

# The Front Sight

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## President's Message

**Jerry Shiller, President**

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Attention 10% Club members from 2019-20: your reward for outstanding service to the Club is here. The Club purchased medium Pelican pistol cases for all 88 who earned this distinction. Please contact Jim Williams or Sarah Jones to pick up your case. To those of you who didn't qualify last year, sorry, but there will be very few, if any, extras available for purchase. Next year, do a little more work for the Club and see what the Board decides to give you.

Follow COVID restrictions so the Club can remain open; stay safe on the range; bring a new shooter to join the Club. President, Jerry Shiller

## RSOs and Shootmasters

For RSOs who want to self-schedule or shootmasters who would like the ability to edit their events on the calendar, email [Calendar@LemonGroveGunClub.com](mailto:Calendar@LemonGroveGunClub.com).

## RV's

It is the responsibility of the RV owner to keep the weeds knocked down and trash picked up in the vicinity of their RV.

## Gate Closure

**Do not lock the gate open during open shooting.**

Please close the gate after sign-up has been completed for those events where it is possible to do so. We want to avoid folks coming in and wandering around the range especially when shooting is occurring.

## Club NRA Recruiter

Casey Gastrich is the Club's NRA recruiter and renewals through him benefit the club financially. Please renew your NRA membership through him.

## Summary

**November 17, 2020**

### Board of Directors Meeting

The Board approved 8 more new members. Welcome them when you see them on the range. Doug Roper has scheduled three more seminars for rifle shooters. Dates are March 7, April 4, and May 2. Topics will be announced as each session comes near. The Club received a commission check for \$12,500 from the sale of former member Mike Borrelli's firearm collection. What a great gift from a member in his last days. The double wide office trailer finally arrived from Riverside and will be reassembled soon. You can see it just west of the campground restroom building. The new Environmental Committee started meeting and has performed a range-wide inspection. They will be making recommendations for how we can improve and minimize the Club's environmental footprint. Recently deceased member Paul Coffey left money to the Club to build one or more permanent sporting clays stations. The Board approved the first design for a station just east of the 50-yard rifle berm. Member Joe Alter will be shepherding construction. The Board voted to change the Jim Kasten Cup sporting clays competition. Going forward, it will become an event for Club members, rather than an interclub competition. Look for details in the coming months.

## VEHICLES ON THE RANGE (REVISITED)

**Jerry Shiller**

It was pointed out that the article in last month's newsletter regarding member's use of their personal vehicles on the range was in error. The SOPs state that personal vehicles may not be driven on the range in front of the firing line. Parking of vehicles behind the firing line is not prohibited. Members should be aware, however, that repair costs for damage to personal vehicles driven onto the range may be the member's responsibility.

## Archery Shootmaster Needed

Rod Richardson, one of the founders of LGRGC's field archery match has decided to retire as the Shootmaster. For the match to continue, we need another member to step up and take over for Rod. We still have many volunteers who help set up targets the Thursday before the match, and tear down/put away targets after the match is over. Contact Jerry Shiller or Rod Richardson.

## Chief RSO Corner

### Dave Reed

Closed toed shoes are required on the firing line. Open toed shoes, flip-flops and/or sandals are a safety hazard on the firing line and shall not be allowed.

**RSOs and Shootmasters** - There have been reports of some events or open shooting sessions that did not clean up the range after they finished. It is the RSO and / or shootmasters responsibility to ensure all expended casings/hulls no matter what material they are made of (brass, steel, aluminum, plastic) are picked up and either discarded or removed from the range prior to departing from the range. In addition, all targetry, props and/or aids for the event, including rifle racks and target stands, must be cleaned up and either discarded or returned to their original location as appropriate. Repeated failure to ensure this occurs may lead to suspension of your RSO privileges or future shooting events. We should all strive to follow the Boy Scouts "Leave No Trace" policy.

**Interactions with RSOs or anyone enforcing safety rules.** This month there was an isolated incident where a shooter was extremely disrespectful to someone enforcing basic firearms safety rules, that is not acceptable. I do not believe this is a widespread issue but it is one that needs to be addressed immediately. We are a private - all volunteer club that relies on our fellow members to ensure we all remain safe. We need to treat each other, and those who are giving up their time to ensure our safety, with the same decency and respect we would like to be treated with. Disrespecting those enforcing safety rules shows disrespect to the club and leads to a less safe shooting environment for all of us. As the Chief RSO I will immediately suspend the shooting privileges of any member who shows egregious disrespect to any RSO or other member who is attempting to enforce safety policies in accordance with the Standard Operating Procedures (SOP). If this happens you will be required to present yourself to the board in order to have your shooting privileges reinstated. This does not mean you cannot voice your opinion or argue your case, but you must keep it respectful, no cussing them out or calling them names because they are enforcing rules.

**RSO Authority** - RSOs have the authority to make decisions based on the club SOP and their good judgement. The RSOs decision is the final word during their shift. However, there have been several updates to the SOP and while we strive to keep all RSOs informed of the changes sometimes things are missed. If you believe the SOP allows what you are attempting to do you can always download the SOP on your phone and show it to the RSO to help them make an informed decision. This should resolve the issue in most

cases. That being said, if the RSO is not comfortable with it based on the current situation they are empowered to make the call. Do not continue to argue with the RSO, comply with their requirements at the time and then call me to discuss the issue and I will work with you to either explain why the RSO made the decision they did or educate the RSO to ensure the SOP is followed going forward.

## ATV Usage on the Range

ATV's must be used in a responsible manner on the range. The intent of allowing them on the range is to enable access for those with physical limitations.

The range **IS NOT** for!

## Club Dumpsters

Cardboard goes in the recycling dumpster near the building on the lower trap range. Please **DO NOT** put it in the trash dumpsters.

## Alcohol at the Range

Alcohol is not permitted on the Shotgun Ranges, the Rifle Range or in the Pit. Even if the person with the alcohol is not shooting or participating in the event, it is still prohibited.

## Your Business Here

Put your business card in the bulletin for only \$35 a year.

**All items offered for sale must be sold in accordance with federal, state and local laws.**

### Advertising

¼ - \$35 per year for non-members or commercial ads. The year will run concurrently with the membership fiscal year.

Personal ads are free for members and will run for only one month unless additional months are requested.

 Parkway Real Estate

1150 Broadway, Suite 220  
El Cajon, CA 92021

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Cell 619.990.1602 ✓  
Fax 619.445.6499  
Email kirohn@cox.net  
Notary Public



Charles A. Kirohn  
REALTOR®  
DRE# 01205218

## Mobility Assistance Device Use Renewal

All members desiring to operate ATV or other mobility assistance vehicles on the property shall submit, to the club Secretary, a signed agreement.

Renewals shall be submitted between February 1 and April 30, of each year.

The form for ATV, cart or mobility assistance device usage is available on the website at [Mobility Asst. Vehicle Form](#).

**Note that this must be done every year.**

## RV Parking at the Range

As courtesy to members, the club allows RVs to be parked at the range but is not intended as a storage facility.

- A. Permission must be obtained from the Executive Committee to park an RV at the range.
- B. See Appendix J of the SOPs for all requirements.

## No Smoking Areas

Smoking **IS NOT** allowed on the range or in any building with the exception of the picnic area and the area around the utility building.

## Two-Man Rule

Some maintenance is inherently dangerous due to the nature of the work. Activities being performed at the range such as those involving power tools, operating equipment, working at other than ground level or on electrical circuits, requires **two (2)** people to be present for safety reasons. The foregoing list is not meant to be all-inclusive and common sense should prevail as to what can be dangerous. It is the responsibility of each member to recognize those activities that, should an accident occur, a second person would be needed to summon help and administer first aid.

## Reporting on Events

All reports, documents, and proceeds concerning club events will be turned in to the Secretary within two (2) meetings, but in no case shall exceed forty-five (45) days from the date of the event. The documents pertaining to the event includes sign up sheets, comp tickets, etc. as required for reconciliation of funds.

## Cash Turn-In

The Secretary and Treasurer ask that cash being turned in either be consolidated to the fewest number of bills or, turn in a check.

For example, instead of turning in 20 one dollar bills, convert it to a single twenty dollar bill.

## Black Powder

### Ron Major

Five people shot this match on November 15th. Targets were cardboard Turkeys at 20 yards, a Turkey swinger at 40 yards and a Turkey swinger at 50 yards. Steven Hirsch won the match. Frank Lueke came in second and Mike Steinmetz third. A Blackjack hand could be obtained by hitting the Cardboard Turkeys. Steven Hirsch won with Ace, five, five.

Steven Hirsch.....	15	David Boyle.....	8
Frank Lueke.....	13	John Isbell.....	7
Mike Steinmetz.....	12	Joanne Frazier(pistol)	2
Matt Lowrie.....	11	Kevin Poore.....	DNF

## Fun shoot 2020 calendar

**New Policy: \*\* Notice: Due to COVID-19 Pandemic matchers may change or cancel without notice**

The Fun Shoot is for Members of Lemon Grove Rod and Gun Club and their families only. No Guests or members of the public. Perspective members will be given a voucher for either two rounds of trap or two rounds of five-stand.

**Hours:** 0800-noon

**Cost:** Club members \$5.00

Juniors (under 18 years) \$5.00

Perspective members \$5.00

**Course of fire:** 16-27 American Trap, upon request, wobble, double trap

**Event calendar:**

12 December

**POC:** Frank Valdez, shoot master

(619) 250-4734

valdezfra@gmail.com

## Trap Machines

If you have not been trained on the trap machines, don't mess with them! If you have been trained, **DO NOT** try and make the machine run beyond its limits. The limits are there to prevent damage to the machine and exceeding them is going to cost the club money.

Get trained and use the directions in the SOPs for operating them. There should be a copy of the instructions in each trap house.

## TRAP INTERCLUB INFORMATION

### Ken J

## 2020-21 Shoot year Calendar

Imperial Valley Rifle & Pistol February 13th, 2021

Maywood Trap Club March 2021

Redlands Shooting Park April 2021