



# PERRY TOWNSHIP GAME ASSOCIATION FIRST QUARTER 2026 ON-LINE NEWS LETTER

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## CLARIFICATION ON USE OF SHOTGUNS AND ASSOCIATED AMMO RESTRICTIONS

The shotgun patterning board is located between trap-houses #2 and #3. The hand trap is located between trap houses #3 and #4. There are new limits/restrictions on shotgun use: You may only use **Lead shot pellets** at the hand trap and the patterning board or anywhere in the trap range. **No shot shells at the steel target ranges or below 25 yards at the paper target range.** Shot shell pellets at short distances quickly deteriorate the target mats requiring more frequent maintenance. Use of slugs permitted at 25 yards or above at the paper target range or the steel target **rifle** range. Limit shotgun use at the ranges for sighting in slug barrels only. **Buck shot, steel shot, dragon breath or any other unusual types of ammunition are not permitted anywhere on the property!! Rifle or pistol use anywhere on the shotgun trap range is strictly prohibited.**

## TRAPSHOOTING

Perry currently is in 6th place in the 2025-2026 Berks Intervalley league. We are not holding any trap shoots during January through March inclusive nor December during 2026. Normal monthly shoots will resume on the first Saturday of the month, starting in April. The Monday handicap shoots during April are cancelled again for 2026. The Monday evening league starts May 4th at Lenhartsville. Those shoots alternate between both clubs through the end of September.

## DISPLAY YOUR CARD

Your membership card must be visibly displayed while you are using the ranges.

Use a lanyard to display your card or fasten it to your gun case or range bag.

Michael Mescavage is our Range Officer and he stops by the club randomly to check cards, guest passes and safe firearm handling by all members and guests.

Members are also encouraged to check other users cards. You will be asked to leave the ranges if you cannot provide proof of membership. We are being more proactive in this regard due to trespassers and lapsed memberships.

## BOARD SHOOTS

The final 2025 Board Shoot was held on December 14th. Scott Ohlinger won the \$200 Cabela's gift card. Six Board Shoots will be held during 2026, April 12th, May 10th, June 14th, September 13th, October 11th and November 8th. The December shoot is eliminated. Sign-up for each begins at 8:30 a.m. and the shoots start at 9:00 a.m. You are competing for very nice meat trays from Christman's in Oley. Splatter boards and strip tickets for meat trays are also sold during those events. For every entry sign-up during the year, your name is also entered in a special drawing for gift card.



## USE OUR WEB SITE

Credit card payments can be processed through our PayPal account. You do NOT need to have a PayPal account to make credit card payments on the web site. This method of payment makes it clearer and easier to pay for new memberships, renewals, guest passes, clubhouse rentals, as well as other available products. We encourage you to visit our web site frequently to stay on top of Association communications

## BIG GAME CONTESTS

There currently are no entries for our biggest bear contest for 2025-2026. The next bear and deer contests end at 8:00 p.m. on 1/27/26 and 2/24/26 respectively. The next longest turkey beard contest ends at the June 30, 2026 regular meeting. Bring your harvests to the club for measurement. Multiple winners receive \$75 each.

## WOMEN ON TARGET®

Two 22nd annual Women On-Target® clinics will be held at Perry during 2026; one on June 20th and the second on September 19th. This program is partially financially supported by the NRA Foundation. These are non-competitive, instructional clinics in recreational shooting and hunting sports for women only. The courses include instruction in safe firearms handling, hands-on pistol, rifle, shotgun and archery shooting. The clinics are open to the public and membership at Perry or with the NRA are NOT required. We have posted those events for pre-registration on the EVENTS tab on our web site. Click on the event dates for the Flyer and the pre-registration form. The cost is \$50 per student.