



# 2nd QUARTER NEWSLETTER 2017

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## REMINDERS

The 2017 membership dues are now long overdue. Please take care of payment ASAP & include the \$25.00 late fee along with your original dues. Invoices were emailed to those with a current email address on file or mailed via USPS if you do not have an email address on file with the club. Please remember all dues must be paid by cash or check. They can be mailed to the club at PO Box 3546 Saratoga CA 95070 or paid at the window on public days. If paying at the window, you will be given your new card, otherwise the card will be mailed to you.

Don't forget to move your Clocks forward one hour March 12<sup>th</sup> for Daylight Savings time.

Beginning April 1<sup>st</sup> the Club's summer hours begin. This means an extra hour of shooting. We are open until 5:00 PM.

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Many of you have asked about all the investigation, inspections and preliminary work occurring on our warehouse, or the barn as it is commonly called. The barn was built over 25 years ago, no one is quite sure if the County granted permission, said permits were not necessary or if they were not informed of the installation. Since no one from either organization is certain all that is known is no permit was issued. We are all aware of the neighborhood group Calm's ongoing attempts to close LARGC permanently. They reported to the County we recently and illegally constructed a barn. Since there are no records or permits to reference the County has required LARGC to obtain permits. The good news is we do not have to remove the structure, the bad news is the barn must be in compliance with today's building and fire codes. Which means we had to hire architects, soils engineers, structural consultants, concrete x-rays technicians for footing depths, steel inspections, weld inspections, building, electrical and plumbing inspections and a plethora of other inspections and tasks not to mention time and money to obtain a permit. Currently we are in the last phase, which is to install the required fire sprinkler system. The sprinkler cost is not excessive, about \$15,000. The problem is the volume of water required to be on hand due to the slow recovery of our well. This requires LARGC to install over 45,000 gallons of water in storage tanks and add fire pumps and in-ground piping. The cost to LARGC is over \$200,000 for everything. Not to mention the hundreds of hours required to sort through this and the countless meetings. Finding interested Contractors given our location and challenges in mobilizing the proper equipment has been difficult to say the least. Our neighbors will stop at nothing to have us declared to be operating illegally and permanently closed. The bottom line is it's the noise bothers them, they have said just that on numerous occasions and to various agencies. While our activity is legal, does not occur during quiet time and has been grandfathered in as an existing & operable range they are using other means such as the environmental issues, business intensification and even monitoring traffic flow on the

neighboring streets. That is why it is so important to never shoot before 9:00 am or after closing at either 4:00 pm or 5:00 pm depending on the time of year. It is crucial we continue to comply with all requirements of all agencies regardless of how unfair or ridiculous they appear. Also to not do anything to overtly instigate anything with neighbors or visitors to the Castlerock Park. Sometimes it may seem as if we are too critical or comply too easily with various agencies, but we have nothing to gain and everything to lose by being difficult or having confrontations. Your continued cooperation and understanding is greatly appreciated. Our goal is to have LARGC continue to operate for years to come.

**RANGE UPDATES**

Once again our mandated storm water testing has shown even more improvements from the prior tests. The hard work, improvements and additions of BMP’s (Best Management Practices) that have taken place are really paying big dividends. We thank everyone for their continued patience, understanding and cooperation during the range closures. We don’t like closures either and do everything possible to minimize the frequency of closures and maximize the tasks we accomplish during those closures. As stated in earlier newsletters it is unfortunately the member days that are used as the public days generate the needed revenue to keep the club operation and dues at \$20 as year. The goal of LARGC is to be under the maximum allowable numbers, compliant with all regulations, and not be constantly on the radar of these agencies to try and relieve some of the intense scrutiny and frequency of testing required. The improvements as stated have been dramatic and we are receiving positive comments from the County.

**PRO SHOP**

The Pro Shop is open Thursday thru Sunday during normal business hours. Don’t forget members receive 20% off merchandise (food or beverage items not included) and some items like ammo when special ordered & not from stock is cost plus freight and tax based on quantity & availability. Check with Hal Netter for any special order items you may want. Hal has some really great deals on various calibers of ammo right now, here is an example of some of the items currently in stock and available for immediate purchase.

<b>Manufacturer</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Quantity Per</b>	<b>Price</b>	<b>Description</b>
		case/10		
Federal	12ga	boxes	\$56.00	Fed TG12 case of 10
		case/10		
Remington	12ga	boxes	\$61.90	Rem GC12L case of 10
Remington	.22LR 40gr	100	\$8.25	Rem 1500
Winchester	9mm	100	\$23.00	Win USA9mmVP
Remington	.22LR 36hp	525	\$30.28	Rem 1622C
Federal	.22LR 40gr	325	\$18.13	Fed AM22 Bulk Pack
Remington	.22LR 40gr	500	\$28.93	Rem TB22B
HSM	.44spl	50	\$23.97	pending member sale
Winchester	.45ACP	200	\$59.99	Win USA45W

Limit on Shotgun Shells to 5 cases (10 boxes per case)

Limit on other ammo listed 5 boxes

**CLUB SOCIAL AGENDA**

Memorial Day Picnic Monday May 29, 2017

Labor Day Picnic Monday September 4, 2017

Holiday Shareholders Banquet Sunday December 3, 2017

## **RULE REVIEW**

In our Newsletters we will spotlight Two (2) of our rules as a reminder.

Remember on the Non-Public or Member days each of you are Range Safety Officers (RSO's).

## ***Safety Is Our Highest Priority***

**NO PETS ARE ALLOWED ON OUR OFF LEASH ANYWHERE ON THE PROPERTY, EXCEPT FOR SERVICE DOGS.**

**ALL FIREARMS MUST BE UNLOADED AT ALL TIMES WITH THE ACTION OPEN AND DETACHABLE MAGAZINE REMOVED, except at time of firing.**

## **VOLUNTEERING**

Any member wishing to assist with any of our projects, improvements or participate on any of the committees please contact Brian Charles at the range office 408-867-3106 or

[rangemaster@largc.com](mailto:rangemaster@largc.com)

## **MEMBER CONTACT INFORMATION**

If you have not already done so, please provide us with your e-mail address. Please remember to update the club of any changes to your address, phone number or email so we can keep our records current and continue to send updates and other important information to the proper locations.

## **YOU MAY EMAIL THE OFFICERS OR RANGEMASTER AT**

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Weather information

<http://www.weatherlink.com/user/largc/index.php?view=summary&headers=1>

## **MEMBERSHIPS FOR SALE**

Any member wishing to sell their membership can contact the Membership Chairman Rob Blank @ 408-946-5287 or [rmbent@aol.com](mailto:rmbent@aol.com).

If you have any prospective members please have them contact Rob Blank directly.

**Our Club is a reflection of our membership as well as the Board & Staff. Thank you for your continued support, assistance with projects and for just being a member of one of the finest venues available to pursue our sport.**

**All information contained in this publication is confidential and is for the exclusive use of our members. Please do not share or discuss this or any other confidential, private or proprietary information with non-members.**

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