



The Horry Pride

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Calendar of Events

Monthly: 1st Saturday: Trap Shoot 9AM,

3rd Saturday: SASS Cowboy Action 9:30 AM

4th Thursday: Monthly Meeting 7:00PM

4th Saturday: Pistol/Revolver Match 9 AM

Skeet and Trap Ranges are opened Tuesday and Thursdays 10am-2pm and Sundays from 11AM until 4PM. Check with Ed Whitner regarding night time trap/skeet shoot on Tuesdays

Mandatory range orientation is given at 5:00 PM sharp on the 4th Thursday, monthly.

Please bring a weapon, 3 rounds of ammunition along with hearing and eye protection.

Horry Chapter is accepting donations of ammunition to be used for Pioneer Days, Ladies and Veterans shoots.

Our Next Meeting will be on April 25th at 7 PM. While you're here, don't forget to see Ed Whitner. He'll be selling tickets for our next raffle item; a Smith and Wesson .380 EZ Rack Pistol, a real beauty. Range Orientation will be conducted at 5PM for new members.

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of our past president and current board member Frank Passantino. Frank was a very integral part of HCWLA and he will be sorely missed by all of us at Horry Chapter. Our prayers go out to Frank's wife Donna, his sons Frank and Albert and his grandchildren.

The March Meeting was our annual Hot Dog Night. President Frank Lagasse dedicated this meeting to Frank Passantino. This was our most attended Hot Dog Night as approximately 65 members attended. We had the Conway Middle School Trap team in attendance. They recently placed 2nd in the SCDNR State trap event. Guest speakers were Matt Varnadore, owner of Waccamaw Outfitters at the Conway Marina. He spoke of the services and products he has available at the Marina Store. Mike Ferrio spoke of the discount offered to WLA members at Papa Foxtrot. Remember, they are one of our sponsors. Just show your card at purchase. Mark Barra announced he has "free" .221 ammo for anyone that would like to have it. Also introduced was new Lifetime member Troy Perry. He announced that he makes custom Kydex holsters. Jim King reminded all he's selling tickets for the American Legion Post 178-year long gun raffle that begins July 2nd.

Jeff Fink finished third in our last election. Therefore, he will serve the remaining term of Frank Passantino.

The next monthly pistol/revolver match is Saturday, April 27th. Entry fee is \$5, (shells not included). Lunch will be available. Shots at 10, 15, and 25 yards. Contact Mike Ferrio @ mfusmc78@optonline.net for further info.

Please don't forget; "Range Work Day" is April 7th from 9 AM until 2PM. Food will be provided upon completion of the work. If you have been out to HCWLA recently you will notice that the new fence installation has begun. Thanks to Frank Lagasse, Johnny Goebel, Brian Koller, Mike Ferrio, Leslie Granito and Hal Allen for the installation work. More fencing needs to be installed after more supplies are ordered and received.

On March 21st, 14 members took an education, conservation, and preservation trip to the Jack D. Bayless **Hatchery/St Stephen Fish** Lift - Dennis Wildlife Center for a DNR. The visit also included a fish count demonstration. A very interesting presentation. Anyone can visit during their seasonal period, March 15th- April 30th.

Our Chapter WEB Page is on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/horrywa/>.
Special thanks to John Wren and Jeff Fink.

Pioneer Day will be held April 13 from 9AM until 2 PM. So, bring out the kids and/or grandchildren for a real fun day. **Ladies Day Shoot is on April 28th** from 2-6PM. BTW, Both the Pioneer and Ladies events are open attendance, member or not. As for all our special events, the Chapter provides all needed supplies; ammo, various weapons, etc. Lunch/dinner are also served at the conclusion of these events.

March was a busy month, beginning with our Youth Conservation Education Program. Johnny Goebel, Frank Lagasse, Brian Koller and John Wren gave a presentation at Ocean Bay Middle School to the Boy Scouts and Webelo's on March 11th. On March 29th, Johnny Goebel, Frank Lagasse, Brian Koller and Jeff Fink were at Palmetto Bays Elementary school for the Pre-Kindergarten thru third graders. All the kids enjoyed the displays. A great time was had by all. Additionally, HCWLA facilities hosted 56 members of the FFA on March 9th. Thanks Eddie Whitner and Scott Mcgrady. Ed Whitner and Mac Altman also had an event with the Rotary Club. SASS had 17 shooters on March 16th. Whew!!!

Applications for the Daniel Lagasse Scholarship for this year's Pioneer Camp are now available at the Education Center.

Donations: 1000 rounds of ammunition from Stu Chan; Ben Yenicek 2 steel plate pistol targets, Steve Perry 300 rounds, Haas Vohs 2 boxes of 9mm, and Farris Hunt 4 boxes of ammo.

The 50/50 was won by Ferris Hunt.