



MUZZLE REPORT

July 2017

Board of Directors' Message

Last year members approved bylaw changes to allow for absentee ballots in the annual election. To make this work, the Board has to create absentee ballot procedures and timelines. For the upcoming election:

1. Any member who wants to declare their candidacy for any office or at-large board position must notify the Secretary not later than August 20 in order to be included on the ballot. Ballots will include a space for write-in candidates. The Secretary will publish the list of declared candidates in the September and October newsletters.
2. Absentee ballots will be available on the website and in the clubhouse mailbox after Labor Day, September 4.
3. Completed absentee ballots must be mailed to AGAC at P O Box 953, Ashland OR 97520. Mailed ballots must be received by the end of election day. The envelope or ballot must contain the member's gate code so we can verify that you are a current member eligible to vote. The secretary will verify validity of each ballot before counting the vote.
4. All ballots will be counted by the President, Secretary and one other club member following the election, and the results will be placed on the website and published in the November newsletter.

This is a new procedure for us – comments or suggestions to make it work better are welcome.

Gary Peterson, Secretary

No Meetings in July

There will be no Board Meeting or General Meeting in July. The regular meeting schedule will resume in August.

The next General Meeting will be held 8/9/17 at 6:30 pm

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Range Safety Officer Report

In June we had two incidences involving shooting after hours. The first one was by a 21 year old “family member” with two guests. (See the article below on “Family Memberships.”) A board member was working late and heard shooting at 8:25 pm. The second incident was a member and one guest shooting at 8:50 pm, again caught by a board member working late. In both cases, folks claimed ignorance of the closing times, which are clearly posted on the gate bulletin board and in every shooting bay. They are also included in the club rules and the first thing covered in every orientation. All members sign acknowledgement of reading the range rules. Shooting hours close at 8:00 pm this time of year.

Please pay attention to shooting hours; the existence of our club depends upon it. If you shoot outside legal hours, your gate code can be disabled.

Bob Smoot, Chief RSO

Range Closures

All ranges will be closed on July 5 from 9 am to Noon for Historic Day. The ranges will re-open at noon with the exception of the 300 and 600 yard ranges.

The Jays will be vacationing on their property across the creek down range from the 300 and 600 yard ranges from June 30 through July 5, and again July 27 through August 13. The 300 and 600 yard ranges will be closed during these times.

Orientations

Orientations for new and returning members are held on the first and third Saturdays of each month, 9 a.m. at the clubhouse.

No Steel Ammo

As we enter summer fire season, steel ammo is not allowed effective July 1. Magnets are on the back walls of the rifle and 50 yard shooting bays, most of them a red horse shoe. If your ammo sticks, don't shoot it. Thank you.

Family Memberships

We recognize there has been some confusion as to who is included in a “family membership.” The Board will be addressing this issue in the near future, and welcomes your input. At this point, the only people included in a family membership are the member's spouse and minor children. Once your child turns 18, they are legally emancipated and need to become members in their own right if they want to access the club independently. (They can still come as a guest, but must be accompanied by and under the supervision of the member parent or other adult member.)

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 2nd and 4th 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”: As the hunting seasons near, remind yourself to check your gear. Is it time to replace a string, freshen up the quiver, dial in the bow with broad heads?

Last month two Ashland Archers, Cory Longiotti and Adan Madera, competed in a Train to Hunt regional qualifier in Gilchrist, Oregon. Adan placed fourth in the Men’s Open, and Cory placed sixth in the Men’s Masters. The Ashland Archers continue to carry on in this testing competition. Great work Cory and Adan!

Our core group of volunteers came out June 24th and sweated to maintain our course. Thank you!

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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. In July Silhouette Shooting will be held on Thursday, July 13. This is a fun shoot for all ages and skill levels. For further information, call Dick Lee at 541-621-2989.

For Sale

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. \$800. FFL transfer required. Call Brandon @ 541-301-1065.

Ashland Gun & Archery Club Calendar of Events

July 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Orientation 9 am 300/600 ranges closed due to visiting campers
2 300/600 ranges closed due to visiting campers	3 300/600 ranges closed due to visiting campers	4 Independence Day 300/600 ranges closed due to visiting campers	5 Historic Day 9 to Noon – All ranges closed til noon - 300/600 ranges closed all day due to visiting campers NO BOARD MEETING	6	7	8
9 Long Range Shooting 9 am (range closed til noon)	10	11 NO GENERAL MEETING	12	13 Silhouette Shoot 4 pm	14	15 Orientation 9 am Cowboy Shoot 10 am (pistol & 50 yd bays closed til 1 pm)
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 Long Range Shooting 9 am (range closed til noon)	24	25	26	27 300/600 ranges closed due to visiting campers	28 300/600 ranges closed due to visiting campers	29 300/600 ranges closed due to visiting campers
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OPEN HOUSE / FUN SHOOT JUNE 3, 2017



Skeet shooters came back for the day.



Bill Longiotti brought his shooting gallery.



New member enjoys one of Lloyd Canty's bows.



The President tries one of Greg Reeser's guns.



Two brothers shoot at swinging targets.



RSO Teresa Caldwell helps a new shooter.