# The Front Sight

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# **President's Message** Jerry Shiller, President

Established Circa 1950

President@lemongrovegunclub.com

Elections were held at the April Members meeting. Re-elected as Sergeant-At-Arms Jim Williams. Re-elected as Secretary Sarah Jones. Newly elected Directors are Blake Beckom and Jon Chambers. Be sure to thank these volunteers for their continued service to the Club. Also make a special effort to thank former Directors Frank Valdez and Bill Barth for their time on the Board. It is the volunteers who make the Club what it is. Lots of volunteers help make my job as President easier. To those of you who want me to continue serving you as President, find something to volunteer for to help the Club get better. The Club is strong and financially healthy. Thanks for the continuing support. Stay safe and keep bringing the quality Prospective members!

# Board Summary April 15, 2024

Newly elected Directors Blake Beckom and Jon Chambers were in attendance. The Board approved 3 new members. Membership Chair Tom Bledsoe reported that 65% of existing members had already renewed for the new fiscal year. He is expecting the usual flurry of last-minute renewals as April comes.to an end. Likewise, Range Chair Andy Kyne is expecting the April 27 work party to be busy as members who wait until the last minute to complete their NMA crowd onto the range. It should be noted that for members over the age of 65, this will be their last required work party. The Board approved a project for the pistol range to improve drainage there so that muddy conditions will be much reduced. The Audit Committee presented their report for FY 22-23. While they were unable to locate some of the records for that year, they were satisfied that the Club's finances are being managed appropriately. The Board started reviewing a variety of items from which one will be selected for the year's award to 10%-ers. The Board also approved the afternoon of Saturday June 29 for the annual Installation of Officers and Member Social. Club member Misty Lewis is Chair of the Installation Committee. Please contact her to see what help she needs.

# BLACK POWDER Jerry Shiller

The April Black Powder Rifle Match featured a paper target at 25 yards that was shot weak hand standing. At least one of the shooters felt he did better than he would have using his strong hand. At 50 yards we had a William Tell shot. I'm happy to report that this month, William escaped unscathed. Final target was the turkey silhouette at 100 yards, in honor of turkey hunting season still being open. Best of all, a Club member who had never shot black powder before, participated with a rifle he had just acquired. The May match will be shot with black powder shotguns, either muzzle loader, or black powder cartridge. For anyone interested, there will be extra muzzle loading shotguns available for use. Our matches are fun, we laugh at ourselves every time. Come and join us on Sunday afternoon, May 19.

# ECCF LAW ENFORCEMENT APPRECIATION DAY Craig Knox (619) 322-0183

#### cwknox@duck.com

East County Community Foundation (ECCF) is hosting a Law Enforcement Appreciation Day with LRRGC  $\,$  0n Sunday, June 9, 8 am - 5 pm.

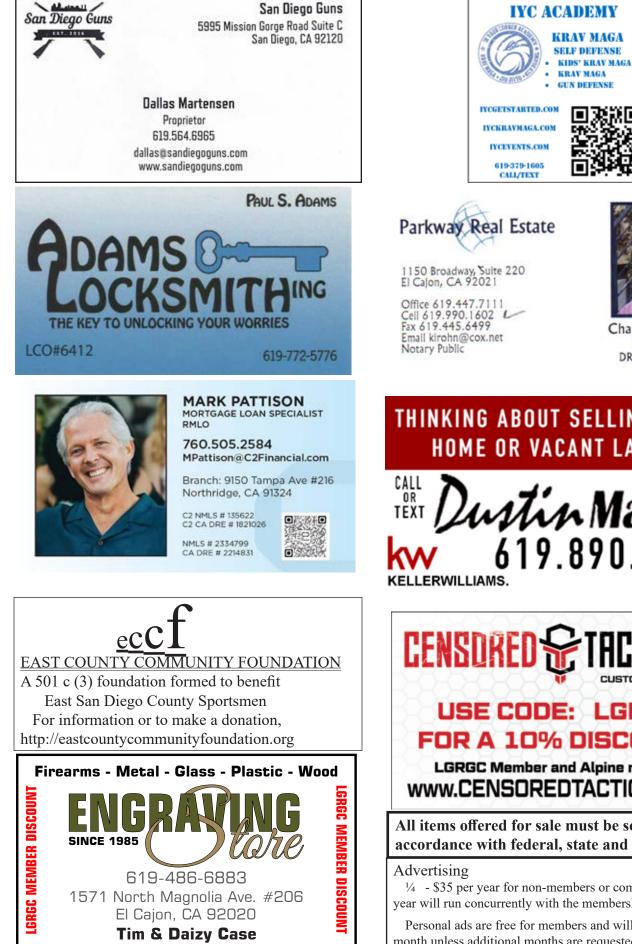
The following members have graciously volunteered to assist in the event:

Rick Gilman	Shotgun Event
Blake Beckman	Pistol Event
Doug Roper	Rifle Event
Mahina LaFountain	Welcome/Check-in
	Cooking/Serving

Craig is asking for volunteers to assist in all of the above. Contact Craig at 619-322-0183. Email: <u>cwknox25@duck.com</u>

ECFF Is seeking donations in any amount towards shotgun ammo, 233/5.56 ammo, 9 mm, food, soda, and water.

Please make checks out to ECCF (tax deductable). Checks can be mailed to ECFF PO Box 2482, Alpine, CA 91903.



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

### Training Corner Dave Reed 619-757-9407

#### Members,

Thanks to you and the RSOs who work the ranges, and the Shootmasters who plan and run our events, their work, and your support in following the rules has helped keep all of us safe on the range. Thank you and keep up the good work!

Please read the SOPs and make sure you know and understand the rules so you can follow them.

A REMINDER TO ALL CLUB MEMBERS - NOBODY IS ALLOWED TO SHOOT WITHOUT AN RSO PRESENT AND THE RANGE TIME SCHEDULED ON THE CLUB CALENDAR A MINIMUM OF 24 HOURS IN ADVANCE. THIS MEANS THAT RSO'S CANNOT JUST SHOW UP AND SHOOT. ANYONE CAUGHT VIOLATING THIS WILL LOSE THEIR RSO PRIVILEGES AND WILL NEED TO SPEAK TO THE BOARD TO DETERMINE ANY FOLLOW-ON ACTIONS FOR VIOLATING THE RULES LISTED IN THE SOP.

Firearms Safety Rules that must be always followed:

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

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.

# UPCOMING TRAINING AT LEMON GROVE ROD AND GUN CLUB

We have a ton of great training coming up, both with club members leading it and with national level instructors coming to our range. There is no better way to get some of the best training in the nation from some outstanding instructors. Seats in these classes are limited if you want to attend sign up now. Club members have priority for a limited time, after that they are open to the public, so don't delay or you risk not getting in.

If you have any questions about any of the upcoming training, feel free to email me at davereed2010@gmail.com

The Tatiana Whitlock classes were postponed earlier this month due to rain. I will let you know as soon at the rescheduled dates are confirmed.

Here is our current training schedule:

# Defensive Handgun Clinic - 2nd and 4th Friday of every month

Come join us for an instructor-driven clinic to develop good defensive handgun skills and be challenged by everchanging defensive scenarios. Members and memberaccompanied guests 11 years and older are welcome to attend to learn defensive handgun fundamentals. Minors 11-15 must be always accompanied by a non-shooting adult while on the range unless approved by Shootmaster. We will have available instruction on handgun safety, defensive handgun practice, drawing from the holster, and rapid target engagement at distances from close contact to 45 feet.

If you feel intimidated, please join us on the 2nd Friday of the month session where in one night you will become a confident shooter! For first-time shooters or those who have never had formal handgun training, this class teaches you the basics of grip, stance, sight alignment and trigger control.

The second clinic of the month is held on the 4th Friday of the month. For those who have taken the Beginner Handgun class and have been approved by the Shootmaster, this clinic is designed to hone your skills to become a proficient, confident shooter. The class is limited only by the skills of who shows up, and can involve shooting while moving, multiple target acquisition, one-handed malfunction clearances and low-light shooting. No beginners allowed.

The Frontsight training methods will be used to guide you comfortably and safely through your training. If you have ever heard of Frontsight training in Nevada but could not afford to go, this clinic will help you get prepared for this great training.

Stan Luhr, an NRA RSO, pistol instructor, and 3-time Frontsight Distinguished graduate is your Shootmaster. The course is free for members and \$10 for guests. Advanced registration is required as there will be a limited number of openings for each clinic. If you are a Frontsight graduate and want to help, please join us. Contact Stan at ("sluhr@ppcexpert.com") to sign up now!

# CCW SKILLS CHECK CLINIC - 3rd Sunday of every month

This clinic will use practical "real-life" scenario-based stages, and drill-oriented EDC skill building modules, thematically built upon the **AVOID EVADE DEFEN** concepts of smart EDC.

**Pre-registration with the clinic Shoot Master is required.** A current CA, valid CCW license, must be presented to attend **CCW SCC**. The firearm used must be on the license. Firearm and license check are mandatory, prestart to participate. An appropriate sturdy gun belt with IWB holster, preferably Kydex and two magazines will be needed. All draw work is from concealed Appendix Inside Waist Band. No other carry positions are allowed. Round count variable. Estimate one hundred plus per event.

Cost per event per member \$15. Non-member guests, including prospects, not allowed. Not open to the public.

New participant orientation, firearm and license check begins at 12:30 pm SHARP to align safety protocols and assess dry fire draw skill and safe gun handling skill from concealed, culminating in an abbreviated basic marksmanship live fire from concealed. You must pass the Basic Standard timed draw to first shot at 3 yards, USPCA A Zone hit, in less than 2.25 seconds to qualify for the Clinic. The remaining time of the first hour will be to set the range for that specific clinics course(s) of fire, for the Module. Prior club member participants begin the clinic thereafter, with a Safety Brief at 1:45 pm.If you are late for the New Participant Orientation or to the 1:45 Safety Brief or arrive without being pre-registered for the Clinic you will be unable to participate.

Each monthly **CCW SCC Module** will be preprogrammed similarly, yet differently in advance, with varying practical real life CCW scenarios and drills. Pre-registration is REQUIRED due to the scenario and drill staging set-ups and associated materials required for participants in the clinics. The Shoot Master for CCW Skills Check Clinic; Blake Beckcom, is reachable by phone at 619 806 1827.

**San Diego County CCW** (Initial and Renewal) - 8 AM to 4:30 PM - \$125 for LGRGC Members, \$250 for non-members

Add a gun to permit - 4 PM to 4:30 PM - \$10 for LGRGC Members, \$20 for non-members

Class starts in the training trailer, for adding gun to permit you can meet us in the pistol pit.

You will need:

Note taking material - Can be digital

Pen / Pencil for written test

Lunch/snacks - we will not have time to leave the range for lunch

Non-alcoholic beverages - stay hydrated

Range gear: Eye and ear protection, brimmed hat, closed toed shoes.

Money for class (cash or check)

For primary gun (the one you want to shoot during training portion of class) you will need:

Holster (no shoulder holsters, behind the back holsters or SERPA type holster that require you to use your trigger finger to release the locking mechanism so you can draw your firearm: all of these are dangerous to the shooter and / or others on the firing line) We will discuss at length in class if you have any questions.

3-5 magazines - All but one should be fully loaded when arriving at range. One UNLOADED magazine will be used in the classroom. NO LIVE AMMUNITION IN THE CLASSROOM.

130 rounds of ammunition (on the range - NOT in the classroom For any other guns you want added to your permit you will need

(no additional cost for those attending class):

15 rounds of ammunition loaded into magazines, 15 additional rounds of ammunition

For any firearm class you ever attend you should bring:

Eyes/Ears/Brimmed Hat

Lubrication for your gun

Batteries for optics

Tools for quick repairs - Small screwdrivers/punches/pliers/etc.

A positive attitude and an inquisitive mind.

The shooting is not the focus of a CCW class, it should just be a demonstration of your ability to safely use a firearm on a perfect day in perfect weather while under little to no stress - your self defense situation will not resemble that in the least - I strongly urge you to train with your firearm much more than the class requires.

The focus of the course is the laws and your mind-set while carrying. You should come in with an open mind and a ton of questions. We will do our best to answer every single question you have, but many are subjective and/or gray areas. Carrying a gun requires a LOT of thinking on your part, be prepared for that. If you just want a class where you come in, listen to a lecture, take a test and leave find someone else to take it with. We are going to have a group conversation about what you can, should, must do in various situations. If you don't actively participate you are wasting your time, my time, and your classmates time.

Before you ever place a gun in your self-defense plan you need to honestly and deeply think about it. Are you capable and willing to take a human life? Under what conditions? For what reasons? Do you understand the ramifications, legal, financial, societal and personal? We will talk about these topics during the class. Those decisions are extremely personal and we don't need you to tell us your answers, but you better be able to answer them to yourself, if you aren't willing to accept all the consequences of carrying a gun - DON'T.

Symtac Consulting 2-Day Tactical Shotgun Skills Class - May 11-12, 2024 - Alpine, CA.

This course primarily focuses on the Push/Pull method of recoil control. Using Rob's unique method of recoil management, the student will be able to reduce felt recoil by nearly 50% and be able to fire follow-up shots with a 12 gauge shotgun as fast as most shooters can fire their pistols. The student will also be introduced to the shotgun CQB technique, which effectively shortens the weapon by 33%, making it effective even in extremely tight quarters. Other topics include: marksmanship fundamentals, patterning zones, ammunition selection, tactical manipulation, equipment selection, low light considerations, malfunction clearances, pistol transitions,

pivots/turns, and shooting on the move.

Instructors: Rob & Matt Haught

Dates: Sat/Sun, May 11-12 2024 8:30am-5:00pm

Location: Lemon Grove Rod & Gun Club

Tuition: \$475.00 (Plus \$20/day range fee, payable on-site)

To sign up - Symtac Consulting's Shotgun Skills with Rob Haught - Alpine, CA Tickets, Sat, May 11, 2024 at 8:30 AM | Eventbrite

#### **Glock Certified Armory Course**

Tuesday, June 11, 2024, 8 am – 5 pm

Cost--\$250 + \$30 for 1-year GSSF membership.

Glock Armorers Course is coming to LGRGC. This is a great opportunity to go far deeper than a field strip of a semi-auto pistol. The course is taught by a Glock Professional Instructor with guns and tools provided by Glock. Students need to provide eye protection and a small flashlight. Lunch is included.

Please see Student Prerequisites; you may need to join GSSF.

#### \*Student Prerequisites\*

To be eligible to take the Armorers Course you must be a current \*Glock Shooting Sports Foundation (GSSF) member (\$30 annual membership), active/retired law enforcement or military, private security, or GLOCK Stocking Dealer/Range Program Employee.

To join GSSF--Glock Shooting Sports Foundation click the link below. Membership is \$30 for one year.

https://gssf.pro

For full course description please use the following link: https://glocktraining.com/files/AC Course.pdf

Modern Samurai Project - Red Dot Fundamentals & Performance

Wednesday, Sept. 25 & Thursday, Sept. 26, 2024 8:30am-5:00pm

Cost: \$650

https://www.modernsamuraiproject.com/

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

### **10% Volunteers**

Our valuable 10 % volunteers at Lemon Grove Rod and GuIn Club are the backbone of our organization. Each year we recognize this valuable group with special recognition events and a gift. We will be emailing the following members to encourage them to pick up their 2023 fleece vest from our club Sergeant at Arms, Jim Williams, at the club by June 1, 2024. If you have not picked up your recognition gift by that date, we will be putting them up for sale because we are unable to store them and are already ordering the new gifts for 2024 10% volunteers. We have some ideas for making this recognition gift distribution more efficient next year, but in the meantime, we hope you will claim and enjoy your gift. Thank you very much for all you do for our organization.

(if you have already picked up your gift by this newsletter release - you may check yourself off the list!)

**RJ** Aguirre Kathleen Banjac Larry Baxter Blake Backcom Thomas Bledsoe **Rick Brookshier** David Carpenter Ken Closs Joe Colomgo Laura Dale Tim Dean William DeCino **Rober Defrates** Robert Friar Jeff Whiteman Deb Zugel Isaih Swanson Carol Swartz Irene Terault Rodney Terault Brion Thoman Frank Valdez Doug Van Buren Larry Sanders David Schmidt Mark Scott Lorrie Smith Herb Snider John Souza Kerry Standifer Ann Stiko T. Ellett Jerry Vaughn

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# SHOOTMASTERS

#### **Jerry Shiller**

ATTENTION SHOOTMASTERS - The Club's fiscal year ended on April 30. Don't forget that if your match(s) have exemptions to the SOPs, those exemptions need to be renewed every year. Please submit these requests to CRSO Dave Reed.

### **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.

## Jim Kasten Perpetual Memorial Cup

You're invited to attend our club annual Jim Kasten Memorial Cup Match. The Jim Kasten Memorial Cup is a Sporting Clays Match consisting of Four yearly matches, 100 clays per match. Cost \$ 45. Per match. Awards eligibility, Jim Kasten Cup will only be awarded to Lemon Grove Shooting club members of good standing highest scorer will be declared match winner. Participants must attend all three yearly matches to be eligible for the awards. Awards will be awarded at the end of the third match.

Dates

08 September 08 December

Starting Times

7:00 AM - Match Registration 8:15 AM - Safety Briefing 9:00 AM - Match Shoot Begins

Bring Grievances, safety issues to the attention of the shootmaster or his/ her staff may be addressed at end of each match.

#### Shoot Master

Mr. Frank Valdez, Shoot Master - valdezfra@gmail.com - cell: 619-250-4734

### **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: <u>http://www.lemongrovegunclub.com/RV\_Parking.pdf</u>

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

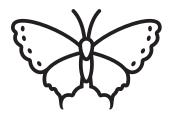
Note that this must be done every year.



# Time for new LGRGC Gear?

# Lemon Grove Logo Merchandise Store

Hats, Sweat Shirts, Jackets, and more! All in a variety of colors, styles and sizes.





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/lemongrovegear Link in our newsletter too.



Lemon Grove Rod and Gun Club

Alpine, CA

### Women on Target Update Robyn Chambers

In February we were notified the NRA Foundation did not approve our grant funding for Women on Target for 2024. Without funding, our program will not be able to continue. We will be increasing the fee to \$40 starting with our July event. Even with the increase, that would only cover about 55% of our expenses. We have been very busy applying for local grants. We recently received a generous donation from the San Diego Chapter of Safari Club International. We are extremely thankful to them for their donation which will help to ensure our program moves forward for another year. If you are interested in supporting their organization, please consider attending their upcoming Auction & Fundraiser being held on Saturday, April 20th. https://www.sandiegosci.org/

# WELCOME NEW LGRGC CLUB MEMBERS By Susan Vandendriesse

#### avandendri@aol.com

We are adding a section to this newsletter and will be interviewing some of our newest members each month so other members at large can get to know them and make them feel welcome. If you know a new member and would like to highlight them let me know.

Please be assured all information will stay in our members-only newsletter.

We hope all our members take advantage of serving on volunteer projects and committees, and will feel free to network with members at the club if there are any questions or suggestions.

## **3D ARCHERY**

28 Target 3-D archery shoot will be every second Sunday of the month. Shooters can start anytime between sunup and 8:45 AM. Sign up is in the upper sign and shack. Members \$5 active-duty military \$10 guests \$15. All guests must have a current year waiver on file to shoot the course. These are available at the sign-up shack. Contact Louie (619)933-4835 with any questions.

# 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.

### Youth Trap Rick Gilman 619-204-8014

### lgrgcyouthtrap@gmail.com

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.

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

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  $2^{nd}$  and  $4^{th}$  Saturday of each month

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

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.

Please contact the shootmaster for any additional information or to volunteer.

### We Appreciate Our Volunteers at LGRGC

The 2023 appreciation gifts have arrived for our terrific top 10% volunteers. It's a classy navy vest with the club logo pictured below. We think you will like it. Please pick yours up at the next board or general meeting.... or see Jim Williams next time you visit LGRGC.

Why is it often said that 10% of members do 90% of the work?

Some folks just try to get by while others jump in and help make an organization run! Why not join us and help if you are interested. Volunteer appreciation gifts are just our way of expressing our gratitude for your time and talents. If you see someone at the range in their 10% er gear - please take a moment to thank them.

If you are interested in helping at LGRGC for a special event, training, admin, workshop, or civic event watch our newsletter or contact Pres., Jerry Shiller or watch this newsletter for opportunities.





**ORGEMENT** APPRECIATION

HOSTED BY: LEMON GROVE ROD AND GUN CLUB 16232 SEQUAN TRUCK TRAIL ALPINE 91901

OPEN RANGE DAY SHOOTING STARTS AT 8AM

OFFICERS TO BRING YOUR OWN WEAPONS

PISTOL SHOOTING \*BRING YOUR OWN AMMO

TRAP SHOOTING \*SHOTGUN NEEDED \*CLAYS PROVIDED RIFLE SHOOTING \*UP TO 250 YARDS \*.223 CALIBER ROUNDS DONATED FOR OFFICERS

**JUNE 9, 2024** 

8:00-5:00PM

SHOOTING WILL START AT 8:00AM AND ROTATE EVER HOUR PLEASE RSVP TO JNUNEZ@PD.SANDIEGO.GOV IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND

~FAMILY SAFE ZONE WITH KID JUMPER AVAILABLE~

# SOCIALIZING, SHOOTING, FOOD, & FUN PROVIDED BY THE EAST COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION AND LGRGC

Teamup App for your phone

Ever wanted to see the Lemon Grove Rod and Gun Club calendar on the go from your phone? Download the app today. On an Apple phone, visit the App Store and on an Android phone, visit the Play Store. Search for "Teamup calendar" and download.

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After you sign up, you will be sent an email activation confirmation. Follow the instructions sent in the email to confirm your registration.

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