



EL DORADO *Rod & Gun Club*



The Powder Keg (September 2002)

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Membership to Comanche Hills Hunting Preserve

Does anyone have a membership to Comanche Hills who doesn't use anymore or isn't planning on handing down to family? Do you know anyone who does? I would be interested in purchasing your membership.

Please Call Ray @ (530) 295-3957

Famous Last Words:

*"Don't let it end like this.
 Tell them I said something."*

- Pancho Villa

ANNUAL PICNIC AT HIGH HILL RANCH

The annual Picnic at High Hill Ranch was a great success. It was great to see so many members and their friends and family enjoying a friendly get-together.

The Winners of this year's Raffle Prizes:

1 st PLACE:	M1 Garand .30-06	GARY STONE
2 nd PLACE:	Range Finder	CINDY GRIFFIN
3 rd PLACE:	Snake Charmer .410 Shotgun	RAY PATTERSON
4 th PLACE:	NRA Limited Edition Print "Wolves"	TOM HOPKINS

I want to send a big thank you to everyone who helped with this year's picnic. Thank you to Keith Murray, Scott Seaton, Gary Abreo, Ray Engler, Dave Drum, Bob Howard, Doug Becker, Bill George, Bob Pomeroy, Bob Hancock, Letty Baumgardner, and Earl Keenan. A special thank you to Tony Zepczyk, Bob Howard and Paulette's Paintings in Camino for the prize donations that they so graciously donated and to all the others I may have forgotten.

REMINDER

Our September General Meeting will be held on the second Monday of September (9/9/02) because of Labor Day.

ON THE MEND NEWS:

Get well soon goes out to Bob Conover and Floyd Hughes. Bob took a nasty fall, broke a number of bones but will be good as new soon. Floyd had heart surgery and at this writing I do not have an update as to his condition.

P.L.I.N.K.:

Sunday September 22, 2002. Call Steve Morgan at 530-620-3946, or e-mail steve.morgan-plink@worldnet.att.com for information on forest issues and PLINK.





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LARRY WARD MAKES HEADLINE NEWS

Larry Ward and four other members of the Hamilton Gun Club made headline news in the Ravalli Republic newspaper in Hamilton, Montana. They set a new world record in doubles trapshooting by hitting more than 34,750 targets in 24 hours. The old record held by a club in Darien, Wisconsin was 30,000. This shootout was also a charity event for Camp-Mak-A-Dream, which is a non-profit organization that holds free summer camps for children with cancer. All proceeds going to Camp-Mak-A-Dream. Larry Ward, captain of the "Shoot for a Dream" squad, had the best statistics, hitting 90.5 percent of his squad targets. Each shooter shot for 2-hours with a ten minute break. "It really wasn't as bad as I anticipated," said Larry, "This whole thing turned out super!"

Congratulations Larry! Great shooting!

DEFENSIVE PISTOL

Fourth Saturday of the month

This is a cold range! No loaded firearms on the range! Firearms will only be Loaded when the Range Safety Officer tells the shooter to "load and make ready".

Shooters should arrive at the range with their unloaded pistol, holster and magazine holders in one container. Ammunition should be in another separate container. Once at the range the only place that the firearm can be handled is at the designated 'SAFE AREA' or when the Range Safety Officer tells the shooter to do so.

No ammunition is allowed to be handled at the 'SAFE AREA'. Sign up and range fee collection starts at 7:30 am. Walk through is at 8:00 am. This includes safety issues, range rules and gun handling. Please be on time! Late arrivals may not be allowed to participate! This is because the Safety Briefing, Safety Issues, Range Rules and Gun Handling are discussed at 8:00 am!

IDPA (International Defensive Pistol Association) rules will be the guidelines for the Courses of Fire. The Courses of Fire will be 18 round maximum, revolver friendly and concealed carry. Shooting (engaging targets) will be done from in the open, behind cover and on the move. Shooting from behind cover/barricades will be done from both right and left sides. Strong hand only and weak hand only shooting will be utilized.

IDPA paper targets along with metal and metal knock down (Pepper Poppers) targets will be used. The shoot will typically start with a warm up activity. Revolver shooters, bring at least three speed loaders. Semi-auto shooters bring at least three magazines. Shooters should bring at last 100 rounds of ammunition.

Respectfully yours in shooting...*John L. Lustig (RSO)*

TRAP FEES FOR KIDS

The Trap fee for kids under 18 is now \$2.00 as Steve Morgan will make up the difference.

Gun club shatters world record



Larry Ward, captain of the Shoot for a Dream squad, aims at a flying target Friday morning while attempting to break the 34,750-shoot world record set last fall. Photo courtesy of Camp-Mak-A-Dream.

WINNER OF M1 GARAND

Gary Stone, the winner of the M1 Garand happens to be a collector of US Military guns and accouterments. He had most of the accouterments for an M1, but he did not have an M1 to go with them. Now he does! Gary says thanks to the Club and that he will use it well.

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES

Ken Greenwood still needs input for STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES. Contact him at 647-2456 with questions or comments.

JUNIOR RIFLE SHOOT

This is a reminder that on the Fourth Saturday of every month we have a Junior Rifle Shoot at 1pm. Please come out, the shoots have continued but attendance has been nonexistent. Call Scott at 644-6163 for more information.

FROM THE EL DORADO NRA MEMBERS COUNCIL.

SCA12 (Perata)—This "ammo tax bill" has been "withdrawn by author." This means that we will not see SCA12 for the rest of this legislative session. Thank you all for your efforts in defeating this ridiculous piece of legislation. Keep up the good work. SCA12 would have created a ballot measure for a "Sales and use tax" of 5 cents per cartridge or component sold in California.

ELECTION REMINDER:

The upcoming statewide election is vital to the future of gun ownership in California. Now is the time for all club members to become active and work towards electing pro-gun leaders. Register and vote! Get all fellow gun owners to do the same.



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NATIONAL EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER:

Sept. 2

Labor Day. To honor the working men and women of America.

Sept. 4

Newspaper Carrier Day. To honor the youth of America who deliver the latest news.

Sept. 6

Rosh Hashanah. In celebration of the Jewish New Year.

Sept. 8

National Grandparents Day. To persuade grandchildren of the wisdom and heritage their grandparents provide.

Archery season closes.

Sept. 11

The first anniversary of the deadliest terrorist attack on United States soil.

Sept. 15

National POW/MIA Recognition Day. In honor of American prisoners of war and those still missing in action.

Yom Kippur. The Jewish Day of Atonement.

Sept. 16

Happy Stepfamily Day. Educating the public about the issues and adventures stepfamilies face daily.

Sept. 23

Autumnal Equinox. Marking the beginning of the fall season.

Sept. 27

Native American Day. To honor and celebrate the American Indian culture.

Sept 28

Opening day for D3-5 deer season.

MORE THOUGHTS:

Earning your stripes...

Peter I was one of Russia's greatest leaders. Much of his success stemmed from a core belief that great leaders need to earn their way to the top. He refused to accept any military rank he didn't earn, enlisting in a regiment as a drummer boy because it was the lowest position. Unlike other men who used their privileged backgrounds to receive preferential treatment, Peter accepted promotions to higher ranks only when he believed he deserved them. He didn't want to be treated differently than his fellow soldiers just because he was part of the aristocracy. When it was his turn for guard duty, he served it. When he was ordered to dig a ditch, he dug it. He slept in the same tents and ate the same food as the other soldiers. It was his belief in a merit system that got him to the top and eventually won him history's title of Peter the Great.

— adapted from The Stuff of Heroes, by William A. Cohen (Longstreet)

AND...

Are you interested in being an officer or director? It's never too early to think ahead, nominations open in October, the Election is in December.

Newsletter Articles needed.

Articles can be submitted to me by Email to president@eldoradorodandgun.com or by mailing to the club at P.O. Box 99, Placerville, CA. 95667.

Have you visited our club web site?

<http://www.eldoradorodandgun.com>

You can see everything printed in the newsletter plus more information at the club web site 7 to 10 days before you receive it in the mail.

Stay Strong, Stay Vigilant, God Bless America!

ITEMS FOR SALE

Ithaca 12 ga. Turkeyslayer: 24" ported barrel with extended turkey choke and 3 inch chamber. Fire sights. Drilled and tapped for scope. Full camo finish. NIB with all factory papers and a \$50 discount certificate (good for lifetime repair warranty or towards another barrel or accessories). \$550.00 or trade for?

Call Ken 530-647-2456

Terror becomes total when it becomes independent of all opposition; it rules supreme when nobody any longer stands in its way.

-Hannah Arendt

**Join the NRA and get us up to 5 million for 2003!
That is a loud message.**