

CENTRAL KANSAS GUN CLUB OF RENO COUNTY, INC.
NOVEMBER 2009 NEWSLETTER

**REMINDER THE CLUB HAS A \$1200 REWARD FOR
INFORMATION LEADING TO APPREHENSION OF ANYONE
WILLFULLY DESTROYING OR DAMAGING CLUB PROPERTY**

RANGE VANDALISM: Please note the above heading. The Board of Directors has received a credible report of alleged range vandalism, signed by two witnesses, and has accordingly suspended one of our fellow members pending a hearing to determine if expulsion of this individual is warranted. We have changed the gate combination to prevent access by the accused individual, and you should have already received a new membership card with the new gate combination by the time you read this. If you have not, please double check your recent mail before calling the club Secretary Harold Mauck at 620-662-7060.

REVISED OFFICER CONTACT LIST: Revised to indicate correct email address for President Colvard:

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Many thanks to Regan Tabor for serving as Safety Officer for the past three years, and to Mike Robinson for his double-term as President.

DECEMBER BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING: This will be held at the clubhouse at 6:30 PM on Monday Dec 14, and any interested person may attend.

NEW YOUTH DIRECTOR APPOINTED: Chief Instructor Bill Dawes has appointed Ray Bartholomew our new Youth Program Director. Ray will have a pellet rifle program this winter and follow this up with a 22-rifle program next summer. You may contact Ray at 620-663-3312 (ray.bartholomew@ks.usda.gov) for more info or to sign up junior shooters (4H membership will be required for pellet rifle). This is extremely good news and a much needed addition to our activities.

HUNTER EDUCATION CLASS: Frank Triffet offers this 2-day class for Friday night Dec 11 and Saturday Dec 12 at the clubhouse. You must pre-register by calling Frank at (home) 620-422-3450 or (work) 620-665-7851.

WINTER INACTIVE PROGRAMS: The following are finished up for the year, with 2010 schedules pending at this time:

Action Pistol: Greg Dick at 620-662-8141 (quiltshoot@cox.net).

High Power Rifle: Greg Krebaum at 620-662-7515 (Krebaum@sbcglobal.net).

Smallbore Rifle Silhouette: Craig Walle, 620-664-9565 (duckhunter_67502@cox.net).

SHOTGUN PROGRAM: They will change over to Winter schedule beginning with the time change on November 1st (remember to set your clocks back an hour). Skeet will shoot the 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays 1 PM – 4 PM and every Tuesday and Thursday from 3 PM – 5 PM. 5-Stand will cease until Daylight Savings Time resumes next spring, and Trap will only be available as shooters for this discipline show up and want to shoot. All scheduled shoots and events will be “weather permitting” and subject to cancel due to rain, show or unsafe conditions like lightning or hail. To help out, or express your needs and concerns for this program, Steve Smith for Skeet at 620-662-7595 or Mel Ralston for Trap at 620-665-0320. They do have work available for new member’s work commitments.

5-STAND PROGRAM: Mel Ralston reports we need a new volunteer to run the 5-stand program. If interested in taking this on or “co-chair” with someone else, call Mel at 620-620-665-0320 (mwr0600@hutchweb.net).

COWBOY ACTION PROGRAM: Their next match will be Saturday Nov 21. Contact Steve Kinser at 620-345-3151 for more info. Steve will have work available for new member work commitments. The Cowfolk are advised that breakfast is no longer available at Becker’s Bunkhouse in Medora.

2009 DEAN NELSON TROPHY WINNER: Brad Mosiman barely edged out Richard Reed to take home the Dean Nelson trophy this year. Dean would have been very proud to see either of these gentlemen take the trophy home, but that’s the way it worked out when the dust settled after the annual High Power Picnic this year.

TACTICAL CARBINE: The High Power crew will start the new-year out right with a special “Hang Over” Tactical Carbine match on Friday January 1st. Lunch of hot chili, earplugs and aspirin will be provided! We will shoot unless ice or snow prevents safe transportation to the range. Registration starts at 7:30 and closes at 8:15 Sharp! This will be open to any semi-automatic military-style carbine with barrel not to exceed 20”. It will start with a non-firing target identification exercise, then followed by a variety of scenarios requiring fast and accurate rifle fire out to 300-yards, most will be much less. Magazine changes or reloads will be required, additional time granted to rifles with non-detachable magazines. No alibis or sighting shots, know your zeros and bring a rifle that runs 100%! Shooting jackets or use of slings as other than a carrying strap are prohibited. You may dress for the weather conditions. Expect to fire approximately 50-rounds and bring at least two magazines. Targets may be stationary or moving and may be considered to be non-traditional. Sights may be iron, “red-dot” or optical up to or set down to 4x. Cash awards to separate classes of iron/red-dot sights and scope. Contact Harold Mauck for more information at 620-662-7060.

HPD RANGE USE: Their known 2009 schedule has completed, and future plans are unknown at this time. Will advise when we are advised.

FUN SHOWS: Call ahead to confirm first before traveling!
Nov 21 & 22, Wichita Coliseum, R.K. Shows, 563-927-8176.

SMITH & WESSON SAFETY RECALLS: Smith & Wesson has recalled all Walther PPK and PPK/s pistols it manufactured between March 21, 2002 and Feb 3, 2009 because of a defect that “may permit a round to be discharged without the trigger being pulled”. Ouch! It seems that the manual safety may lower the hammer and cause a chambered round to be fired in certain pistols.

Smith has also recalled certain Model 22A semi-auto 22-cal pistols manufactured between Aug 1, 2008 and Feb 19, 2009 because possible insufficient head space may create the risk of unintended discharge. Ouch again!

S&W will repair affected pistols at no charge and will pay for shipping both ways. For serial number lists of the pistols involved, call 800-331-0852 or visit embedded links on their home page at www.smith-wesson.com.

PARTING SHOT: “Nothing is more certain than that a general profligacy and corruption of manners make a people ripe for destruction. A good form of government may hold the rotten materials together for some time, but beyond a certain pitch, even the best constitution will be ineffectual, and slavery must ensue.” John Witherspoon, 1723-1794, American clergyman, college president and, as a New Jersey delegate to the Continental Congress, signer of the Declaration of Independence. Witherspoon was president of the College of New Jersey, which later became Princeton University, and spent much of his personal fortune rebuilding this college after it was damaged during the American Revolution.

By the way, according to Webster, “profligacy” means the quality or state of being given up to wildly extravagant or grossly self-indulgent expenditure or licentiousness. Well, that ain’t good, but it sure does sound familiar these days, don’t it old buddy?