Fall/Winter 2026 Newsletter

Gem County Rod and Gun Club

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We know everyone is anxious and has questions about their upcoming renewals, we'll get to that in a minute but we want to address some of the range violations and abuse we've been seeing first.

At this point, everyone that has access to the range has attended an orientation and we've talked about the clubs rules and our member expectations. With that said, there is no excuse for some of the things we are still seeing on the range. Food products being used as targets, then left on the range to rot. People intentionally shoot at rocks in the berms and on the ground. Range signs being shot. Trash being brought from home, used as targets, then disposed of in the range trash cans. Rifles being shot on pistol bays and centerfire rifle brass being found on the pistol bays. Boxes and large targets stuffed into the trash cans. Firearms violations

include handling firearms behind the firing lines while others are down range, guns sitting out and unflagged, and others pointing at the parking lot. As we discussed at your orientation, everyone is responsible to know and follow the club rules.

The rules are there to protect everyone on the range, including YOU!



It doesn't matter if you're a brand new shooter or a lifelong shooter, the rules are the same for everyone. **Warnings are now a thing of the past, any violation from this time forward will be a 60 day suspension, and any serious violation or malicious act will result in the loss of range privileges for a minimum of 1 year.** Having access to our range is a privilege. If you don't appreciate the facility, you are under no obligation to renew. If picking up after yourself is a hardship or having to abide by the rules is a problem for you, then GCRGC may not be the range for you. As a reminder, we Do Not have trash service, please take your trash home. If You haul it in, You can haul it out, please don't leave it for the next guy.





When food and trash get left behind it attracts wildlife, the deer come in for the shot up apples or other food and walk all over the berms creating erosion problems. We have enough erosion problems already, we don't need to attract any more.





In the past few months we have seen a significant increase in trash. When someone leaves a bunch of household trash, the next guy sees what they left, and assumes it's ok to dump more. The trash cans are there for small items like ammo boxes and soda cans, not your household trash or bulky shot up targets.



We discussed this during your orientation, the bridge over the canal won't support a garbage truck. We have no trash service at the range, everything that gets left behind has to be hauled out by one of the volunteers that spend time picking up the trash.

For the 99% of you that are following the rules, and hauling out your trash, THANK YOU!

Range Updates

We just completed our 51st Orientation Group. It's been a Monumental Task to get everyone through the process thus far, well worth our time and we know in the long run it'll make the range safer and cleaner for all members. We've run orientations on almost every day of the week, from 8am up to 7pm, rain or shine, hot or cold.

All Shooting must cease at Sunset! That's not Last Light, that's not "I can still see the targets by headlight". If you have any questions about the time of Sunset, consult a weather app or check our website, it's now on the main page.

Please Slow Down on the Road! Please keep your speed below 10mph between the bridge and the front gate. The right of way is not our property, don't abuse it.

There have been a few rules updates since your orientation, most notably is Rule 19, accessing the gate. After a few close calls we had to update that rule to make sure everyone is scanning their card, even when the gate is open.

First, **Do Not Tailgate** or allow someone else to follow you through. Everyone is required to scan their card, entering and exiting. If someone is waiting at the gate and can't get in, there's probably a reason they can't get in, and it'll be the same reason they can't get out. They may be suspended or haven't paid their renewal, do not allow someone in for any reason. Report anyone trying to get through, we will review the incident and deal with anyone trying to sneak in without access.

19) GATE - The gate is to be closed and locked after entering or leaving. The gate may be left open during club events at the match director's discretion. Members are required to scan their gate card when entering and again when leaving, even when the gate is Open.

All Members are now required to scan their card on entry and exit, even when the gate is open.

We will be installing a truck toolbox at the small container near the exit for **Lost and Found** items. If you find something on the range please take it to the box and drop it off on your way out. Send us an email at info@gcrgc.net and we will do our best to find the owner and return their treasure.

We promised you a phone number and now have it posted on the front sign. You can call and leave a message, we will respond as quickly as we can, remember we are all volunteers and may not be sitting by the phone when you call.

If it's an emergency, call 9-1-1



Guest Policy

Members bringing "Guest's" without completing a Guest Waiver and paying the daily guest fee is one of our biggest range violations. Anyone on the range without a Membership Waiver or Guest Waiver creates a huge liability for GCRGC.

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Family Membership allows access for the Primary Member, their spouse or significant other, and children under 18 years of age living in the same home.

All other memberships are “Individual” and any party that enters the range is considered a “Guest” and subject to the GCRGC Guest Policy

We have cleaned up the website and located the Guest Pass and Waivers under the Members Login tab and Range Rules. Click on either of those and it will take you to the Guest Pass Checkout where you can complete the Guest Pass and Waiver. There is both an Adult and Minor Consent form, both are good for 1 Year from the date they are signed and dropped off in the range mailbox.

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Renewal Update

Now let's get to the renewal process. First, the annual membership will be increasing by $5 a year. Our operating costs have increased across the board, as everyone knows the cost of everything has gone up and we’re no exception. This modest increase will ensure we can continue to operate at the same level and continue making range improvements for the membership.

Every member in **Good Standing** will receive their renewal email 15 days before their expiration date. A reminder email will be sent 7 days after your expiration date, any accounts that go beyond 30 days will be closed.

Good Standing means you have completed an Orientation and have not received a Suspension or Warning during the last 12 months. Depending on your infraction,

your account may be frozen and you may be required to attend another orientation for your card to be reactivated after your renewal.

Remember, All Renewal Dates are now based on when you applied for membership and completed your orientation. We are no longer Jan 1 to Dec 31. You can locate your individual renewal date by signing in at the Members Login, then scroll down to the lower portion of your profile.

When you receive your Renewal Reminder email, you will need to Log In at the Members Login (upper right corner of the webpage) and update your profile and make any update to your credit card if needed.

There are a few new entries that must be completed including your birthdate, drivers license, and vehicle information. These were added after a review by our legal and insurance representatives. These are out of our hands, if you disagree with any of the documents or requirements, and your account is not completed as required, your access will be blocked, any payment will be refunded less $10 to cover credit card charges for the payment and refund.

To complete your renewal you will need to read and acknowledge the 2027 GCRGC Rules, read and acknowledge the 2027 Membership Waiver and Release, and read and acknowledge the GCRGC Guest Policy.

Once you update your profile information, acknowledge and accept the rules, accept the Member Waiver and Release, and acknowledge the GCRGC Guest Policy , all that is left is payment, just scroll down and click “Save and Continue” it will take you to the payment window to complete your renewal.

If you are on Auto Pay, and Do Not Complete the above requirements, your account will be refunded and blocked. Everyone must update and complete their profile, then read and sign the required documents.