

APRIL 2014 NEWSLETTER

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

© Spring work party scheduled for April 26

© Know the rules of the Club

© The next member's meeting is on Monday, May 12 at 7:30 PM

MEMBER'S MEETING MINUTES

The meeting started promptly at 7:30 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. The meeting was run by Vice-President Bob McCarty.

New members James C., Stephen B. Sr. and Stephen B. Jr., James K., and Stephen M. were welcomed.

Secretary's report appears in the Newsletter on the website and in the Clubhouse.

An important item in the Secretary's Report is the Work Party Scheduled for April 26, 2014. Bob indicated that a list of tools needed for the work party would be posted on the Web Site.

Treasurer's Report was presented by Tim Duffy.

Rifle team will be starting the outdoor season all matches at home, with a sight in night on Tuesday, May 27, 2014. The season will start the following Tuesday and run for 10 weeks. Matches start at 6:00 PM and end around 8:00 PM. The match is at 200 yards off hand, 22 shots with the best 20 shots counting as your score. You may use any caliber rifle and any sights.

Pistol team shoots home matches only during the summer...

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www.amesriflepistolclub.com

MEMBERSHIP for 2013/2014

No renewal notice will be sent by mail. Annual dues are due by January 1 each year. **Gate keys of non-renewed members were disabled on 2/1.** They will be turned on when dues for 2014 are received.

Regular Dues: \$108.00

Active Military: \$50

Active Law Enforcement:

Initiation fee waved

Disabled American Veteran: \$0

Senior age 65 + 5 consecutive years of membership: \$0.

DAV & Senior members must indicate renewal yearly

NO CASH, only check or MO: Write the first 5 numbers from your Gate Card on the check or money order. Money orders or business checks must include the member's name. Renew at a Meeting or mail to:

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New members must apply in person and pay additional fees. New members must complete a first year probationary period, attend two membership meetings, and complete two work parties.

MEMBERSHIP CARDS

If you need a card to indicate your membership for a CMP or local dealer purchase we will have them available at the membership meetings or by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to the Club.

RANGE CLOSURE DATES

Outdoor Ranges:

Easter and Memorial Day

Indoor Range:

Wednesdays from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM for the Juniors Team

Tuesday and Thursday nights during Pistol Team and Rifle Team home matches;

see schedule in the clubhouse and website

SECURITY GATE

A. The gate will open by passing your card within 12 inches of the card reader and will close when you have passed through with your vehicle.

EVERYONE MUST SWIPE IN AND OUT

DO NOT TAILGATE the car in front

If someone is going out in front of you it is not necessary to wait for the gate to completely close. Swipe your card and the gate will re-open.

B. The card will also open the clubhouse door and the indoor range .

C. The gate makes our Club much safer as it will record who is at the Club and their arrival and departure times.

RANGE OFFICER

We have range officer who will be reviewing the range rules with new members and anyone with questions. The primary issue is range safety.

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Applications are now open the 2014 season. Applications and instructions are in the clubhouse.

SAFETY

This is our club. Those of us who have seen other clubs know that we have an incredible gem here at Ames Rifle & Pistol Club. We have the privilege to practice our sport safely in this country and the only thing that can stop us is US if WE are unsafe. Unfortunately, we live in a part of the country where most people do not understand our sport and act to eliminate our right to possess and use firearms. If we practice safely, we reduce negative publicity.

We cannot stress enough the importance of safety—for our Club and our members, guests, and neighbors. We take our rules very seriously, and will take action for safety violations. Members committing egregious safety violations will have their access card shut off and may be called before the Board.

Every one of us is responsible for enforcing the safety rules and ensuring the cleanliness of this Club. If you notice anyone behaving in an unsafe manner, call a cease-fire, and explain to them what they're doing that is unsafe. Be polite, not confrontational. You may also call the President or a Board member to report the issue.

IN THE EVENT OF A POWER OUTAGE

1. Do not go down range without calling a cease fire on **all** the outdoor ranges.
2. If you are the only one at the club, park your car in front of the 300 yard range with the lights flashing and your alarm siren on (if you have one) before going down range.
3. Do not use the inside range

RANGE COURTESY

Place all trash in the containers provided. This includes target frames completely destroyed and left out on the range.

Cans, bottles, fruits and vegetables are NOT to be used as targets. We continue to find them left on the range.

Pick up your brass and place it in the appropriate container and throw steel cases and shot gun shells in the trash.

Bring binoculars or a spotting scope to review hits; it is unfair to members using the range to have cease fires every time someone wants to check out their 5 hit groups.

**Come to the
Ames Rifle & Pistol Club
website:**

www.amesriflepistolclub.com

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT CLUB RULES

Visit our web site and review the rules at:
[www.amesriflepistolclub.com/site/docs/
AmesRifleClubRules.pdf](http://www.amesriflepistolclub.com/site/docs/AmesRifleClubRules.pdf)

TEAMS

The Junior Rifle Team meets on Wednesday nights 7:00 to 8:30 PM on the indoor range. Check out the great pictures of the kids located inside the clubhouse. If you need any information about the juniors, please contact Bob Peoples at majorpeeps@verizon.net. Or come down on Wednesday nights if you have an interested young person.

The Ames Rifle Team meets on Tuesday nights at 8:00 PM. Matches during the winter are both home and away. Competitions are held outside and is a 20 round offhand event at 200 yards. Any rifle, any caliber, any sights, any action and any skill level is acceptable. Matches are open to any Club member with is a \$3.00 range fee per night. Contact John Harney for more information at johnharney@verizon.net.

The Ames Pistol Team meets on Thursday nights at 8:00 pm, both home and away. Their schedule is posted on the white board in the clubhouse and on the website. The team participates in the summer and winter leagues. For more information contact Steve Driscoll (781-341-0160) topgunsfg@aol.com

For more information and schedules:

www.amesriflepistolclub.com/teams.html

WEBSITES OF INTEREST

National Rifle Association www.nraila.org
Massachusetts Gun Owners Action League
www.goal.org
Civilian Marksmanship Program
www.odcmp.com

EDUCATION

MAGPRO Inc. offers several courses. The LTC-016 Basic Firearm Safety provides the Certification required to apply for your LTC or FID in Massachusetts. Get the non-resident Utah Concealed Firearm Permit, which is recognized in over 32 states in the U.S. The Basic Pistol Clinic is designed to assist new shooters in applying the fundamentals of shooting revolvers and semi-automatic pistols. Private handgun lessons are available upon request.

The next Live-Fire, License to Carry course is May 3rd from 10am-2pm and the next Utah Concealed Firearm Permit Course, Saturday May 10th 3-7pm.

For the complete schedule of classes visit:

www.magproinc.com

Or on mobile devices:

<http://m.magproinc.com>

The new Ames member training discount code is ARPC2014. This code provides a 20% off discount on all MAGPRO firearm safety training offered at Ames.

Contact Charles Hollins (617-893-0004)
Charles.hollins@comcast.net

RESOURCES

Northeast Trading Co., Inc. Ted Oven offers Ames Club members 10% discount on all supplies, excluding guns, bulk lead and bulk powder. They also offer instruction and have a gunsmith on site. Use your gate card or membership card for verification. 580 Kelly Blvd. (Rt. 152 South of Rt. 106), N. Attleboro (508-695-4852 / 800-473-3006)
www.northeasttrading.com

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...Thursday nights at 8:00 PM. The summer season has not started, but team members are shooting practice matches now; all are welcome to come and try the course.

Junior's all is going well, we has enough .22 ammo to get through the next few months for the summer break, but will need to resupply for September.

Work party projects for April 26 and indicated members should watch the web site for a list of tools to bring. We have many projects planned and several projects we can add if we have the volunteers, if you have even a few hours please come give us a hand on Saturday, April 26. We expect to begin around 8:00 AM (coffee, donuts and muffins served) and end around 1:00 PM (lunch served).

Scholarships to be awarded: Completed applications need to be filed with the application committee by April 30,2014. Please be sure your student submits a COMPLETE application or it will not be considered.

Firearms classes Charles Hollins from Magpro was in attendance and spoke of the various classes he offers including the Utah Concealed Carry Class and others. See page 4 for more details and contact information.

The raffle was drawn and won by Mark M. (two months in a row).

Motion to adjourn, seconded and passed, the meeting ended at 8:05 PM.

Minutes recorded by Tim D.

BE FRIENDLY, COURTIOS & SAFE!

SHOOT OFTEN & BRING A FRIEND!