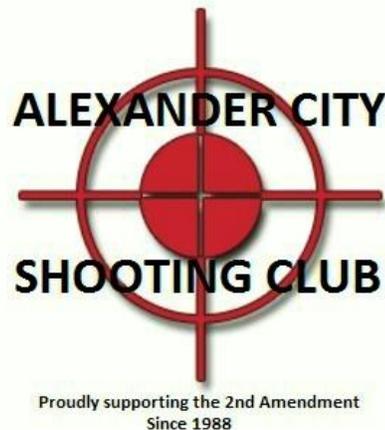


ALEXANDER CITY SHOOTING CLUB – NEWSLETTER, SEPTEMBER 2013



Welcome, and hello from your club officers! It has been a long and slow process but we have finally managed to jump (or stumble) feet-first into the modern age. Before anything else, I would like to thank John Martin, without whom this website would not exist. All of us, club officers and members alike, owe him a tremendous thank you. I would also like to thank Terry Phillips and Tim Phillips for laying the initial groundwork.

You will also notice that we are premiering a new logo for the club. Prior to this, we have not had what was officially accepted as our logo. We needed one for the header of the website, so we now have one.

The website is the first step to make all our club communications electronic. As most of you are aware, we have attempted to collect valid e-mail addresses for the membership for the last couple of years. I have some, but not nearly all. I have done a test mailing with a partial list to check validity and the results were disappointing. Just to refresh everyone – **WE WILL DISCONTINUE POSTAL SERVICE MAILINGS.** The cost has grown prohibitive for a small club – and we are a small club. We will also replace and / or restore the bulletin board at the range and post any important messages there as well.

Annual dues are due now. It is especially important that you become current with your dues. We have too many keys out to members who have not paid dues in years. In order to facilitate the control of access, we are going to change the club's lock on the gate. The keyed lock is going to be replaced with a high quality combination lock with a resettable combination. Resetting the combination every year will hopefully better control access.

The club is still running a bowling pin match. The next scheduled match is September 15 at 2 PM. If you have never tried, this is a lot of fun. Everyone has a good time and the atmosphere is family friendly. **WE ENCOURAGE YOUNG SHOOTERS.** No gun? No ammo? No problem. One of the shooters at the match will always be glad to lend assistance. Come on out.

This is my first newsletter as club secretary. I will try to cover as much relevant information as possible and pass along anything important. Bear in mind that any opinion expressed in this column is mine and mine alone.

Tim Courtney