



**POMFRET**  
**ROD & GUN CLUB**  
 P.O. Box 18 • Pomfret, CT 06258



November 2022

# NEWSLETTER

## Upcoming Events & Important Dates

- Sat. Oct. 29th @ 3:00pm-10:00pm** Clubhouse Rented Out
- Tues. Nov. 1st @ 7:30pm** General Membership Meeting
- Sat. Nov. 5th** Wounded Warrior Appreciation Day
- Sun. Nov. 6th** Paid Pheasant Shoot - Birds & Breakfast
- Sun. Nov. 6th** Rifle Steel Challenge Match
- Sat. Nov. 12th @ 8:00am** Fall Cleanup Work Party
- Sun. Nov. 20th** Paid Pheasant Shoot - Birds & Breakfast
- Tues. Nov. 29th @ 7:30pm** Executive Board Meeting
- Sun. Dec. 4th** Paid Pheasant Shoot - Birds & Breakfast
- Tues. Dec. 6th @ 7:30pm** General Membership Meeting  
**@ 8:30pm** Annual Raffle Drawing
- Tues. Dec. 27th @ 7:30pm** Executive Board Meeting
- Tues. Jan. 3rd @ 7:30pm** General Membership Meeting



## Wounded Warrior Appreciation Day

**Saturday**  
**Nov. 5th**

*This Fall Event at PRGC is all about giving thanks to veterans for their service & sacrifices, by delivering a great day for Wounded Warriors & their families*

**Featuring Breakfast & Lunch, Pheasant Hunting, Shooting Rifles, Trap/Skeet & Axe Throwing Contest with Trophies, & Giveaways**  
 Club property will be used in its entirety 7:45am-3:30pm exclusively for this event. Member activities can resume after 3:30pm. Volunteers for activities need to be at the club at 7:30am to help set up your activity and have breakfast so you are ready to go for 8:45am. Again, outside activities start at 9am sharp. Kitchen volunteers need to get with Mike Burton about what time he wants you in the kitchen. Likely 6:15-6:30am but get with Mike. His cell is 860-455-6543. Guides with Dogs, you can enjoy the whole day OR show up 40 minutes before the first hunt you are guiding for veterans. Questions, call Mike Kelly directly at 860-214-8238 email: m.e.kelly252@gmail.com, Thank you

## PRGC 2022 Officers

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| <b>President:</b> Dennis Jolley (860) 234-7127<br>pomfretrodPresident@gmail.com | <b>Secretary:</b> Neil Delmonico (860) 774-7468<br>pomfretrodsecretary@gmail.com |
| <b>Vice President:</b> Bruce Gray (860) 928-5742<br>pomfretrodVP@gmail.com      | <b>Treasurer:</b> Robert Brooks (860) 208-4517<br>pomfretrodtreasurer@gmail.com  |

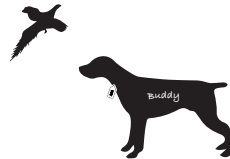
## Board Of Directors

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| Al Sonski (860) 382-8068     | Ryan Johnson (860) 420-6337      |
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## Committee Chairmen

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| <b>Black Powder:</b> Lenny Williams (860) 230-8107                            | <b>Legislation:</b> Mike Chebro (860) 928-2630                                  |
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| <b>Archery:</b> Glen Curtis (860) 207-4079                                    | <b>Forestry:</b> Ron Foisey (860) 617-7455                                      |

## Sunday Pheasant Shoots



## Birds & Breakfast

\$40/member \$50/non-member  
 Breakfast served 7:30am - 9:30am  
 See page 2 for dates and more details

## Stocking Friday's & Saturday's

Hunting Hours 1/2 hr before sunrise until 1/2 hr after sunset  
 Bag Limit - 2/day .4/week per member  
 NO HUNTING WHILE STOCKING IS IN PROGRESS  
 No Sunday Hunting Birds unless part of an event  
 Pick up spent shells. All State Laws apply while hunting at Club

## Custom PRGC Tumblers \$25

Contact Heather Brooks 860-617-7434





# POMFRET ROD AND GUN CLUB

Committee Dispatches — NOVEMBER 2022 — Updated 11/1/2022



## Education

PRGC is pleased to offer members & their guests the opportunity to participate in various educational seminars, workshops & training courses. Please let us know what you are interested in & we will look into it for you!

We've had interest in additional Tactical Med. classes, Chainsaw Safety, but we need enough people signed up to make it happen! All training sessions are subject to change based on interest levels, weather and other relevant factors. Contact Chris Coyle [cbrucecoy@protonmail.com](mailto:cbrucecoy@protonmail.com) or 203-360-2084

### PRGC Education Committee Guiding Principles

**Safety:** Provide training and education for the safe use of firearms, woodcraft skills and first aid. Also support improving member knowledge and skills in tactically sound and legally defensible defensive use of force.

**Knowledge:** Assist in enhancing the value of being a club member and using the Club by learning more and building skills related to outdoor sports and recreational use of firearms.

**Engagement:** Foster and build a collegial and friendly bond between members by increasing the sharing of skills, experiences and know-how.

We also plan to implement programs to build interest and engagement with younger outdoor enthusiasts (e.g. members' children and guests) and we will be providing updated content for the Monthly Newsletter.

### Why do we need training?

Today, the requirement for improved training for civilians carrying or planning to use firearms in self defense has never been greater. While record numbers of first-time gun owners continue to mount and civilians consider an uncertain future, many are seeking a higher level of training, that not only ensures the proper basic foundational skills, but also the accompanying strategies, tactics and other skills that provide tactically sound and legally defensible knowledge critical for today's changing society. At the same time, understanding how to save a life and handle other tasks that arise in a critical defensive encounter are also essential.

Learning more about the outdoor recreational sports like shooting, archery, fishing, hunting, trapping, navigation and other related outdoor pursuits helps make it more fun and safer. As a club dedicated to these recreational pursuits, increasing our individual and collective knowledge can be fun and productive. At the same time, outdoor recreation clubs like Pomfret Rod and Gun Club and commercial facilities are increasingly competing for new members, and in particular emerging new segments including women and younger outdoor sports enthusiasts. By making our Club more vibrant and valuable we can increase the value of membership to current and prospective members.

## Forestry

There was a Forestry work party on Sunday October 16th, We cleared trees and brush on field 1 and 2. Thank you Ron Foisey, Mike and Lisa Kelly, Robert Brooks, Peter Owren, Lars Owren, Mike Burton, Cigar man, Paul Butterfield, Jim Stuart

## Archery

The 2023 Archery schedule books have been ordered and paid for, and will be available by the end of the year or early January 2023. We'll have 100 to distribute. Also custom tumblers have been donated to the Veterans at our Wounded Warriors event by Glen & his wife. -Glen Curtis 860-207-4079

## Long Range Planning

The Long Range Planning Committee (Kris St. Onge, Sean Hall, Angela Shaw, Robert Brooks, Bruce Gray, Neil Delmonico, Ron Foisey & Mike Kelly) met on October 18th and nominated Mike Kelly to be that committee chair. There was preliminary discussions about ongoing and future club needs, and this committee will meet again the week before the next E-Board meeting.

## Rental

The clubhouse is being rented out on October 29th for a private event from 3pm-10pm

## Grounds & Maintenance

Thank you Jack Rapo for working on replacing outdoor lights around the clubhouse.

## Pheasant

The last few Sunday Shoots have been a great time, come down for the next Birds and Breakfast/Sunday shoots: November 6th, November 20th & December 4th. Breakfast served 7:30am - 9:30am. \$40/member \$50/non-member. Please sign up no later than the Thursday before each Sunday Shoot so birds can be ordered. Thanks to everyone that have volunteered in the kitchen, stocking & dog handlers. It takes a lot of help to make these events possible. If you're looking for work hours & lend a hand let us know, or just drop by for these fun club events. -Jim Schaefer 508-414-733

## Skeet/Trap

We are planning a fall cleanup work party for November 12th from 8am-12pm. The first home match for the Winter League will be December 4th. Skeet/ Trap Range round fees have increased due to increased costs; the skeet committee has approved an increase of range fees per round effective 9/1/22 Members fee will be \$3.50/ round and Non-Members \$4.50/ round. Any questions, please contact Bruce (860) 928.5742

## Rifle

The Second Annual Hunter's Rifle Challenge held on Sunday, Oct 16th took place, did not have the best turnout a few people that signed up could not make it. There was a steel challenge last Sunday, the next is planned for November 6th, Requires registrations on [practicescore.com](https://practicescore.com)

**Members are reminded of the range hours: Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and holidays, from 9AM until sunset**  
-Neil 860.564.5105

## Fish

The damn is holding up well after the recent repair. We did our fall stocking, I'd like to thank the following guys who came out to help: Richard Morin, Jack O'Brian, Bob Finley, Ron Cabana, Ron Billings, Gary LaForest, Mike Chebro, and John Cody. -Ted Hebert

## Merchandise

Heather Brooks has taken over as Merchandise Committee Chair. We're looking at selling off inventory and re-ordering some shirts with the old club logo; getting pricing from a Vet owned company. More details to come. Also, for custom PRGC tumblers with your name or committee name on them \$25, contact Heather (860) 617-7434

## Work Hours

Contact Committee Chairs to coordinate volunteering, talk to your sponsor, or Work Hours Committee Chair Mike Burton (860) 455-6543

## Indoor Pistol

Block Shoot .22's Wednesday October 12th had 5 people show up. Another was planned for 10/26. Range open 9am-9pm Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays & holidays \$2 for 5 targets, Lead only, less than 1300FPS no jacketed bullets. -Mike

## Raffle

Last year the annual raffle brought in over \$9,300 for the club, and with your help we think we can have an even more successful year in 2022. The raffle drawing will be held on December 6th 2022 at 8:30pm at the clubhouse during our last General Membership meeting of the year. All are welcome to attend, however winners do not need to be present. We have many great prizes that most people would appreciate. Ticket stubs & cash (or checks payable to Pomfret Rod & Gun Club with 'Raffle' as notation), OR any and all unsold tickets must be returned to the club. Drop off/pickup times down at the clubhouse will be during Sunday Pheasant Shoot's Nov 6th, Nov. 20th, and Dec 4th between 7:30am-1pm; the Wounded Warrior Appreciation Day on Nov. 5th, the Executive Board Meeting Nov 29th at 7:30pm, or prior to the actual drawing Dec. 6th by 8pm. If any of those dates/times do not work for your schedule, feel free to contact Lance Battersby 860-481-5227 to make special arrangements, as additional drop off times can be arranged and reasonable accommodations provided. If you need additional tickets to your initial book of ten, contact Lance.