

Easton Fish & Game

NEWS

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Fall/Winter 2009

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Your Membership Renewal is enclosed. The 2010 Card is valid January 1, 2010 - December 31, 2010.

Please fill out the form completely. Remember to include your Old Card Number and also send back the Renewal Stub from your previous card.

All New Memberships and Renewals should be mailed to address noted. Include a Self-Addressed, Stamped Envelope with your renewal form and check payment. This has proven to be a big help and will get your card back to you in a timely manner.

Your current Green Membership Card is valid and should be used until December 31, 2009.

JOHN'S GUN ROOM

2604 Freemansburg Avenue, Easton

EF&G appreciates John's assistance in signing up hundreds of members each year. He continues to be a great supporter of our Club.

When you're in the area, stop by and visit John to check out his inventory of new and used guns.

NOTICE

Easton Fish & Game Association's Board of Directors voted to increase the Membership Initiation Fee to \$20.00 starting with the year 2010.

This increase would pertain to only New Memberships and was approved unanimously by all those present at EF&G August 20, 2009 B.O.D. Meeting.

In accordance with EF&G By-Laws, all members are hereby notified that this change will be voted upon at our November 24th Membership Meeting.

SPEED LIMITS

*Please Be Sure to Obey The
Posted Speed Limits On Both
Redington Rd. & East Redington Rd.
Traveling To & Leaving EF&G Ranges!*

*This Is A Residential Area.
Please Be Considerate Of Our Neighbors.*

Membership Meeting - Fourth Tuesday - 7:30 PM
Clubhouse - 395 Industrial Drive, Easton (I-78 Exit 75, Near Exxon Station)
Ranges Located on East Redington Road, Lower Saucon Township

NEW

GUEST PASS PROCEDURE

Guest Passes were started years ago as a nice gesture for members to bring family and friends and introduce them to shooting sports. Thanks to this procedure, many guests have become members.

Issuing Guest Passes was easier years ago when our membership was much lower. Now with over 2,000 members yearly and many members wanting to bring guests throughout the week, we cannot guarantee purchase of a guest pass at the range.

Since Club membership continues to grow, the Board of Directors decided to address this issue. Starting next year, members will be able to purchase One (1) Annual Guest Pass which will be valid for the length of an Annual Membership (One Year) at the same Regular Membership cost of \$30.00.

Member and Guest(s) must follow all EF&G Range Rules as well as Guest Pass Rules (see next column). Both Member and Guest shooting or handling firearms must wear appropriate EF&G Badges.

We believe we have come up with a good solution which should also alleviate a potential space problem with so many people utilizing the ranges. This plan will also allow Range Officers to devote their time to policing the ranges and making them safe for everyone to enjoy.

Note: The Guest Pass is not to be used by Instructors and/or their Students. EF&G offers rental of our Clubhouse and/or Special Events Range for classes.

**** NEW ****

ANNUAL GUEST PASS

Members in good standing may purchase One (1) Annual Guest Pass. Guest Pass will be valid for length of Annual Membership. Guest Pass Cost will be same as Regular Membership.

Guest Pass **Valid Only** when Sponsoring Member is present. **Member Name and Number will be on Guest Pass and can only be used by Guest(s) of said Member.** Member must wear valid Membership Badge.

Number of times Member may bring a Guest is not limited. More than One Guest at a time is permitted, however, **Only One Guest At A Time May Shoot or Handle Firearms.**

Guest(s) must follow all EF&G Range Rules. Guest must wear Guest Pass when shooting or handling firearms. Guest(s) must use same shooting position as Member. Guest(s) must be under supervision of sponsoring Member at all times. Member is responsible for all guest(s) actions.

Annual Guest Pass Available **ONLY** - By Mail, Membership Meeting (Fourth Tuesday of Month), Or Board of Directors Meeting, 6:30 PM (Thursday before Membership Meeting). **There will be no exceptions.**

DO NOT MISUSE YOUR GUEST PASS.

ANY VIOLATION OF GUEST PASS RULES

WILL RESULT IN MEMBER'S SUSPENSION.

GUN CONTROL

We all complain about it but have you ever done anything to change it. Gun Control can be your fault if you are not registered to vote or do not go out and vote each time against legislation.

Simple Solution: Register to vote, Vote in every election and Vote The Issue. If you have a pro-gun candidate running for office, vote for him or her. Be sure to spread the word to your family, friends and fellow gun owners to vote for a strong supporter of our Second Amendment rights.

There are approximately 300,000,000 people in the U.S.A. Roughly 70% or 210 million are eligible to vote. Approximately 60% or 126 million of those eligible actually vote. There are approximately 100 million gun owners, all of whom are eligible to vote.

If ALL Gun Owners register and Vote The Gun Issue, we are the largest single block of voters in America! So if you own a gun and don't register to vote, or register but don't vote, or vote but don't vote the issue -- **Gun Control is your fault!**

According to a recent survey of members of Congress, the NRA with four million members (4% of gun owners) is the most effective lobby on the "Hill". The NRA is not perfect but their ability to stop or change legislation is legendary. **If you are not an NRA member: Gun Control is your fault!**

In the meantime, contact your elected officials and continue to let them know how you feel about onerous gun legislation. Contact them periodically. Don't assume someone else is doing it for you! If you don't contact your legislative officials - **Gun Control is your fault!** Check out website, <http://www.capwiz.com/nra/dbq/officials/> to find out how to contact your representative.

VOTE!

MEMBERS & GUESTS

EVERYONE MUST WEAR THEIR MEMBERSHIP OR GUEST BADGE WHEN USING RANGES.

ALWAYS WEAR HEARING AND EYE PROTECTION.

FOLLOW ALL CLUB AND GUN SAFETY RULES PRINTED ON THE BACK OF YOUR MEMBERSHIP AND/OR GUEST CARD.

REMEMBER TO USE SIGN IN BOOKS AT EACH RANGE.

RANGE MAINTENANCE

Be sure to clean up when you are finished shooting. Use the many trash cans provided. Before you leave, take down targets and throw away steel and aluminum cases to keep the area clean and prevent hazardous walking conditions.

Sweep up brass and shotgun shells when you are done. Take them home, throw them away or leave them in buckets for reloaders. We appreciate members assisting with Range Maintenance.

THIS IS YOUR CLUB!

TREAT IT WITH RESPECT!

FIREARMS SAFETY **DEPENDS ON YOU**

Hunting and target shooting are among the safest of all sports. It is important to emphasize the basics of safe gun handling and storage and remind everyone that they are the key to firearms safety.

You can meet this responsibility by enrolling in hunter safety or shooting safety courses. You must constantly stress safety when handling firearms, especially to children and non-shooters. Beginners, in particular, must be closely supervised when handling firearms with which they may not be familiar.

Don't be timid when it comes to gun safety. If you observe anyone violating any safety precautions, you have an obligation to insist on safer handling practices. Develop safe shooting habits.

Check out the National Shooting Sports Foundation website www.nssf.org for a variety of programs that emphasize firearm safety awareness.

FOLLOW EF&G CLUB RULES

Members should know them & follow them. If you see someone not following the rules, please give them a friendly reminder.

If they are doing something UNSAFE, speak up immediately. If the member doesn't respond well, don't push the issue. If you don't feel comfortable speaking to them, try to get their vehicle's license plate number. Give that information to a Club Officer, and we will speak to them.

Learn The 10 Rules of **Safe Gun Handling &** **Develop Safe Shooting Habits**

1. Always Keep The Muzzle Pointed In A Safe Direction.
2. Firearms Should Be Unloaded When Not Actually In Use.
3. Don't Rely on Your Gun's "Safety".
4. Be Sure of Your Target And What's Beyond It.
5. Use Correct Ammunition.
6. If Your Gun Fails To Fire When The Trigger Is Pulled, Handle With Care!
7. Always Wear Eye And Ear Protection When Shooting.
8. Be Sure The Barrel Is Clear Of Obstructions Before Shooting.
9. Don't Alter Or Modify Your Gun, And Have Guns Serviced Regularly.
10. Learn The Mechanical And Handling Characteristics Of The Firearm You Are Using.

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RANGE HOURS

Monday - Saturday: 8:00 A.M. Until Sunset
Sunday: 10:00 A.M. Until Sunset

NOTE: START & CLOSING TIMES

LOCK THE FRONT GATE

When you are done shooting, take note if you are the last shooter at the range. If you are, please lock the front gate on your way out. This will keep non-members and unauthorized persons out.

DON'T LOCK THE GATE WHILE YOU ARE SHOOTING since this is the quickest access for any Emergency Service vehicles in case of a health or legal problem.

If you must use your cell phone to call in an emergency, be sure to give the **RANGE LOCATION** as **EAST REDINGTON ROAD, LOWER SAUCON TOWNSHIP.**

COMMITTEE / CHAIRPERSON ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

Bullseye Pistol	Pat Kinney
Every Monday, May - September, 6:00 PM	
Tactical Carbine	Paul Sadowski
First Sunday, April - November, 10:00 AM	
Cowboy Action Shooting	Roger de Socarras
Third Saturday, March - October, 8:00 AM www.eastoncowboys.net	
IDPA	Ken Ortbach
Fourth Sunday, March - October, 10:00 AM	
Black Powder	Bob Darwin
CMP Juniors	Bill Bertele
Range Officer & Scheduling	Neal Taliijan
Range Maintenance	Neal Taliijan
Technology	Eric Koons
Trout Stocking	Bob Blasko
Newsletter	Chris de Socarras

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*Check the Club Calendar*  
*EF&G Website [www.efga.net](http://www.efga.net)*  
*for Upcoming Events &*  
*Changes in Activity Dates.*  
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