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LGC Shotgun Range Officer Newsletter:

- **Training**

- SG Range Officer training will be held again in April or May. Kane and Ackerman are the coordinators for training. Contact Ackerman George Ackerman by email at george@warwickcheese.hrcoxmail.com if you are interested or know of others who are interested in training.
- The SG Committee previously decided that all newly trained SG RO's have to serve two sessions as an apprentice RO, once to open the range and once to close the range, before they are fully qualified. This seems to be working out well, and will be continued for new trainees.

- **Shotgun Committee .**

- Dan Price is doing the range schedule now. Contact him at lcgshotgunro@msn.com when you have known situations where you will or will not be available for duty (vacation, business travel, etc.) and if you have specific preferences on when you will serve. You need to do this **before** Dan puts out the schedule. Specifically, he will be putting out the schedule for June/July about **mid May**. When you know of conflicts in your availability, let him know by mid May. This saves a lot of turbulence among the SG RO's, scrambling for a substitute.

- **Range Equipment Status**

- The new "battue" trap has been placed into operation. At present it is up on the hill on the right side of the range. We are operating it with the "No. 8" button on the remote control. The existing No 8 "teal" trap is now operated with a new yellow cable and pickle switch. Ask one of the SG Committee members for details when you are on the range.
- Designations of the above two traps can be somewhat confusing to the trapper. Talk to the squad shooting and agree upon what you are going to call each of the two traps when you call for birds in 5-stand.
- Mark Goodell continues to keep the traps in good repair. **DO NOT ATTEMPT TO ADJUST or REPAIR any traps yourself.** Contact George Ackerman by email at george@warwickcheese.hrcoxmail.com or notify one of the other SG Committee members and we will take action. Also note any problems on the "trouble board" in the SG RO shack.

- **Range Operations.**

- We are trying to take appropriate action with SG RO's who have unexcused absences from their assigned duty. To help us out with that, please indicate on the SG Range Log sheet when you are serving as a **pre-arranged substitute** for another SG RO. That way he won't get dinged for missing duty. If you are being a good guy and stepping in to **cover for a no-show RO**, make a note to that effect as well.
- It is still a ways off, but a Boy Scout troop will be camping out at the LGC on 25-27 April. They have been granted permission to shoot on the SG range that Saturday and Sunday, during open shooting hours. If you are present, lend a hand to help out to make them welcome and keep things safe.

Joe Vallow
LGC SG RO
Admin Guy