

# The Front Sight

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## President's Message

**Jerry Shiller, President**

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The annual installation of Club officers and members social gathering will be held Saturday July 17, starting at 12:30 pm. This is where the Club recognizes the volunteers who help keep the Club running, and make the property look clean and neat. Lunch will be served. Awards will be given for Man-, Woman-, Social-, and Junior Members of the Year. Also, the ever-popular Dirty Bird award will be announced. I need to know two things as soon as possible – 1) Are you coming? 2) Will you be eating lunch? Please RSVP to me ASAP so we can be sure to have enough food. Thanks to all the members who help keep us the inviting club we are. Stay safe and invite someone new to share our sport.

## INSTALLATION SOCIAL

**Jerry Shiller**

The annual installation of Club officers and members social gathering is scheduled for Saturday July 17, starting at 12:30 pm. The Club will provide food, members provide their own beverages. In addition to the installation and food, the annual membership awards (Man-of-the-Year, etc) will be announced. 10%-er rewards, a hat this year, will be available, too. We may also have a few items to raffle.

I have a member who is willing to be in charge of the food, but he will need help with food prep and serving. We will need help setting up, and probably other help as well. If you can help that morning, please RSVP to me so I can pass on your contact information.

I also will need to know how many people are going to attend and eat. Please RSVP to me no later than July 1 if you are planning to attend, and if you will be bringing anyone with you. We don't want to feed all of Alpine, so please don't invite your neighbor.

## Summary

**June 15, 2021**

### Board of Directors Meeting

The Board approved 8 new members at the meeting. This brings the number of openings down to 100 again. This is good for being so early in the fiscal year. Dave Reed reported that he is almost finished with RSO refreshers for the year, and that he has an RSO certification class scheduled for July 10. Plans for the annual installation of officers and members social are progressing. This year's 10%-er awards are Club logo hats with 10% embroidered on the rear. Also, the Board brought back Club patches and annual rocker strips for 10%-ers. See Sergeant-At-Arms Jim Williams to get yours. The Board has also approved purchasing extra hats in a variety of colors for members to purchase. Price will be \$12/hat. A discussion was held regarding the new play structure. The Board decided to pause construction until a firm cost estimate could be made. The SOP is being updated to include the change to policy regarding removal of brass casings and shotshell hulls. The Board approved payment of the annual liability insurance premiums. The Board approved dates in July and December for women of San Diego County Gun Owners to hold appreciation shoots. The Environmental Committee has been working to put barriers in place to slow the flow of water across the ranges to help keep any lead from leaving Club property.

## CLAY PURCHASE

Members are entitled to two cases per week These will be available on Saturday or Sunday from Shootmasters or Board Members.

## 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.

## RSO Safety Corner

### Dave Reed

I want to start off by saying thank you to each member, and guest, who comes to the range and enjoys the shooting activities we offer in a safe and responsible manner, that is what the gun culture is all about.

Please thank each of your RSOs and Shootmasters for helping to ensure we all have a fun, safe place to shoot every year.

The warm weather is upon us, make sure you take care of yourselves on the range. That means drink plenty of fluids before you get to the range and while you are here. It also means wear lightweight clothing and sunscreen as appropriate. Watch yourself and your fellow shooters to make sure nobody has a serious weather related injury. The hot, dry weather also increases the Fire Danger Rating, make sure you don't do anything that would create sparks that could cause a fire at the range.

It is rattlesnake season, watch out for these slithering menaces while you are moving around the club. This is especially important if you are clearing brush or moving objects they could be hiding under. Per SOP we are not allowed to kill any wildlife on the range, all you need to do is stay back a safe distance and make some noise and they will leave the area.

Due to new environmental concerns all shooters need to remove all of their casings and hulls from the range. RSOs it is your responsibility to make sure the shooters take these items off of the range with them, not just throw them in the trash cans. This includes hulls, brass, steel and aluminum casings. For the most part we have been doing a great job, but there have been a few exceptions, let's take care of those.

Take care of our club property. This means you as the shooter, and the RSO as the supervisor, need to ensure you are not shooting steel at steel targets and you are only shooting at approved targets. Remember, no targets are allowed to be placed above the horizontal orange markers on the berms or in the bunkers. If you are going to shoot paper at the 50 yard berm make sure the steel targets and target chains are moved up and out of the way so they are not struck by your rounds. Knowing your target and what lies beyond is the key here. If you take down, or knock down, any of the steel targets in the bunkers it is your responsibility to repair/replace them. RSO, if you let the shooter leave without repairing the targets you assume that responsibility. If you have any questions about this please contact me.

Trap shooters - Even though you are not required to have an RSO on duty to shoot if there is an RSO on the rifle range you need to check in with them and coordinate loading the machine with them. This is for your safety and for that of those on the rifle range. RSOs have the authority to ensure the entire range complex is safe, this includes the trap fields. That means you must follow their guidance.

We all enjoy the club and the freedoms we have here, please do your part to make sure we do not lose them!

## Just Say No to Steel

If you are shooting ammo that has a steel core (Russian AK and 5.56 military surplus are possible culprits) **DO NOT SHOOT** steel targets. You can use it on paper or clay targets only. If you don't know with certainty if your ammo is steel, check the bullet with a magnet.

Armor piercing ammo is banned so again, if you don't know, find out!

## FOR SALE

R. W. Hart Model 100 Rifle Front Shooting Rest. \$75.00

Bell & Carlson Rem 700 BDL Varmint/Tac short action Medalist stock in Desert Tan with matching bottom metal. Asking \$300.00

Magpul Hunter X-22 Stock for Ruger 10/22, Flat Dark Earth with cheek risers and M-lock. \$100.00

Ruger 1022 BX trigger \$50.00

Contact Ron Diaz

858-344-2861

## 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

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## Training Corner

### Dave Reed

#### Mantis X Group

How are you keeping up your skills in between trips to the range? Are you dry firing on a regular basis? Do you need some motivation to keep you active? If you have a Mantis X system, we created a group for the club so you can track how you are doing compared to other club members. If you have a Mantis X you know that it works for dry fire, live fire or even airsoft, it even works with archery. The group will have set goals every week for either number of shots fired or the average score of your shots. If you are interested request to join the Lemon Grove Rod and Gun Club group on your Mantis device. I will approve you for the group as soon as I see your request.

#### UPCOMING CLASSES:

**NRA Instructor Courses** We have completed the instructor classes and now have 4 new pistol instructors, 3 shotgun instructors and 2 rifle instructors at the club. Congratulations to all of them. The next round of instructor classes will start late fall or wintertime frame.

**NRA RSO Course** - This is the full-length NRA class required for anyone wishing to become an RSO.

Saturday July 10th from 8 AM to 6 PM - Cost \$80 for club members (Plus an additional \$35 to the NRA for certification)

**San Diego County CCW Courses** - These are run when requested by club members as soon as I can fit it in the schedule. Initial classes are 8 hours long and cost \$100 for club members, renewal classes are 4 hours long and cost \$50 for club members. When contacting me make sure you mention you are Lemon Grove Rod and Gun Club members, or I will tell you no.

The next class is scheduled for August 1st in the new classroom. 8 AM start time for initial applicants. Noon start time for renewal applicants. Email [davereed2010@gmail.com](mailto:davereed2010@gmail.com) to sign up.

**RSO Refresher Courses** - Courses for this club year have been completed. Next courses will be scheduled next May at the beginning of the club year. Thank you to all our RSOs for their continued hard work and service to the club.

## 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.

## YOUTH TRAP SHOOTING PROGRAM

### Sue Johnson

For those of you who may not know, especially new members, the Lemon Grove Rod and Gun Club has a program designed specifically to introduce youth shooters, ages 10 through 17, to the shotgun shooting sport of Trap.

Shoots are scheduled on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays of each month, unless preempted by another event, with registration between 11:30 am and 12:00 pm. A safety briefing runs from noon to 12:30 pm with shooting immediately following. The shoot is over by 4:00 pm.

The cost of each shoot is \$10.00 which covers the cost of the clay targets. The club furnishes ammo, provided through an NRA Foundation Grant, and 12/20-gauge shotguns if shooters do not have their own.

Sue Johnson is the shoot master for the event and has the assistance of NRA Certified Shot Gun Instructors, very capable and experienced members and Range Safety Officers. The shoot is comprised of two rounds of straight trap and a round of doubles. Brand new shooters shoot by themselves until their instructor/mentor determines the shooter is ready to join the more experienced shooters.

The shoot is open to the public and because the shooters are minors, parents/legal guardians must attend with their youth.

Get more information by visiting [lemongrovegunclub.com](http://lemongrovegunclub.com), or call Sue at 619-443-3704.

## 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.

## 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.

## 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.

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## General Meeting Minutes

June 1, 2021

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m.

### Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

All board members present except for the following who were excused: Treasurer – vacant, Range Chair--vacant.

### Previous Meeting minutes

Waived. Motion passed.

### Correspondence:

Lakeside Sportsman's Club Alpine Women's Club for yearly donation, (Motion by Lorrie and seconded by Wendell for a \$100 donation to the Women's Club, Motion Passes) Flyer from NSSF for their business expo in West Palm Beach Florida.

### Prospective Members:

If you don't have your white cards up front you may not get credit for attending the meeting. After the meeting Prospective members and sponsors need to go over and visit with Tom for a few minutes to get the scoop on how the process will go forward.

Prospective	Sponsor
Dan Roy	Gary Bryant
John Gzolla	???

### San Diego County Wildlife Federation:

Paul Dugas reported. He is the club's liaison for the Federation. We didn't have a meeting last night so I don't have anything to report other than everybody should have received an email from the club regarding the new gun ammo tax legislation. I would encourage everybody to call your elected representatives.

### Environmental:

Frank Valdez reported. We are moving along slowly. For the last three weeks I have been working at March Air Force Base getting those people ready for inspection. We went through it and what I learned from the people in Riverside I didn't care for the way they did it. What they want us to do, what they are pushing for are bullet traps. They are very expensive something like \$350.00 dollars a foot. So that's Riverside County and that's a military base whether that translates to the same thing in San Diego County is yet to be determined. So there's a move a foot among the major outdoor ranges in San Diego County for us to get together and meet and talk about our respective ranges and then from there decide whether we want to go to the County proactively or wait for them to come to one of us for an inspection.

### Long Range Planning

Lorrie reported. We need to get some stencils and paint and start working on the signs that are on the fence going around the club. The signs are all faded out and you can't see them. At some point we could have an issue with that, so we need to work on that. We need two wash stations one at the battery shack and one outside the signup shack. So, if you blow yourself up in the battery shack you are going to want to have some water to get the acid out of your eyes. We have a quote for the electrical part of the campground. We've been talking about rewiring the campground because it's an electrical nightmare. Bob from Chula Vista Electric is going to give us the parts and equipment wholesale and we must supply the labor. The parts for the parts for the master panel, the parts to

run an outlet down by the new office trailer so we can run the air conditioning for the rest of that. But we will be responsible for the labor, for the trenching. I'm sure we'll dig up some water pipes that we don't want. We have several electricians in the group we know Mike McCullough is one of them. There are a number of other electricians in the group we will need to call on to do the assembly. The Board decided to put it off until January when our Loan payments are up in March of next year. We had a quote for rocks for 268.00 for a pallet of bags and if you buy two pallets you get free freight.

### Hospitality:

No report, Sarah brought cookies

### Treasurer:

No Treasurer currently. Unusual large expenditures Club Liability Insurance.

### Range Safety RSO:

Dave Reed no present

### Membership:

No Report.

### Range Chair:

We still need a range chair. Jerry Shiller ran the Work Party in May we had 29 members show up. We painted the inside of the new trailer. Finished repairing the ceiling with clips included so it won't fall down. Did a lot of weed eating. This month's work party is on the 10<sup>th</sup>. So, a week and a half from today. The Saturday work party is on the 26<sup>th</sup>.

### Activity Reports:

#### Friday Night Pot Shoot:

Larry Sanders reported. For the month of May we had 4 shoot events. We had a total of 97 shooters. We had one Saturday night trap shoot 13 members and 3 nonmembers for a total of 16 shooters. Would like to thank Rod T. Wendell Layne Kuhlman, Ivan Gina Herb and Norma and Mahina

#### Fun Shoot:

Frank Valdez reported: May 9th we had 16 shooters all members. We had trap and sporting clays. Everybody that attended shot at least three rounds a piece there was no waiting, so we had a lot of fun.

#### Sporting Clays:

Frank Saunders reported. We threw 11,000 birds. We have a shoot coming up on the 21st of this month. Which is the Boyscout Fundraiser shoot. They usually have about 100 shooters out there. We have another sporting clays shoot Sunday in on the 27th of June starting at 8am. We had 129 shooters for last month.

#### Tuesday 5-Stand:

Rod Tetrault reported. We had 273 people.

#### Interclub trap:

Redlands won the year-round overall trophy the next shoot year starts June 12 right here. We will have the same format. The Lemon grove club failed to qualify at Redlands with a minimum of 5 members

#### Trap League:

We are currently in our fourth week in the trap league we have 28 members shooting in the league with 8 of those members shooting the optional doubles. We are going to take a two-week break after this league is over and we will go into the next league.

#### Youth Trap:

Sue Johnson reported: For those of you who don't know Youth



Trap and I am talking basically to the prospectives it's an event we have two times a month for Youth Shotgun shooters aged 10 through 17. If you have kids or grandkids or know of friends that have those ages of kids bring them in on the second and fourth Saturday here, we supply ammo. It's 10 dollars we have shotguns if they don't have their own. It's a good shoot and gets them involved in shooting shotguns and trap. For the month of April we had 8 youth shooters which is very low but considering the fact that we are loosening up with the Covid nonsense and opening up baseball and other events kids are getting involved and spreading their wings a little more. But we only turned in 80 dollars. There will be no Youth trap on June 12 because of the Interclub. Our next shoot is on June 26th. Thanks to Phyllis Hansen for her help with the sign up. Sign up is from 11:30 to noon. Shooting starts from 12:30 to 4pm

#### **Tactical Shotgun:**

Paul Lichtenstein reported. We had a good match a lot of people showed up about 40 shooters. The next one is in about three months.

#### **Action Handgun:**

Paul Lichtenstein reported. We had a Hybrid Pistol at the end of April and an action Handgun last Saturday. The next one is the 15th is Hybrid Pistol again.

#### **WOT:**

Sue Johnson reported: We have that four times a year. January, April, July, and October. For up to 45 women as an introduction to shooting. Rifle, Shotgun, and handgun. We supply the ammo and the firearms. We supply the mentor refreshments and drinks. It is just a real good introduction to shooting for women. Thank you to all the volunteers that make this happen. The next WOT will be July 11th. It is completely full. We had a visitor from the Girl Scouts to visit the range. The October WOT is the second Sunday in October. If any of you women who are new instructors can please give Eric your NRA number so you can get credit for helping with the NRA.

#### **Sporting Rifle:**

No report.

#### **Action Rifle:**

McIntyre said there were 7 shooters in May. For May he's planning a two-gun event rifle and shotgun. Check the calendar for the Action Rifle event.

#### **Boy Scout Merit Badge:**

No report

#### **Archery:**

Lou Tevis not here.

#### **Black Powder:**

Ron Majors last match. He is stepping down after 12 years of running that match. Mike Steinmetz and Steven Hirsch have stepped up they are going to take over that event. The last event was on Sunday afternoon the 16th of May. There were 5 shooters 3 members and two guests.

#### **Low Light Handgun:**

No report.

#### **Rimfire:**

No report

#### **Precision Rifle:**

Doug Roper not here. We have a precision rimfire match on Father's Day in June. I'm in the book.

#### **Defensive handgun:**

No report.

#### **Hybrid Pistol:**

No report

#### **Unfinished Business:**

We have a new Membership Chair his name is Tom Bledsoe. Membership renewal ended April 30<sup>th</sup>. If you got your stuff in the mail and it's postmarked by then there won't be any issues. He has already made some suggestions about how we can come out of the dark ages computer wise and come into the light. We still need a range chair and a treasurer. We talked before about the possibility of having an installation. We are having an installation and members getting together because the articles written at two different times there are two different dates in the newsletter July 17<sup>th</sup> is the correct date it's a Saturday. The trap range and the rifle range will be open for members shooting in the morning. Then we'll have a get together starting around 12:30 up in front of the club house. We have a new member with some catering expertise and I'm working with him to get that taken care of. We will also announce all of the annual awards so man of the year, woman of the year, Junior of the year. The Board voted to have this year's 10% awards be a hat. We haven't done hats in quite a while. The 10%er hats will all be one color a dark green like the sweatshirts we had a while back. It will have our logo on the front and 10% on the back. The Board also elected to buy some extra hats so that those of you that want to buy club hats will have an opportunity to do so.

Larry Sanders apologized for saying that the Christian High kids caused the mess in the club house. It was not the situation.

Is there any other unfinished business from the Board?

Any unfinished business from the floor?

#### **New Business:**

The next Saturday work party is on the 26<sup>th</sup>. Is there any member or board member who wants to be in charge of that work party? I'll keep asking.

The club Board voted to change the PO Box from Lemon Grove to Alpine. The new PO Box is 1089. Alpine, CA 91903. The Post office is supposed to honor the change of address for a year but we have seen some things after about 4 months that have been returned to sender because somebody at the Lemon Grove Post office couldn't slap a new sticker on them and forward them to us in Alpine.

Is there any new business from the Board?

Motion by Frank Valdez and second by Lorrie Smith to reinstate member Gary Turner to membership. He will not be irresponsible and help to run the next work party.

Another prospective member

Michael McEwin sponsored by Casey Gastrich

Any new business from the floor?

Any other business?

Motion by Lorrie Smith and second by Paul Lichtenstein to adjourn. Thank you all for coming. Be Safe!

Meeting is adjourned at 7:05pm.

## **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.

## ***Content Needed***

Please send articles to Phyllis Hansen  
thehansensfour@yahoo.com

## **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).

## **Club Notifications**

SDG&E has moved out so please move your RV from the camping area to the parking area.

Also, as the weather gets warmer please be on the lookout for rattlesnakes.

## **New PO Box**

The Lemon Grove Rod and Gun Club has a new P.O. Box address. All future snail mail needs to be to the address below. We are beginning the process to have all address references online and otherwise changed.

Lemon Grove Rod and Gun Club  
P.O. Box 1089  
Alpine, CA 91903-1089

## **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.

## **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.