

**CENTRAL KANSAS GUN CLUB
OF RENO COUNTY, INC.
PO Box 584, Hutchinson, Kansas 67501-0584
January, 2018 Newsletter**

Notice!! Annual memberships are due April 30. Between April 30 and May 15 there is an additional \$50 late fee. Renewal forms are in the March newsletter. After the drop dead date of May 15, you've lost your membership. Fair warning!

Quotation of the month:

“When the last deer disappears into the morning mist,
when the last elk vanishes from the hills, when the last
buffalo falls on the plains I will hunt mice for I am a
hunter and I must have my freedom.”

Chief Joseph of the Nez Perce 1840 – 1904

New Club Secretary: Jason Korb Has resigned as club Secretary. Trey Has appointed Larry Meadows to fill the remaining term. Assistance and patience is requested

Work Hours and Dues Issue: At the January 14 quarterly meeting there was general discussion on the question of getting more people out to help with range maintenance. President Trey Owston had earlier established a committee to study this issue. The committee included Secretary Larry Meadows, Executive Officer Dennis Chambers, Chief Instructor Ray Bartholomew, Member Matt Bachman and Safety Officer Jerry Maxfield. Trey chairs the committee. Trey outlined for the members several possibilities considered by the committee. 1. Dues will likely increase to \$125 beginning April 2019; 2. Also, beginning with the 2019 renewal cycle all new members would be required to provide four hours labor per year in addition to the one-time eight hour requirement. **This will not affect current members!** 3. Work projects will be posted on the Cowboy Action bulletin board – members can check the board, call Dennis for authorization to proceed, then work on projects as it fits their schedule. This way members who can't attend scheduled work day can put in work hours on their own. Those who can attend work days are still

encouraged to show up. After comments from the members in attendance Trey said the proposals would be tabled while the committee meets again to consider the issue further, after which a decision will be announced to the membership.

Range Maintenance Building: Matt Bachman reports that the structure will be built by Yoder Engineered Products beginning January 17. Re-bar and concrete work will also be completed around this time.

A New Shooting Opportunity: Member James Dean has proposed a new Pistol Caliber Carbine shooting discipline for the club. James is to organize a shoot and members are encouraged to come out and watch or participate in this new game. It is much like 3-gum, so it should be fun. When James has things all set we will get you the date in the newsletter. Let's support James as he works to provide us a new shooting venue.

A Reminder: Thanks to Richard Colvard our Cowboy Action program has been resurrected and will likely be in action next month. All that is yet required are some new targets, so all of the old Cowboy shooters have another chance play one of the great shooting games. And it's the perfect chance for those who may not have tried Cowboy Action yet to jump in there and give it a try. Don't have the right artillery at the moment? Fear not. The cowboys are perfectly willing to shove a gun in your hand. Watch these pages for the first date.

A Little Help From Our Friends: Tim Davies, one of the club's neighbors on Lorraine Street, attended the quarterly meeting to let us know that many of the Lorraine Street residents will, in the near future, approach the Reno County Commission about the county taking over the road maintenance from Medora Township. They will suggest to the commission that there is enough traffic volume on Lorraine to justify paving it from 56th Avenue to 95th Avenue. A timely visit by Mr. Davies, since Lorraine was a quagmire that night. Davies asked if some of us would care to attend the commission meeting in support of the residents' request. It was decided that certainly Trey Owston, Jerry Maxfield and any other club members or officers who can attend will show up in support of the resident's request. We will follow this and let the membership know when the meeting date is set.

Warn Warns: Member Denton Warn alerted the club officers a couple of weeks ago that someone was expending copious amounts of .300 Blackout on the mild steel targets on the pistol and cowboy ranges.

At the quarterly meeting he brought yet another large plastic bag of recently collected .300 Blackout brass from the same area. He advises he is tired of picking up after people who can't read signs limiting caliber on some ranges. We thank the member, and add his disgust to these pages, but experience shows we are, alas, only flogging a long-dead horse.

Hunter Education Class: Frank Triffet and Terry Dean will conduct another Hunter Education course at the clubhouse and north ranges on February 16. 8 am to 5 pm. This, as in the recent past, will be an on-line format class. For Information contact Frank at (620) 665-7851 or Terry at (620) 966-5052.

Shotgun: Mel Ralston reports winter shooting is slow. He also reports that a shotgun group out of southeast Kansas would like to come to CKGC sometime and demonstrate an unusual shotgun game called (we think) Hellice. Pronounced "hell-EES". Very popular in Europe, we hear. The birds fly very fast and very unpredictably. The bird sports a pair of propellers mounted on a "witness Disc", or center, which separates from the propeller ring when hit. Mel says this is a rather high-end, costly game. Mel will stay in touch with these folks and see if a shoot can be worked out. Might be fun to watch. Wear your gaiters, leather patches on your tweed sporting jacket, an ascot and a flat cap.

High Power: Harold Mauck reports competition will resume Saturday, March 30 with a non-approved April Fools Day Match. Match description is a series of question marks, so be prepared for some fun. John Heger will run the match. Work day to follow. For information contact John at (316) 209 – 5466 or Harold at (620) 662- 2012.

Action Pistol: Greg Dick reports competition will resume February 10 at 8:30 am.

- 1.) Falling Plate Event.
- 2.) Los Alamitos Event.
- 3.) Barricade Event.
- 4.) Moving Target Event (Modified).

For information contact Greg at (620) 931-7492 or (620) 662-8141

3-Gun: Matches will resume shooting the third Sunday of the Month beginning January 20. Set up at 8:30 am, shooting at 10 am. For information contact Manuel “MC” Comacho at (316) 284-1357 or manuel@mcsportingarms.com.

Cowboy Action: See previous information on page 2.

.22 Precision: Resumes shooting February 10 at 8:30 am and continues the second Sunday of every month. Jeremy Hitschmann runs the program. Contact him at (316) 288-9034 or e-mail him at jeremyhitschmann@gmail.com.

.22 Fun Shoots and Night Shoots: Next fun shoot will be January 27 and every 4th Sunday at 8:30 am on the Cowboy and pistol ranges. Night shoots resume January 22 and every second Tuesday (two times a month). For information contact Dennis Chambers at casttackle@cox.net or (620) 664-7004.

Precision Rifle: Shoots every third Saturday of the month at 8:30 am. Greg Krebaum runs the program, but be sure to check the club calendar and with Greg. Contact him at (620) 662-7515 or krebaum@sbcglobal.net.

Nickerson High School Trap Team: Travis Oden reports the team will resume shooting the 1st week of March and will shoot through June, plus qualification shoots. For information contact Travis at (620) 727-4187 or odentravis@hotmail.com.

NHS Fundraiser: The team and the Wild Turkey Federation will host a fundraiser February 23 at the Moose Lodge. See the last page of this newsletter for details. Contact Travis as above or Tyler Kirby at (620) 339-9026.

4-H youth programs: Cindy Colle reports they have started BB, Air Rifle and Air Pistol sessions as of January 6. They are shooting all

three of their disciplines at their Haven location and will be shooting BB at the CKGC clubhouse starting Jan 15. They have 40 members enrolled in BB, 15 enrolled in Air Pistol and 25 enrolled in Air Rifle.

They will have Western Heritage practices at the Haven location for the months of January, February and March.

Kaitlin Colle (Cindy's daughter) qualified for Nationals in Small Bore Rifle and will be attending the National 4-H Shooting Sports competition in Grand Island, Nebraska in June.

Notes From Yesteryear:

“The Hutchinson Rifle Club indoor division held its regular weekly rifle practice last evening at the police station range firing 5 shots each in the prone, sitting, kneeling and standing positions, with a possible score of 200 points... L.E. Mackinsey, a nationally known gun expert, was on hand to give the boys some instructions in the use of firearms. Next Friday evening will be the special police rapid fire championship, fired on Colts and Langrish targets, with five medals given to the five high competitors. The six high scores for last evening's shoot were: Frank Patterson, 185; Wallace Kilmer, 182; J. D. Nally, 181; D. J. Wiggins, 174; Ewing Baker, 170 and Joe Weiss, 165.”

The Hutchinson News, Wed., Feb 22, 1933, p. 7.

For Sale: Member Matt Wineland has for sale the following items:

1. Remington 700 Varmint in .308 with Redfield 3-9 scope, made to look like a Vietnam era USMC M40. \$800 or best offer.
2. DSA FAL with original box, manual and accessories. \$900 or best offer.

Matt can be reached at (785) 410-0155.

For Sale Items: Anyone having items for sale or trade can send the specifics to Jerry Maxfield at jrmax@cox.net . If you have no computer please send the item(s) to the club's post office box (584) and they will get to the editor.

Gun Shows: These are the nearest ones for the immediate future.

As always, call ahead before making travel plans.

Feb. 2 & 3. Abilene. Abilene Gun Show. Sterl Hall. 619 N. Rogers Ave.
(785) 263 – 5575.

Feb. 2 & 3. Wichita. Century II Gun Show. Century II Expo Hall.
225 West Douglas. (563) 972 -8176.

Feb. 23 & 24. Garden City. Sand & Sage Collectors Show.
Finney County Fairgrounds. 209 Lake Avenue.
(620) 315 – 2369.

Feb. 23 & 24. Salina. Salina Gun Show. Saline County Livestock
& Expo Center. 900 Greeley. (785) 823 – 1747.

NOTE TO CONCEALED CARRY PRACTITIONERS:

Any show listing the contact number (563) 927-8176 is for R.K. Shows, Manchester, Iowa. They run most of the shows in this area. Be advised they have a no carry policy.

Parting Shot:

“That awful power, the public opinion of a nation, is created in America by a horde of ignorant, self-complacent simpletons who failed at ditching and shoemaking and fetched up in journalism on the way to the poorhouse.”

Mark Twain, American Humorist.

Affiliations: National Rifle Association, Kansas State Rifle Assoc., Civilian Marksmanship Program