

***CENTRAL KANSAS GUN CLUB
OF RENO COUNTY, INC.***

PO Box 584, Hutchinson, Kansas 67501-0584

March, 2018 Newsletter

Quotation of the month:

“In questions of power, then, let no more be heard of confidence in man, but bind him down from mischief by the chains of the Constitution.”

Thomas Jefferson 1743 - 1826

Quarterly Meeting: will be held at the clubhouse Monday, April 9 at 6:30 pm. Lots of things going on so come on out and see what's up.

A Recent Loss: Janet L. Stringos, 85, widow of long-time and now deceased member Steve Stringos, died Sunday, February 18, 2018 at Mennonite Friendship Manor. She was born July 6, 1932, in Buffalo, New York. She married Steve on January 11, 1965. He died June 28, 2007. She is survived by sons John (Kim) Stringos of Wichita, George (Anita) Stringos of Arlington and Beau Stringos of Cleveland, Mo. Other survivors include a sister, Karen Caton of Lockport NY, five grandchildren and one great-granddaughter. Services were held Saturday, February 24, at Memorial Park. Memorials may be made to Hospice Services of Reno County in care of Hutchinson Funeral Chapel, 300 East 30th Avenue, Hutchinson 67502. We are now twice diminished.

Renewal Upcoming: Your 2018 renewal form is attached to your newsletter. April 30 is the deadline. May 15 is the absolute drop dead date. If you fail to renew by April 30, tack on an extra fifty bucks until May 15. After that you've lost your membership.

Work Hours: You are again reminded that if you still owe work hours you need to get them in by renewal deadline. Folks who have just joined are extended a bit further into 2018. Mel Ralston has kept track of hours.

Those who have joined since 1/1/2016, work hours completed: Bill Avery, 4 hrs;

Randy Avery, 4 hrs; Terry Bether, 4 hrs; Warren Bickel, 4 hrs; Keith Budreau,

2 hrs; James Dean, 4 hrs; Darrel Dikeman, 5 hrs; Brian Ellis, 4 hrs; John

Kinderknecht, 4 hrs; Blake Meyen, 4 hrs; Corby Miller, 4 hrs; Craig Parroott, 3 hrs; Jon Sealine, 4 hrs; Patrick Sims, 6 hrs; Robert Stone, 5 hrs; Brett Tabor, 5 hrs; Rick Weese, 4 hrs; Darren Wicks, 4 hrs; Dennis Wilkins, 6 hrs and Travis Wolfe, 6 hrs. This will let you know how many hours you still owe. Without completing the 8 hours you will not be able to renew. If you dispute these numbers contact Mel at (620) 665 – 0320.

Newsletter: *This will serve as a second notice* regarding delivery of your newsletter. As noted in last month's newsletter the board has reluctantly voted to *require* those with a computer (as indicated by your e-mail address on your club application) but currently receiving the newsletter by snail-mail, to switch over to e-mail. Those members should e-mail Secretary Jason Korb at secretary@centralkansasgunclub.com to add you to the e-mail list. Those who truly have no computer will still get the newsletter by snail-mail but you must advise newsletter editor Jerry Maxfield that this is the case. He can be reached at (620) 663-8666 (home) 620) 899-1053 (cell) or by mail at 3 Wheatland Drive, Hutchinson, 67502. This new procedure will take effect with the May newsletter. To ensure your continued newsletter delivery, please comply with the above. Also, the newsletter will now be posted to the website and archived. **In order to continue receiving your newsletter you must comply with the above procedure. Failing that you will not receive one. It's on you. Two of the board members will try to verify the current mail**

status of members. You have until June to let Jason or Jerry know your status. Sorry, folks. It's all about rising mail and printing costs.

Steel Targets Still For Sale: Dennis Chambers says the old Cowboy Action targets will remain on sale through March to *anyone* who wants them. Get with Dennis to make a good deal. These are the targets behind the fence in the Cowboy Action area. Dennis's e-mail is casttackle@cox.net.

Work Day: Many thanks to all who showed up and made the work day on March 10 a great success. Biggest crowd we've seen lately. Executive Officer Dennis Chambers reports 38 people here, including Boy Scouts

and

Nickerson High School Trap Team members. The clubhouse was cleaned, windows cleaned, touch-up painting done and the place was vacuumed. Target backers were replaced and brush was cut and piled. Dennis has scheduled our next work day for June 10, 8 am till noon. The board once again appeals to all members to come out for the work days and do what you can to help maintain our club. The old "Let George do it" attitude is unfair to those who do make the effort. It's little enough to ask since we all enjoy our great facility. The same folks shouldn't have to be the only ones to pitch in. For the sake of fairness, please consider coming out June 10 for half a day and do what you can. We thank you.

Another Bargain: The club is selling the metal folding chairs in the clubhouse for \$2 each. Come and get 'em. Contact Dennis Chambers at (620) 664-7004 or e-mail him at crtfishing@cox.net or at casttackle@cox.net to arrange to pick them up.

More on the Clubhouse: Those who use the clubhouse are reminded to leave the thermostat set at 60 degrees and to leave the ceiling fans on all the time.

Hunter Education: Frank Triffet and Terry Dean will be conducting another hunter education course on April 14 from 8 am to 5 pm. For information contact Frank at (620) 665-7851 or Terry at (620) 966-5052.

Concealed Carry Class: Joe McCarville will conduct another CCW

class at the clubhouse on May 5 from 8 am to 5 pm. Bring your own lunch. Joe says if you don't yet have a sidearm, don't rush out and buy one until after the class. He will provide a sidearm for you to qualify with.

4-H Youth Program: For information contact Ray Bartholomew at (620) 200- 8253 or raybart53@gmail.com. You may also contact Cindy Colle, Reno County 4-H Shooting Sports Coordinator, at collec83@gmail.com.

The youth have begun their spring shooting program

3-Gun Program: CKGC hosts 3 gun matches the 3rd Sunday of the month. Set up starts at 8 AM, registration at 9 AM, and firing starts at 10 AM. The matches generally end around 3 PM. All shooters are expected to help during the match, pasting targets, resetting steel, policing brass and tear down after the match. Your early appearance to help with set up will be appreciated. Match fee is \$15 per shooter. General rules may be found on the CKGC website. Call Manuel "M-C" Camacho for more information at (316) 284-1357 or manuel@mcsportingarms.com. Manuel has work available if you need hours.

Nickerson High School Trap Team: Travis Oden advises the team will begin shooting March 18 through June. They will shoot Tuesday and Thursday at 6 pm and regular shotgun Sundays at 4 pm.

Action Pistol Program:

Six shooters attended the March 11 match.

- April 8
- 1.) Falling Plate Event.
 - 2.) Practical Event.
 - 3.) Barricade Event.
 - 4.) Moving Target Event (Modified)

For information call Greg Dick at: (620) 931-7492 or (620) 662-8141.

Notice: Executive Officer Dennis Chambers advises the Action Pistol lanes will be closed beginning March 19 and continuing for a couple of weeks in order to do some earthwork and concrete work. Thanks for your patience.

Notice.2: Driving on the pistol lanes is prohibited. Always has been. So no more backing your pickup halfway down the lane to the targets. Bring your own table or whatever to place your guns, ammunition, targets, stapler, etc. or use the cable spools where available. The new concrete firing positions will not stand the weight of a vehicle. Violations will bring consequences for your membership.

Shotgun Program: Shooting Trap and Skeet on the first, third and fifth Sunday from 1 pm. until done and with the return of Daylight Saving Time March 11 shooting will resume on Tuesdays and Thursdays 4 pm until done. A completely reconditioned PAT trap has been arranged for and installed. Many thanks to Mel Ralston for ramrodding the deal and to Travis Oden for the trip to Nebraska to bring it home and to all those who helped remove and reinstall this beast. Mel sends thanks also to those who came out March 1 to unload and store shotgun targets. Any questions about the shotgun program contact Mel at (620) 665-0320 or jkr0601@att.net. Alternate e-mail is mwr0600@gmail.com.

Buhler High School Trap Team: Mel reports that all is progressing well with the Buhler Trap Team. They got their grant for ammunition and will coordinate with Travis Oden, Cindy Colle and Ray Bartholomew to integrate Buhler practice into the ongoing schedules. Sign-up deadline for team members is March 15, so the number of shooters is unknown at present. Dan Whisler and his assistant coach will attend the April club meeting to update the board on their progress. It will be great to have these new young shooters from Buhler with us.

High Power: Resumes firing on Saturday, March 31. Registrations start at 8:30 am and are accepted until 9:15 on match day, and firing starts at 9:30 SHARP. Pre-registration is available for KSRA matches only.

Sat., Mar. 31: 88-rd. 200/300/600 -yd. XTC. Approved match. John Heger

will run the match. Work day to follow.

Shooter Sat. April 7: 88-rd. 200/300/600-yd. XTC. Approved match. New event to follow.

buy Harold Mauck reports our CMP membership has been renewed. He also reports CMP has received back more M1s and M1 carbines from various countries, including South Korea and Turkey. These are in pretty good shape. We can expect the 1911A1s to begin showing up in the latter part of this year. Great news for our members, since our club's membership in both NRA and CMP paves the way for our members to these guns. For details see the CMP website.

Harold also asks for a little help on March 31 rebuilding the ends of the 200 and 300 – yard firing points. These were burned in last year's prairie fire. A few folks will be needed to help with the match, but more will be needed at 1 pm. to help with the repairs. Check with Harold at dr2136@att.net or John Heger at heger1959@gmail.com.

contact **Precision Rifle:** Greg Krebaum continues to run the program. Matches are the third Saturday of the month, but be sure to double-check with the club calendar and with Greg beforehand. For information Greg at (620) 662-7515 or e-mail him at krebaum@sbcglobal.net

the **Precision Rimfire Shoot:** Jeremy Hitschmann reports 9 shooters at March 11 shoot. Next shoot will be April 8. For information contact Jeremy (316) 288 – 9034 or e-mail him at jeremyhitschmann@gmail.com.

Pistol **Rimfire Fun Shoot:** Dennis Chambers reports 8 shooters at the Feb. 25 shoot. Next shoot will be March 25 at 8:30 on the Cowboy and Action ranges. Shoots will be held on the fourth Sunday of every month. For information contact Dennis Chambers at casttackle@cox.net (620) 664-7004. Next shoot is March 25..

Cowboy Action: We're glad to report that efforts are underway to get the Cowboy program re-established. The range itself will see some repair and reconstruction and other plans are in the works. Specifics will appear in coming newsletters. The Cowboy program has contributed a great deal to the club in the past, and we're glad to see its resurrection. Anyone who'd like to help with the project please Contact Richard Colvard at (620) 662-0603 or e-mail him at richie_reno45@yahoo.com. He needs some help to save a great program. XO Dennis Chambers will oversee repair and reconstruction.

Notes From Yesteryear:

“L. A. Spears won the city indoor rifle championship and gold medal with a score of 185 out of a possible 200 points, fired over the police station range last evening under the auspices of the Salt City Rifle and Pistol Club. The match was a four-position shoot fired at the 50-foot range. Frank Patterson beat J. D. Nally for second place with a score of 184 and won a sterling silver medal. Harry Carr won the Class C medal with a score of 172. The local club will have a delegation of shooters leave here at noon tomorrow to attend the Central Kansas

Rifle Association tournament held at the Lyons armory starting at 3 pm with 60 shooters to represent six clubs; Bushton, Lyons, Geneseo, Little River, Sterling and Hutchinson. George Jones, of the Jones-O'Neil shoe store, is giving a fine loving cup to the high team. Last year Hutchinson lost to the Bushton club by one point.”

Hutchinson News Herald, Wed., April 19, 1933. P.2.

For Sale Items:

Trey Owston has for sale the following items:

Sig Sauer P239. .40 S&W and .357 Sig. Like new. Two mags

for each caliber. Hogue grips. Tritium night sights. Only 200 rounds through the .40 S&W and 50 rounds through the .357 Sig. \$750.00 or serious offer.

Sig 1911 GSR. .45 ACP. Tritium night sights. Like new. Bladetec holster. Two 8-round Novac mags. Approx. 150 rounds through it. \$950.00

Savage Model 93R17 with synthetic stock. Less than 50 rounds through it. Like new. \$250.00.

BWK 92 5.56 mm (AK-47 style). \$700.00. One ten-round mag is included. Also for sale two steel mags for this weapon \$40.00 each

and

three poly mags for this weapon \$25.00 each.

Call Trey at (620) 662-6231.

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.

April 7 – 8. Ogden, Ks. Ogden VFW Gun Show. Ogden Community Center. 220 Willow St. (785) 341 – 0289.

April 7 – 8. Tonganoxie. Tonganoxie Benefit Gun Show. Leavenworth County Fairgrounds. 405 W. 4th St. (913) 207 – 0759.

April 14 – 15. Paola, Ks. Paola Masonic Lodge Gun Show. Fraternal Order of Eagles. 26433 Eagle Drive. (913) 757 – 2302.

April 14 – 15. Wichita. Wichita Military Guns & Collectibles Show. Cessna Activity Center. 2744 George Washington Blvd. (316) 210 – 3255.

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.

Last Relay: We regret the tardiness in reporting this, but America lost the most decorated rifle marksman in the world with the December 18, 2017 passing of Lones Wigger, Jr., at age 80. Wigger (1937-2017), a career Army officer, broke 29 world records, appeared in the 1964, 1968 and 1972 Olympics, won 58 United States Championships and won eight gold medals in the Pan-American Games. He was a member of the USA Shooting Hall of Fame and the Olympic Hall of Fame. No rifle shooter in the world has matched his career nor is anyone likely to. *RIP.*

This Just In: Locton Affinity, the club's NRA insurance carrier, has ceased to underwrite the NRA's Carry Guard insurance, which provides legal assistance to CCW folks who might have to defend themselves or others. This knee-jerk action by Locton was taken just after the recent Florida high school shooting. If you have Carry Guard Insurance through Locton it looks like you'll be getting a Dear John letter from them soon. Insurance carrier Chubb, who had a similar arrangement with the NRA, also dropped the coverage.

Reminder: All NRA life members and all annual members of at least five years are eligible to vote for the new NRA Board of Directors. Your ballot will have reached you in last month's *American Rifleman*, and must be returned by April 15, 2018. The NRA reminds everyone that their vote is important to the future of the organization. Unfortunately, only a small percent of eligible voters cast a ballot. Please take time to mark and return your ballot. You therefore have a part in the direction of the most powerful voice for shooters in America. Your vote does matter.

Parting Shot:

“We don’t let them have ideas. Why would we
let them have guns?”

Joseph Stalin Soviet Dictator 1878 -1953