shoots are held 2nd Sunday of the month. The event consists of **3 shooting stations- shotgun, rifle, and pistol**. Something for everyone. Ages 10-80! 12 certified range officers. 8:00am Breakfast at the Clubhouse. Safety briefing starts at 9:00am and the 3 station shooting event starts at 9:30am to 1:00pm. No cost to members. \$5 per person for guests.... Continued On Page 2>>>



Upcoming Events.....

REGULARLY SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES

First Sunday of Every Month

9 AM - CMP Fees vary depending upon level of participation

9AM - IPSC Match.

10 AM - Winter Trap League - \$7.50

Every Sunday

1 PM Trap Practice

Second Sunday of Every Month

9 AM - Steel Plate Shoot \$5.00

9:00AM- PAFOA Shoot

Every Monday

6 PM - Archery Practice

Every Second Monday

6 PM Youth 22 Shoot Mom and Dad's Can Shoot Too! & Youth Archery - Free

First Wednesday of Every Month

7 PM - Membership Meeting Combination Building

Last Wednesday of Every Month

7 PM - Board of Directors Meeting

First, Second & Fourth Thursday of Every Month

5:30 PM - Indoor Pistol Range Orientation

6 PM - IPSC Practice \$3.00

6 PM - Trap Standard Practice Fees Apply

Third Friday of Every Month

9PM Monte Carlo Nite-Texas Holdum

Every Saturday

10 AM - Trap Practice Standard Fees Apply

Third Saturday of Every Month

BB Gun Shoot 2:00pm - 4:00

Youth Archery Program 4 PM - 6PM

Fourth Saturday of Every Month

9 AM - Steel Plate Shoot - \$5.00

OTHER HAPPENINGS

Feb. 29 - March 1, 2008 Hunter Safety Class- 6:00pm to 10:00pm - 9:00am to 4:00pm Pre-Reg Bill Chessman

March 9- Sept 14, 2008 1:30 PM - Full-Auto Shoot - Members Only

April 9, 2008 12:30 PM - Turtle Creek Trout Stocking at Saunders Station Bridge

July 19, 2008 8 AM - 6 PM - Allegheny County Sportsmen's League Youth Day

July 27, 2008 Noon - 7 PM - Fourth Annual Gun Bash at White Oak Athletic Association

GUN BASH 2008

Due to the successful turn-out of the past 3 Gun Bashes, we are in the process of organizing another. The Gun Bash is scheduled to be held on July 27th, 2008. More details to come...

If you are interested in giving us a hand by selling tickets on the day of the bash, John McArdle (412) 673-1028 pappy.j@comcast.com

KIDS ARCHERY SHOOT

will be held after the **B-B Gun shoot** on the 3rd Saturday of each month

Feb16

March 15

April 19

from 4:pm-6:00pm.

Limited to small amount of children.

For More Information, Please Call:

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3/9 and 9/14 shooting event. Safety briefing starts at 9:00am and the 3 station shooting event starts at 9:30am to 1:00pm. After cleanup

Any PMSC member may bring his or her full-auto firearms and shoot them at the demonstration. At the permission of the guns owner, any PMSC member may shoot other members' full-auto firearms. No non-member guns or shooters. Membership cards will be checked. As the shoot is open to members only, there will be no cost. At 3:30 (or when the ammo runs out), the demonstration will be over. Safety briefing starts at 9:00am and the 3 station shooting event starts at 9:30am to 1:00pm. After cleanup

For More Info Contact:

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Full Auto Shoot 3/9/08 and 9/14/08

For more information, or to ask questions, go to the PMSC discussion forum at this link:

<http://www2.pmsconline.com/forum/viewtopic.php?f=51&t=221>

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT.....

This is long overdue, but we are finally going to honor **Bill Chessman**, who usually writes this column.

Bill has been an officer at the Club, either as director or president for almost 40 years. In his busy 60 years, he has been published in PA Game News, a marksman on the Clarion University Rifle team, got his Masters degree from Duquesne University, and was the guidance counselor for Wilkinsburg School District for 35 years. Bill joined the Club around 1968 and taught hunter safety there for the last 38 years, two times as instructor of the year. Bill is an NRA firearms instructor, teaching the following courses; first steps basic, basic pistol, basic rifle, all the NRA pistol, rifle and shotgun instructor certification training, personal protection instructor training, range safety officer training, personal safety in the home, and basic muzzle loader training. For many years, he has been involved in DCM, now known as CMP.

Bill is the father of two Eagle Scouts, and by the way, his VERY PATIENT wife, Diane, who puts up with all of this stuff.

Bill is a Boy Scout of America merit badge counselor for the rifle, shotgun and citizen- in -the -community badges. He was on the Board of Reviews for many Eagle Scouts. He also taught rifle and ran the ranges at the BSA Heritage Reservation. Recently, he organized and held 2 BSA Shooting Camporees at the Club. As a member of the BSA Committee, his adventures include SUBA Diving in Key West, biking in Washington D.C. summer camp counselor, cross country skiing, hiking the Laurel Highlands Trail and demonstrating tying knots.

Bill was a member of the Wilkinsburg Borough Council for more than 10 years, earning the award of "Citizen of the Year" twice.

One of Bill's many interests is Trains. This started at 5 years old, when they let him run a steam engine. Bill is also a true Historian; he has narrated tours of Gettysburg, especially Boy Scout tours. He and Dr. Blinky are WW11 28th Div Reinactors.

Bill has hunted in Canada and Wyoming . His trophies include elk, antelope, mule deer, bear, and plenty of PA turkey, deer and small game. He has been known to hit Elk Creek in Erie and PA trout streams pretty hard. He won the Big Buck Trophy at the Club 5 times. Bill is a life member of the NRA, a member of the German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America, and the Westmoreland County Obedience Training Club. His young pointer, Baron, gets quite a workout.

Over the years, Bill has helped clean up Turtle Creek and helped to stock it. Ask him about the picture we have of him "planting" a trout in Turtle Creek.

Bill was involved in every one of the following undertakings at the Old Club: I am listing them for two reasons; first to let the present members know that if it wasn't for the Old Members, like Bill, you wouldn't have the elaborate Club that you have today, for without these improvements, the trade would have been Much Less. Secondly, so you all appreciate the members who worked so hard at the Old Club. These are not in any order, but they took thousands of man hours: Built a 3 car garage for storage of clay birds and equipment—Buried all the electrician wires on the property —Installed a 3" waterline from the Borough road hundreds of yards —Built a cement pit for water meter —reconstructed and shingled the Club House roof —Poured cement at the trap building —Built outhouse for the trap building —Built elevated archery range —Built new 50 and 100 yd rifle range with slag filled tire backstops—Built new pistol range and dirt backstop. These ranges took many hundreds of hours — Invented and built new shooting benches —Invented and built cement target holders and frames —Poured cement floors for the benches and constructed roofs on both ranges —Improved road system, improved range parking —Built earth barrier between rifle and pistol range —Tore down Caretakers house —Installed Mobil Home for Caretaker.

Bill, along with many other "Old Timers", accomplished all of this without compensation. On all these jobs, the Club paid only for most of the materials, (some were donated) and for opening the ditch for the water line. Most of you know Bill Chessman, but if you don't know any of the other members from the "Old Club", ask around, and when you meet them, Thank Them! I guarantee THEY WORKED VERY HARD.

As for Bill Chessman, they say "ask a busy man" when you need something done. There are those who accomplish things, there are those who watch and there are those who say "what happened" . Well, Bill is one of the best. Anyone knowing him is just plain lucky.

I am sure I missed alot,

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NRA Classes: NRA First Steps Pistol Class 3-11-08 pre register thru Bill Chessman I'd like to run a NRA First Steps Class the second Tuesday of each month if there is interest. John Bertoty and I will be scheduling other NRA Classes in the near future. Other NRA Classes check the PMSC Forum or www.nrahq.org for listings.

Hunter/Trapper Ed- not posted yet but look at 2nd weekend in September. Look for some changes in Hunter/Trapper Ed class format coming soon.

It looks like George Abshier shot a ten point this Fall making him the "Big Buck" winner again this year! All that driving between Penn Hills and Brookville must be paying off! Seriously, where did you get that wide angle camera!! Wait till next year!!!

Bill Chesman, *director*

PITCAIRN-MONROEVILLE SPORTSMEN'S CLUB 2008 RENEWAL NOTICE 2008

Dues are payable Starting on September 1, through December 31, of each year

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Please complete the information sheet below. We need to make sure we have accurate data on all members therefore, please provide use with all requested information.

Date: _____

Check No.: _____

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Total Amount: \$ _____

What year did you join PMSC? _____

Last Name: _____ JR / SR / III _____ D/O/B _____

First Name: _____ Middle Initial _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: () - Occupation: _____

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Attached Memberships: Please list full names and relationship.

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3-D ARCHERY SCHEDULE

Come on out and shoot, enjoy yourself and meet some of your fellow members. Anyone wanting to help please call. We also practice on Monday nites at 6pm at the indoor range.

2008 Schedule

March 16	April 13
May 18	June 8
July 13	August 3
August 17	September 7
September 21	

SIGN-UP 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

ENTRY FEE

ADULT - \$8.00 CHILDREN - \$4.00

BREAKFAST \$3.00 7:00AM TILL 10:00AM

LUNCH

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Winter Trap League (Practice)

starting January 1, 2008 through the end March, Trap League (practice) will begin at 10:00am - 1:00pm on the first Sunday of the month.

Whether you belong to the league or not, everyone is invited to participate during league practice.

Springtime is around the corner...

COME ON OUT AND ENJOY YOURSELF, Get some fresh air, exercise, and see what is new or improved.

Bring a buddy out, any age will do; Shoot some targets, visit old friends and make new ones too!!!

For those who use the internet...You can find out more about the club and meet some of our members on the club forum. go to...

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