



# ***STRAIGHT SHOOTER***

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## **Membership Renewal Starts in October**

It is that time of year to start club membership renewals. Your renewal is in the envelope with this newsletter. Renewal is \$50 and if you need NRA membership renewal that will be \$35 for a year. You will have until the last day of December 2020 to get your membership renewed. Members that do not get their renewal in on time will have their gate keycard shut off. Renew as soon as you can.

## **Shop With a Cop Steel Plate Shoot**

The 67 Gun Club will host a two-day event on the 24th and 25<sup>th</sup> of October, to raise funds for the St. Francois County Shop With a Cop program. This event is coordinated with the St. Francois County Sheriff's Office. It is a great cause that helps underprivileged children go Christmas shopping. Law Enforcement and First Responders throughout the county will be invited to attend along with any Club members that wish to participate. Entry fee will be \$10 each time you shoot a stage of fire. All proceeds for this two-day event will go to Shop With a Cop. Any member that wants to send a donation toward this program may do so with the club's many thanks!! Participants may come out to the club anytime during the two-days from 9am to 4pm to shoot this stage of Steel Plates. As of right now we have Gunware of Farmington, Tom's Repair Etc, and Cyndi Buchheit-Courtway each matching up to \$500 of what we raise. Come out and have fun and help local children have a great Christmas this year.

## **Fall Workday**

Last year's work day, we got everything accomplished that was planned. This year two are on the schedule also, with the first day being a success. The next, 5 Dec. 2020, just general clean up is needed but, a big Oak tree on the South side boundary line that needs to come down. It would be great to have several guys with chain saws and others to help get this tree down and cut up and cleaned up. I will send out more reminder E Mails to keep this day in everyone's mind before it gets here

## **President's Corner**

We have all lived with and dealt with all the inconveniences caused by the COVID-19 Virus and the 67 Gun Club has been no exception. The range was shut down for nearly three months, several matches were canceled and three monthly meetings were canceled.

As the year has gone on some things with the Club have returned to normal, except match attendance has dropped off somewhat. Maybe a repercussion of the virus, not sure.

Three lightning strikes on the property has caused havoc to the security system, internet service and the gate electronics. After three weeks everything is back on track.

Projects at the Club will be getting underway this fall. A drainage ditch is planned to cure the south side water runoff. Repairs to road frontage blocks and repairs to and adding more rock to the rifle areas also.

New signs are being made with updated range rules for safety reasons. A new sign was placed on Highway 221 and Henrich Rd to show our location, with another one to be placed on the property by the gate.

Work on the pistol range from twenty five yards out to the berm and work on the berm is also planned.

Watch for upcoming E Mails as to range closures when these projects get under way, if a closure is needed.

2020 is almost at an end, let's all hope 2021 will be better when things get back to what we're all used to and want it to be.

Be safe and follow the rules while everyone is at the range!!! This shooting range is ours; we don't need anything to happen to cause us to lose it!!!

Greg Robbs  
President  
67 Gun Club Inc.

## Range Gate

This Year we have had a few issues with the gate not working. The problems were linked to a few thunderstorms that came through the area with heavy lightning strikes close by. We had damage to internet equipment, cameras, and gate controls, we do now have most items repaired or replaced. I would like to thank our club officers that volunteered to go out each morning to manually open the gate and each night to close the gate so that our members could use the range. We are working to install surge protection that may help to prevent this in the future.

We received several emails and phone calls saying that the old gate with the padlock never had problems and was much better. What most members do not know is that the old lock and chain on the gate was replaced several times a year due to damage. We had superglue put in the lock several times, keys broke off in the lock, and it was stolen a few times. With the new gate you don't have to get out of your car to enter or exit the range. We have better control of who can enter the range and can deny entry to those that damage the range equipment.

If you experience problems with the gate contact the club secretary at [67gunclubinc@gmail.com](mailto:67gunclubinc@gmail.com) or call or text to 573-915-2952.

## Range Safety

### Notice Notice Notice

When the firing line is called SAFE, the lights are running and the warning horn is sounding, this means someone is down range!!! During this time of SAFE, all firearms are to be on top of the shooting benches or in a rack, actions open, and not touched again until everyone is back from down range.

### **NO EXCEPTIONS!!!**

We don't want or need anything going wrong. We all need to follow the rules.

## Club Officers

President: Greg Robbs	(573) 430-8611
Vice-President: Tom Bridgewater	(573) 883-6953
Secretary: Larry LaChance	(573) 915-2952
Treasurer: Cynthia Courtway	(573) 517-3527
Executive Officer: Tony Robbs	(573) 701-3200
Safety Officer: Tony Miano	(573) 756-0462

## Annual Swap Meet

The annual Swap Meet will be on Saturday 31 October from 9am till 2pm. Come out and sell your items or come out and get some good deals from fellow members. Everyone has a great time each year selling and buying and talking.

## NRA Membership Discounts

Did you know that if you renew or join the NRA through your club that you can get a great discount? Current NRA membership rates through the club are:

Annual - \$35 (\$10 savings)

3 Year - \$85 (\$15 savings)

5 Year - \$125 (\$25 savings)

Life - \$1000 (\$500 saving)

Contact Larry LaChance to get signed up for these great savings.

## 4H Schedule for 2021

The local 4H youth have submitted their schedule for use of the range next year. The dates and times will be coming out on the 2021 Match/Event Schedule early next year. Use this info to plan your range time. Also, next year, there will be a Spring Swap Meet added to the schedule, watch for that when it comes out.

## Meeting Attendance

The club monthly business meeting attendance is very poor. We are 500+ strong but we allow about a dozen members decide what goes on within the club, then members complain about the decisions made. Come to some meetings, make your voice heard, tell us your ideals on improvements, but most importantly be a motivated member in the Gun Club you enjoy.

Business meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month a 7 pm at the St. Francois County Weber Road Facility located at 1101 Weber Rd. in Farmington.

Come to a meeting and meet the members that run your club!!

## Membership Cards

All members of the 67 Gun Club must have their current membership card on them while at the range. This is a Club policy that we need to follow. If asked to show you're your card, please do so, If you do not you will be asked to leave. Members should be proud to be a part of this Club and don't hesitate to prove it.