

The Front Sight

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President's Message

Jerry Shiller, President

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Another message of good news – bad news. First the good news, the Club is healthy and gaining members. Our property and equipment are in good condition and continue to serve us well. Of course, there are maintenance issues, but we are managing those. We have a lot of great volunteers that are making the Club better. Now the bad news, a member was observed bringing trash onto the range and attempted to dispose it in one of the big dumpsters. Unfortunately for him, he was seen doing it, and was made to remove all the materials and take them off the property. We still receive 'gifts' of lawn mowers, wheelbarrows, BBQs and other items that the Club does not need or want. We pay for the dumpster rental and to have trash and green waste removed. The person who I mentioned above got off easy; the Board members who confronted him made him take it all back off the property. Had I been the one being the observer, that member would have removed the trash, and been required to come before the Board to face suspension from range use or possible expulsion. Let me be clear, the Club is not your personal dumping ground.

One more thought, it would be great if some of the Shootmasters/Match Directors would write a short article for the newsletter about their matches. It doesn't have to be every month, but it might encourage more members to shoot the matches.

Summary

December 20, 2022

Board of Directors Meeting

The Board approved four new members into the Club. Tom B, Membership Chair says we are ahead of last year at this same time in terms of numbers of members. Safari Club International will be holding a youth shoot at our Club on March 5, 2023. We will need some mentors/RSOs on the rifle and shotgun ranges that morning. More information will be

forthcoming.

Campground upgrades are almost complete – all we need is to place some rock on the ground to stabilize the pads. (If you see Craig Knox, be sure to tell him how nice it all looks). Next up on the project list will be repair of the deck at "Jimmie's" sporting clays station. Then on to working to finish the dirt ramp to the sign-in shed. Range Chair Andy Kyne has been hard at work controlling the movement of water across the property so that we don't get as much mud moving around when it rains.

Treasurer Debbie Ludwig has worked with our bank so that we can now accept credit card payment for Club dues. Look for more info on that when Tom sends out renewal notices on February 1. The range's S.O.P.s are being updated to include some of the changes you've been reading about. Look for the revision to be available in the next month or so.

The charitable foundation being set up by the Club is getting closer to being a reality. We have a name (East County Community Foundation) and a tax ID number. After we hold the first Board of Directors meeting for the foundation (possibly by the time you read this), the foundation will be able to accept charitable donations that will be tax deductible for the donor.

BLACK POWDER

Jerry Shiller

The December black powder match was shot under windy conditions, and several shooters had a variety of problems. To give an idea, a perfect score for the match is 18; the winning score in December was 7. To those of you who shoot black powder firearms and have been too timid to come out for fear of embarrassing yourself, maybe this will encourage you to come out and shoot with us. We embarrass ourselves all the time but have a lot of fun doing it.

OPEN SHOTGUN

Open shotgun please note: You still need to sign range inspection, and everyone needs to sign. Nonmembers need a waiver. Forms in 4 drawer file cabinet at the back of the sign in shack. Put the completed form in the file on the wall above the file cabinets.

Lemon Grove Rod & Gun Club

Mission Statement

The object of this organization shall be the encouragement of organized rifle, shotgun and pistol shooting with a view toward a better knowledge of the safe handling and proper care of firearms, as well as improved marksmanship. It shall be our further objective and purpose to forward the development of those characteristics of honesty, good fellowship, self-discipline, team play and self-reliance which are essentials of good sportsmanship and the foundation of true patriotism. To foster the maintenance, development, restoration and wise use of all wildlife and other natural resources through education of the people and support of appropriate legislation.

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!

Environmental Training Corner

All wooden target frames shall be constructed using only untreated wood. Steel targets shall be placed as close as possible to the earthen berms to ensure that all projectiles directly impact the berms. Care must be taken when placing any target to minimize the possibility of firing over the top of a berm or skipping the projectile off the dirt in front of the target. Targets shall be hung to minimize lead and copper splatter.

Online Store

Whether you're shooting with your friends at the club, an outdoor enthusiast, or simply want to represent LGRGC in a classy way...we have you covered! We have built our online store for club merchandise, and we can't wait for you to shop! Check it out today. Thank you!

Go to:

<https://www.zazzle.com/store/lemongroovegear>

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

FEBRUARY 12 FAMILY FUN SHOOT

We are going to try something different for the February Family Fun Shoot. The rifle, pistol and shotgun ranges will all be open during the morning. For pistol, we are going to set up 3-4 'stages' in the pit that will be like those set up for one of our pistol matches. They won't be very difficult, and there won't be a timer running to pressure you, but it will be an opportunity to try shooting your firearm like they do in the matches. For rifle, there will be a couple precision .22 rimfire rifles available for you to shoot so you can see what is possible with a .22. Maybe you can hit steel at 175 or 225 yards with a .22 or hit a 1-inch target at 100 yards, or shoot a 5-shot, one hole group). We will also set up a couple stations with military surplus rifles, and one station with a black powder rifle. There will be several open stations for you to shoot your own guns. The upper trap field will be set up for standard trap, maybe with wobble if that's what people want. The lower trap field will be set up as an example sporting clays station for you to try your skills. We hope to have 3-4 different clay targets to be shot, either singly or as pairs of your choosing. Bring your own shotgun and shells.

Shooting starts at 8:00 am. Please plan on participating. The goal of this day is to give members the opportunity to try different some of the different matches that the Club presents during each month. We hope you will find something else at the Club that interests you and gets you more engaged.

RSO Safety Corner

Just a reminder for everyone about the firearms safety rules:

ALWAYS KEEP THE MUZZLE POINTED IN A SAFE DIRECTION-IF THERE ARE PEOPLE DOWN RANGE IT IS NOT A SAFE DIRECTION

ALWAYS KEEP YOUR FINGER OFF THE TRIGGER UNTIL YOU ARE READY TO SHOOT-YOU SHOULD NOT BE READY TO SHOOT IF THERE ARE PEOPLE DOWNRANGE

ALWAYS KEEP THE GUN UNLOADED UNTIL READY TO USE-YOU SHOULD NOT BE READY TO USE YOUR GUN IF THERE ARE PEOPLE DOWNRANGE.

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.

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.

Training Corner

Dave Reed

UPCOMING TRAINING AT LEMON GROVE ROD AND GUN CLUB

Here is our upcoming training schedule:

Defensive Handgun 2nd and 4th Friday every month from 5-9

These live fire classes are excellent for getting practice using your firearm in a defensive scenario. The 2nd Friday is a beginner level class, the 4th Friday is a little more advanced. You MUST attend a beginner class before you will be allowed to attend the more advanced class.

For more information go to [Defensive Handgun \(lgrgc.com\)](http://Defensive Handgun (lgrgc.com))

You must register in advance to ensure materials are available for you.

Contact Stan Luhr at sluhr@ppcexpert.com for information or to register.

CLOSE QUARTER DECISIONS - FEB 3, 2023 - 9 AM - 6 PM \$175

Brian Hill of The Complete Combatant

Close Quarter Decisions is intended to fill in the gap in learning how to make decisions when confronted with a situation that may need more of your attention or even an ACTION. From the time that a bad guy chooses you, you will have a very limited amount of time to decide. THEY choose how and when. Your actions need to be confident, quick, and decisive.

[CALIFORNIA: Close Quarter Decisions Tickets, Fri, Feb 3, 2023 at 9:00 AM | Eventbrite](#)

RED DOT CONCEPTS - FEB 4-5, 2023 - 9 AM - 6 PM \$495 (\$435 if you have attended any The Complete Combatant Course before)

This class will focus on the draw to first-round hits from concealment unless you have an open rig. We will work on proximal extension relative to the attacker, using the red dot to the most significant advantage at different distances, multiple hand positions that the armed citizen encounters during a fight, and stacking complex cognitive tasks under pressure. Biomechanics of movement and the neuroscience of the decisional process and training methodologies will be explored. If you shoot competitively or carry a pistol for personal protection you will benefit from this class.

[California: 2 Day Red Dot Concepts Tickets, Sat, Feb 4, 2023 at 9:00 AM | Eventbrite](#)

So, there you have it, a wide variety of training to choose from, and we didn't even touch on the Boy Scout Merit Badge program or the Women On Target events, they weren't added since they are mostly for non-members. Get out and get some training in.

Again, if there is training you think we should bring in let us know and we will see what we can do.

Shoot straight and stay safe,

Dave Reed

(619) 757-9407

Content Needed

Please send articles to Phyllis Hansen
hansen@cajonvalley.net or thehansensfour@yahoo.com

Range Phone

The range phone is for business or emergencies only! Because of the type of service, the club has to pay a toll for some calls that would normally be free on your home phone.

If you need to make a personal call, use your cell or borrow one.

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.

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.

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.

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.

Hot Range

If the red flag is up, the range is hot! Please, if you are shooting, put the flag up. When you are done, store the flag.

Youth Trap

Rick Gilman

On behalf of the entire LGRGC, we would like to thank Sue and Eric Johnson for their years of service running Youth Trap. Their tireless efforts, smiling faces each Saturday and knowledge of the sport has given hundreds of youths a wonderful experience and great knowledge at how to safely handle a firearm. The Johnsons dedication and commitment has been exemplary. As Youth Trap resumes the Johnsons feel they can no longer continue as Shoot Masters. We are sad to see them leave but hope to still see them on the range!

Rick Gilman will be the new Shoot Master. Please contact him at lgrgcyouthtrap@gmail.com or (619) 204-8014 with any questions or to volunteer!

Youth Trap

For a flat fee of \$15 per youth (10-17 years old), this event provides 2 rounds of regular trap and one round of doubles.

Emphasis is on safety and proper gun handling.

12- & 20-gauge ammo provided by a NRA Foundation grant.

Shotguns will be provided (if needed)

Shoots are scheduled on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month

Registration is 11:30-12:00, Safety briefing is 12:00-12:30, Shooting starts at 12:30 until done (before 4:00pm).

First time shooters will have 1 on 1 coaching on the lower trap field and experienced shooters will shoot on the upper trap field.

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

Scores count toward NRA marksmanship awards - patches and medals will be awarded when earned.

Content Needed

Please send articles to Phyllis Hansen
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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.