

JULY 2014 NEWSLETTER

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

© The next Member's Meeting is Monday, August 11

© The Annual Meeting is September 8th at 7:30 (come early for dinner). Work party participants are entered for a \$500 raffle

© Check the bulletin board for messages from members

MEMBER'S MEETING MINUTES

July 14, 2014

Meeting opened at 7:30 PM

Commenced with the *Pledge of Allegiance* and moments of silence for our warriors overseas, and our club members with health issues.

Welcome to new members Tony and Tyson, Lee, John, Jeff, Frank, Kevin, Jeff.

Safety If you see unsafe, please politely say something or contact a board member with information

Work party Planning on work party in the fall-we expect it to be productive. Please send in your ideas to make the club better! Skills contributions are greatly appreciated.

Treasurers Report few expenses in recent months; tax bills were just received

Secretary's report newsletters on website and in the binder next to the microwave

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Laws Charles Hollins tells us about H142: This bill restricts gun laws that changes the shall issue to may issue licenses. Upon renewal, applicants must prove their firearms are not lost or stolen. Lastly, the bill includes language to the effect that a physician can determine that a person is unsafe (suicidal), which may result in the confiscation of firearms.

Education Utah license courses continue to be offered: If 5 or more participants, class will run

Raffle the winner of \$100 was Jim K.

Adjourned at 1945

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 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

RANGE OFFICER

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

RANGE COURTESY

Place all trash in the containers provided.

This includes target frames completely destroyed and left out on the range.

Cans, bottles, fruit 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.

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.

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

**BE FRENDLY, COURTIOUS & SAFE!
SHOOT OFTEN & BRING A FRIEND!**

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

MEMBERSHIP for 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.

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 Juniors would greatly appreciate donations of .22 LR ammunition.**

The **Ames Rifle Team** meets on Tuesday nights at 8:00 PM. 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

See the website for more information

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. 1) The LTC-016 Basic Firearm Safety provides the certification required for a LTC or FID in Massachusetts and includes a review of state and federal laws governing gun ownership and responsibility; how to safely handle firearms; shooting fundamentals and 1:1 supervised live-fire. 2) The Home Personal & Business Firearm Safety Course (LTC023) includes state and federal laws governing defense in a dwelling and in public places; the elements of an emergency plan in the home or place of business; concealed carry practices; and the use of progressive force. 3) The non-resident Utah Concealed Firearms Permit is recognized in over 32 states in the U.S.. 4) Private lessons are available upon request.

Class schedules and sign-up are online at www.magproinc.com Website for mobile devices: <http://m.magproinc.com> or Contact Charles Hollins (617-893-0004) Charles.hollins@comcast.net

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

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