



Laramie Trap Club

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To: All shooters interested in membership to the Laramie Trap Club and/or participating in the LTC Summer Trap League

From: Laramie Trap Club Board of Directors

Subject: LTC leagues and various events

Dear LTC Members and interested shooters:

The Laramie Trap Club Board of Directors is looking forward to the start of the 2024 shooting season and hope to see everyone at the club this summer.

This past year has seen several improvements to the club and several projects are planned for this coming summer. All these improvements have been possible due to grants. We have not used membership/league dues for any improvements. Below are a few highlights:

- Used an Albany County Rec Board Grant to make four additional trap fields ADA compliant.
- Used the same grant to re-do Trap House #1 which was disintegrating.
- Albany County Rec Board Grant was also used to purchase a new loan mower for the club.
- We have a grant pending that would help pay for targets this year; due to this, even with all the increases in cost (liability insurance and property taxes have increased significantly; not to mention utilities (on average, the three have increased by over 15% each)...same as you at home), we have kept membership and league costs the same. We will most likely have to increase costs next year unless we can find another grant to assist with leagues.

We are always looking for feedback from our membership for additional ways to improve the club. If any of you have recommendations on projects we should consider or grant opportunities we should apply for, please let us know.

Annual Membership Meeting:

This year's annual membership meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 1st at 6:00 PM at the LTC Clubhouse. We will be reviewing what is happening with the club, addressing a few items of business (voting on a slate of returning and prospective board members), and updating everyone on the summer league, etc. We will be taking league signups, etc. at that meeting, the earlier we get that information, the better we can plan for the league and summer shooting season! This is also a great opportunity to bring forth any ideas you may have for improving the club and/or our league(s). Be involved in YOUR club!

Summer Trap League:

League will begin on May 28th/29th and run through Aug 6th/7th, 2024, with any weather cancelations made up at the end of the season as needed. Note that there will be **NO League shooting or practice** hours during the week of July 4th (July 2nd through July 7th). League Party/Award Night will tentatively be held the week following the conclusion of League on Tuesday, August 13th, 2024.

As we have done for the last several years, the league will be split into two nights, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, and each team will shoot during one of four assigned time slots available each night of League (5:15, 6:00, 6:45, and 7:30 pm), which allows a 45-minute time slot for your squad to shoot your targets for that week. Your squad will shoot on the same assigned trap house each week of league, and the trap kids will have your scoresheet ready for you when you arrive, so you can go directly to your assigned trap house upon arriving at the Club. Any squad or squad member missing their assigned time slot or not completing their shooting within that 45-minute time limit may make up their shooting at the end of that night's league shooting, or take their adjusted average score for that week.

To accommodate planned absences, each league shooter will be allowed to PRE-SHOOT their week's scores up to two times during League. POST-SHOOTING will only be allowed in the event of a weather cancellation and/or at the discretion of the Board. Note that anyone not shooting their targets for the week will be given an adjusted average score of their average through the first 3 weeks of actual shooting, minus two targets for singles and handicap that week (i.e. you will NOT receive a "zero" score if you are unable to shoot targets for that week). In the event that you do take an adjusted average score, we will issue you two complimentary practice tokens to make up for the targets you paid for in your League fees.

Online Posting of Trap League Scores:

Again, this season, all league scores will be posted both on the bulletin board in the clubhouse and online on our website (www.laramietrapclub.com). Just click on the League Shooting link and locate your scores for the week! If you notice any errors in scoring, please let us know as soon as possible. You will also find a list of all League teams/members and your shooting time/trap assignments if you need a reminder under the same link.

Online Trap League Sign-Up:

To make signing up for league as easy as possible, you can submit your team roster and contact information online at: <https://forms.gle/RHcvjHUw8DJ5cz8t8>. Please indicate your squad's preferences (1st, 2nd, 3rd choice) for assigned shooting time on your registration form, time slots will be allotted based on those preferences and in the order that the team roster was submitted. If you are unable to access the online form, you can complete the attached team roster sheet, and return it to the club as soon as possible either via email at laramietrapclub@gmail.com, turn it in at the Clubhouse on open practice days, or mail it to the club PO address. Again, we strongly encourage you to get your team rosters and preferred shooting times submitted as soon as possible. That will also give the Board a better idea of how many shooters/teams we will have before the first night of league, which will aid us in more effectively planning our labor requirements (trap kids, etc.) for the season. And of course, if you know of other potential shooters interested in membership or shooting the league feel free to forward this letter to them.

Trap League and Membership Fees:

The league and membership fees are listed below and may be paid in full or in two equal payments of \$115 each. The first payment must be paid to LTC on or before your first night of league shooting on May 28th/29th, with the second payment paid to the club no later than July 9th/10th. The assessed fees are as follows:

<i>League fees:</i>	\$170.00
<i>Membership fee:</i>	\$60.00
<i>Total:</i>	\$230.00

***When making payments (partial or in full)
please complete the attached payment
coupon and include with your payment***

On or before the first night of league shooting, we need each team member to complete the attached payment coupon and submit it along with their membership and league fees. This form needs to be completed in its entirety so that we have acknowledgement of club current policies, phone number, and email address for all our members.

The Laramie Trap Club will use email and Facebook posts to communicate with our membership. You can also visit our website, email the club, or reach out to a Board member if you have any questions throughout the year.

Youth Shooters:

In an effort to recruit new youth shooters to our sport, any shooter aged 18 and younger will be charged HALF of the normal league fees (\$85) and given a free membership to the club. We will be presenting an award for high overall youth shooter on party night. Please help us to recruit the future of our sport by encouraging youth shooters to join the league.

Ammunition Availability:

The board is currently looking to become a vendor for Fiocchi and we will be able to supply shells to all members for leagues as well as other utilizing the Laramie Trap Club.

League Awards:

An award to the high overall league shooter in singles and handicap (for both men and women) and a high overall shooter award will be given. Winning teams in each division at the end of the 10 weeks will also receive awards on party night. As in past years, divisions will be locked after 5 weeks of scores. Substitute shooters are welcome to shoot the targets you have paid for, but their score will not count for the team score and only targets shot by the member signed up with that team will count toward team or individual league scores. Please inform your trap kid if you have substitute shooter(s) so they know to denote that on your scorecard.

Gun Raffle on Party/Awards Night!

In an effort to keep costs down and hopefully keep price increases to our membership to a minimum, we are going to be raffling several guns away on Party/Awards Night. There will be a chance to win at least four different prizes. The exact guns on the auction will be announced at the annual meeting on May 1st. Tickets will be \$10/ticket or five for \$40.

Practice/Public Hours:

Practice round tokens may be purchased for \$7/round (25 clays) for members and \$9.00/round for non-members for use on the trap and skeet fields. An additional \$1/round will be charged for practice rounds used on the 5-Stand course. Practice round tokens must be purchased *prior* to shooting any practice round. The trap help will be instructed to not allow any shooter on the practice traps without first receiving a token from that shooter. Practice tokens may be purchased at the clubhouse any time during business hours. Ten (10) round punch cards for trap/skeet are also available for members only at a discount price of \$63.00.

Laramie Trap Club hours – May 8th through May 26th and Aug 14th to Aug 28th, 2024 (Unless otherwise posted):

Wednesday	5:00 pm to 8:00 pm (no new shooters after 7:30 pm)
Saturday and Sunday	10:00 am to 2:00pm

Laramie Trap Club practice hours – May 8th through August 28th, 2024 (Unless otherwise posted):
Saturday and Sunday 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

ClayMate System:

No more waiting for open public hours to practice; you can shoot whenever you want with the help of our ClayMate Shooting system. Once your ClayMate membership is approved, this pre-paid card system gives you access to our trap, skeet, and 5-stand ranges. Please see web site for a ClayMate Membership application and more information on the ClayMate Shooting System.

Alcohol on Club Grounds:

There will be no alcohol sold at the Laramie Trap Club, however, you are welcome to bring your own but please do not use glass. Also, please do not consume any alcohol until you have completed your shooting for the night. Those not complying with this requirement will not be allowed to continue shooting for the evening. After a second offense, the shooter will not be allowed back to the club until the next season.

ATA Registered Shoots:

The club hosts several ATA Registered Shoots each year (see schedule on last page). Hosting regular ATA shoots maintains our eligibility to host the Wyoming State Trap shoot on a rotational basis and are critical to the continued operations of the club by bringing shooters from around the region to our club and generating income that helps us to keep costs to our membership as low as possible. If you are new to shooting registered targets and are not a current ATA member, the Club has several free ATA memberships (\$20 value) available for you to give it try (while supplies last). Registered ATA shoots are a lot of fun, a great opportunity to get some additional rounds through your gun and meet some very talented individuals!

Club Workdays:

To help maintain the club and make the club as presentable as possible, we are asking for your help on several Club Workdays this summer. Workdays typically involve regular cleanup, trash removal, mowing/trimming, loading targets into trap houses, etc. as well as any special projects we have underway. Many hands make short work, and all club members should make it a priority to help when possible. Our first workday will be on *Saturday May 18th* to get the club ready for the start of the league. We will also have another planned workday on *June 15th*. Additional workdays may be scheduled to work on special projects out at the club. Watch your email, the club Facebook page, and postings in the clubhouse for more information.

Make a Difference – Become a Board Member!

The Board of Directors is always looking for new members. Please let us know if you are interested in one of these positions. Remember, this is YOUR club. If you want to see changes, we encourage you to be involved. Volunteering as a board member is one way to do that!

Wyoming State Trap Shoot

Due to Laramie hosting the 2024 Wyoming State Trap Shoot, there will be **NO League shooting or practice** hours during the week of July 4th (July 2nd through July 7th). We will also be removing the skeet and 5-stand fields at the beginning of June to prepare for state. We will request help from the membership to reset up the fields after state. Hosting the state shoot brings in the money we need to pay for club house expenses in the off-season. We need the support of the membership in work days to make sure the state shoot is successful.

Calendar of Events

Wed	May 1st	Annual Membership and League Meeting (6:00 pm)
Sat	May 4 th	1 st day Club open for practice
Sat	May 18 th	Club Workday (9:00 am)
Tue/Wed	May 28 th /29th	First week of league shooting First half of membership/league fees are due
Sat	June 15 th	Club Workday (9:00 am)
Sun	June 16 th	ATA Registered shoot – Butch Beman Memorial Shoot– Second day of the Morton Pass shoot with Wheatland /Sponsored by IMH
Wed	July 3 rd	ATA Registered Shoot/Sponsored by BH Contracting Services
Thur/Sun	July 4 th /7 th	Wyoming State Trap Shoot-Laramie Trap Club NO League Shooting or practice hours
Tue/Wed	July 9 th /10 th	Second half of membership/league fees due
Tue/Wed	Aug 6 th /7 th	Last night of league shooting
Tue	Aug 13 th	League Party/Awards Night
Sun	Aug 25 th	ATA Registered Shoot – Snowy Range Shootout & second day of Over-the-Hill Shoot w/ Cheyenne Trap Club Sponsored by Dave and Bonnie Athey
Wed	Aug 28th	Last Day the Club is open for practice for Summer 2024