THE QUAKER HILL ROD & GUN CLUB

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Renewal Reminder

New Gate, New Key Fob

We finally have our new electronic gate and key fob. This will help keep the club more secure. As of now the gate is setup to be a little slow, we will be adjusting the speed in the coming weeks. Wave your fob once to activate the gate, YOU DO NOT NEED TO ACTIVATE THE GATE TO CLOSE IT. Please never try to operate the gate when it is already in motion, wait for the gate to COMPLETELY STOP before trying to open or close it.

Any member who has not picked up their FOB will be required to bring a \$5.00 fee to the Skeet House by appointment with one of the club's officer OR send a \$10 check in the mail, along with a self addressed and stamped envelope, to the club's PO Box.

There will be no general meeting in July or August

New Member for August

Richard M. ("Rick") Lamprecht Uncasville

Sponsor: Ernie Mellor

You will be asked to vote via email for a vote on these potential members. Please follow instructions when contacted.



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:

President: Richard Civitello 860-884-5009 Rcc627@comcast.net

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Treasurer: Robert Giffen 860 608 7137 robertgiffen@me.com

Secretary: Timothy Fournier timothyfournier@sbcglobal.net

Sergeant at Arms: Dave Madole

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

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SAFETY / LAWS/ RULES & REGULATIONS

There are 3 basic rules of safe gun handling:

<u>ALWAYS</u> keep the gun pointed in a safe direction.

<u>ALWAYS</u> keep your finger off the trigger until ready to shoot.

<u>ALWAYS</u> keep the gun unloaded until ready to use.

Hunting News

QHRGC announced the hunting lottery results for the 2015 hunting season. We are pleased to announce that everyone who signed up will be able to hunt the property this year. Shannon Rogers will be holding three opportunities to receive your permits in August. The dates will be announced in the August newsletter or via Rapid News.

Connecticut has passed a law allowing bow hunting on Sundays. The QHRGC will be adhering to the state laws on bow hunting on Sundays on private lands.

Any questions please contact Shannon Rodgers, 207 831 8243, <u>Jotulusa_sr@earthlink.net</u>

Carroll Range

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

The Carroll Indoor Range will be closed from the 7th of August to the 21st of August for cleaning and floor sealing.

Also, on the morning of Saturday the 15th we could use a couple of helpers that need work hours. Please show up at 9:am.

As Stated in the Range rules there is NO jacketed ammo in the Carroll Range



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.

Work Hours and Volunteers

Every third Saturday the QHRGC will hold work parties for the benefit of the club and for members to fulfill work hours. It is up to the Committee Chairpersons to have projects for these work parties. It could be just painting a table, or cutting a branch. Chairpersons contact Rich Civitello with your work list at the E Board meeting. The epic project of removing the tires is going to start after Labor Day, so we don't have to melt in the sun. We will need members that need work hours and some volunteers. If we manage a large turnout we can fill a trailer in a weekend, and have clean range. A Rapid News announcement we be used when the club arranges a trailer to fill with the tire company.

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Practical Pistol

Range Rule Reminder: NO HIGH POWER RIFLE CARTRIDGES IN ANY GUN OF ANY TYPE ARE ALLOWED.

The **summer bowling pin league** has started. It's still not too late to join. League shoots every Monday at 5:30PM. Matches run to the end of September. There are separate classes for auto and revolver. This is the large bore league. Pin placement is at the front of the table. Entry fee for the season is \$10 per gun. There will be 3 rounds each night in each class. CHAMBER FLAGS ARE MANDATORY. **New members** needing hours you can get in some easy time being a pin setter.

.22 Rimfire July Plate Shoot Results: July brought out 15 rifle shooters and 14 pistol shooters. For pistols, first place Allen Crouch, second Mark Morehouse and third Allen Egerton. For rifles, first place Ethan Couillard, second Allen Crouch and third Mark Morehouse.

.22 Rimfire Plate Shoot: Upcoming dates are 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 <u>aegerton@pobox.com</u> for more info.

Practical Results: Weekly leaders for July were Ross Sanfillipo, Jean Martin (twice) and Justin Montgomery.

Practical Matches: Practical pistol matches are Saturday mornings. Set up at 8 AM, shooting starts at 9:00 so come early to help. Matches use USPSA targets and rules. Usually shoot three or four scenarios per match, with from 8 to 30 rounds fired per scenario (80 to 100 rounds total). 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 jayrine@yahoo.com.

Practical Match August 22: will be held on the Rocketto range. The entire practical range will be available for open shooting the whole day.

Certifications: are by email appointment only to Frank Torchia at <u>ftorchia@ct.metrocast.net</u>

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

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Archery Range Notes

Archery Hanging Targets: No broad heads 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

Rifle Range

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 <u>edwel73@tvcconnect.net</u> and cell (860) 389 5042.

Silhouette match news

The 6 September match has been changed to a cast bullet centerfire rifle event followed by a 22 rimfire rifle event. The Oct match will revert back to an all rimfire venue.

For info contact Bob Harris at 860 442 9959 or harrisb@snet.net

OR: Alan Crouch at 860 608 7276 or allencrouch@netscape.net

July silhouette and rimfire benchrest match results

July 5th 1st Relay rifle Bill Weinshenker 30 2nd Dave Courville 29, 2nd Relay rifle Mark Morehouse 30, 2nd Mike Feraiolo 29. Pistol relay Bob Harris 2, 2nd Mark Morehouse 18. July 12th 22 rimfire benchrest results Unlimited class Bob Harris 250-10X, 2nd Russ Shaw 249-6X. Semi auto class Pat Nolan 231-4X, 2nd Jay Talbot 230-4X. Sporter class Bob Harris 241-4X, 2nd Jay Talbot 237-7X. Iron sight class Bob Harris 243-4X, 2nd Jay Talbot 241-3X.

Legal Department

The legal concept of REASONABLENESS is actually a series of steps. First, the examination of the conduct of the "actor" (the one who used/uses force) is did the actor honestly and sincerely believe that the other person was using or about to use physical force. And was that belief of the actor (that another was using or about to use physical force) REASONABLE because a reasonable person in the actor's situation, viewing the circumstances from the actor's point of view, would share that belief.

Second, did the actor (in using physical force) honestly and sincerely believe that the degree of force used was necessary. And was that belief (about the degree of force used) REASONABLE, using the standard of a reasonable person viewing the circumstances from the actor's view would share that belief.

On our way to discussing home protection we have covered the basics of self defense as it has been applied by the Courts in CT.

Skeet House News

We have a new chairperson to head up the Skeet House, Peter Krause (860) 460-8680. You can contact him for your certification. The procedures on the skeet fields have been established through the years by the skeet committee. Not all procedures are included and defined in the bylaws as those comprise the governing of the club as a whole.

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We're not going to change the key distribution system but we will try to help someone who wants to come out on an offnight to use the facility.

We have made some capital improvements to the club. We paved the driveway around the clubhouse, repaired the sidewalks on the skeet field, and added a combo lock to the skeet house bathroom. The combo is on your membership ID

Our regular hours are daily from 0900 until shooting is done, which is usually around 12 or 1300. If people are still shooting when Pete leaves for the day, the field stays open and it's the responsibility of those persons to shut everything down and secure the facility; information which you receive when Pete signs your card for the skeet facility. Monday is the only day of the week that the field is closed, however, sometimes Pete, or one of the other committee members, is there doing chores and can open the field.

During the summer we have the fields open on Wednesday evening for the summer league however anyone can shoot during that time. One of the committee members usually gets to the field around 1630, sometimes earlier, and shooting usually completes around 1830 or so.



Quaker Hill Rifle Shooters At The Nationals

During July four contingents of Quaker Hill riflemen traveled west to Camp Perry, Ohio to participate in various phases of the National Championships and the National Matches.

Ryan McKee, Tyler Glynn, George Planeta, and James Planeta shot as members of the Connecticut State Rifle and Revolver Association Teams at the National Matches at Camp Perry. Glynn and James Planeta shot as members of the CSRRA Junior Team in the various matches while all participated in the National Rifle Trophy Individual and Presidents Hundred matches.

Nash Neubauer participated as a member of the Under 25 Team at the National U.S. NRA Fullbore National Championships and the World Long Range Championships. While he shot several prefect score he found that a perfect score was nor always enough to win anything as full bore prone long range requires Xs to win. For example, shooting at 1,000 yards with metallic sights he scored a perfect 75X75 with ten Xs which placed him 75th out of the 402 competitors, of which 171 shooters shot perfect scores. He was a member of the third place team in the Under 25 World Championship shot at 300, 600, 900, and 1,000 yards.

Dave Vinkler placed third is the Civilian anysight Tactical category in the National Championships at Camp Perry.

Shawn Carpenter, Steve Rocketto, and Hap Rocketto motored three hours west of Camp Perry to shoot in the NRA Outdoor Conventional and Metric Smallbore Prone Rifle Championship held at Bristol, Indiana. All three came back a bit richer after getting into the money in the individual matches.

Hap Rocketto was second senior in the Metric Any Sight Championship, second overall in the first any sight 50 Meter Match while Carpenter was third in the opening 50 Meter metallic sight match.

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In team competition Hap Rocketto served as Adjutant of the US Drew Cup International Junior Postal Team. Rocketto and Carpenter were asked to be wind coaches to the US Dewar International Postal and US Wakefield Postal Teams.

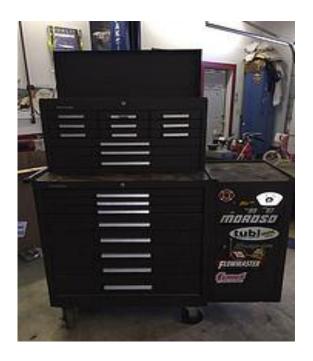
Steve Rocketto captained and Hap Rocketto coached the Digby Hand Team which placed second in the NRA Any Sight Team Championship and third in the NRA Team Grand Aggregate. Hap Rocketto was the mentor in the NRA Randle Doubles/Mentor Match-a match that pairs an experienced shooter with a novice, placing third overall.

All have returned home safe and sound as well richer in experience and, in some cases, cash and medals.

Classified

Kennedy brown crinkle finish. Dimensions: Top 12 Drawer- 33"W x 19"H x 12"D Bottom 8 Drawer- 34' x 33" x 20"

Snap On Side Cab. 3 Drawer, 1 shelf- 15" x 30" x 18" Asking \$500 860-537-6447- Pete



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 <u>ptvolkmar@yahoo.com</u>.

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