Cadillac Sportsman's Club Spring 2009 Newsletter P.O. Box 311 Cadillac MI 49601 * 231-775-0475 * cadillacsportsmansclub.org

Membership Report

With the new dues increase came the concern that the club would see a major drop in membership renewals. Happily that is not the case. The board would like to say thank-you to all of you that have supported the club and understand that the dues have to meet the costs of running the club.

Garand/Springfield Match

Vern Kolarik wants to encourage everyone to participate in this springs' Garand/SpringField/Vintage Matches. Dates are next weekend April 25-26. Contact Vern at 231-775-6022 or email at: vjk1941@sbcglobal.net You can just show up Sat. or Sun. and still participate in any or all of the

matches.

CMP Practices will be held on Mondays and Tuesday evenings. Contact Vern for more info on signing up for these practice sessions.

ARA & Alternative 22 Rifle Matches

Bob Hoard will be holding American Rimfire Assoc. and an alternative 22 Rifle Matches on the 1st Sat of every month starting in May. (May 2) Adults or youth may shoot either or both matches. The alternative option is designed for those who would like to shoot a 22 Rifle match but do not have the ARA recommended equipment. Bob will have guns and ammo available for use and purchase at the matches. For more info call Bob at 231-743-6342 or email at <u>hoard@netonecom.net</u>

IDPA Program

The 2009 season is underway with a March classifer and an April outdoor match. Dennis Meekhof is once again running the program but would really appreciate someone to help take over some of the program responsibilities. Call Dennis at 231-826-4514 or email him at

d_meekhof@yahoo..com

NRA High-power Match Schedule

Dates for 2009 are below. Contact Bob Lorenz at <u>bob2484@acegroup.cc</u> or call 231-885-2957.

Range work and practices are getting underway this month on Sat. to get ready for the summer shooting season.

May 30-31 June 13-14 July 11-12 Sept. 19-20

<u>Shotgun</u>

Pat Donovan has taken one of the skeet machines down to be overhauled and expects it to be back by April 25 for reinstallation. Thanks Pat for taking the trips down to do this for the club. Shotgun will start as soon as that machine is functioning on Friday evenings. Pat also reports that he has a few 4-H students interested in a Thursday night youth program. That is great news. A reminder that there will be NO Shotgun shooting on Memorial Weekend May 22 because of the MRPA Blackpowder practice.

MRPA Blackpowder Matches

These are the two scheduled matches for Mich. Rifle & Pistol Assoc. Blackpowder State matches at our club. The rifle and shotgun ranges will be closed for these dates.

Memorial Weekend May 23-24 September 26-27

Archery???

The club still owns several 3-D targets that can be used to practice archery at the club. If you would be interested in setting up these targets and maintaining the archery course, contact Bruce Finnerty to volunteer. 231-775-9330

CCW Classes

Wayne Mulder and his helpers have successfully held one full CCW Class this year and are holding a second this weekend. If you or someone else is interested in taking a CCW Class call Wayne at 231-775-9525 to get on his class list.

Jr. 22 Rifle!!

Thanks to a very positive article in the Cadillac News about our 40 + year Jr. 22 Rifle Program, our club saw a HUGE increase in youth shooting this season. Over two dozen kids will be awarded medals and certificates at the upcoming awards picnic. That is a 400 percent increase over last year!!

Adult Handgun

The first few weeks of the winter handgun leagues also saw an increase in shooters, however they seemed to dwindle as the season progressed. A core group of diehards finished the year and wrapped up the season this week. Top shooters this year were as follows.

National Match 300 poss.

1 st	Jim Brand	259.2
2 nd	Troy McMorris	210.7
Cente	erfire 250 poss.	
1^{st}	Jeff Koetje	241.6
2 nd	Jim Brand	236.5
3 rd	Gary Macy	215.6
Rimfire 500 poss.		
1 st	Jim Brand	486.0
2 nd	Gary Larsen	347.2

SPRING CLEANUP UNDERWAY!

The rifle group started the ball rolling last weekend with a range cleanup/practice session. They had a great turnout and will be finishing in the next week or so with rifle ranges. The indoor range will be rebuilt, and weather permitting, outdoor grounds work will be done on **TUESDAY APRIL 21 starting at 5:30**. If the weather is nice, bring your rakes, shovels, wheelbarrows, leaf blowers, saws, etc. and come on out. We will be throwing some hotdogs on the grill for anyone that comes!

MUCC NEWS

Club membership updates will be completed in early May and if you submitted an email address with your membership, you will be receiving an email notification for the online Michigan Out-of-Doors magazine soon after. If you change your email address be sure to notify Jane Finnerty so MUCC can continue to email your magazine to you. Hard copies of the magazine will be available through the club at a reduced rate of \$20 per year. Contact Jane if you would like a form to send for your hardcopy subscription. 231-775-9330 or jbfinnerty@triton.net