Maynard Rod and Gun Club

NEWSLETTER and IMPORTANT DATES



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Upcoming Events and News

Please check your email and club calendar frequently for upcoming events. And remember, Safety, Safety, Safety.

Membership Renewal

To those who've already renewed: Thank YOU! You know how easy and fast it was to renew. Please spread the good word. The faster we get through renewals the faster we can get to work on improvements for the Club in 2017.

OK, you've read about the incentive. So, we want to give everyone just a little bit more incentive to wrap up your renewal early.

Pay on line, or by mail, or in cash as received at the Club by 12/24 Christmas eve and we'll put you in a lottery to get your membership fee refunded!

At this point we've send invoices via E-Mail or mail to all our members for 2017 Membership Renewals. More than 100 of your fellow members have already renewed --the vast majority by using fast convenient credit card payments. THANK YOU!

Did we miss you? Still haven't received your invoice? Do you need an invoice? Please just email your contact information to Secretary@maynardrodandgunclub.com and we'll get things straighten out!

Do we have your E-Mail, but you haven't seen it? Check your junk/spam files to make sure that the quickbooks invoices from treasurer@maynardrodandqunclub.org aren't stuck there!

Has your address changed since last year? Please update us!

(We could reprint the stuff from the reminder email we sent on renewals.)

LTC/FID Certifications and Other Training

Keep an eye on the club calendar for the next Firearm Safety Classes and other proficiency classes.

Our Club is a supportive environment where people can learn and grow in the shooting sports. That truth has been strongly projected in terms of the various training seminars we made available at the Club. Do you feel the need to upgrade your skills? Check out Paragon at www.paragontgroup.com. We will be hosting more Paragon training events at The Club in the future.

The Club and our members are a great resource that prospective and existing members can call upon to grow and develop their skills. Do you want some help thinking about guns or gear? Need recommendations on group or individual training and lessons? An introduction to the shooting sports? The rifle and pistol committee can help you find answers to your questions and offer advice and recommendations on all things shooting. For More information contact rifleandpistol@maynardrodandgunclub.com

Paragon Training - The Armed Female: Street Survival - December 17th, 2016, Time: 0900- 1600

Members: \$200, Non-members: \$225, Range fee: \$125

Location: MRGC Indoor Hall/Indoor Range (No experience required, open to all women interested)

*PTG will provide firearm and equipment to those who do not have one accessible Capacity: 20 students

Equipment: Serviceable Pistol, 3 magazines, magazine pouch, Holster, Eye/Ear Protection and 250 rounds of ammunition.

Phase I: 0800 -0900

- Room Set-up/Registration/waiver
- Orientation/Safety Briefing

0915-1200- Krave Maga (All drills to be conducted from 7-30 yards)

- Strikes/Kicks
- Gun Defense
- Less lethal options
- TCCC (Tactical Combat Casualty Care)

Lunch - 1200- 1230

Phaes II: 1230- 1600 (Indoor Range)

- Handgun Skills Development
- Intro Defensive Handgun
- Concealed Carry Options
- Timed drills
- Range Cleanup/Debrief

Please RSVP to budman20@gmail.com

(SKEET, TRAP & PISTOL) MRGC SANTA INTRAMURAL 3-GUN TOURNAMENT: December 18, 2016 @ 9:00am

SANTA INTRAMURAL 3-GUN TOURNAMENT: (SKEET, TRAP & PISTOL): SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2016. NOTE: Entrant fee has been raised to: \$25 The price will now include GOURMET PIZZA with soft drinks served in the Clubhouse as well as great trophies, prizes, raffles and the most fun you can have standing up (mostly the most); normal clay fees are additional (e.g. \$4 for skeet and trap for members; no charge for pistol). BYOA (Bring Your Own Ammo). Cash bar is available for adult beverages.

Registration at the Shooter's Den at 9 a.m.; the shooting events will commence at 9:30 a.m. on the Sudbury fields. There will be rounds of skeet on the Sudbury fields until everyone has shot skeet; then as a group we move up to the Maynard side for the rounds of trap and pistol. Then everyone will go next door into the Clubhouse for food, trophies, prizes and raffles in conjunction with voting/club elections.

If the total number of entrants is large we can start squads of them on trap and pistol on the Maynard side while skeet is taking place on the Sudbury side.

Please RSVP to Gifford Perry, <u>wgp27@comcast.net</u>, Steve Winnick, <u>winvictus@winnlaw.com</u> and John Mackesy, <u>jmackesy@verizon.net</u>.

Remember, every Sunday 9:00am meet for light breakfast and coffee. Between rounds, local clay pigeon breaker and legend, Steve Winnick, provides legal advice at no additional charge while Club favorite, Gifford Perry tames the wind for easier clay pigeon breaking. For more info, contact Gifford Perry wgp27@comcast.net

Annual Kid's Christmas Party with Santa - 12/18, 12:30-2:30 (Sign up ASAP, 12/15 the VERY latest)

Kids Christmas Party December 18th in the Hall from 12:30 to 2:30 (Santa will show up at 1:00). There will be games, pizza, raffles and gifts for the children...Santa and his elves. A great time for all and a great family event.

The sign up sheet is in the members lounge. Please sign up by December 15th. (The club needs time to purchase gifts, food, etc. So, please sign up as soon as you can.)

Members and their families only (no guests at this member only event) - Fun Fun Fun

Who wouldn't want to see Santa at the club? Ho, Ho, Ho!



Club Elections - Members Jounge 12/18

Every year the Club's four officers (President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary) along with three (3) positions on the Executive Board are open for re-election. Members, this is a great way for you to get involved and have some real say in shaping the future of the Club.

The officer's chairs are a one year term, the board positions are 3 year. The Club Election sign up board will be up in the Members' Lounge. The Club's election voting will be held on Sunday, December 18th in the Members' Lounge. Please be sure to come by to cast your

Quarterly Body Meeting – December 19th, Monday @ 7:00pm (Open to ALL general members) - Club Election Results Will Be Announced

(June, Sept., Dec., March.) Meets in the Club house the 3rd Monday of the quarter at 7:00pm. ALL General Members welcome and encouraged! Come hear about the strong health of our club, other club business, committee reports, treasurers report, managers report, and socialize after wards in the members lounge. For more info, contact our scribing secretary, Bob Trombly secretary@maynardrodandqunclub.com

Send us your outdoor photos to include in the newsletters

Did you bag a trophy buck? Did you take a kid fishing or hunting? Did you take a photo of an extraordinary nature and/or wildlife picture you want to share? <u>Send jpg photos to joshliberman@hotmail.com</u> to include in the newsletter and include a short caption of who, where, what.

I received two emails from club members this past month.



Anonymous MRGC bow hunter - Buck taken on Thanks Giving afternoon with a compound bow on private property on the Sudbury Maynard line.



A 2nd anonymous MRGC Hunter clearly very successful during rifle season in Maine on public land. 197 and 212 dressed. Exact location was between North of Kittery and South of the Canadian border. I swore to secrecy that I would NOT tell who took these two legal bucks, but was it President Stephen Locke, or was it John Demars? Who else goes to Maine to hunt whitetails? Who dun it? Only those who bribe me with single malt in the lounge may get closer to finding out...

Rifle & Pistol Committee

The Rifle & Pistol Committee wishes you all the best in the coming year. There are a few issues that the Rifle & Pistol Committee would like to address as we head into 2017.

The first issue is range safety. The R&P committee would like to remind you of the need to keep a vigilant attitude towards safety. We are an incident free club and we want to remain that way. Please make sure the muzzle of your firearm is always pointed in a safe direction. The only safe direction is downrange. Remember when someone is down range, no one can handle or otherwise manipulate firearms, ammo, magazines, cleaning supplies, etc. magazines must be removed, chambers must be open, & a visual check of firearms should occur. Hands Off! Everyone must step back from the benches when people are down range.

Wait until everyone is back behind the benches before you resume handling. When anyone goes down range on either the Rifle or Pistol side, both ranges are closed.

Please remember it is up to all of us to create and maintain a safe environment for all of our shooters.

The second issue is the importance of cleaning up the ranges when you are done. It is the responsibility of AII MEMBERS who use the ranges to clean up your shooting stations & remove all of your targets before signing out. Use the burn barrels for all of your paper and cardboard. Everything else must go in one of the provided trash barrels. It is your responsibility to perform a best effort to pick up your shell casings. We have provided brass buckets for your convenience. Based on recent inspections, it appears many members may have forgotten this rule. Please pick up your brass and do what you can to reduce the amount of spent shell casings on the ground.

If you'd like a refresher on the Rifle and Pistol rules please feel free to email us.

We will be holding a work party soon, date to be announced.

Lastly, please communicate any ideas, issues, observations or infractions to the rifle and pistol committee immediately at: rifleandpistol@maynardrodandgun.com

The committee counts on the membership to keep us informed of range conditions, please email us.

Indoor Range Use and Closures

With the days now shorter and the air getting cooler, time for the Club's two Pistol Teams and Junior Rifle Program to start their respective seasons. Please note that the Club's Pistol Teams will be using the indoor ranges on most Wednesday nights 6:30-8:30pm. They do travel and have some weeks off, so please check the Club's calendar before heading over to the Club. If you're interested in joining one of the teams, or for more information on the teams/league, please contact Ramzi Maalouf at pistolleague@maynardrodandgunclub.com

The Junior Rifle Program will be meeting on the indoor range every Thursday night through the winter. With the exception of Thanksgiving and the Christmas/New Years weeks, the program will hold a practice on the indoor range every Thursday night starting at 7:00pm. Practices should run from 6:30 through to 8:30 or so.

Saturday 12/17/17, the indoor range will be closed from noon to 5:00 PM for a training event being held at the Club.

Sunday, 1/15/17, there is a Pistol League match (annual event) that the Nashoba Valley Pistol League organizes and MR&GC hosts. Range will be closed for the day. They start early and go all day.

Junior Rifle Program kicked off its 2016-2017 Season

The Club's Jr Rifle Program started up its season. The program is open to any boy or girl 11 and older, membership to the Club is not required. The program begins with basic instruction on firearms safety and safe firearms handling. As the program progresses, the kids learn basic rifle marksmanship skills and are introduced to the sport of 3 position small bore rifle shooting. Firearms and ammo are provided.

On Saturday December 10th, the team hosted it's first match of the season. The team had shooters from the Riverside Gun Club, the Southborough Rod & Gun as well as Holloston Sportsmen's Assoc. In all we had 17 kids shooting on 3 different relays. A great time was had by all. Congrats to Chris T, Sean C and Nick W for representing the team. Our next match is on January 14th at Riverside.

For more information on the program, contact Peter Early or Ramzi Maalouf at youthprograms@maynardrodandgunclub.com

Check us out on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/The-Maynard-Marksmen-140765322649616/

If you are not authorized to use the action range, and have interest, now is your chance. More classes to follow. For questions, training and more info, please contact Jeff, jmd13@live.com Safety first!

Anyone interested in earning Chits by helping the R&P committee with improvements can email Jeff DeLand rifleandpistol@maynardrodandgunclub.com

Archery

For more info, contact John Demars (jr8487@verizon.net)

New MRGC Website

The Club's website has gone through an update and is now live with a fresh new look. Check it out here: maynardrodandqunclub.com

You may see some glitches as we switch over and we'll be continuing to update content. The new site has a more user friendly calendar and we hope it'll be easier to keep membership updated with ongoing and upcoming events.

MR&GC Meetings -

E-Board - (NOT open to general members) our elected 13 E-Board members meets as a board the 2nd Monday of every month 7:00pm in the club house. If our general members have a topic they'd like reviewed, or if there are comments, questions or suggestion, please contact any chair member.

(New Members are required to come before the E-Board in person on an E-Board meeting night with their applications filled out. Contact secretary, Bob Trombly secretary@maynardrodandgunclub.com)

Don't be late! Here are some important dates!

- 12/15 Today-Last day to sign up in lounge for kids Christmas Party w/Santa
- 12/17 Paragon Training
- 12/18 Annual Kid's Christmas Party with Santa
- 12/18 Club's Annual Elections
- 12/19 Quarterly Body Meeting (open to members)

A special thanks to all those who work hard to keep the club going, too many to mention, please keep up the effort.

Keep an eye on the upcoming newsletters, the Club's website and Facebook pages for announcements as there is always something going on.

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