

CENTRAL KANSAS GUN CLUB OF RENO COUNTY, INC.
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March 2007 NEWSLETTER

NEW MEMBERS: Please welcome Victor Barban and Les Bolte to membership.

RENEWAL PERIOD: Renewal forms are enclosed for those folk receiving the newsletter via U.S. mail, and posted on the website for the electronic readership, with a hard copy sent to those folk upon request. Dues remain at \$60. As per usual, a renewal form will be mandatory to ensure we keep up with your contact information, so we can get in touch with you if necessary and catch up with those of you who don't let us know of contact changes.....Also as per usual, a renewal form is required of Life Members to let us know they still wish to retain their free memberships in the club.

Renewal is complimentary to members on military deployment. Please advise if that situation applies to you, we don't want to overlook anybody.

We must have *received* your renewal by April 30 or a mandatory \$20 late fee applies.

WORK COMMITMENTS: The final iteration of work reports has been mailed out the members who still need to satisfy their 8-hour work commitments. Folk with zero hours will not be allowed to renew unless their commitments are satisfied by next May 31. That's the rule, and it will be enforced. With the shotgun program continuing to need assistance, and the remainder of the programs into their 2007 schedules now and the Executive Officer having an assortment of things to work on, there is no shortage of available work assignments. Hours are even available via processing the newsletter for mailing, and work on the new clubhouse is currently available. Contact info was sent with the work reports. Time is short, but plenty of work is available.

CLUBHOUSE PROGRESS: The builder finally having completed the shell, plumbing, insulation, mechanical, septic and interior work is in progress. We are pleased to report that the project is *on budget*, and that the financial disaster forecast by some has not materialized. Imagine that. Work is available for those folk needing to complete their work commitments by calling Jerry Maxfield at 620-663-8666 for general work assignments. To volunteer with electrical installation, contact Leland Barnes at 620-662-3989, and to volunteer for HVAC or plumbing installation, contact Greg Dovel at 620-662-3355. We have tentatively set April 28 or 29 for a commissioning ceremony, and will draw for the M1 Garand at that time. Details concerning this will be in the April newsletter. We hope to hold some sort of commemorative shoot with this event.

PLANK OWNER PROGRAM: Many thanks to those who have contributed toward the clubhouse project. You also may join this group by contributing \$50 or 8 hours work for Silver status, \$100 or 16 hours for Gold status and \$200 or 24 hours

work for Platinum status. A permanent record of contributions will be installed in the clubhouse upon its completion and commissioning.

M1 GARAND RAFFLE: We're raffling a pretty nice M1 Garand rifle in support of the clubhouse budget. Photo of the rifle has now been posted on the home page of our website www.ckgc.org. Tickets are \$10 each or three for \$25, and may be had by mailing funds to the club post office box or calling Harold Mauck at 620-662-7060. Some of you are gonna be sorry you missed it, especially given the current availability thru CMP, and we will draw for the rifle at the commissioning ceremony tentatively scheduled for April 28th.

NOTICE OF QUARTERLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING: We will hold our next membership meeting at 7:30 PM on Monday April 9 on the range ***AT THE NEW CLUBHOUSE***. Your presence is requested in order to comprise a quorum so that business may be conducted. We will likely not have chairs available by that time, so plan on bringing your lawn chair or shooting stool.

4-H RANGE CLOSURE: The south half of our range will be closed for their exclusive use all day on Saturday March 24 and until 12 Noon on Sunday March 25.

CCW TRAINING AT CKGC: Chief Instructor Bill Dawes will offer another concealed carry training class late this month, the date of which is still pending. For more information, contact Bill at 620-584-6440.

SHOTGUN PROGRAM: Still shooting every 1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday at 1:00 PM, and every Tuesday and Thursday afternoon from about 3:30 PM until light conditions fail or the supper dish is heard rattling. Weather permitting of course. They have ample opportunity for new folks to work off their mandatory 8-hour work commitments. Call Dennis Dester at 620-543-2746, Ken Ewing at 620-665-7525 or Steve Seltzer at 620-663-6980 for more information or for work commitment assignments.

COWBOY ACTION PROGRAM: Their first match was scheduled for March 17, and April's match will be held on the 21st. Their 2007 schedule has been posted to the website. They have work commitment assignments available. Contact Steve Kinser at 620-345-3151 or Tony Duncan at 620-662-9909 for more info or work assignments.

ACTION PISTOL PROGRAM: Contact Greg Dick at 620-669-9735 for information about their next match scheduled for Sunday April 15. Their 2007 schedule has been posted to the website. They may have work available.

HPD RANGE CLOSURES: We have not received their 2007 schedule yet. Please be prepared to be flexible if you arrive and they are using the range.

HIGH POWER RIFLE PROGRAM: Their 2007 schedule has been posted on the website, with their 2nd March event is scheduled for the 17th. Their first match this year was well attended, including 3 new shooters, and Greg Krebaum broke the old range record for 200-yard Sitting Rapid Fire of 200-8X by one X. April matches will be the annual “April Fool’s Match” on April 1st, a 200/300/600-yard “across-the-course” match on April 14, and an 88-round Mid Range (formerly Long Range) 600-yard event on April 22. KSRA will also hold a 200/300/600-yard “across-the-course” event here on April 21. Contact Greg Krebaum at 620-662-7515 for more information or to volunteer to satisfy work commitments.

We also report authorization of high power practice nights beginning in March. This will be regularly scheduled for the 1st and 3rd Wednesday nights, March thru October, from 5 PM until sundown. The 1st Wednesday will be for 200-yard practice and is not expected to conflict with the south plinking range, but the 3rd Wednesday will be for practice at 300 and 600-yards and will require shut-down of the entire south half of the range.

MADE IN AMERICA SMALLBORE MATCH: Pending approval by the XO, this has tentatively been re-scheduled for Saturday April 28th on the south plinking range, 50-yards, open or scope sights, and more information regarding course of fire & etc. will be posted next month.

CMP NEWS: To clarify the report about M1 Carbines to be offered by CMP in the near future, they will not accept orders for these before April 30, and will return any order they receive before that date. There is no waiting list, and they have not published selling prices yet. They will be limiting sales to one manufacturer per customer for the first year. Assuming they last that long. They will begin with sales of Inland manufactured carbines on April 30, and we hope to report on prices and purchase methods here in time for the non-electronic enabled to get in on the fun. The CMP website indicates prices for the carbines will be “attractive”. Their website is www.odcmp.com if you have internet capability.

We have scheduled a “CMP purchase class” for those of you interested in the carbines and what’s left of the M1 sales program, to include range firing for those needing “marksmanship activity” for the purchase requirements. Meet up on the North range at 4:00 PM on Sunday April 1st. Bring a 22-cal rifle and 50-rounds of ammunition. A rifle and bullets will be available for those folks who do not have such. You may contact Harold Mauck at 620-662-7060 (email ckgsec@cox.net) for more information.

GUN SHOWS: Call ahead to confirm first!
March 24 & 25, Wichita Cessna Activity Center, RK Shows, 563-927-8176.

ELMER FUDD, CALL YOUR OFFICE: H.R. 1022, recently referred to the Judiciary Committee of the U.S. House of Representatives, is entitled “To reauthorize the assault weapons ban, and for other purposes”. They have further defined what they think constitutes an assault weapon. Essentially, it might be construed to include nearly

any semi-automatic weapon, regardless of caliber, gauge, or sporting purpose. We also note that some in congress are calling for a ban on hunting rifles using telescopic sights that have an effective range of over 100-yards. We further note that it isn't really paranoia if they really are out to get you, and they really are out to get all of y'all, or at least whatever it is you shoot. For the Elmer Fudd types still sleeping amongst us, thinking their sporting weapons will forever be safe, wake up and smell the congress. They're coming for you right now, and the Constitution says not one word about your "right" to hunt, plink or target shoot. Write your congressmen and senators.....

FOR SALE: Dave Kammerer (620-665-8344) has the following for sale:

--Colt CAR 3 HBAR Elite, Model 6724, 223 Rem., bought new and never fired, \$1,060.

--Remington Mod. 700 MLS, 54-cal, stainless steel in-line muzzleloader, \$275.

--Leupold Vari-X III scope, 4.5 x 14 power, 50mm. Like new, \$325.

PARTING SHOT: "The mania for giving the Government power to meddle with the private affairs of cities or citizens is likely to cause endless trouble, through the rivalry of schools and creeds that are anxious to obtain official recognition, and there is great danger that our people will loose their independence of thought and action which is the cause of much of our greatness, and sink into the helplessness of the Frenchman or German who expects his government to feed him when hungry, clothe him when naked, to prescribe when his child may be born and when he may die, and, in time, to regulate every act of humanity from the cradle to the tomb, including the manner in which he may seek future admission to paradise." Mark Twain, 1835-1910, American author, humorist and one-time riverboat pilot. The more things change.....

RIFLES FOR VETERANS PROJECT: Formed in late 2005 for a one-time gift of a rifle to a wounded war-on-terror veteran, this program has expanded out to award over 80 rifles so far. As a club and as individuals, you folks have generously supported this in the past, and your contributions are directly responsible for placing two M1 Garand rifles in the hands of two very deserving young soldiers. We need your help again. The National Guard unit in Anthony recently suffered casualties in Iraq, and we are raising funds to award rifles to two young troopers who suffered various serious wounds and amputations. To contribute, or for more information, contact Flint Cooper in Anthony at 620-842-5698 (flinlin@sbcglobal.net), Jerry Maxfield at 620-663-8666 (jrmax@cox.net) or Harold Mauck at 620-662-7060 (ckqcsec@cox.net).

We will be holding a benefit high power rifle match on May 19th in support of the project, but would ask for your personal contributions if at all possible. We hosted a rifle recipient at one high power match last year, and it was a humbling experience, to say the least, to see a young man firing a rifle, minus an arm, and thanking us for inviting him and our support of the program. Words fail at that point.....