

Estes Park Gun & Archery Club

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Indoor Open On Sundays

The Club would like to remind our members and the public that the Indoor Range is staffed with two volunteer Range Safety Officers (RSO) to open the doors to the Indoor Range from 2:00pm to 4:00pm each Sunday. Our RSO's have taken the NRA RSO classes and received Indoor Range orientation to assist our community's recreational shooters to enjoy their time on the shooting line. Please take time to thank them for volunteering.

The Indoor Range is also open on week nights, Wednesday-7 to 8pm; Thursday-6:30 to 7:30pm; Friday-7 to 8:00pm with Tuesday reserved for Archery (no firearms). Member fee, \$1.00; Non-Member fee, \$5.00; Bullseye targets, 10 cents.

Update News for Common Point

The Estes Valley Recreation and Park District (EVRPD), landowners of Common Point, have been very helpful to our community's Law Enforcement Agencies especially the Estes Park Police Department for allowing them access to the Trap Range area to complete their police officer qualification and training. That news tells us that Noels Draw Lane is passable with some restrictions still in place and by only contacting the EVRPD office for these special circumstances.

Kim Slininger, EVRPD project manager, contacted the Club to say that the contractor was bringing in a boom truck to untangle our shot barrier curtains on the 19th of May. The Club received permission for Bill Conger, 1stVP & Clean up Chair and Bill Howell, Club Secretary, attending to inspect and possibly take down all the curtain panels. With Kim, the contractor and both Bills, they were able to remove & inspect the panels, fold them into three category type piles: need repair, well worn, good status. All thirty panels are now stored in the Club's Archery shed.

The Club foresees for this 2016 season that the Trap Range will not be ready to shoot the clays. As the Club's Concession Agreement Committee has met with the District, everyone agreed that a baseline testing (water & soil) & guidelines be set for the entire range. At this time, the Club has not received the results but do believe that in the original 2011 Program of Utilization, it called for the Lead Sedimentation Pond to be implemented at the Trap Range. This project is not new to the Club or District. It has been delayed due to the flood and access to the range.

The new positioning of the pistol and rifle ranges are near completion or already done. The one project that needs to be addressed is the cosmetic repair of the 36 ton capacity bridge with the visible crack to underneath truss. It is believed that a special bridge contractor is doing the repairs and this will protect the truss rebar and structural integrity of the bridge for the future. The District and contractors have extended the rebuilding contract to June 13th.

Talks are still being done toward the Concession Agreement with the Club but the District does believe after considering certain mitigation projects to be done, there will be a second meeting with the two committees in early June.

Sharyn Gartner, Club President, 5-29-16