



KENT COUNTY CONSERVATION LEAGUE Sportsman

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From the Manager....

Every one mark your calendars for Friday, September 28th. The SCTP Orange Crushers will be putting on their annual Casino Night at Kent County Conservation League. Attendance will be limited to 125 people - so sign up quickly to avoid being left out! They've got some awesome prizes this year, including the grand prize, which is an Iceland Goose Hunt! This is the Orange Crushers' largest fundraiser of the year, so come out and support the kids! Check your emails regularly for more information coming soon.

Lastly, we're still looking for volunteers for a couple of outings: mainly on Friday, September 14th and Thursday October 4th. If you are interested in helping please let me know.

Thank You
James VanderLaan

BOD Officers

President: Scott Treichel
Chairman: Mark Jacobson
Vice President/Treasurer: Adam Nelson
Vice Chairman: Doug Bacon
Manager/Secretary: James VanderLaan

Terms ending April of 2019

Doug Bacon, Thad Bembenista, Adam Nelson

Terms ending April of 2020

James Widdis, Mark Jacobson, Larry Menetti

Terms ending April of 2021

David Held, Dale Ringerwole, Scott Treichel

KCCL Mission

To promote all shooting sports and sound environment, conservation, fish and wildlife management.

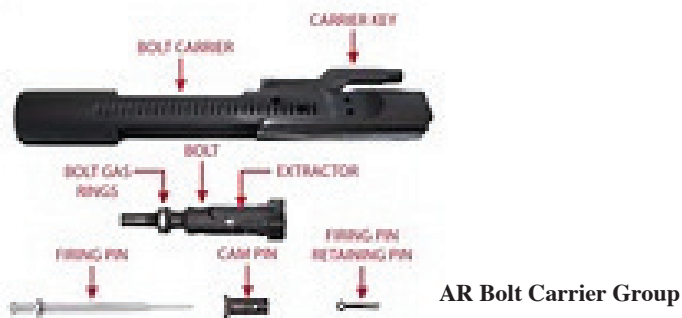
September 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						Open 10-5 1
Open 10-5 2	3	Open 4-9 4	Open 3-8 5	Open 12-9 6	7	Open 10-5 8
Open 10-5 9	10	Open 4-9 11	Open 3-8 12	Open 12-9 13	14	Open 10-5 15
				Rifle Range Closed 12-5	Miller Welding Outing	CPL Classes 8-5
Open 10-5 16	17	Open 4-9 18	Open 3-8 19	Open 12-9 20	21	Open 10-5 22
		Membership & BOD Meeting 7 pm				
Open 10-5 23	24	Open 4-9 25	Open 3-8 26	Open 12-9 27	28	Open 10-5 29
Open 10-5 Registered Sporting Clays Shoot 30					Casino Night	

From the KCCL Rifle Range (August 2018)

Greetings fellow long-gunners. We're seeing activity ramp-up at our Rifle Range with hunters honing their skills and preparing their gear for large game hunts out West. We wish you a very successful and safe hunt.

Through observations and more than a few conversations over the past two years it's become apparent to me that some of our AR shooters don't understand the concept of a slam fire or floating firing pins. To be fair, this topic applies not only to AR platform rifles, but more generally. The AR platform being so common provides the best example for a short column focused on safety. This brings me to the AR Bolt Carrier Group. If you find a spring or other device holding the firing pin away from the cartridge primer as a safety mechanism when the bolt carrier slams forward please let me know if only as a point of curiosity.



In short: The bolt carrier group moving forward as a unit will accelerate the firing pin toward a chambered cartridge primer when you release the charging handle after reloading, or in normal semiautomatic operation. The impact of the pin on the primer is a function of the pin's mass and the velocity of the bolt moving forward relative to the primer. You may actually notice a tiny crater on cartridge primers that have been chambered once or more before being fired. Under normal operation the muzzle is aimed (down-range), but I've seen cartridges chambered manually with the barrel pointed elsewhere, for example: angled upwards where a round negligently discharged will pass through the structure and off the property. By the way, these warrant an immediate report by KCCL to the Kent County Sheriff's Department. Safe handling requires adherence to the NRA's first rule of safe

CPL UPCOMING DATES:

Co-Ed: Saturday, September 15, 2018, 8-5

Co-Ed: Saturday, October 20, 2018, 8-5

Co-Ed: Saturday, November 10, 2018, 8-5

We are also available for private sessions and basic firearm safety classes as well as personal defense classes upon request. Please contact us at info@todaysweapons.com to sign up for any class.

gun handling: Always keep the gun pointed in a safe direction including administrative handling. And for heaven's sake (Rule #2) keep your finger away from the trigger until you're ready to shoot. These two rules are sufficient to assure that a slam fire doesn't send a round in the wrong direction, and that the round makes its trip in a safe direction, and only when intending to send it.

Taking this topic beyond AR platforms one only has to consider problems with the Remington Model 700 and Model Seven rifles with XMP triggers. See <https://xmpprecall.remington.com/> from Remington describing the details. This should only serve to reinforce the prior advice from the NRA in safe gun handling: Always keep the gun pointed in a safe direction. Our rifle range advises the uncasing of firearms on the bench with the muzzle pointed down range. We treat ALL firearms as though they are loaded, and if you open a case with the gun pointed the wrong way, please turn the case on the bench as opposed to picking the gun up and swinging it around potentially muzzle-sweeping your neighbors.

The principle for safe usage by knowing how your equipment operates remains critically important. Also, keeping tabs on recalls and making sure to follow them. For some of us knowing how machines and guns work is a gift of nature, and for others a curse. Cleaning firearms can be a burden and an opportunity to inspect for worn or fatigued components. This exercise (for some a ritual) makes understanding the operation of the system of components of your firearm almost unavoidable.

Please be safe as a matter of habit.

Kevin Belhumeur (Instructor and CRSO)

Meeting Minutes

Members' Forum

- Open Discussion
 - None
- MUCC Report
 - None

Board of Director Meeting

- a. Call Meeting to Order at 7:30 PM
- b. Roll Call
 - i. Present - Scott Treichel, David Held, Dale Ringerwole, Mark Jacobson, Jim Widdis, Larry Menetti, Thad Bembenista, Adam Nelson, James VanderLaan
 - ii. Excused - Doug Bacon
- c. Approval of Previous Minutes
 - i. Motion Passed
- d. Treasurer's Report
 - i. Will Send out Financial report
 - ii. -\$41,000 net loss year to date which is less than Budget
 - iii. Finances looking good for the entire year
 - iv. James doing a good job on not using the credit card and keeping the club spending on track
 - v. Need to clarify current IRS bill
 - i. Cash Balance -
 1. Checking-\$39,543.31
 2. Long-Term Savings (Money Market Account) - \$7,467.04
 3. Line of Credit (Not Used)
 4. Capital Campaign Fund - \$658.29
 5. Accounts Receivable (A/R) Balance - \$1,500
 6. Accounts Payable (A/P) Balance - \$15,000
 - ii. Loan Balances
 1. Clubhouse Addition - \$22,654.30
 2. Kubota - \$1818
- e. Manager's Report
 - i. Membership Numbers
 1. Current Account - 827 as Aug 1
 2. New Members - 9
 3. Renewals Outstanding
 - a. Total renewals this month -36 out of 57
 4. Next month renewals - 54 in September
 - ii. Events and Outings
 1. Outings are booking up fast, Adam brought up we should have a membership table at these large events, looking for volunteers
 - a. Miller Welding Sep 14 - 150 people

- b. Associate Builders and Contractors Oct 4
 - i. 180 shooters
- iii. James receiving quotes on lead reclamation
 1. Meridian Reclamation Proposal handed out
 - a. They want to start in September
 - b. Board decided that spring or early summer is better time
 - c. A better explanation of unit cost and what state our facility will be in to be better explained
 - d. Copy of their insurance is required
 2. Waiting on other quotes
 3. Dale recommended a copy of the contract from last lead reclamation
- iv. Raffle License Update
 1. We need to pick dates now
 2. On raffles do we need to limit or have a mass sale?
 3. We need a proposal to determine our required return
- v. Hunter Safety Class this week
 1. Class free to Members, \$10 to nonmember moving forward to cover club cost
- vi. James to hire more kitchen help as needed
 1. Should we have a member price and non member price?
 - a. This was discussed, a solution to be determined at a later date
- vii. Our Accountant is setting up a new way to handle the punch cards correctly
 1. When a card is used, money is moved from one account to another in the POS system
- viii. James and Mark are updating a Safety Video
 1. Discussed if we have the members watch every year or do we make them take an annual test to use the ranges
 - a. There was concern that we are not that type of club and our members would not want to watch a safety video every year and take a test
 2. Members to sign an annual safety waver - Tabled for further discussion and a proposal
- ix. Update barrier free accessibility on all the rages including sporting Clays
- f. Committee Reports
 - i. Building and Grounds
 1. We are renting a lift to clean up the trees on the road and Jim will supply a chipper to clean it up

2. Clubhouse Roof needs to be addressed to remove the snow jam between buildings
 3. Address the drain issue on the road to the pistol range
 4. Front concrete sealed
 5. Resurface Front Porch. Is AstroTurf an option? Easily replaced
 6. Redo the gun tables
 7. Jim Widdis has some new steel targets and a roll of rubber to use on the ranges
 8. Brief discussion of the bridges and their condition. We need more information
- ii. Rifle / Pistol
1. Yardage Markers installed on pistol range
 2. We need a Wheel chair accessible Port-A-Potty on the Rifle Range and Sporting Clay course
 3. Setting up a "Sight in your Rifle" class was discussed
 4. AR / AK Pistols on the Pistol range was discussed
 - a. Concerns about the excess noise
 - b. Also concerns about them being classified as pistols
 - c. Leaving the choice up to the RO was discussed
 - d. In the end, BOD decided that the Pistol Range is for rim fire and pistol calibers. AR (223) pistols and AK (7.62x39 or 5.45x39) or other rifle based cartridges must be used on the Rifle Range
 5. Mark Jacobson - A motion was made to remove the 1400 for ammo velocity off the Pistol range because it does not make sense. 22lr ammo can exceed this speed
 - a. 2nd by Scott
 - b. Motion passed
 6. Kevin received recognition of how clean the rifle range is and compliments from people on the rifle range. Thanks Kevin and the kids for keeping the brass picked up
 - a. Kevin requested 2 more lead sleds for people to use on the Rifle Range
 - b. Need more clamps up there to fix the steel when required
 7. Purchasing a chronograph was discussed for member to use / rent
 - a. Possible value was discussed
 - b. Tabled until we have a quote to understand the cost associated
 8. Mike in the process of finishing the Rifle Range lighting
 9. Looking at setting up LED lighting on the rifle range up to 100 yards.
10. Recommendation to add a light to the outside of the Pistol Range door to show a hot range
 11. Request to seal the cracks with caulk on the Pistol Range to allow shell pick up easier
- iii. Finance / Long Range Planning
1. Our accountant broke out the cost of each of the games
 2. Need to compare our game cost with others in the area
- iv. Marketing / Membership
1. Working on setting up perks for membership (list)
 - a. List of places that will give something to members or owned by members
 2. Welcome packets need to be put together
 3. Facebook likes are growing
 4. Working on making skeet scores comparable for winter league
 - a. Adam to look into auto score tracking
- v. Shotgun
- vi. KCCL Orange Crushers
1. New Skeet Coach Schiebel
 2. Working on safety checklist with all the kids
 3. Setting up orientation / test
- g. Old Business
- i. Township Approval of adding exceptions days for hours on weekends was discussed.
 1. Currently we cannot hold a SCTP youth shoot for our team at KCCL with the weekend hours available. We tried to have a SCTP fun shoot in the spring and we had to cancel the event and send kids home who travel from all over the state. Caused by a couple hour weather delay.
- h. New Business
- i. Strategic Planning
 1. Pondera Leadership Consulting
 2. Rob Elliot offered to volunteer time
 3. Will require surveys to be completed
 4. Will come to next BOD meeting to discuss implementation and cost with the BOD
 - ii. LED Lighting assessment
 1. Waiting on final results
- i. Adjourn

**Next Board of Directors Meeting: September 18, 2018
@ 7:00 pm at KCCL Clubhouse**