

The CDSA News



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### **Membership**

The renewal for the 2025/2026 Membership year starts April 1st. Remember the last day to renew is June 30th. You can renew your membership by attending a membership meeting, mailing a check with a S.A.S. business envelope to the club, or dropping it off in the drop box at the Social Hall door. Make sure you sign your application. Family memberships require both adult signatures. Your new membership card will be mailed to vou. Current dues are the following: Adult or Adult Family \$100, Senior (65+) or Senior Family (both 65+) \$50,

and Junior \$10. You can pay with cash, check, or credit card. If the number of new members and renewals reaches 1,200, unpaid renewals will result in the membership being revoked. Memberships that have been revoked will be placed on a waiting list for renewal. If you have any questions or concerns, please email Bob McCabe at cdsamembership@gma il.com, or call the club to leave a message.



Mail your renewal form to CDSA / Membership /106 Coketown Road /Coraopolis, PA 15108. REMEMBER to include a self-addressed stamped, business-size envelope so we can mail your rules and membership card back to you. For the members' convenience, a drop box has been installed on the front door of the CDSA Social Hall (it looks just like a mail slot).

### **Membership Meetings**

Membership Meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7:30 pm. Some of the previous meetings included food, cookies, and brownie sundaes. Door prizes and 50/50 are also available at the membership meetings. Past prizes were electric dehumidifiers, bags, knives, a CDSA jacket, and Leupold binoculars. Come and meet other members and find out what is happening at your club.

A Safety Orientation Class is on Sunday, February 2nd at 9 am in the Social Hall. The orientation is required for new members, and available for current members to refresh with CDSA Policies and Rules. The class is approximately 2 1/2 hours long. If you have a friend or family member interested in joining CDSA; or you would like to attend to refresh, please email Michelle McCabe at <u>Secretary@cdsa.biz</u> or call and leave a message at the club. She will place you or them on the attending list for the February class or the Wait List. You can also check the website, and the bulletin boards at the ranges for future orientations. Space is limited, so don't delay.

# Safety Orientation Class

### Safety Alert and Clarification - Forbidden Items at CDSA



A CDSA Officer found containers of Tannerite in the CDSA Ready Room in the Indoor Range. This is an explosive mixture and is not allowed on our ranges. The Officers want to alert members not to leave forbidden items at the club. The member hoped someone would take it and not use the Tannerite on our property. An unsuspecting member could view the presence of the Tannerite on club property as permission to use it here leading to disciplinary action.

Thank you. Tom Mance CDSA CRSO

### **Wells Inspections**

There have been a number of people that have asked about the Wells Inspections that take place on CDSA property. These inspections involve sampling the groundwater for types and amounts of pollutants. The reason for these inspections is that CDSA is legally required to provide access to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) wells they had installed on our property for periodic inspections. These wells monitor our groundwater which is being polluted by a Super Fund site across the Montour Creek from us. The inspections are usually once a week from 7:30 to 8:30 am. Outdoor Ranges open at 8:00 am so this lessens the disruption. A few times the inspections are longer because of the type of testing required. This testing is quarterly and could take up to two 8 hour days. The Indoor Range is not affected by the inspections. Please check our website, especially the calendar, for testing dates and times before making a trip. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

**Bill Cook** 

President

## Work Days

When warm weather approaches, the Officers will schedule the Work Days. CDSA Work Days include cleaning up the property and Social Hall, and any projects for maintenance or improvements. Everyone is welcome to come and volunteer on these days, no matter the limitations any of us may have. If you have any amount of time you can assist on those days, please sign-up and come work with other members.

### **Hunter-Trapper Education Class**



The PA Game Commission conducting the Hunter look Trapper Education Class District on March 9th, 9:00 am – Association. If you do 3:00 pm at the CDSA not have access to a Social Hall. You can computer, please leave register for the class online:

https://www.register-ed. com/programs/pennsylv ania/25-pennsylvania-hu nter-trapper-education/p age:1

Once the on page, is scroll to the date and for Coraopolis Sportsmen's a message at the club and someone will assist you with the sign-up. **CDSA** provides lunch to those attending the class.

### **Current Weekly Activities**

#### **Family Archery**

Family Archery meets every Tuesday from 6 pm to 8 pm. Bring the family for a warm indoor or a pleasant outdoor shoot. Fees are \$3 per shooter, \$1 per target, and no range fees for children, who are under 18 years, so this is an inexpensive way for the family to hone their skills and have fun. This is open to the members and the public, so bring your family and friends. For more information. contact Denise at denise.lemchak@gmail.com.

#### **Indoor Pistol**

Indoor Pistol meets every Wednesday night, year-round, at 6:00 PM. We invite all to come down and practice with your handgun. You stand and shoot under the command of the range master in charge. It is fun and great practice if you keep a handgun for protection. The cost is a \$2 range fee and \$1 for each target that you shoot. All levels of shooters are welcome: open to members and the public so bring your family and friends. Stop down and have fun with your gun!

#### JOAD

Junior Olympic Archery Development / AKA JOAD started the season in October. Their home tournament is on Jan. 25th and 26th. Julianna is currently reporting 20 junior archers for the season. JOAD meets on the Indoor Range every Sunday from 4:00 pm to 6:30 pm. This program is for 8 to 18-year-olds, and the coaches are USAA Level II Certified coaches. JOAD is open to the public, however, the child must become a Junior member to join JOAD. Junior membership is \$10. Equipment is available for children wanting to try archery to confirm interest before investing in equipment. For additional information contact Julianna at joadcdsa@gmail.com

Good luck this season!

#### **Junior Rifle**

Junior Rifle started its season in October on Monday nights from 6 pm to 9 pm. This program is for youth ages 11 to 18. Instruction will be given on gun safety, proper handling of a rifle. and building shooting skills. The shooters will be following the NRA 4-Position Stage Skill Rifle Qualification and they can earn medals and patches as they progress in their skills. They will learn to shoot effectively from prone, sitting, kneeling, and standing positions. The club provides the .22 rifles and ammo. Come to a meeting or stop by Monday night for info. Open to the public. The child must become a Junior member for \$10.00 per year. For additional information contact Keith at jayhawk.harry@gmail.com

#### Bullseye

Bullseye started its season in December on Thursday nights from 5 pm to 7:30 pm. It involves bullseye shooting with .22 rifles and centerfire pistols. Email Neal Hurley at nealhurley@hurley2.com for more information.





Jan. 21st, Membership Meeting 7:30 pm.

Jan. 25th and 26th, JOAD Home Tournament

Feb. 2nd, Safety Orientation Class 9 am.

Feb. 18th, Membership Meeting 7:30 pm.

Mar. 9th, Hunter's Safety Course 9 am. to 3 pm.

Mar. 18th, Membership Meeting 7:30 pm.

#### Reminders

1. NO alcohol is permitted on the property

2. Range Closures: Please check the website calendar and notices posted on the ranges.

3. Safety must be your first priority when using the ranges. Please, keep muzzles pointed in a safe direction at all times.

#### 4. NEVER TOUCH FIREARMS WHEN ANYONE IS ON THE RANGE!

5. Do not put them in a case. Do not adjust the sights. Do not touch them. Stand back and wait for the range to be declared hot. When the range is hot, you may handle your firearm.

6. If you or anyone in your group causes CDSA property damage or violates any CDSA rule, regulation, or bylaw you must report the incident immediately by calling the CDSA president at the number listed at the sign-in booths or e-mail directors@cdsa.biz. This action will be favorable to your defense and may save you from expulsion as a member of CDSA.

7. Members are responsible to supply their own First Aid kits for themselves and guests. CDSA is not liable for any injuries occurring on CDSA property.

8. The CDSA's goal is for all shooters to have a SAFE and positive experience on all ranges.

# To Stay in the Loop

If you would like to stay updated about the club and can not attend a meeting:

- 1. Check out the website: <u>www.cdsa.biz</u> or the Facebook page
- 2. For range closures, check out the website calendar or signs posted on the closed ranges.
- 3. Check the bulletin boards found in the Ready Room and the 100 Meter Range.
- 4. If you do not have access to check out the website and would like to be contacted for events, please let Michelle McCabe know by email: Secretary@cdsa.biz, or call the club to leave a message with your name and contact information and state you would like to be contacted for events.
- 5. Any questions or concerns you can always call the club to leave a message or email the board of directors at directors@cdsa.biz.

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