

# MUZZLE REPORT



May

Ashland Gun & Archery Club

2017

## Board of Directors' Message

It appears Spring is finally here and that means better weather with more opportunities to shoot. The other day I took friends as guests to the range and they commented on our beautiful setting and nice facility. We are indeed blessed. I also believe we may have a new shooting couple and members for the club! You have a couple of great opportunities coming up to show your true volunteering colors. The Spring Work Day is scheduled for May 13<sup>th</sup> and Drew Bailey led the effort to create an extensive and excellent list of work items. I don't think I need to emphasize how important it is that everyone pitches in to keep our facility looking great.

Our membership is up more than 10% and this is in no small part due to the outreach efforts of many of you. As part of our campaign to reach out to the community, we are planning an Open House/Fun Shoot on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. This is your second chance to participate in club activities as we are planning numerous shooting opportunities for members, families and the community. I would like to see this become an annual event, which not only engages the community, but also provides us with an annual social event/get-together. More information will follow -- please mark your calendars.

Dave Dotterer, President

## Spring Clean Up Day

Saturday, May 13, is the biggest volunteer work day of the year. We will have a 25 yard dumpster at the range to collect all manner of junk. It will also be a major weed whacking party. We need all of the folks we can get with weed eaters to start knocking down the weeds on the berms. We also need folks to move junk to the dumpster, wood to the burn pile and reusable material to a single storage area. We will start at 7 am and close the range until the work is done. Please help however you can.

## Open House/Fun Shoot Set for June 3

The focus of this year's Open House is Family, Community & Safety. It will include a "fun shoot" for members as well as the general public, and will offer lots of fun shooting gallery type targets for all ages and levels of shooters. Bring any type of usable sporting goods to participate in a swap meet. Join the fun from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. This is a community event, so bring a guest!

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## **The Boy Scouts Are Coming!**

Local Troop 112 has asked to use our range for merit badge qualification and general practice. We are expecting between 20 and 25 scouts at an evening shoot on a Wednesday in mid-May. When we know the date, we will spread the word. One of our RSOs, Tim Hernandez, is a scout instructor and will help run operations along with Troop Leader, Gerald Hill, also a member. Depending on the turnout and other range use, we'll be using one or both pistol bays or the 50 yard bay for a couple of hours. We will probably run relays on 5 shooting stations, and will want an RSO present at each station. Any member wishing to help set up targets, monitor for safety, give shooting tips, etc., please call Bob Smoot at 541-622-5152. These young people are the future of the club. Let's support them.

### **Range Safety Officer Report**

**Cardboard Targets:** Recently some well meaning folks have been bringing cardboard boxes to be used as target backboards in the pistol and 50 yard bays. The problem is many of the boxes are smaller than the rebar target frames. They just plug up the cardboard holders, and make a tempting target to set on the ground. Please bring only cardboard sheets large enough to fit comfortably in the target stands. Thanks.

**Steel Targets:** A reminder that the only steel targets allowed on the rifle ranges are the ones provided by AGAC on the 100, 240, 300 & 600 yard ranges. They are designed to deflect all "hits" into the ground or backstop. All "misses" will hit the backstop. No ricochets. Members can use their own steel targets in the pistol and 50 yard bays, provided they are designed to swing upon impact and placed on the backstop berm, so all hits or misses end up in the backstop.

Bob Smoot, Chief RSO

### **Range Closures**

The range will be closed on Saturday, May 13, for a Clean Up Day. The range will reopen on that day when the work is done!

**The next AGAC General Meeting will be held 5/9/17 at 6:30 pm**

**Orientations for new and returning members are held on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays of each month, 9 am at the clubhouse.**

## Organized Shoots

**Jefferson State Regulators – “Cowboy Action Shooting”:** The Jefferson State Regulators match is held every third Saturday of the month, rain or shine, at the Ashland Gun Club. The match generally runs for about four hours. The pistol and 50 yard bays will be closed during this period, but the rifle ranges may remain open depending on the event. If you have questions, please email col.gilliam@charter.net.

**Long Range Shooting:** Long Range Shooting is held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of each month from 9:00 am to Noon, weather permitting. Normal range activities will resume at noon on that day. Contact Gil Mastrofini for weather conditions and answers to questions: 541-601-7426.

**Pigeon Busters – “Shotguns”:** Interested in skeet or trap, new shooter or registered competitor, give George Fritschi a call. 541-535-7117.

**Silent Accuracy – “The Archer’s Report”:** One more “thank you” to the volunteers who made our 3D shoots a great success this year. We quickly turned our income into new Rinehart targets: bull caribou, mountain goat, a vampire bat and rising boar, to name a few. Stay tuned for August. We will have member only evening shoots (up til 8:00 pm), and will set up some of these new targets so we can get ready for hunting season. Typically on Tuesdays!! Our Course One walking course is closed. All targets south of the main entrance road have been removed from the new private property owner’s land. Please use Course Two. We will eventually redesign Course One. Keep in mind targets one, three and four will remain available on Course One until the wetland mitigation work begins. AGAC is having a spring clean up day on Saturday, May 13. If you can spare a few hours, come on down. We Archers will eventually have a day where we need to mow and do some weed whacking. Stay tuned.

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**Silhouette Shooting - .22 Rimfire Only:** Silhouette Shooting is held on the Thursday following the General Club Meeting starting any time after 4:00 pm. This is a fun shoot for all ages and skill levels. For further information, call Dick Lee at 541-621-2989.

## AGAC Meeting Notes of April

- Treasurer reported on bank balance of \$27,000 in general fund and \$18,500 in the environmental funds.
- The City says the wetland mitigation project is on track and should be completed by October.
- Clean Up Day is scheduled for May 13 – range will be closed that day until the work is complete.
- Open House is scheduled for June 3 – range is open to members and the public is invited to shoot.
- New AGAC Logo Contest was approved, with a free membership to the winner. Contest ends April 30.

### For Sale

Ruger Super Blackhawk .44 magnum Bisley model. 7.5 blued, less than 50 rounds fired. Comes with leather holster, all original packaging, and roughly 370 rounds of various mag, special, and shot shell ammo. \$900 obo. Trades considered. Call Brandon @ 541-301-1065.

Rifles in Very Good to LNIB condition: Browning A Bolt Medallion II .25-06, \$525; Ruger M77 SS skeleton stock .30-06, \$400; Ruger M77 Blue .300 Win tang safety .300 Win, \$450; Ruger M77 Hawkeye SS .338 Mag, \$575; Ruger M77 Hawkeye African .375 Ruger, \$825; Weatherby Vanguard .270 Win, \$425; Winchester M70 XTR Featherweight 7mm Mauser, \$600; Winchester 94AE .30-30, \$500; Scopes, factory ammo, dies, accessories available for sale. Contact Lee at songtown@ashlandhome.net .

## Keep this Schedule of Important Dates for Ashland Gun & Archery Club

May 2017						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 Board of Directors Meeting 6:00 pm	4	5 Cinco De Mayo	6 Orientation 9 am
7	8	9 General Meeting 6:30 pm	10	11 Silhouette Shoot 4:00 pm	12	13 Volunteer Work Day – Range Closed until work complete
14 Mother's Day  Long Range Shooting 9 am (range closed til noon)	15	16	17	18	19	20 Orientation 9 am  Cowboy Shoot 10 am (pistol & 50 yd bays closed til 1 pm)  Armed Forces Day
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 Long Range Shooting 9 am (range closed til noon)	29 Memorial Day	30	31	<p><b>This will be a very busy spring. Please volunteer for our workday if you can!</b></p> 		

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