

April 20, 2013

Central Carolina Gun Club Newsletter

Range and Membership Update

The range just keeps looking better and better. There are a few areas that have some drainage issues, particularly around the target boards on the 50 yd ranges. Randy Falkner will be doing some grading work for us and replacing the target boards on the 50 yd ranges.

Remember to bring your membership cards with you when you visit the range, and only drive and park on the areas with gravel. Do not drive on the ranges.

Membership is up to 156. Range orientation classes continue to be offered on a regular basis. Check under the Events tab if you need to sign up for an orientation class.

NC Jr. High Power Team Practice

The NC Jr. High Power Team had a successful practice on Saturday, March 23rd. Some of you were able to meet the team and offer your support. Watch for announcements about future practice dates, and who knows, you may get a few pointers from these young folks.

Civilian Marksmanship Program Affiliation

The application for affiliation with the Civilian Marksmanship Program has been accepted. We have not received the official acknowledgment back from CMP yet, but in a phone conversation they verbally gave us the club membership number: 036092. We are now on their affiliated club list, (they need to correct our email address though). Now you can spend money at www.odcmp.com.

Spring Cook Out, Meeting and Range Events, Annual Dues

The Spring Cook Out and Meeting on April 6 was a success. As planned, we ate, did some shooting and talked about club direction and activities. We even saw a cool CCGC shirt designed by one of our members, (BTW, how do we buy those?). The importance of effective communication within the organization came out during our discussion. The roles of email and our member forum were reemphasized. Some concerns have come up about the lack of leadership in planning events and organized shooting competitions. Some members are concerned that without an elected Executive Committee, (President, VP, Treasurer...) we cannot effectively plan and hold events. We heard you and would like to offer an interim solution until the Executive Committee is elected in October. If you have experience organizing events, (shooting competitions, training classes, socials) and would like to hold the activity at the range, the approval process will be to contact the Range Master, Jed Norris (jednorris@bellsouth.net, 336-674-5347) and be prepared to share the specifics of the activity, (what is the event, proposed date, time duration, ranges, equipment needed, etc.). Jed will review the request and make a recommendation to approve or reject based upon how well the event aligns with the club's mission and how it impacts member access to the ranges. An example of how this process can work successfully is illustrated by the handgun clinic that will be offered next Saturday.

Congratulations to Jodie Arrington and Kenny Pulliam for winning \$50 off their 2014 annual dues. Annual dues for 2014 will be paid at the end of 2013. The online billing system for annual dues continues to send out annoying emails in some cases when the members have already paid. We think we've determined why the errors occur, please be patient.

Pistol Clinic & Fundraiser, April 27

Several members expressed the desire to have some handgun instruction classes. Part of the club's stated purpose is, "to educate youth, adults, and law enforcement professionals in firearms safety and marksmanship." This is an example of an event that fits well with the club's mission.

Charlie Armentrout has agreed to hold the club's first, members only handgun clinic on Saturday April 27th from 9:30 till 1:00. Charlie has an impressive shooting resume with experience on the USMC High Power Rifle Team, Bullseye pistol, and most recently as an independent contractor supporting military and private sectors. Those interested should sign up NOW as space is limited. Go to the Events tab to reserve your spot and find out more about the class in terms of what will be covered and what equipment you need to bring.

This is a fundraising event for the club. If you get a lot out of the class, (which you will), let your conscience be your guide as to how much to contribute.

2013 Annual Meeting

Remember the annual meeting will be in October, which seems like a long time, but it will be here before we know it. If you have an interest in serving on the Executive Committee it is a good idea to start thinking about and preparing your qualification statement for the elections. The plan is to start sending those statements out as early as August so the members will have time to informed decisions when they vote in October. Send your qualification statement to info@ccgci.org or mail it to the PO box.

Remember, safety first.

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