



# July 2017 NEWSLETTER

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# Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July

### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Michael Grieves

Liam Kidwell

### REMINDERS

The Memorial Day Picnic was a huge success, 154 total attended excluding staff & Directors. The Wrist band system worked extremely well as we did not have any uninvited attendees this year. The BBQ was excellent and a special thank you to the members and their guests for not only attending but behaving in such a mature and friendly manner. Some of the usual problems that arise were non-existent. Thank you to all in attendance and to the staff and others who provided us with a wonderful experience. So guess what?? It's not too late to plan on attending our Labor Day BBQ and Picnic. More detail will follow but for you seasoned veterans you are quite familiar with the process. For you new members or if you have never attended one of our BBQ's plan on attending. I don't think you will find anyone who did not have a positive and enjoyable experience and did not enjoy the food and shooting with old and new friends alike. Guests are always welcome, please plan on bringing yours and showing off our facilities. The 2017 Labor Day Picnic & BBQ will be held on Monday September 4, 2017 and will be a catered BBQ from C. Georges. Armadillo Willys was great but we wanted to experience another vendor. Please provide your feedback for who you preferred for our future events. All Shooting and Trap ranges will be open at 9:00 AM with Lunch served at Noon so our valued Employees may enjoy the picnic lunch and mingle with members

### All Ranges will CLOSE at NOON & will RE-OPEN after Lunch.

All range rules will be enforced. Members will be responsible for their guests.

Members are free. A Member may invite up to (4) Guests at \$22.00 each.

Every Member or Guest may shoot **Three Free Rounds of Electric Trap**. Please inform them at the window upon check in if you plan on shooting E-Trap. Any Additional rounds will be charged at the member price of \$3.00

### FOR YOUR INFORMATION

A very special thank you to Ron & Jane. Their time with us at LARGC is coming to an end. They have been a fantastic addition to our organization and it is our sincere hope they will consider returning if they get back to California again. For now they are heading back home to be with friends and family for a while. I think any of you who had the pleasure of interacting with either of them will agree they are very special people.

Their presence around the club will be missed. Please take the time to thank them if you have the opportunity.

Welcome to our newest work residents Jim & Mary Ebel. Jim & Mary have joined our organization and will be taking over the positions previously occupied by Ron & Jane. Please take the time to introduce yourselves to Jim & Mary and welcome them to our club. I am sure you will be seeing a lot of them in the future, Jim on the range and Mary in the office. Welcome you two.

Congratulations to former RSO John Carlsen who has been promoted to our Office Manager. John was offered and accepted this new position. John has been and will continue to be a tremendous asset to the club in his new position and offer a lot of help to our current General Manager/Rangemaster Brian Charles. Many of you know John from his time at LARGC as an RSO, please congratulate him on his new position.

Many of you may or may not be aware but LARGC has implemented a new policy. On public days any visitors to the range are required to have a safety review and a safety test in order to use the range. This is a one-time occurrence Cards are issued to those successfully completing the review and passing the test. While in the beginning it has slowed the entry process and required additional staff it has proven to be extremely successful. Many of you as members are not aware of the issues, concerns and problems that arise on a public day. This process has dramatically cut down on those occurrences, and solved many problems that occurred from well-meaning and safety conscious visitors simply not knowing the rules and proper procedures. The process is not as detailed as you have all experienced with the orientation you have completed with Brian as there is much more for a member to be aware of. And no, as a member, you are not required to take this test or receive a card to shoot on public days. Unless of course you would like to take it for your own edification. This will continue to be required for all first time visitors or returning visitors that have not before taken the safety entrance test. We have seen the dramatic improvements, members should have peace of mind knowing there is a certain level of safety and common sense that must be exhibited by all shooters to be allowed to use the facility.

Another special thank you is to Brian Charles and Dan Pasini. Brian for coming up with the idea to provide a brief history of both Taps and the 21 Gun Salute. Dan for providing a brief history of both and organizing the following people to conduct the exercise.

Tyler Motta, Nik Beiden-Charles, Stan Huey, Evan Binn-Smith, Shane Johnson, Scott Curtis and Mason McAuliffe

What better occasion is there for a quick review and to partake in the observance of both? We received only positive comments from both members and guests. Thank you to everyone involved.

### **RANGE UPDATES**

Don't forget the first Tuesday of each month the 40 yard range is dedicated to 3 gun. With the growing interest and positive feedback we are considering opening it up to 3 gun on one or two more days each month. They will be pre-arranged and published on the calendar so the dates are available well in advance for those of you planning on attending the range on those days for either 3 gun or just to shoot. Please contact Kevin Mar for more details on the 3 gun activities. [K\\_mar@comcast.net](mailto:K_mar@comcast.net). Please note that is K underscore mar, when converted to a link as Microsoft does the underscore is lost being underlined.

The Board is experimenting with various surfaces (carpet or artificial turf) for the Tin Can on 3 gun days and the 2P. If you see various surfaces on those ranges and have any positive or negative comment please forward them to the club at [rangemaster@largc.com](mailto:rangemaster@largc.com).

Shortly you will see the pistol range undergo minor changes. Our plan is to dig a pit behind the targets and fill it with ballistic sand. This will serve a couple purposes. It will allow us to lower the targets to keep the high shots in the ballistic sand on the back stop. Currently high shots are above the level the ballistic sand can be stacked. By filling the pit with ballistic material we will not need to worry about shots skipping upward or the bullets imbedding outside of ballistic sand on the backstop and then migrating to other ranges and eventually off property. Containing the spent bullets in a smaller area helps prevent the migration, allows for harvesting and removal and helps prevent fly back when newly fired bullets strike older imbedded ones. So it helps with safety, migration or environmental concerns and reduces expenses in harvesting the old bullets.

### **PRO SHOP**

Again, ammo is available for purchase in bulk at cost if prearranged with Hal Netter. Be sure to inquire with Hal. He is happy to accommodate you for the upcoming Labor Day Picnic with one caveat. The order must be pre-paid and placed at least three weeks prior to the picnic so he has time to get it on site. Otherwise the best he can do is take whatever we have in stock which may not be enough if we have any of your requested caliber at all. He will set it aside for pick up prior to the BBQ lunch commencing so he is not dealing with ammo orders all day and can enjoy the festivities as well. First thing that morning would be great, any day before the picnic is even better. The availability and pricing is very good so be sure to take advantage of one of the benefits of your membership and partake in the discounts.

### **CLUB SOCIAL AGENDA**

Labor Day Picnic Monday September 4, 2017

Holiday Shareholders Banquet Sunday December 3, 2017

Memorial Day Picnic & BBQ Monday May 28, 2018

### **RULE REVIEW**

Each Newsletter we will remind you of Two of our Rules

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

### **NEVER HAND A LOADED GUNS TO ANYONE.**

**Before changing shooters, unload and place the gun on the shooting station-with its muzzle pointed down range at your target-then allow the next shooter to pick it up.**

### **CLEAN-UP.**

**All shooters are responsible for removing their own targets (including "tin can" targets) and empty shotgun hulls and cartridge casings (brass, steel, etc.) Blue garbage cans are provided on the Range for your trash. White buckets are for empty casings. Tan buckets on the Shotgun Ranges are for shotgun hulls. You may remove only your own cartridge casings and shotgun hulls from the Range.**

***Safety Is Our Highest Priority***

## VOLUNTEERING

Any member wanting to help on projects, improvements or participate on any of the committees can contact Brian Charles at the Range Office @ 408-867-3106 or [rangemaster@largc.com](mailto:rangemaster@largc.com)

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## MEMBERSHIPS FOR SALE

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

**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.**

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