

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY TRAPSHOOTING LEAGUE 70th ANNUAL SCHEDULE 2024-2025
(FEDERATION OF SPORTSMEN CLUBS)**

Shooters must declare their Category status at the first shoot:

Sub-Junior- Has not reached their 15th birthday; Junior- Has not reached their 18th birthday; Lady; Veteran-60 yrs and older; Sr. Veteran- 70 yrs and older.

Your age at the time of the first shoot will be used to determine your category.

ENTRIES CLOSE AT 3:00 PM SHARP ALL SHOTS COUNT FOR SCORE

50 SIXTEEN YARD TARGETS- \$17.00 OPTIONAL LEWIS CLASS -\$10.00

The first two squads are reserved (up to 15 minutes before the start of the shoot) for any club on this schedule who are hosting a meat shoot. (FOR SHOOTERS ACTUALLY HELPING @ THEIR CLUBS)

	DATE	CLUB	START TIME	1 st 25	2 nd 25	(Meat shoot)	
1	Sept. 29	@ Perkiomen Valley	(Shoot 1)	10:00 AM		---	
2	Oct. 6	@ Lower Merion	(Shoot 1)	10:00 AM		Red Hill	
3	Oct. 13	@ Lower Providence	(Shoot 1)	10:00 AM		Collegeville	
4	Oct. 20	@ Upper Perkiomen	(Shoot 1)	10:00 AM		Lwr Merion	
5	Oct. 27	@ Perkiomen Valley	(Shoot 2)	10:00 AM		---	
6	Nov. 3	@ Lower Merion	(Shoot 2)	10:00 AM		Red Hill	
7	Nov. 10	@ Lower Providence	(Shoot 2)	10:00 AM		Collegeville	
8	Nov. 17	@ Upper Perkiomen	(Shoot 2)	10:00 AM		Lwr Merion	
9	Nov. 24	@ Perkiomen Valley	(Shoot 3)	10:00 AM		---	
	Dec. 1	OFF				Red Hill	
10	Dec. 8	@ Lower Providence	(Shoot 3)	10:00 AM		Collegeville	
11	Dec 15	@ Upper Perkiomen	(Shoot 3)	10:00 AM		Lwr Merion	
12	Dec 22	@ Lower Providence	(Shoot 4)	10:00 AM		---	
	Dec 29	OFF				---	
13	Jan 5	@ Lower Merion	(Shoot 3)	10:00 AM		Red Hill	
	Jan 12	OFF				Collegeville	
14	Jan. 19	@ Upper Perkiomen	(Shoot 4)	10:00 AM		Lwr Merion	
15	Jan. 26	@ Perkiomen Valley	(Shoot 4)	10:00 AM		---	
16	Feb. 2	@ Lower Merion	(Shoot 4)	10:00 AM		Red Hill	
	Feb. 9	OFF				Collegeville	
17	Feb. 16	@ Upper Perk (Memorial)	(Shoot 5)	10:00 AM		Lwr Merion	
	Feb. 23	(Reserved for potential weather makeup)					---

Lower Merion: John Chain 610-220-8060 Upper Perkiomen: Mario Cesarone 856-905-7395

Lower Providence: Brett Wells 610-304-9646 David Comroe (League Treasurer) 610-587-7190

Perkiomen Valley: Dave Schaffer 610-933-4204 Bob Kershner 610-933-2029

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- 1) Shooters must designate their club at their first shoot and remain with that club for the entire season.
- 2) Shooters must compete in one of the first four shoots for their scores to count for their club.
- 3) If you are unable to make one of the first four shoots due to a medical reason, please contact your club representative at the beginning of the season and they will have you added to your club's roster so that you may shoot for the club when you have returned from your medical leave.
- 4) Shooters must make **13 of the 17 shoots** to be eligible for any awards or money payout.
- 5) If you did not make one of the first four shoots you may only shoot practice during the League shoots. (Cannot compete in the League and may not play the Lewis Class).
- 6) There will be three classes for Lewis Class money at each shoot. **A shooter may only play the Lewis for themselves.**
- 7) Make-ups are allowed; however, you may not shoot ahead. A maximum of 4 make-ups per season for missed dates, one from each club. A make-up must be shot at the same Club that was missed. Make ups don't count for Team scores, only individuals.
- 8) Any missed shoot can be made up during the last shoot of the season, regardless of what club the shoot was missed at. Only one make up can be shot on any day, this includes the last shoot of the season.
- 9) Any shooter wanting to do a makeup must shoot their normal round for that day and are then eligible to sign up for their makeup. The individual Clubs will decide how the make-ups are done, 50 on a separate trap or inserted into the regular day's cycle. Make-ups are always the second 50 targets shot that day unless there is a backup and, at the Club's discretion, a separate trap is used for make ups. Shooters will not be allowed to play Lewis on the makeup.
- 10) League Income and Expense statement to be distributed to club representatives at the conclusion of the season.
- 11) Membership in the Montgomery County Federation of Sportsmen's Associations by MONTCO Trap League Clubs is NOT mandatory. As of this date all four current clubs have decided to remain members and continue to pay dues to the Federation from their own funds as in the past. (No shooter funds are used for this purpose)
- 12) The season schedule is listed above. There will be a number of "No Shoot" dates along the way in case of cancellation due to weather conditions.
- 13) A shooter must be physically at the shoot in order to sign up. In exceptional cases where someone signs up and pays for another shooter, the money is forfeited by the shooter if he/she is not on the line when that squad begins shooting. The shooter who was not on the line in time will have to pay the full amount again if they wish to shoot on another squad.
- 14) Each Club has the right to utilize additional traps if they feel there is a backup of shooters caused by mechanical failure or high attendance. The Club will ask the next squad if they wish to wait or use the additional traps, if no, ask the next squad and so on down the line. Squads can be broken into less than 5 if this occurs, i.e., those who wait and those who choose to use the additional traps.
- 15) The Weekly trap fees paid by shooters are \$17 per 50 targets. Of this, \$13 goes to the Hosting Club and \$4 goes into the Shooter Prize Fund.

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16) All Clubs shooting in the League are required to pay \$100 which goes into the Shooter Prize Fund.

THE TRAP COMMITTEE AND THE OFFICERS OF THE HOST CLUB RESERVE THE RIGHT TO REFUSE OR DISMISS ANYONE WHO IN THEIR OPINION CREATES A SAFETY HAZZARD TO THEMSELVES OR OTHERS, OR IN ANY WAY DISRUPTS THE HARMONY OF THE SHOOT.

Additional Information:

- A. Area Trap Clubs (Teams) are invited to join the MONTCO no later than 1 August of the shoot year.
- B. Memorial Shoot profit is passed to the Shooter Prize Fund. Hosting Club gets only its cost of targets.
- C. The club representatives and league treasurer will determine if there is suitable interest and location for a MONTCO Trap League banquet. If you are interested in helping organize the banquet, speak to your club representative.
- D. A decision on the banquet will be determined by Jan 1st during the league year.
- E. Funds not used to host an awards banquet will be returned to the shooter prize fund and returned to the shooters through improved prizes.
- F. The end of year banquet (if held) is a MONTCO Federation of Sportsmen's Associations and not a MONTCO Trap League sponsored affair.
- G. End-of-the-year prizes will be determined by the league treasurer, under the guidance of the club representatives. A number of factors go into the prize decisions including number of shooters, determination of banquet participation, cost and availability of prizes, etc.
- H. In the event there is a prize fund shortage or excess the prizes will be adjusted accordingly as determined by the league treasurer to be distributed in the most equitable way possible.
- I. If the winning club desires a plaque or trophy for their club, the nominal cost will be taken from the prize fund.
- J. Prizes will only be awarded to those shooters participating in the minimum number of qualifying shoots (13 in 2024-25).
- K. Prizes in 2023-24 were awarded in the following manner (see rule G):
 - i) High Gun (Best 13 scores) \$ 200.00
 - ii) Top Ten Shooters (Best 13 scores) Silver Coin
 - iii) High Lady Silver Coin
 - iv) High Veteran (60 or older on day of first shoot) Silver Coin
 - v) High Senior Veteran (70 or older on day of first shoot) Silver Coin
 - vi) High Junior (Has not yet turned 18 by first shoot) Silver Coin
 - vii) High Sub Junior (Has not turned 15 by first shoot) Silver Coin
 - viii) Class Winner (A, B, C, D) Silver Coin
 - ix) Better Luck Next Year Award (Lowest Average) Silver Coin
 - x) LEWIS CLASS Cash Prizes (5 classes, 8 shooters per class, Divided High Gun)
 - xi) Participation award for shooters making every shoot with no make-ups.
 - xii) Per ATA rules shooters winning category awards are exempt from Top 10 (excluding High Gun award)
 - xiii) Only one silver coin / top award can be won per shooter.

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- L. IN THE EVENT OF ICE/SNOW OR OTHER SEVERE INCLEMENT WEATHER, the Hosting Club in consultation with the Committee will make the decision to reschedule a shoot. Notification through MONTCOTRAP e-mail will be sent out as soon as a decision to cancel is made but not later than 8AM of the shoot day.
- M. Only #7.5 and #8, max 1^{1/8} ammunition which will not exceed 1290 FPS may be used. Club Shoot Management shall rule out any shot shells which in his/her opinion is dangerous to the shooter or to others on or near the firing line.
- N. Scoring shall be done at the firing line by the scorer whose decisions are final. Participants shall not be permitted to keep their own score sheets; all score sheets will be kept by the Hosting Club's Committee Members or his/her designee.
- O. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF PARTICIPANT: ANY PERSON APPEARING IN AN INTOXICATED MANNER OR OTHER CONDITION OF IMPAIRMENT WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO SHOOT THAT DAY. ANY PARTICIPANT WHO MAY APPEAR PHYSICALLY UNABLE TO SHOOT THAT DAY WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO DO SO AT THE DISCRETION OF THE Club Shoot Management.
- P. THE MONTCO TRAP LEAGUE COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CHANGE; WITHOUT NOTICE, ANY RULES AND REGULATIONS, NUMBER OF AWARDS AND THE METHOD OF AWARDING THEM. THE COMMITTEE ALSO RESERVES THE RIGHT TO DISQUALIFY, SUSPEND OR POSSIBLY PERMANENTLY TERMINATE PARTICIPATION OF ANY PARTICIPANT OR CLUB IT FINDS THAT VIOLATES THESE RULES AND REGULATIONS
- Q. The Montgomery County Trap League follows all ATA Rules and Regulations for any rules/regulations that are not specifically outlined in this document.

LIMITS OF LIABILITY

NOTICE TO ALL PARTICIPANTS IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE MONTCO TRAP LEAGUE COMMITTEE, HOSTING CLUBS OR INDIVIDUALS, ASSUMES NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY ACCIDENTS OR MISHAPS OCCURRING ON OR IN THE VICINITY OF THE RANGES INVOLVED. EVERY COMPETITOR AND/OR SPECTATOR IS PRESENT AT HIS OR HER OWN RISK.