

Estes Park Gun & Archery Club

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2018 June Newsletter

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Outdoor Range Cleanup Day

Outdoor cleanup day was a great success. 12 volunteers smoothed the bridge access area, replaced the 25 yd pistol target line with railroad ties and new target holders, replaced all cardboard for the target stands, replaced the snow fence for the pistol range and replaced all the broken pvc target stand holders and brackets on both the rifle and pistol ranges. Thanks for all your help. Scrap metal and slash piles have been removed from the range – it's looking better out there.

Rifle Range

All fired rounds at the rifle range should impact the back berm. It is not OK to impact the floor of the range, or strike the telephone pole/railroad tie target holders. If your rounds are not impacting the back berm, stop what you are doing immediately. Use the greatest safety device you have available – your brain. Pay attention to what's going on when you fire. To help with this situation, we have shortened one of the standing tables to better accommodate smaller statured shooters. Regardless of whether you are standing, sitting, prone or whatever – your rounds should be impacting the back berm. Make sure they do. In addition, no pistol work should be occurring on the rifle range. We have a pistol range, and a tactical range in the trap area if you want to shoot and move. Angled fire from pistol rounds have the potential to destroy the rifle target holders. Use the tactical area if you want to set up your own pistol course.

1st Public Day

The first Public day of the season was well attended. The trap range stayed busy the entire day, and shooters used the rifle and pistol ranges as well. Thanks to all the volunteers that showed up to make that happen. We had approximately 9 volunteers that RSO'ed the ranges, deployed and took up the trap curtains and helped sign people in. It was a beautiful day, great weather and great fun.

Archery Range Project

There's a new fixed distance archery range being built at the archery shed area. It will include fixed target distances of 10, 20, 40 and 60 yards. Completion is expected by August before the start of archery season. Archers have stepped up to build and finance this on their own. Check it out if you get a chance. Volunteer work and donations are being accepted. Contact person is Bob Shipman at bshipman@constructadvisors.com.

Clean up Credit for Public Volunteers

All Members – Clean Up credit is available for volunteering to staff the sign in table at our Saturday Public Days this summer. You do not have to be an RSO in order to staff the sign in table. Time slot would be 9 AM to 12 PM. If you would like to sign up for this, please contact Rick Tekulve at judyrick53@aol.com.

Club RSOs for Public Days

All Range Safety Officers – if you haven't already, please contact Rick Tekulve by email at judyrick53@aol.com with your Saturday availability for upcoming Public Days this summer. First Public Day is scheduled for June 2nd.

Highway 34 Is Open!

Expect to see a lot more folks from the valley now. Travel is a breeze compared to going the long way around for many.

Outdoor Range Sign In

Please be sure to sign in when visiting the outdoor range (and the indoor range). It helps us with the Rec district to be able to document how many people use the ranges, and gives us some additional leverage with them to help improve the ranges and the facilities. It also helps us know which parts of the range are being used the most. Archers, remember to sign in before you go to the archery shed.

Thanks all,

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