



# THE QUAKER HILL ROD & GUN CLUB

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<http://quakerhillrodandgunclub.org>

## Renewal Reminder

Member renewals have been mailed with the new increases. Dues have gone up, Regular membership went from \$95.00/year to \$150.00 Seniors \$50.00/year to \$75.00, an additional household member went from \$15.00/year to \$25.00. Our club dues are still some of the lowest around.

**Annual dues are due by May 31st. If you are late there is a \$100.00 fee for payments received between June 1 and June 30. All members delinquent on July 1st of each year, with the exception of active members who have been called to active military service, shall be dropped from the membership rolls**

If you have not received your invoice please contact Rich Civitello at 860-464-1697 or [rcc627@comcast.net](mailto:rcc627@comcast.net).

**The Key Exchange will NOT happen at the May Meeting.**

**The new key fob will be distributed after your renewal.** New permanent ID cards have been distributed to those that have paid. The extra number on the card represents the combination for the gate in case of power failure.

The budget was presented to the last general meeting for discussion and consideration. A vote to approve is scheduled for the May general meeting.

Congratulations on our new Executive Board! Rich Civitello and Doug Britt have been elected to President and Vice President of the club. We also have a new trustee and a Sergeant at Arms, members Scott Pierce and Dave Madole. A parting thanks to Jack Santo for his 2 years of fine service to the club.

## 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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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Sergeant at Arms Dave Madole

Trustees: Tony Goulart, Jeff Urgitis, Keith Griffin, Ralph Jackson & Scott Pierce

## NRA Women on Target Ladies Day

May 16<sup>th</sup> will be our annual Ladies Day. Heading up this committee is our own Sundry Martin. We are all full of entrants for Ladies Day. The club will only be open for Ladies Day activities; All volunteers please show up early and be ready to help out. I hope the weather is great. Lunch will be served in the club house. Sundry can be reached via email at [suntush2@yahoo.com](mailto:suntush2@yahoo.com) [860-526-1482](tel:860-526-1482) or cell [860-316-8553](tel:860-316-8553)

## New Members to be voted on at May 2015 Meeting

First readings John & Elaine Ort, Matthew Augustine, Stephen Kane, and Chris Soto  
Second readings Lionel Mendez, Jr. Norwich

### Ed Welch Rifle Range Chairman

For range certification or, If you need some hours and want to help, please contact Ed. He can be reached via email [edwel73@tvconnect.net](mailto:edwel73@tvconnect.net) and cell (860) 389 5042.

## 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.*

### Nite Owl League

The Nite Owl League will be conducted on each Tuesday through August at the Quaker Hill Rod and Gun Club High Power Range. Current NRA Smallbore Rules will apply, to include a modified F Class. The match consists of 40 shots with any safe and suitable 22 caliber rimfire rifle with any sights. It is fired at 100 yards on the NRA A-27 or Nite Owl White target  
The match is fired every Tuesday during May through August starting at 4PM and ending no later than sundown  
A \$1.00 per match entry fee will cover cost of targets, a year-end picnic, and a weekly bulletin that will be available each Tuesday with a season bulletin will be mailed to all who participate within one week of the end of the league. Contact is Hap Rocketto at [hrocketto@cox.net](mailto:hrocketto@cox.net) or 401-322-7193

## 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 rifle 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.

### Skeet News

Summer League begins 2<sup>nd</sup> week in May. \$25.00 to shoot in the summer league. Burgers & dogs once a week. Pete Krause was voted most improved shooter of 2014. Come out and have fun.

The club will be hosting a NSSA skeet shoot May 30<sup>th</sup>. 100-20 gauge and 100-12 gauge targets. Anyone who would like help or needs hours for club requirement Contact Doug Britt 860-949-4443

Quaker Hill member Mario Montalbini will be memorialized with a plaque on the skeet house. A longtime member who was loved by all will be missed.

## Connecticut Big Bore Postal League

The Connecticut Big Bore Postal League will be conducted from April through September on the third Sunday of each month starting at 9AM on the high-power range. Set up is at 8:30AM. The Course of Fire is 40 shots fired ten shots each in the prone, sitting, kneeling, and standing position with eight sighters in 45 minutes.

Any safe and suitable centerfire fire rifle, NRA Rules 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.3.1, 3.3.2 with metallic sights may be used. There is no entry fee for Quaker Hill members.

Match Schedule: April 19, May 17, June 21, July 20, August 16, September 20, and October 18, Rain Date if needed October 31.

Contact Ryan McKee at Rmckee08@hotmail.com or 860-235-4871

## New London County Pistol League

New London County Pistol League has completed the season. The QHRGC has two teams participating in the league, The Quaker Hill team, anchored by Peter Tripputi with a 287 average, ended with a record of 12-12. The Nutmegs with Tony Goulart (277) as their top shooter finished with a record of 13-11.

New "Bullseye" shooters are always welcomed and can contact Bill Weinschenker, captain of The Quaker Hill team, for information. [uweinschenker@yahoo.com](mailto:uweinschenker@yahoo.com) or [860-639-9571](tel:860-639-9571) For the Nutmegs team contact Tony Goulart [surfcaster17@att.net](mailto:surfcaster17@att.net) or Gary Zawistowski at [gzawistowski@sbcglobal.net](mailto:gzawistowski@sbcglobal.net)

## Practical Pistol

**Range Rule Reminder:** SHOTGUNS are allowed on the RIGHT HAND BAY ONLY.

**IMPORTANT: CONTACT SCHEDULE CHANGES FOR MAY:** The Contact match for May 16<sup>th</sup> is being moved to Sunday May 17<sup>th</sup> to accommodate Ladies Day. The match for May 30<sup>th</sup> is being cancelled to accommodate the NSSA skeet shoot. All other matches for May will take place at the normal Saturday morning time.

**Spring Pin League:** Has started. It's not too late to join. This is the medium bore league. It will run through the end of June. For the purposes of this league medium bore is defined as centerfire handguns with a bore diameter LESS than .400"/10mm. There will be separate classes for auto and revolver. Entry fee for the season will be \$10 per gun. You will shoot 3, 4 or 5 rounds each night in each class you sign up for. **New members**, earn your hours the easy way. Be a pin setter and get credit for 2 hours of work!

**.22 Rimfire April Plate Shoot Results:** For pistols, first place Allen Egerton, second Mark Morehouse and third Mark "Baldy" Hillyer. For rifles, first place Mark Morehouse, second place Oscar Courville and third Allen Egerton.

**.22 Rimfire Plate Shoot:** Dates will be, May 31, June 28, July 26, August 30, September 27 and October 25 (charity shoot). .22 LR ammo (NO MAGNUM AMMO). 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 Egerton [aegerton@pobox.com](mailto:aegerton@pobox.com) for more info.

**ConTact (Concealed Tactical):** Defensive pistol matches are Saturday mornings. Set up at 8:30 AM, shooting starts at 9:00 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](mailto:jgyrine@yahoo.com)

**Summer Pin League:** The large bore league will start Monday July 6th. We will shoot every Monday at 5:30PM. There will be separate classes for auto and revolver. Entry fee for the season is \$10 per gun. We shoot a maximum of 5 rounds each night in each class you sign up for. CHAMBER FLAGS ARE MANDATORY.

**Certifications:** are by email appointment only to Frank Torchia at [ftorchia@ct.metrocast.net](mailto:ftorchia@ct.metrocast.net) ).

**Practical Pistol Range questions, except certifications:** call Frank Torchia at 376-9455 or email at [ftorchia@ct.metrocast.net](mailto: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 Range Notes

**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](mailto:pollock5001@sbcglobal.net)

## Carroll Range

The Carroll Indoor Range is reserved for club competitive activities as follows from mid-October through mid-March as follows:

**Monday,** Montville High School-3PM to 6PM and New London County Pistol League-7PM to 11PM

**Tuesday,** Grasso Technical High School-3PM to 6PM

**Wednesday,** Montville High School-3PM to 6PM and Mohegan Rifle League- 7PM to 11PM

**Thursday,** Grasso Technical High School-3PM to 6PM

**Friday,** Southwestern Rifle League-10AM to Noon and Quaker Hill Junior Program-6PM to 10PM

The Carroll Range is closed on the first and third Thursdays of each month during Executive Board and General Membership Meetings.

A new schedule of cleaning and maintenance will be posted soon for this range. In order to keep this range open for use for ALL of the groups that use the indoor range, periodic cleaning and repair have to be kept up. Volunteers will be needed to help out when work parties are compiled.

## Juniors

New England sent 11 rifleman to Colorado Springs for the Men's 10 Meter 2015 Junior Olympic Rifle Championship at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colorado and one was Quaker Hill Rod a Gun Club Junior Tyler Glynn.

Glynn, who was instrumental in the Montville High school undefeated conference championship season, is also a two time All State High School First Team athlete.

He earned his trip to the JORC by firing a qualifying score at the Eastern Connecticut JORC fired at the US Coast Guard Academy last December. Ironically Glynn is not an experienced air rifle shooter being more familiar with smallbore rifle competition. He borrowed an air rifle from the Connecticut State Rifle and Revolver Association Junior Division at Coast Guard. The December match was only the second time he shot air and the match in Colorado was the third, although he practiced extensively in his garage once he qualified.

Glynn, made the most of his maiden trip to the Olympic Training Center posting a grand total of 1165.6 based on a 583.8 and 581.8. While he did not strike pay dirt his consistency in score spoke volumes about his concentration. And, as all competitors know, there is nothing that pays bigger dividends in shooting than consistency.

He was accompanied by his family and Steve Rocketto, his coach. Rocketto noted that, "Tyler showed great poise and maturity shooting in an event that featured most of the top junior shooters in the country. He was not intimidated by the competition, handled the pressure well, and performed better on the big stage than he did in the qualifier at Coast Guard."

From his point of view Glynn said that shooting with such quality shooters was a high point in his young shooting career and was very grateful by the support provided by Quaker Hill.



## Club Meetings Procedure Changes

Club meetings have gotten a bit loud and long winded. To this the Club has come up with a few rules to solve this. We will have an agenda, once minutes and agenda issues were discussed the floor will be opened and new business will be discussed. Each member will raise their hands and ask to be recognized, Once, one has the floor you will have 3 minutes to get your point, argument, or issue.

## Instructors Needed

Instructors are needed for the classes that occur at the club. Those who are qualified and want to help out with our crew, please Contact Wanda 860 917 7681

## Friends of the NRA Dinner

Friends of NRA Dinner Tickets are still available. There are a limited number of reduced price tickets that were funded by the club. These are on a first come first serve basis and it is one ticket per membership and you must also be an NRA member. Bring your current NRA card. Please Contact Steve Rocketto [srocketto@aquilasys.com](mailto:srocketto@aquilasys.com)

## Club Classifieds

If you want to sell an item in this newsletter please contact Pete Volkmar [ptvolkmar@yahoo.com](mailto:ptvolkmar@yahoo.com)

### Newsletter Contributions

We value all of our members. Please feel free to submit material for the newsletter no later than the 1<sup>st</sup> 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](mailto:ptvolkmar@yahoo.com).