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August, 2021 Newsletter

Quotation of the month:

"I can't say I was ever lost, but I was bewildered once for three days."

Daniel Boone American Frontiersman 1734-1820

In Memoriam: It is with much regret that we report the death of long-time member Randy Lawrence. Randy, 65, died Saturday, June 5 and was cremated, but beyond this basic information we know very little. There was no obituary that we could find and per Randy's wishes there were no funeral services. In keeping with his private nature it seems Randy just sort of slipped away. He was a member, to our certain knowledge, for more than 25 years and was devoted to the High Power game. The club's annual Randy Lawrence Bolt Action Service Rifle match has been fired for some time in recognition of his years of dedicated service to the High Power matches, and the High Power guys presented him with an M1 Garand as a further token of their regard. We are diminished.

Meetings Remain Closed: President Trey Owston has determined that Covid Delta considerations have again delayed re-opening our monthly meetings. Regrettably, meetings remain closed with the exception of board officers and committee chairmen for the foreseeable future. We will open the meetings as soon as circumstances allow. Keep an eye on the web site calendar.





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Elections: As a reminder, the matter of last October's elections remains the same. There being no practical way to hold elections back then due to Covid we were forced to delay them. They will be re-scheduled for the coming October meeting if Covid allows.

Renewal: Secretary Ron Markhart reports 313 renewals. Contrasted with the previous membership of 346 this represents a 90% renewal rate, not counting late renewals. A number of prospective members are awaiting orientation.

Still the Same: shoots continue in those disciplines where the Chairman can run the shoot in accordance with current state and local Covid restrictions. Many thanks to those chairmen for their leadership. Keep your eye on the club website for current information on the various shooting disciplines.

More of the Same: due to the insane situation with ammo and reloading components participation in some events has been a bit off so Executive Officer Dennis Chambers advises we keep an eye on the club calendar. Dennis also asks that any Discipline Chairman canceling or changing any event to let Dennis know immediately.

Club Gun Sale!! The club's 4-H shooting program is selling four .22 LR target rifles by bid. These are bolt action Russian rifles and excellent shooters. Club members are being allowed first crack at these guns. Minimum bid is \$500 and must be submitted by October 1 postmark. A background check is required, with the accompanying federal form 4473. Bids are to be submitted to Ray Bartholomew, 4107 South Obee Road, Hutchinson, 67501.





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Veteran and

Family Shoot: the annual Veteran and Family .22 shootout will be held September 4 from 1 til 4 pm. \$250 in prizes will be offered. Free refreshments and ear protection will be available. Firearms and ammunition will be provided at each station. Minors 11 years and older are allowed to shoot with parent or guardian present. Please bring your own protective eyewear.

Pistol Berms: Executive Officer Dennis Chambers reports the pistol berm work has been completed by contractor Lynn Miller. As always, Miller has done an excellent job for us. Dennis is also casting about for a good price on gravel for whatever Conex box we come up with.

Fund Raiser: Travis Oden, Coach of the Nickerson High School Trap
Team reports the fund raising event the team held in cooperation with
the National Wild Turkey Federation back in April at the Moose Lodge





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was highly successful. Congratulations to this great group of young shooters and their coaches.

Shotgun: Chairman Travis Oden reminds everyone that we will shoot Skeet only on Tuesdays at 4 pm. We will shoot Trap, Skeet and 5-Stand on Thursdays at 5:30 pm. We will shoot Trap, Skeet and 5-Stand on the first and third Sundays of the month. Remember, we will no longer shoot 5th Sundays. Also, the new Atlas trap has been installed.

Action Pistol: Range opens at 8:30 am and matches start at 9:00 am. Shoots will be conducted under the NRA Action Pistol rule book and are open to all competitors per section two of the rule book. Entry fee is \$18 and close at completion of the first event. There will be no pre-entries. Next match is Sunday, September 12. For information Contact Greg Dick at (620) 931-7492.

Pistol Caliber Carbine: Next shoot will be at 9 am Sunday, September 5. Contact James Dean at (620) 200-0837 or james 67501@sbcglobal.net.

Precision (Tactical) Rifle: Shoots at 8 am third Saturday of the month. Next shoot is September 18. Greg Krebaum runs the shoots. For information contact Greg at (620) 662-7515 or e-mail him at krebaum@sbcglobal.net. Be sure to contact Greg before the shoots.

.22 Fun Shoot: Chairman Dennis Chambers reports that due to Covid and the continuing ammunition problem the Fun Shoot is an off and on thing. Call Dennis at (620) 664-7004 or e-mail him at casttackle@cox.net if you have any interest (or ammunition!).





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- .22 Rimfire Practice Shoot: Dennis runs these also. Shoots are at 6 pm on alternating Tuesday evenings on the Cowboy Action range. For September dates will be the 14th and 28th. For information contact Dennis at the above contact information. Dennis advises watching the calendar.
- .22 Precision Rifle: Jeremy Hitschmann runs the program, shooting the second Sunday of the month at 8 am. Next shoot is September 12. For information contact Jeremy at (316) 288-9034 or jeremyhitschmann@gmail.com.
- USPSA: Eric Schnitzer runs the program. Shoots are at 8 am on the last Sunday of the month. Next shoot is September 26.
- High Power: Registration at 8:30 am., close at 9:15. Firing starts at 9:30. Next shoots are Sept. 4 and Sept. 25. Contact Harold Mauck (620) 727-3222 or dr2136@icloud.com.
- 3-Gun: shooting the third Sunday of the month at 8 am. Next match will be September 19. Manuel "M.C." Camacho runs the matches. For more information contact him at (316) 284-1357 or e-mail him at manuel@mcsportingarms.com.

Nickerson High School Trap Team, coached by Travis Oden and Larry Meadows, will resume with the beginning of the academic year.

Buhler High School Trap Team: No report at this time.





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4-H: congratulations to the Reno County 4-H Shooting Sports youth who recently competed in the state BB Gun championships at Derby. Reno County 4-H Shooting Sports placed a very respectable second place with a score of 1809-41, receiving a very nice plaque. Team members were Mikayla Milburn (372-14) Alex Johnson (364-8), Rex Zongker (363-4), Brody Willison (360-8) and Elias Furthmayer (350-7). Dylan Cashman took first in prone position and Mikayla Milburn took second in prone. Great job!

Gun Shows:

Sept. 25 – 26. Salina Gun Show. Saline County Livestock and Expo Center. (785) 823-1747.

Sept. 25-26. Wichita Century II Gun Show. U.S. Weapons Collectors. Century II. (417) 567-2002.

Be sure to call ahead to confirm the shows, especially during Covid.

For Sale: 1989 Ford Ranger, 86,000 miles. Some minor blemishes. .\$3,500. For further information contact Club Secretary Ron Markhart at (620) 664-0834.

For Sale: Ruger American Rifle. Predator A1 style. 6.5 Creedmoor. 22" barrel. Cerakote bronze finish. new in box and unfired. \$395.00. Also twenty boxes Winchester AA 20 gauge shells, 2 3/4, 7/8 oz. #9. new and unfired. \$150.00. Contact Holmes; at (620) 960-4133. Leave message.

For Sale: members having items for sale can contact Jerry Maxfield at



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(620) 663-8666, (620) 899-1053 or jrmax@cox.net. These will appear in the next newsletter.

Notes From Yesteryear:

Hutchinson Rifle Team to Newton Next Tuesday

The Hutchinson Rifle Club will send a team of 10 men to Newton next Tuesday night to compete with a National Guard team sponsored by District Judge J. G. Sommers, it was announced today. Members wishing to qualify for government medals over Course "D", requiring high-power rifles, will have their first opportunity tomorrow at the sand hills range northeast of town.

The Hutchinson News, Saturday, Feb. 3, 1934. P. 3.

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Parting Shot:

"Man is the only animal that blushes. Or needs to."

Mark Twain. American humorist. 1835 – 1910.