

THE QUAKER HILL ROD & GUN CLUB

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Welcome back

Summer has come and gone, hope you used yours wisely. We will be having the General Membership meeting this Thursday September 18 at 7:00pm Charlie is making "Sandwiches" before the meeting, so come early and have a little dinner.

Work will happening soon at the club. We are digging a new hole for a new propane tank. This will be a larger tank so that the club can purchase gas in the warmer months to save some money. The tank will be partially buried and in the same general area it is now, just bigger. No club activities should be affected by this project.

A new electronic gate with a key fob system will be installed soon. This will involve a new gate, with key fob readers. The old gate will remain as a redundancy in case of power failure or service. After the new gate is installed all club members will be contacted about key fobs and guidelines.

Logging will occur at the club soon also. The land has been walked, marked off, trees have been tagged and the club will benefit greatly after the logs have been sold. No logging activities will interrupt hunting or any club activities.

Welcome New Members:

Christopher P. & Julie Faircloth East Haddam Sponsor: James Gorman, John P. and Christine McCarthy Colchester Sp: David Karchner, Ronald G. Nordstrom Ledyard Sp: Joe Trudelle, Kevin M. & Christine Ruty Moodus Sp: Emmett Lyman



WHO WE ARE

Quaker Hill Rod and Gun Club is a private sportsmen's organization whose stated purpose is to "assist in any way feasible in promoting programs for the improvements and development of hunting, fishing, wildlife conditions and shooting sports in this area".

JOIN US!

3rd Thursday of the Month

General Membership meetings are held each month on the 3rd Thursday except in July & August. We meet at 7 pm in Sullivan Hall at the Club. See you all there!

CLUB OFFICERS:

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Trustees: Bob Birge, Tony Goulart, Jeff Urgitis, Keith Griffin & Ralph Jackson

Candidates for September:

We have Three candidates for second readings on the 17th of this month. Thomas L. Bennett, Groton Sp. Curtis Stapleton. Nancy A. DePietro , Norwich Sp. Tony Warren. Patrick C. & Stacie MacLeod, Quaker Hill Sp. Joshua Cogoli.

If any members know of any reason why an applicant does not meet club standards for membership, please notify a member of the Executive Board immediately.

New Members Work:

New members are required to perform 12 hours of community service at the club. Contact any committee chairman to see what projects are in the works and where you can help. Frank Torchia (860 376 9455 / ftorchia@ct.metrocast.net) is looking for a pin setter on match days at the practical pistol range. Gary Owen (860 912 3278 / m1911a1288@aol.com) can use help painting the new target holders soon.

IDENTIFICATION:

All members are required to display membership cards and range certification cards while on club property.

Drugs and Alcohol: are strictly **FORBIDDEN** on any club property!

Safety is primary concern on the range. If you see anyone acting contrary to this, please say something to them or someone else.

The Key Exchange will NOT happen at the September Meeting. We are changing over to a electronic key fob system. The will announce when that will occur

Final two Silhouette Matches feature “All rimfire, All the time”

The September silhouette match was held on September 7 with 30 shooters participating in centerfire pistol and rimfire rifle matches. The winners of the matches were:

Centerfire Pistol (relay 1)	Vin Mazzotta	(11 targets)
Rimfire Rifle (relay 1)	Mike Ferrailo	(30 targets)
Rimfire Rifle (relay 2)	Ernie Mellor	(27 targets)
Rimfire Rifle (relay 3)	Dave Barrett	(29 targets)

The October and November matches will be all rimfire all the time starting off with rimfire rifles followed up by rimfire pistol shooting. Matches are open to non-members and you may shoot either or both rifle or pistol.

The match dates are Oct 5th and Nov. 2nd . Registration starts @ 8:30, shooting starts promptly @ 9 AM.

For more information on the silhouette matches contact Bill Weinschenker.

(860-639-9571 or wweinscheker@yahoo.com)

.22 Rim fire 50 yard bench rest

Match Dates:

Sept 14, & Oct 12

Shooting begins at 9:00am Entry fee \$5.00 per target/class \$1.00 event fee for non-members. .22 rim fire ammo only.

Course of fire will be at 50 yards on an IBS rim fire 50-yard target with 30 minutes total time consisting of a sight in period and 25 shots for record. One shot per target except sight in row.

Iron sight guns will use the IBS 100 yd target with 5 shots per 5 record targets There will be four classes of competition, Unlimited, Sporter class, Iron sight (any rifle) and Semi-auto unlimited scope power

Sporter class will be (8.75) lbs max or less with a barrel diameter of .750in or less and limited to 9 power scope setting.

Unlimited class will be all others with unlimited scope power.

Unattached front rests with bags and separate rear bags allowed, no one piece rests.

The number of shooters in each class will determine prize money.

Any questions please call Bob Harris at 860-442-9959 or harrisb@snet.net

SAFETY / LAWS/ RULES & REGULATIONS

There are 3 basic rules of safe gun handling:

ALWAYS keep the gun pointed in a safe direction.

ALWAYS keep your finger off the trigger until ready to shoot.

ALWAYS keep the gun unloaded until ready to use.

BE AWARE – For all those with their carry permit – If you are arrested for DWI/DUI in Connecticut, your right to carry will be suspended for a period of 5 years, 1st offense

Connecticut has recently passed a ban on high capacity magazines. You may not carry concealed more than 10 rounds in your magazine or pistol.

We are hoping this law will be repealed but until then please be aware that you will be subject to arrest if you fail to comply.

Range Rule Change: Effective July 1, 2014, **ALL** organized activities taking place on the practical pistol range will require chamber flags. There may be event exceptions, such as the CONTACT matches, that operate under specific safety procedures. While not required at this time for open shooting, it is **STRONGLY** urged for maximum safety, that chamber flags be used during open shooting too.

CLUB AMENITIES

The Club offers its members and their guests' access to 2 skeet ranges, a trap field, an outdoor multipurpose rifle/pistol range, a 200 yard high power range, outdoor practical pistol and plinking ranges, an archery range and an indoor shooting gallery.

The Club supports a variety of junior and women's activities.

Shooting competitions in numerous disciplines are held at the club on a regular basis as are training programs in firearm and hunting safety.

HUNTING FACTS

Contributions in the form excise taxes paid on sporting firearms, ammo and archery equipment benefit every state and have generated approximately \$5.6 billion for wildlife conservation since 1939. The contribution for 2009 was a record at nearly \$336 million according to the US Fish & Wildlife Service which recently announced the Wildlife Restoration apportionment.

An average hunter spends \$1,638 every year on the sport



Practical Pistol

The **summer bowling pin league** will end this month. Watch for results in next month's newsletter. **New members** needing hours you can still get in some easy time being a pin setter.

.22 Rimfire July Plate Shoot Results: July brought out 10 rifle shooters and 8 pistol shooters. For pistols, first place Mike Peterson, second Allen Crouch and third Allen Egerton. For rifles, first place Mark Hillyer, second place Mike McInerney and third Allen Crouch.

.22 Rimfire Plate Shoot: Dates will be September 28 and October 26 (charity shoot). Shooting starts at 9:00 AM. Shooting will be one on one with each shooter having four 4"x 6" plates on the lower section, two 6"x 6" plates on the upper section to knock over first and then a 4"x 6" hinged tie breaking plate. First shooter to knock over their plates will win the string. Each shooter will shoot six strings and the one with the most wins gets first place and so on. In the event of a tie there will be a timed shoot off. Pistols will be at 15 yards and rifles will be 25 yards. Clip fed semi auto pistols and clip fed semi auto rifles are preferred, tube fed rifles and revolvers are welcome. Any sights. Entry fee will be \$5 per relay, payout will be determined by how many shooters there are. Add a \$1 dollar event fee for nonmembers to cover insurance. CHAMBER FLAGS ARE MANDATORY. Flier is on the website or you can contact Allen Crouch at 860-608-7276 or eacrouch@snet.net for more info.

Annual Toy Shoot will be tentatively be held **Sunday October 19th**. Watch for next month's newsletter for confirmation. This yearly event is to raise money for Montville Social Services to buy toys and clothes for needy children. Bowling pin style match. Entry fee is \$5 (or whatever you would like to donate) or a new unwrapped toy. Sign up at 9 AM. Match starts at 10 AM. Let's have a big turn out for this worthwhile event. This event is open to all. Contact Tony Goulart at 823-1234 (surfcaster17@att.net) if you have any questions. **New members needing hours** the easiest work you could ever do is be a pin setter for a few hours.

Contact (Concealed Tactical): Defensive pistol matches are Saturday mornings. Start time is 9 AM. Set up is at 8:30 so come early to help. Matches use IDPA targets and rules except for equipment - any reasonable, concealable carry gun is permitted. Hi-capacity magazines, ported barrels, low profile optical sights, etc. are OK. Usually shoot four scenarios per match, with from 6 to 18 rounds fired per scenario. If the weather forecast is iffy, on Friday email will be sent out to past participants informing them if match will be held or not. Contact Jean Martin with any questions at jgyrine@yahoo.com.

Certifications: are by email appointment only.

Practical Pistol Range questions, except certifications: call Frank Torchia at 376-9455 or email at ftorchia@ct.metrocast.net).

Patterning Board: This is only for shotguns. Anyone caught using a pistol anywhere other than the pistol ranges will be expelled from the club.

Archery Hanging Targets: No broadheads of any type including but not limited to practice board head tips both fixed and expandable. Broad head practice targets are in the shed at the archery range. One is for compound and recurve bows and the other for crossbows. Keys for the shed are available from Chairman Jay Pollock (860) 546 9560 pollock5001@sbcglobal.net

Skeet House News

Summer league went really well, we had 36 people sign up. At the end of 15 weeks we had a nice steak dinner, and the shoot offs. The winners for the summer league were Bill Eckhoff, Doug Britt, Ted Naumec, Rich Civitello, and Chris Page.

The Club Skeet championship will be held September 27 & 28. The first day is for doubles with 50 targets each 20ga, 28ga, and 410ga. The second day will be 100 targets in 12ga, and the championship.

So come on out and have some fun



Club Classifieds

I put the word out last month if anyone wants to sell something to other club members, I can place a small add here at the end of the newsletter for our members to consider.

Glock 36 .45 ACP

Excellent carry gun, like new, less than 500 rds through it, very minor holster wear – comes with Glock night sights, 3.5 lb ghost connector, NY1 trigger. 2x 6 rd mags with Pearce +0 extensions. Includes a Crossbreed micro clip holster, DeSantis pocket magazine holster and 2 new mag replacement springs. \$500 for all. Additional 7 rd magazines available \$20 each

Keltec PF-9 9 mm, 2 magazines, Crossbreed microclip holster, DeSantis Superfly pocket holster, DeSantis pocket magazine holster. \$225 for all.

Call or e-mail Joe Warmus [\(734\) 358-9030](tel:7343589030) wfam101@comcast.net

Ask questions, get answers, Join a league, Become a part of the club, Make some new friends



Newsletter Contributions

We value all of our members. Please feel free to submit material for the newsletter no later than the 1st Thursday of each month for inclusion in the current publication.

If anyone would like to share ideas, stories, community events, etc. please contact me.

Send contribution to Pete Volkmar at 860 287 0565 or ptvolkmar@yahoo.com.

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