



KALAMAZOO ROD & GUN CLUB

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Newsletter
January – March, 2018

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Monthly Business Meetings Moved to First Monday

Through the course of some recent events affecting the Club, it has become apparent that going forward, Club representatives should be available to attend local township meetings if necessary (namely for Cooper and Richland Townships). But because our monthly Business Meetings were scheduled on the same night, it was difficult to maintain a presence both there as well as our meetings. Accordingly, the decision was made at our last Meeting (in December) to change our schedule so that our future Monthly Business Meetings would be held on the FIRST Monday of the month, instead of on the second Monday. As before, they will still begin at 7:30pm and last until someone can get Tom to stop talking.

In the event that the first Monday of the month falls on a holiday (such as this year, when it is also New Year's Day) the Meeting will be postponed until the following day (Tuesday). So, the January 2018 Business Meeting will be on Tuesday, 2 January. For the 2018 year, that is the only month when that is the case – all other Meetings will be on the first Monday. This schedule change is reflected in the calendar found later in this Newsletter, as well as on the Club's website. And remember, our website is always the best place to look for up-to-date schedule changes which happen between editions of this Newsletter.

See you at our next Meeting!

Bill Nichols, editor

Visit our website: kalamazoorodandgunclub.com

Membership Renewal Reminder!!

By now, all Members should have received next year's Membership Renewal and Liability Waiver forms. Please be sure to complete and return BOTH of these along with your dues ASAP. The deadline for renewal is 31 January. If your paperwork AND dues are not received by the Membership Secretary on time, your membership will lapse, your gate card will be deactivated, and you will have to enter the lottery next year in hopes of becoming a new member. **Don't wait until the last minute!**

Once the deadline for Membership renewals has passed, we will know how many new spots have opened up for those applying as New Members.

Winter Air Gun League

The winter air gun league will begin its weekly sessions on the first Thursday in January (the 4th) and will continue every Thursday night through the last week in March (the 29th). Shooting starts at 7pm each night. The fee is \$3 per person (\$1 for kids under 12). Please note that only air guns shooting under 1000 FPS will be allowed. Also, calibers are limited to .22 and smaller. This is a great way to maintain your skills and get in some valuable trigger-time during the cold winter months. Come join in the fun!



KRGC Annual Swap Meet

by Beth Ronfeldt

The Annual KR&GC Swap Meet is set for **Saturday, March 24**, where a variety of hunting, fishing, and sporting equipment will be available from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Tables will again be \$15 a piece for exhibitors. Members may reserve one table by calling Beth at 269-345-6961 between noon and 7 p.m. or texting any time at 269-743-8441. Nonmembers can begin reserving tables on March 10. The Club is NOT responsible for any items sold. It is the sellers' responsibility to do any necessary paperwork. The Swap Meet is open to the public with admission of \$1 at the door. Space is limited so get your reservations in early.

Dues Increase Discussion

At several of our last Business Meetings, the topic of a dues increase was discussed. In comparison to many of the gun clubs around the state, KRGC dues rates are VERY LOW, especially given the variety of events and quality of the facilities available at our Club. Extra income provided by this would go towards further improvements and updates around the Club. The proposed rate for membership renewal was set at \$100 per year. As per Club Bylaws, any change to Club dues must be approved by the Members present at one of our Business meetings, with at least 90 days' notice being given to all. That means that an up-down vote on this issue will be held at the April Business meeting (on 2 April). All interested Members are encouraged to attend.

Winter Is Here

Yes, winter is here. And that means that the road at the Club may on occasion be treacherous or even closed due to the weather. Remember that the road to the ranges is "travel at your own risk" so BE CAREFUL! This is true not only when you are driving through the Club grounds but also when walking to/from your vehicle. And remember too that the road is plowed by volunteers, so it may take a day or so after a heavy snowfall for the road to get cleared. If the road is ever deemed too unsafe for travel (such as after an ice storm), the gate will be locked closed until the road can be made safe again. Please understand that this is not meant as an inconvenience to you but is done with YOUR OWN SAFETY in mind. Thank you for your understanding, and a BIG THANK YOU to the volunteers who do the plowing!

Every effort will be made to post an announcement on the Club's website whenever the road is closed. So if you are hoping to use the ranges on a day soon after a big snowfall or ice storm, it would be a good idea to check there before driving out to the Club.

Did You Notice?

Considerable space has been cleared and leveled to help provide additional parking near the 200-yd range. We owe a big THANK YOU to Woolf Excavating for donating their time and equipment to prepare this site!

"A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed."

January 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Member Business Meeting 7:30pm	3	4 Air Gun	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 Air Gun	12	13
14	15	16	17	18 Air Gun	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 Air Gun	26	27
28	29	30	31			

February 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Air Gun	2	3
4	5 Member Business Meeting 7:30pm	6	7	8 Air Gun	9	10
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**Moving?
New Phone Number?**

Please update your information with the
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