

LEYDEN RIFLE CLUB NEWSLETTER #2

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I hope you are enjoying the summer; so far it's been an enjoyable one. Since our 1st newsletter back in June, here's a small update about the Club's on-goings.

- ✓ **Reminder** : LRC's Annual Meeting will held on October 24th at the Clubhouse. The agenda will include elections of the Club Officers (President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary) as well as the business of the Club will be conducted. Please plan on attending this important Club meeting.
- ✓ From the Spring meeting held on March 28th, General Range Rules were adopted for the Club. These rules were requested that they be suggestive to allow all members to review and comment on. If you do have thoughts regarding the General Range Rules, please forward them to Elwin Barton by Sept. 1, 2004. Better yet, attend the Annual Meeting on October 24th where you can participate in the discussion regarding the formal adoption of the Range Rules.
- ✓ **WANTED : Leaf blower**. Before the Annual Meeting, there is a small work bee to rake leaves at the Clubhouse. If any member could bring one to the work bee, it would save us a lot of work (as well as our backs!).
- ✓ **The Club is planning a small work party on Sunday, Sept. 26th, after the morning rifle match**. The goal is to clear some brush and small trees around the rifle range. If you can help, the Club would appreciate it.
- ✓ Let's thank Carey Barton for the fine job mowing the grass at both the rifle range and at the Clubhouse this summer.
- ✓ Again, members are requested to pick up their brass and trash. So far, most of the members are abiding but items like empty shotgun cases left on the handgun range by some irresponsible member(s). It can't be stressed enough: **KEEP THE LRC RANGES CLEAN AT ALL TIMES!**
- ✓ Carry your LRC membership card with you while on the Club grounds; it is for your benefit as well as the Club's.
- ✓ **"Official" LRC items for sale** : tee shirts, baseball hats, patches, open bolt indicators, and .30-06 brass for sale. The T-shirts are in L and XL sizes. Hats are either red/white or hunter orange colors. Brass is once-fired Lake City (not commercial) which must be decapped, cleaned, sized, trimmed, etc. Prices: tee shirts - \$5.00, caps - \$5.00, patches - \$1.00, open bolt indicators - \$1.00, and brass @ \$5.00 per 100. If interested, see or call Elwin Barton.
- ✓ *Ever thought about shooting in a high power match?* As you know, the 2004 LRC rifle match schedule is out and all members (and first time guests) are encouraged to either participate in the matches or even just observe the matches. Our high power rifle matches are somewhat informal and start at ~9:00AM. We are looking for more shooters, both experienced and novice. For those of you who may be new to high power rifle shooting, don't let that stop you: our high power rifle veteran, Henry Smith, has always been ready, willing, and able to coach a new shooter during a match. (Believe me, Henry is very knowledgeable about shooting...)
- ✓ From our 2004 match shooting schedule, Vermont Yankee challenged LRC to fun competition matches on July 11th; a high power rifle match was held in the AM and a tactical match followed in the PM. A Bar-B-Q, hosted by Vermont Yankee, was given to all attendees at noon. The LRC wishes to express its gratitude to Vermont Yankee for their generosity and for being so gracious. Perhaps LRC can reciprocate a similar challenge to Vermont Yankee next year? (I hope so....)
- ✓ Again, LRC's 4 different match competition is on-going this season with the shooter's best scores tallied from a high power match, a bolt-action rifle match, an M1 Garand match, and a reduced target match; the shooter having the nearest score to an aggregate perfect score of 1,750 points wins. There will be awards for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places. Why not give it a try and have fun at the same time?
- ✓ **Upcoming gun show** : Big E, West Springfield, MA, on October 9th & 10th, 2004. (Support your local gun show.)

Regards and enjoy the summer and the fall,

Joe Sipitkowski, LRC President

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