

# The Front Sight

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## President's Message

**Jerry Shiller, President**

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I hope all members had a prosperous holiday season at the end of 2019. 2020 is shaping up to be a busy year for the Club. I sincerely appreciate all the volunteer work that Club members have put into maintaining and improving the Club, and the matches we offer. As of February 1, it will be membership renewal season for the Club. You should have received your renewal packet by the time this message gets to you.

On a more serious note, on the morning of January 14, an unauthorized person was found to be roaming around the range. The young woman appeared to be high on drugs and had apparently entered the range from the west. Fortunately, the 5-Stand RSO saw her, and called a cease fire. She was not injured and was removed from the range by the Sheriff. For the time being, if you are the first shooter or RSO on the range any day, please take the time before any shooting occurs to DRIVE AROUND THE RANGE, including on top of our north ridge where the Sporting Clays course is, to insure that there is no one roaming around or trying to hide on our property. If you are not sure if you are the first, assume you are and DRIVE THE RANGES. Stay safe and invite someone new to try our sport. Jerry Shiller, President

## Summary

### December 2019 & January 2020

#### Board of Directors Meeting

Summary of December 17, 2019 Board of Directors Meeting – Approved one Sunday each in February, May and September for Doug Roper to hold Precision Rifle seminars. Approved the membership of all four Prospectives who came before the Board. Jerry Hartman reported that the water treatment system was repaired successfully, and that he will take samples for confirmation. It was noted that there had been significant runoff damage from the November-early December storms. We need to look at installing more drainpipes to shunt the water away. Plans for the NRA Family

Shooting Sports Camp were finalized.

Chief Range Safety Officer Dave Reed did some research through IDPA and USPSA and has concluded that we should not impose penalties on shooters who choose not to shoot while moving during matches (primarily pistol matches). Movement while shooting is not prohibited.

Summary of January 21, 2020 Board of Directors Meeting – No Boy Scout Troop was willing to come for a Merit Badge on February 2 (Super Bowl Sunday), so the Board approved open shooting for the membership that day. One RSO has already volunteered for the morning shift. No Prospective members appeared before the Board. The Board approved re-instating the Rimfire matches in February and June, with an afternoon start time following completion of the Kasten Cup Sporting Clays matches on those days. The Annual Installation of Officers and Awards event will occur on Saturday May 9, 2020. And the 2020 NRA Family Shooting Sports Camp has been scheduled for Monday May 25, Memorial Day. I know it sounds like an odd time, but it was the only available day when the weather is most likely to be the best to have guests on the range. Planning Committee Chair Lorrie Smith found a drone company willing to fly the property and provide a map with parcel boundaries for a reasonable price. Date for the flight(s) has not been set, but if you see a drone flying low over the range, don't shoot at it. The Range Chair is investigating the purchase of new, stronger steel targets for the ranges, and adding LED lights to the tractor so that more work can safely be accomplished after dark.

## Gate Closure

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.

## Notice

The minutes were not available at presstime.

## Club NRA Recruiter

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

## Membership Renewal

You should have received your membership renewal documents. If you have not contact the membership chair at: [cgcaus@yahoo.com](mailto:cgcaus@yahoo.com)

or

(619) 445-8871

All documents must be received or postmarked no later than 30 April 2020 to be accepted. Note that 7 April 2020 is the last regular meeting and 21 April the last board meeting at which you may renew.

For this year, there is an optional NMA opt-out fee of \$150 and it must be paid with your renewal if you choose opt out of doing your NMA.

The following items are **MUST BE INCLUDED** regardless of whether you are renewing in person or by mail::

Renewal notice

Dues

Photocopy of NRA card

Completed NMA card

*(Life NRA members do not need a photocopy of their card)*

The following items are optional:

NMA opt out fee

Self-addressed stamped envelope

You may renew by mail or in person at the Feb, Mar or April General Meeting.

New membership and NMA cards will be sent to you when you include a self-addressed stamped envelope (SASE). Your gate card will be activated for the new fiscal year when renewal is completed.

New NMA cards may not be signed off before May 1, 2020.

## 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.

Permission must be obtained from the Executive Committee to park an RV at the range.

See Appendix J of the SOPs for all requirements.

## RSO Reminder

Leave the range in good condition when securing the range - trash dumped, old targets removed from down range, brass policed, etc.

## 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.

## Fires and Shooting Restrictions

CalFire has issued the restrictions of no fires or shooting on public lands because of the current drought. Legal hunting is the only exception.

**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.

*Your Business Here*

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

 Parkway Real Estate

1150 Broadway, Suite 220  
El Cajon, CA 92021

Office 619.447.7111  
Cell 619.990.1602 ✓  
Fax 619.445.6499  
Email [kirohn@cox.net](mailto:kirohn@cox.net)  
Notary Public



Charles A. Kirohn  
REALTOR®  
DRE# 01205218

## **FUN SHOOT FRANK VALDEZ**

**(619) 250-4734, valdezfra@gmail.com**

**\*\* Fun Shoot will be closed to all non-members of the club \*\***

Subject: Fun shoot, 2020, calendar

New Policy: Fun Shoot is for Members of Lemon Grove Rod and Gun Club and their families only. No Guests or members of the

public. Perspective new members will be allowed a voucher for either two rounds of trap or two rounds of five stand.

Hours: 08:00-noon

Cost: Club members..\$ 5.00

Juniors..\$ 5.00 (under 18 years)

Perspective members..\$5.00

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

Event calendar:

8 March

10 May

9 August

13 September

8 November

13 December

## **Fun Shoot News**

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## **Situation at the Range?**

Contact a board member if there are any situations that effect range operations. For example, a recent homicide investigation resulted in Sycuan Truck Trail being closed so there was no access to the range.

Other board members will be notified and action taken to notify members by mass email, web site notice or other methods as the situation dictates.

## **Range Courtesy**

Some things to do before you leave the range for the day''

Flatten boxes before you put them in the dumpster

Clean up the shooting area by putting target stands away, picking up trash and dumping full trash cans.

Lockup building, trap houses and storage facilities.

Take down the Hot Range flag.

## **Landscape Master Plan**

The Club would like to update the LGRGC landscape master plan in preparation for a future presentation to the County of San Diego. If any member has experience with master plans and has the appropriate software that may be compatible with the County system, please let us know if you would be willing to help with this project. I understand that they will still accept drawings in Corel but prefer CAD. Please contact Lorrie Smith if you can help.

swmarketing@cox.net

## **Ammo Donations to Women on Target Jerry Shiller**

Ammo Donations to Women on Target - In the past month, the Club has received two nice donations of for our Women on Target Program. Kudos to Dave Reed for donating 500 rounds of 9 mm ammo. Extra kudos to Greg and Cheryl Robertson for donating the following ammo in memory of Cheryl's dad, Ron Duda: 500 rounds .22 LR; 1650 rounds .380 ACP; 650 rounds .38 Spl; and 500 rounds 9 mm. THANK YOU!!

## **NOTICE**

Gas consumption in the Club's range trucks has skyrocketed, but usage of the trucks hasn't gone up appreciably. If you see someone using Club gas for anything other than the Club trucks, please contact Jerry Hartman, Range Chair, or any Board member.

## **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.

## **RSO Benefits**

Beginning May 1<sup>st</sup>. RSOs who serve at least 200 hours over the course of the fiscal year will have their membership renewal fees waived.

Scheduled RSO can shoot by themselves if no other shooters are on the range.

## **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).

# SOP Changes

There was a conflict in the SOPs regarding “magnum handguns” and what targets and ranges they could be used on. That was resolved by these changes as well as clarifying the rules in general. These changes were approved by the board on 19 November.

*New paragraphs were added and some paragraphs deleted so new text is underlined and the paragraphs before and after are shown for context.*

## Chapter 3 - Range Operations Guide

b. After all shooters have acknowledged and the RSO has checked for eyes and ears, he will announce “**The range is hot**” and shooting may commence.

### 5. Handgun power definitions

Handgun ammunition is divided into two power categories, high power and standard power, as different rules must be applied for safety and to prevent damage to targets. For example, a .44 Magnum handgun firing .44 Special ammo would be classified as standard power but would be considered to be high power if using .44 Magnum ammo.

A. Standard power – muzzle velocity less than 1600 fps and muzzle energy less than 600 ft.-lbs. Examples are non-magnum handgun rounds such as 9X19, .40 S&W, .45 ACP, 10 MM and other ammunition with similar power.

B. High power – muzzle velocity 1600 fps or greater or muzzle energy 600 ft.-lbs. or greater. Examples are centerfire handguns shooting rifle or high powered pistol cartridges such as .44 Magnum, .460 S&W, .475 Linebaugh, .454 Casull, .500 S&W and other ammunition with similar power.

### 6. Range Limitations and Safety Requirements

D. Steel targets shall be at least 10 yards down range for standard pistol calibers, shotguns using #7 ½ or smaller shot and 22 caliber rifles. For all other rifles, magnum handguns and shotguns shooting slugs, only the bunkered steel targets provided shall be used and only from the rifle range firing line.

E. Only lead or copper jacketed lead bullets may be used on steel targets.

F. Place targets so that the bullet impact strikes the primary berm directly behind the target and in-between the left and right range limit flags or markers. For placement purposes, the target should be considered to be one foot larger in all directions than the actual target to provide a safe backstop for near misses.

## Chapter 4 – Range Rules

### Rifle Range Rules

- 2. The largest black powder caliber allowed on the rifle range must be UNDER .75 caliber.
- 3. High power handguns with long range sights may use all distances on the rifle range. Standard power handguns and high power handguns without long range

sights are restricted to distances of 100 yards or less. Both must follow all rules regarding target type and distances

4. Only approved targets may be used and targets shall be positioned directly in front of the shooter

## Black Powder

### Ron Major

Four people shot this match on January 19th. Targets were Bear Swingers at 25 yards, Duck Silhouettes at 50 yards and a Bison Swinger 100 yards. Joanne Frazier and Ron Major tied for first, with Ron winning the shoot-off. Joanne took second and Alan Wickham took third. A Blackjack hand could be obtained by hitting the Bears. Joanne won with a Queen, Jack.

Ron Major .....	10	Alan Wickham .....	9
Joanne Frazier .....	10	Tony Jeske .....	8



## Range Reminder

A Scheduled RSO is required to be present for any Rifle or Handgun shooting at the range. Shotguns may be used at any of the ranges including the Pit and Rifle Range.

## Cash Turn-in

Please go to the bank and get large denomination bills for cash turn-in or a cashier’s check. You only have to count your event – the secretary and treasurer have to count all events and counting lots of small bills is a pain and error prone.

## 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.



# 2020

## Jim Kasten Memorial Cup

In honor of Jim Kasten we will be holding FOUR sporting clay matches in 2020. Two of the matches will be held at Maywood Rod & Gun Club, Perris California, and Two matches at Lemon Grove Rod & Gun Club, Alpine California. The winner of the Jim Kasten Perpetual Memorial Cup will be determined by the club winning the best of 4 matches and will be awarded at the conclusion of the final match on 14th June 2020. The top 10 scores or equal to the club with the lowest attendance will add together and the club with the highest combined score will be awarded the win at each of the 4 rounds. All squad will have minimum of 2 members from the opposing club when possible

Each match will consist of 100 Sporting Clays targets set to presentations designed by each respective clubs.

Match individual award are open to all club members from Lemon Grove and Maywood gun clubs. All guests will be eligible to shoot for targets and compete for any side pot options only. All gauges and calibers are allowed. All shooters must declare club at sign-up. All NSCA rules shall apply. No shot size larger than 7.5 shall be used at each club. All ties will be shot-off at a station designated by the host club. Club ties will be shot-off with the top 5 members from each club. Any issues should be brought to the shot master attention asap and will be settled by the end of the match.

### Fees and Charges:

\$40.00 Adults / \$20.00 juniors (under 18yrs old) lunch included  
Lemon Grove Shoot tickets honored @ Lemon Grove Gun Club  
Maywood shoot tickets honored @ Maywood Rod & Gun Club

### Awards and Trophies:

**Jim Kasten Memorial Cup** – awarded to the club winning the best of 4 matches in 2020  
Top Gun Adult Male – awarded at each event  
Top Gun Adult Female – awarded at each event  
Top Gun Junior – male & female (under 18 yrs old) – awarded at each event

### Dates and Locations:

09 February 2020 – Season Kick-off @ Lemon Grove – rain date 08 March 2020  
01 March 2020 – @ Maywood – rain date tbd  
05 April 2020 – Maywood-- rain date 03 May 2020  
14 June 2020 – Season Finale @ Lemon Grove

### Starting Times: (at both locations):

0730-0800 - Match Registration  
0815 – Safety Briefing  
0900 - Match Shoot Begin  
Lunch and awards after last squad finishes shooting

### Shootmasters:

Maywood Rod & Gun Club  
Mr. Garret Doorneweerd, Shoot Master - garret\_d@sbcglobal.net – cell: 562-458-4247  
Mr. Michael Dieleman, Shoot Master – michaeldieleman@yahoo.com  
  
Lemton Grove Club  
Mr. Frank Valdez, Shoot Master – valdezfra@gmail.com – cell: 619-250-4734  
Mr. Gregg Stewart, Shoot Master – greggstewart@cox.net – cell: 619-322-2132

## READING THE CLUB CALENDAR

**Cheryl Robertson**

The club calendar, available on the website at <https://lgrgc.com/calendar>, is running a little more smoothly thanks to input from our members. We wanted to let you all know that the color key on the left side of the calendar (see photo, what's circled in red) tells you on which range each event is taking place. The club rule is that when there is a scheduled event, other ranges are closed for this event unless otherwise noted, and we have several events that do allow shooting on other ranges during their event. This color key will help you figure out what ranges are in use. Here's what they mean, from the top of the list to the bottom:

Teal Green-Archery

Green-Clubhouse

Purple-Entire Range—no open shooting

Yellow-Offsite Event

Black-Pistol Pit

Orange-Range Maintenance time (entire range closed)

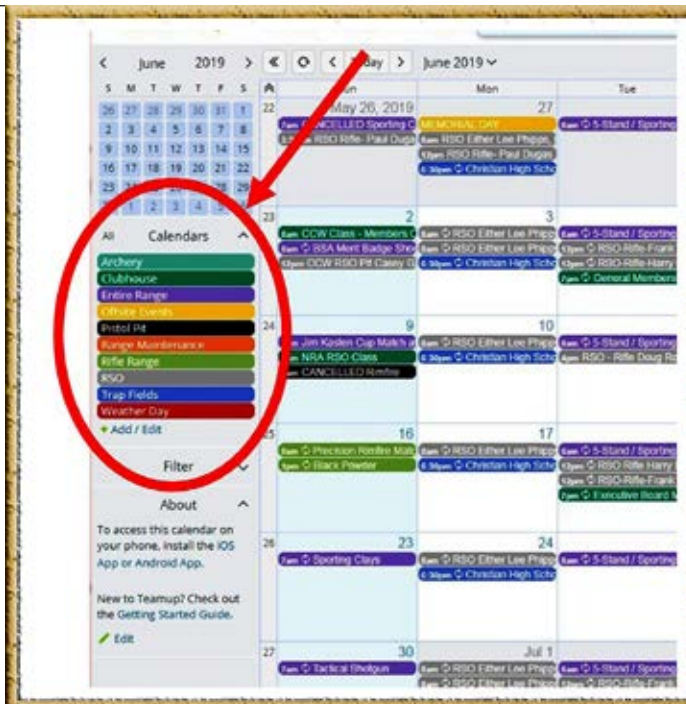
Light Green-Rifle Range

Grey-RSO time (could be pit or rifle, and the RSO indicates that in his scheduled time)

Blue-Trap Fields

Red-Range Closed for Red Flag Warning

For those of you who are color blind, you can click on the event you're interested in, and in the box that comes up, under "calendar," it will say what range is in use for that event. Thanks for your patience as we iron the kinks out of our system. And thank you for all the members who are calling and e-mailing to help me keep the calendar as accurate as possible. If you notice a problem with the calendar, please send an e-mail, with the event date, event, and problem, to [calendar@lemongrovecunclub.com](mailto:calendar@lemongrovecunclub.com).



## RV Parking Renewal

Wendell Trent is coordinating the stickers for this year so please turn in your RV permission letters to him.

All members wanting to park their RV on the club property shall submit a signed agreement for approval.

Renewals shall be submitted between February 1 and April 30, of each year. Any RV not registered by April 30, will be towed from the property.

The RV parking agreement is available on the website: [http://www.lemongrovecunclub.com/RV\\_Parking.pdf](http://www.lemongrovecunclub.com/RV_Parking.pdf)

You can also mail them to the club address Attention Wendell Trent.

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

## 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.**

## 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.

## Range Flag Protocol

A new procedure being implemented concerning the flags at the range:

Red – The range is hot.

Yellow – The range is cold and someone is working down range.

Please pay attention, especially to the yellow. Don't assume that someone just forgot to take it down!

The wording for the SOP revision is a work in progress but will be available soon.