

OWL KILL ROD & GUN CLUB

July 2014



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Monthly Meeting: The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Owlkill Rod & Gun Club will be held on Thursday, July 10th, 2014 at 7:00p.m. All members are invited and encouraged to attend.

President's Comments: This month's meeting will be an abbreviated meeting in order to allow a guest speaker. At 7:30 p.m. we will welcome guest Joel Abelove to speak to our membership at the July meeting. Joel, from Schaghticoke, is running for District Attorney in Rensselaer County. Joel is an Afghanistan veteran, an NRA Endowment Life Member, a NYSRPA Member, as well as a good friend of mine and of gun owners in the Capital Region. We have looked at gun control legislation from several perspectives through our guest speaker program – we can now look at it from a prosecutor's standpoint – except this time, the prosecutor is one of us. Come hear his unique experiences and perspectives this election year.

Now stay with me here for a moment – here's two GOOD things which have come out of the SAFE Act. And of course, its two things that the man who wants to govern a whole state like its New York City did not envision – the "Law of Unintended Consequences" is a heck of a thing, Mr. Governor. The first consequence is that many people who were not motivated to follow politics prior to the SAFE Act now do. Apathy is no longer an option. That means ideally that more people participate in the democratic process, and also more people are watching our politicians closer, and the politicians know it. That's a great thing – we can't count on the press to be our watchdog, so we'll do it ourselves. The other thing is that these are also the times that drive innovation, in the attempt to work around the law and put modern firearms in the hands of law-abiding citizens – hence we now have the Troy Pump Action Sporting Rifle – basically a pump AR. I don't know if I'd get one, but think about it – it doesn't suffer the same legal restrictions as a regular semi-auto, plus it has the reliability of a pump. So picture the venerable old Remington 760/7600 cross-bred with the accuracy and modularity of an AR. What other innovations will individuals or the industry create? I look forward to finding out, keeping in mind that it's a shame that the times have called for these inventive solutions.



Troy Arms Pump-Action Sporting Rifle

Keep enjoying the summer, gang. Hunting season will be here soon enough.

Board of Directors: Board of Directors meeting will take place at 6:15 p.m. prior to the regular membership meeting on Thursday July 10th

2014 Owlkill Lottery: Ticket sales are brisk for this year's fundraiser. You can buy them from any of the club officers and trustees. They're available right now. They're \$20 a pop, and there's a winner every day in the month of September. Help the club. Buy a ticket. Sell a ticket. Win some really cool stuff. Seriously – if you've not seen the prize matrix for this year's lottery, check it out. And keep in mind – there are a limited number of tickets!

From the Pistol Committee. Anyone interested in starting some kind of pistol competition or league please come to the Club meeting or contact Randy at rburgoyne38@gmail.com

Practice Safe Club Membership: You may recall that the Club recently updated its Safety Rules. The Secretary, Tom "Duke" Duclos, sent these rules to all members – we need to ensure that 100% of the membership has read and signed these rules. If you have not returned these rules with your autograph, please save the Duke the time and trouble of finding you. You can mail them back to the Club, scan/email to the club, or bring them to our next meeting (July 10th). He can't process renewals without sign-off on the safety rules.

From the Archery Committee: Bill Zeppetelli and some other archers have been meeting at the new archery range on Tuesday evenings at 6:00pm, weather permitting, to do some shooting. They both invite and welcome others interested in joining them.

From the Silhouette Committee: See below schedule:

Owl Kill Silhouette Schedule

Time: 8:00 AM - to end

Sign In 8:00 a.m to 9:00 a.m.

Practice: 9:00 a.m to 9:30.a.m

Match Starts: 9:30 a.m. Old Timer Match* starts 1:00 p.m

Fees: \$5.00 adults, \$2.00 Juniors (12-18 yrs-must be accompanied by an adult).

Equipment: For All Matches: .22 Cal Rimfire standard or high velocity ammo (no hyper velocity or Stinger ammo.)

No shooting jackets, gloves, slings or supporting equipment of any kind.

For Silhouette Match (1/5th Scale Targets).

Any.22 cal. Rifle in safe operating condition . Any sights.

For Old Timers Match (½ scale targets): any unmodified factory .22 cal lever, slide, bolt, break action rifle.

Iron Sights only (includes peep sights). No target or heavy barreled rifles. Old Timers Match will be held in the afternoon following the regular Silhouette Match.

~~Saturday, May 17, 2014~~

~~Saturday, June 21, 2014;~~

~~Saturday, August 16, 2014;~~

~~Saturday, October 4, 2014~~

Saturday, July 19, 2014

Saturday, September 20, 2014

Date	Day	A.M. Match	P.M. Match
May 17th	Saturday	Silhouette	Old Timers
June 21th	Saturday	Silhouette	Old Timers
July 19 th	Saturday	Silhouette	Old Timers
August 16 th	Saturday	Silhouette	Old Timers
September 20 th	Saturday	Silhouette	Old Timers
October 4 th	Saturday	Silhouette	Old Timers

Course of Fire (both Silhouette and Old Timers): 10 shots each at 40, 60 70 & 100 yds .

Animals set up as follows: Chickens - 40 yds; Pigs - 60 yds.; Turkeys - 70 yds, Rams - 100 yds.

Animals are set up in two banks of 5. Time: 2 ½ minutes per bank with a rest period between banks. Shots taken from left to right, top bank first. All shots taken from standing position.

*** Got something you want to contribute to the newsletter? Better yet – are you willing to step up and edit this monthly communication? Let me know, I always appreciate someone who is ready to grab on to an opportunity to excel and help the club.

Lance Allen Wang
President and acting newsletter editor