

STRAIGHT SHOOTER

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Meeting Information

Third Tuesday of the month St. Francois County Courthouse Annex at 7:00 p.m.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I would like to thank all the members that showed up on our spring workday, even though they were calling for rain all day! We had about forty members, who all worked very hard to get the work completed. I would like to thank Howard Gilliam Jr. for stepping up and doing the welding that needed to be done.

We were able to trim trees by the new pavilion, clear and burn brush, replace damaged target backer supports, install the upright post for the gongs, and replace all the target backers on the rifle and pistol range.

We were unable to install the backers or gong uprights at the 300 yd. line at this time due to the very soft conditions of the ground. We will have to wait until the ground dries out, so we can get the equipment in. Therefore, we will not hold any matches at 300 yds. until further notice. We will also weld the gong stand tops on at that time.

As we were replacing the target backers at the 25 yd. line we noticed some of the backers were shot in half by members shooting shotguns at the backers. Shotguns will not be allowed on the rifle range!

We decided that we are going to build a bench at the end of the high power range by the pistol berm. We are going to also build a portable backer that can be moved in or out so that our members can pattern their shotguns at different ranges. That will be the only area shotguns will be allowed and will have a sign posted!

We have asked many times not to place items on top of the target backers because of the damage, however this still continues. We have installed the gongs at 100 & 200 yds. and they were up less than 1 week when someone shot them with steel core ammo causing damage to the gongs. NO STEEL CORE, AP, OR MAGNUM ROUNDS ARE TO BE SHOT AT THE GONGS!!!!! We spent a lot of money to have the gongs made for your pleasure to shoot. But if you destroy them they will NOT be replaced!! Anyone caught damaging club property will be subject to being kicked out of the club!

Again, Thanks to all the members who came out on the work day! Have a safe and fun time at the range, and let's make 2015 another safe year. I'll see you at the range.

Rick Rapert President 67 Gun Club Volume 2

Range Improvements

As most of you have noticed there have been a few changes at the range this year. The old pavilion at the handgun range was torn down and replaced with a new one. This pavilion is there to provide shade and a place for shooter to rest and have a good time. This is not a place to park your vehicle, please to not park under the pavilion.

New gong stands and gongs were installed at the 100 and 200 yard area. The gongs are made of AR500 steel and were not cheap. These gongs were installed for enjoyment of our members and should be shot at only with lead and lead core bullets.

The extension of the rifle range firing line pavilion has been started with the pouring of the pad. We are extending the area back 8 feet to give more room for shooters and their guest. This was also added for safety reasons; shooters will have an area to be at away from the benches when the line has been called safe. We hope to have the roof over this area at the fall work day. Please do not park your vehicles on this new concrete pad.

We hope that the improvements give all of our members a great shooting experience.

Range Safety

It is important at all times to follow safe handling and firing of firearms. We do not want anyone to be injured while enjoying shooting. If you see someone not following safe shooting or handling of firearms please let them know. Safety is very important at all times. Here are just a few safety rules.

- 1. All firearms should be pointed down range at all times
- 2. Rifles sitting in the rifle racks should have chamber safety indicators
- 3. When the line is called safe step away from the shooting benches and do not touch any firearms or ammunition.
- 4. Always wear ear and eye protection

Membership Renewals Are Coming

Membership renewal will be here before you know it. Renewals will go out to members in September by mail. Please remember to renewal to keep your membership in the club. If you have changed your address be sure to contact the club Secretary with your new address.

Competition Shooting Team Captains

Bowling Pin Rifle Bowling Pin Triple Action Bowling Pin Tony Robbs (573) 358-4009 arjrrobbs@att.net

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Monthly Business

The club holds a monthly business meeting on the third Tuesday of each month at 7 PM. This meeting is held at the St. Francois County Courthouse Annex on the top floor. All business is handled during this meeting with normally about 10-15 members voting on major projects that effect the around 600 members. This meeting is open to all members and we invite everyone to attend and help make the decisions that make your club better.

E-Mail Updates

Want to get more range updates and current information on matches? E-mail the club at <u>67gunclubinc@gmail.com</u> During the summer the Secretary will send out e-mail updates and news.

Do you have an ideal or suggest

Do you have an ideal that would help improve the range or a suggestion that would make the range a better place to shoot? Attend the monthly business meeting and lets us know. If your work schedule or distance prevents you from attending one of the monthly meeting then contact a club officer or email the club at 67gunclubinc@gmail.com

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