

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

ANTHONY DAVIGNON, 1945-2007: We regret to report the recent loss of Anthony Davignon, a member here for several years, and express our condolences to his wife Juanita and the Davignon family.

NEW MEMBERS: Please welcome Steve Burt, William Chambers and Michael Smith to CKGC. Following the renewal period, membership stands at 328, including life members, give or take a couple pending final review. The renewal rate this year was 92%, well above historical standards. We have room for 29 new members before hitting top max and instituting a waiting list again, so if you know anyone thinking about joining, right now would be a good idea for them. For perspective, we inducted 56 last year....

RANGE FLOODING: Some portions of the range still have standing water and we have experienced some issues with damage to roads and such. Therefore be prepared to bring your rubber boots and bug juice to deal with water and mosquitoes, and be especially careful with the entrance road on the north side, and the road past the 200-yard firing point. Low-slung cars may experience difficulty with ruts and such. We will have to do some work to these areas in the near future. Everything is currently accessible, but you will have to wade to get to the 200-yard target frames and the ready target in the high power pits.

NEW SMALLBORE RIFLE SILHOUETTE PROGRAM: Approval has been given for this new program, and matches will start as early as next August. NRA approved matches will start next spring. Start-up costs are relatively minimal, and other than some portable target stands, no new range construction will be required. Matches will be held on the existing high power 100-yard reduced berm. In general, you would shoot at chickens, pigs, turkeys and rams at ranges of 40, 60, 77 and 100 yards, from the standing position. Scope sights are allowed, and there are some restrictions regarding weight of the rifle and such. Equipment generally consists of a 22-rifle, ammunition, eye and ear protection, and yourself, so nearly anyone can try it. Contact committee chairman Craig Walle at 620-664-9565 (duckhunter_67502@cox.net) for more information, or to volunteer to help with building of target stands.

CLUBHOUSE COMMISSIONING: The long promised commissioning ceremony has finally been scheduled for July 4th. The clubhouse will be open for your inspection at 8:30 AM, with remarks by President Jerry Maxfield to acknowledge those who have contributed to, or worked on the clubhouse at 9:00. Following those remarks, we will draw for the M1 Garand Raffle Rifle. Hopefully the new owner will be present and we can all watch him/her shoot it. We will prepare some sort of rifle shooting activity at that time, so bring a 22 or center fire rifle and prepare to stand on your hind

legs for a little friendly unorganized competition. We may even be able to shoot a little small bore silhouette by that time if we're lucky.

The project is not altogether complete, but President Maxfield felt it is time to present the facility to the membership. The project is lacking only the ceiling to be completed, and the ground to dry out, if ever, for completion of the septic system. Any club member having expertise in hanging of suspended ceiling systems is invited to call Jerry Maxfield at 620-663-8666 (jrmax@cox.net) to volunteer said expertise for this portion of the project. We will continue to solicit funds for the Plank Program, and work assignments for Plank or work commitment remain available. Call or email Jerry Maxfield at the above number.

M1 GARAND RAFFLE: Tickets remain available for \$10 each or three for \$25. With CMP pretty much sold out of M1 rifles, this is likely to be your last chance to get one for a reasonable price. It's a pretty nice old rifle. For raffle tickets call Harold Mauck at 620-662-7060 (ckgcsec@cox.net). Offer expires July 4th.....

DISTINGUISHED SHOOTERS FROM CKGC

JORDAN DICK has earned the NRA Distinguished Action Pistol badge as a *Junior shooter* for this discipline.

BRAD MOSIMAN has earned the CMP's Distinguished Rifleman badge for high power rifle, badge number to be determined but his will be approximately the 2,000th badge earned in the 100-years the award has been existence.

These are very difficult awards to earn, and you cannot win them thru your good looks or luck of the draw. We are very fortunate to have these gentlemen as members of our organization. The very best of the best drag those around them upward through their own momentum, and that certainly applies to Jordan and Brad. Congratulations!

QUARTERLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING: The next meeting will be at 6:30 PM on Monday July 9 *AT THE NEW CLUBHOUSE*. Plan on bringing your lawn chair. Your presence is requested to constitute a quorum and conduct business.

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 next matches will be held on June 16th, and July 21st. 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 July 8. Their 2007 schedule has been posted to the website. They may have work available.

HPD RANGE CLOSURES: The south half of the range will be reserved for their exclusive use from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM on June 21.

HIGH POWER RIFLE PROGRAM: The July and August matches will be 100-yard reduced distance matches. The next matches will be on July 7 and 14, and bolt action service rifle shooters will compete for special trophy on the 7th. Contact Greg Krebaum at 620-662-7515 for more information or to volunteer to satisfy work commitments. They also continue practice nights on 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. Now: these are generally accommodating individuals, and anyone interested in finding out more about the program should come out and have a look. Somebody usually has a spare rifle and ammunition, and you will likely be presented the opportunity to take a whang at it, so to speak.

The Board of Directors wishes to recognize Greg Krebaum for his initiative in building a temporary walk-way across the flooded area on the high power rifle range for access to the target pits for the KSRA state shoot last weekend.

USMC AT CKGC: The Marine reserve unit from Wichita will again be using our facility for the period July 26-29, with final details concerning their use to be presented in the July newsletter. It looks as if they will be able to do some road work for us in "payment" for this accommodation.

KSRA REGIONAL SHOOT AT CKGC: The NRA regional high power rifle shoot scheduled for DeSoto, KS on July 21st might possibly be relocated to our facility because of a scheduling conflict with a shoot in Iowa. Evidently, NRA has a rule about distance between regional shoots, and KSRA got their application in second and DeSoto is too close to Iowa to hold it the same day, or some other bureaucratic mumbo-jumbo. Anyway, the finger-pointing continues, and this remains in limbo at this time. The KSRA State Service Rifle Championship shoot, previously scheduled to be held in DeSoto next September may be moved up to this time slot, and the regional moved back to September, in which case both will be held in DeSoto and not here. Stay tuned.

GUN SHOW: CALL AHEAD TO CONFIRM BEFORE TRAVELING!
July 7-8, Wichita, The Cotillion Ballroom, 11120 West Kellogg, US Weapons Collectors, 913-345-9432.