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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:

We hope that this finds all of our members in good health and ready to dust off your shotguns, get out of the house, and do some shooting at the Laramie Trap Club! And a hearty thanks to you all for your help in making last season a success during the pandemic. With the lifting of most COVID restrictions, we hope that things will be closer to normal for this coming season. Nonetheless, please continue cooperating with any posted requirements this season.

First, an update on a few things going on with your club. The board has been hard at work with continued improvements to the club facilities, with more projects to come. You may have noticed that the exterior of the clubhouse was repaired and repainted last summer, and continued efforts will now focus on the interior with renovations to clubhouse floor, ceiling and lights, entry doors, as well as the kitchen area. The club also has a new gun safe in the office for more secure storage. Planning is underway for a new picnic shelter just to the East of the Clubhouse. Pending grant support from the Albany County Rec Board, NRA Foundation, and MidwayUSA Foundation, we hope to continue to upgrade a few of our traps and houses, and expand the lighting on the trap fields to cover additional traps as well as the skeet field. Once that occurs, we hope to offer more opportunities for shooting under the lights, and maybe even get back to a few having games (Annie Oakley's, etc.) and socializing following league shooting each night. You may also have noticed the expansion and renovations to the RV/camping areas, which makes the club more attractive to outside shooters attending ATA Registered Shoots, thereby helping to offset some of our ever-increasing operating costs and ensuring that we can continue being one of the least expensive clubs and leagues in the area. If you would get involved in any of those projects, please let us know. More hands make lighter work for all, and we really could use your help to see these projects come to completion...especially with our rotation for hosting the State Shoot coming up again in 2022. We would also appreciate your help in recruiting new shooters/teams, especially women and youth shooters, to ensure that growth in the sport we all love will continue into the future.

Many of the adjustments we made to the league last season will be continuing this season. First, because of the strong financial footing the club is on right now, there will be NO CHANGE in membership or league fees for the coming season! Due to the overwhelming positive response we received from the membership last season, we will continue having league night on both Tuesday and Wednesday evenings with assigned shooting times and assigned houses. However, we plan to have an additional assigned trap open both nights of league so that more shooters can complete their league shooting earlier in the evening. As we did last year, shooting times will be allotted in

the order we receive them, so 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.

Finally, the question of the day seems to be that of availability of ammunition. The club does have ammunition on order with anticipated delivery by the start of league. While we continue to receive assurances that our order will be fulfilled, and that target ammo should start becoming more widely available soon, we unfortunately cannot provide any guarantees that we will have ammo available. We recognize that supplies of target ammo are exceedingly tight right now, especially in Laramie, with elevated prices and stringent purchase limits in place when you can find ammo. While we intend to keep our ammo prices as low as possible, the club will be implementing similar purchase restrictions in an effort to make our limited supply last through the summer. That will include selling only to members of the club, and only in the quantity needed for your shooting that day (i.e. 2 boxes on League night, no case sales, etc.). As ammo availability changes, we hope to relax those restrictions as soon as possible, and will do our best to provide you with the ammo you need to practice and shoot the league.

Annual Membership Meeting:

We will NOT be holding an Annual Membership and Pre-League Meeting this Spring. As we did last season, we will address a few items of business, such as voting on a slate of returning and prospective board members, at the League Party Night in August. As always, if you have any ideas for improving the club and/or our league(s) please let one of the Board members know

Summer Trap League:

The Summer Trap League will kick off starting the second week of June. The league will be split into two nights...Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. We will be maintaining the same 10-week League as past years, which means that the League will run from *June 8-9 through Aug 10-11, 2021*. Any weather cancelations will be made up at the end of the season. Party night (tentative) will occur on Tuesday evening following completion of the League, which is *Tues Aug 17*. Each team will be assigned to shoot during one of four time slots available each night of League (5:15, 6:00, 6:45, and 7:30pm), which allows your squad 45 minutes to shoot your targets for that week. Please submit your League Roster and indicate your squad's preferences (1st, 2nd, 3rd choice) for assigned shooting time on your registration form as soon as you can. Time slots will be allotted based on those preferences and in the order that the team roster was submitted. In addition, your squad will also be assigned to a trap house, and you will shoot on the same trap house each week of league. 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. As done in past years, *anyone not shooting their targets will be given an adjusted average score of their average minus two targets for singles and average minus two targets for handicap for that week*. Note that there will be NO PRE- or POST-SHOOTING for league scores allowed once again this season. If you are unable to shoot your league targets for the week, please let us know and we will issue you 2 practice tokens to cover the targets you paid for in your League fees.

New this year – Online Trap League Sign-Up:

To make signing up for league as easy as possible, you can now submit your team roster and contact information online at: <https://forms.gle/hd7n8tut6Spykzqv8>. If you are unable to access the online form, you can still 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. Keep in mind that assignment of shooting times will be on a first-come, first-served basis, so the sooner we get your team roster, the greater the chance of getting your preferred shooting time. Before the start of league, we will also need each team member to complete the attached payment coupon and submit it along with their membership and league fees. These forms need to be completed in its entirety so that we have a current address, phone number, and email address for all our members. The Laramie Trap Club will continue to use email to communicate with the membership in a more effective and cost efficient way than using USPS mailings. You can also visit our website or email the club if you have any questions throughout the year. And of course, if you know of other potential shooters interested in membership or shooting the league feel free to forward this letter on to them.

Trap League Fees:

The league and membership fees are the same as the last several years and may be paid in full or in two equal payments of \$105 each. The first payment must be paid to LTC prior to start of league on June 8-9; the second payment must be paid to the club prior to or on July 6-7. The assessed fees are as follows:

<i>League fees:</i>	\$160.00
<i>Membership fee:</i>	\$50.00
<i>Total:</i>	\$210.00

***When making payments; partial or in full,
please use the attached payment coupon
completely filled out***

Youth Shooters:

In an effort to recruit new youth shooters to our sport, any shooters age 18 and younger will be charged HALF of the normal league fees listed above (\$80) and given free membership to the club. And new this season, we will be presenting an award for high overall youth shooter on party night. Help us to recruit the future of our sport by encouraging youth shooters to join the league.

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 at party night. *Shooters must shoot all 10 weeks of the league to be eligible for high score awards given at the end of the league.* As in past years, divisions will be locked after 4 weeks of scores. Only targets shot by the member signed up with that team will count toward team or individual league scores. Substitute shooters are welcome to shoot the targets you have paid for but their score will not count for the team score. Please inform the trap kid if you have substitute shooter(s) so they know to denote that on the scorecard.

Win A Shotgun on Party Night!:

In an effort to encourage participation in League and greater attendance on Party Night, Dave and Bonnie Athey are graciously providing a shotgun to be given away on Party night again this year! The shotgun is a brand new CZ Uplander Sterling shotgun, and drawings for other prizes will be given away after the league awards ceremony on Party Night. Only league members present at the awards ceremony will be eligible for these awards (must be present to win!). Don't miss out on your chance for a new trap gun.

Practice/Public Hours:

Practice round tokens may be purchased for \$6/round (25 clays) for members and \$7.50/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 in the clubhouse at any time during business hours and in any quantity desired. Ten (10) round punch cards are available for members at a discount price of \$55.00.

Laramie Trap Club hours – May 1 through June 6, 2021 (Unless otherwise posted):

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

Laramie Trap Club hours – June 8 through August 29, 2021 (Unless otherwise posted):

Tuesday League Night (club opens at 5:00pm)
Wednesday League Night (club opens at 5:00pm)
Saturday and Sunday 10:00am to 2:00pm

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.

Skeet and 5-Stand Shooting Instruction:

The LTC Board is happy to assist any new shooters who would like to learn more about shooting skeet and 5-stand. Please ask a board member if you are interested.

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:

If you are interested in doing more shooting, a Registered Shoot is a great opportunity to get some additional rounds through your gun. The club hosts several ATA Registered Shoots each year (see schedule on last page), and will be hosting Wyoming's ATA Western Zone Shoot on July 16-18, 2021. Not only does hosting ATA shoots maintain our eligibility to host the Wyoming State Trapshoot on a rotational basis, they 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. The LTC also hosts several "Big 50" shoots throughout the season, where shooters can shoot 50 registered targets in each of singles, handicap, and doubles in a very casual atmosphere. Payment of an ATA membership is optional for these Big 50 shoots, but required if you want to register your targets. 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. ATA shoots are a lot of fun, and are a great opportunity to get some additional experience in the sport and meet some very talented individuals. For more information on Big 50 Shoots, contact Board Member Rod Dvorak or the ATA website (www.shootata.com).

Club Work Days:

To help maintain the club and make the club as presentable as possible, we are asking for your help on several Club Work Days this summer. Work days 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. The club will provide lunch for all those helping with these work days. Our first work day will be on *Saturday May 29* to get the club ready for the start of league. We will also have a work days on *June 12, July 10, and August 21* or others as announced. Watch your email, posts on 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, you must get involved. Volunteering as a board member is one way to do that.

Calendar of Events

May 1	10am	First open practice day
May 29	9am	Club Work Day (lunch provided)
June 8-9	5pm	First week of league First half of membership/league fees due
June 12	9am	Club Work day (lunch provided)
June 19	8am	ATA Registered shoot – Doubles Marathon
June 20	8am	ATA Registered shoot – L.O. Beman Memorial Shoot
July 6-7		Second half of membership/league fees due
July 10	9am	Club Work day (lunch provided)
July 16-18	8am	ATA Western Zone Shoot & BH Contracting Trophy Shoot
Aug 10-11	5pm	Last night of league
Aug 17	5pm	League Party and Awards Night
Aug 21	9am	Club Work Day (lunch provided)
Aug 28	8am	ATA Registered Shoot – Snowy Range Buckle Shootout & 1 st day of Over-the-Hill Shoot w/ Cheyenne
Aug 29		Last open shooting day for summer 2021