

Good Monday Morning!

We were blessed with some of the best water you could ever ask for late last week, and again on Saturday. This last storm brought water in the form of rain and a very heavy wet snow that left the fields with standing water and it is melting as the sun now turns the snow to water. We knew that we would get some of the spring moisture at some point and it was a perfect storm, so to speak. This water will kick in the grasses and allow the fields to soak up the water and get us ready for the crops.

The guys have been able to get into some of the fields, but the tractors are idle now until it dries out. We will take as much as we can get! It will only be a few days now until we see the 'greening' of the fields...I love spring!

A SAD TIME FOR RMR HISTORY

RMR's very first member, Stan Marshall, passed away on Friday evening. Stan sustained a serious head injury after falling in his driveway in February and has been in a nursing home after leaving Memorial Hospital. Stan just had his 84th birthday in March and was coming along as best he could, but finally succumbed to the injury about 6pm on Friday April 17th.

Not only was Stan a great friend to all of us, but he was the first person that opened his wallet and sign up as a member of the club. I will never forget when he and his wife pulled into the parking lot of the old clubhouse while my partner Dan Mommer and I were trying to fix the leaks in the roof of the old house. We talked to him while we were on the roof and they looked around at what would soon be your hunting club. That was in 1985. He was a fixture of the club since then and even in his later years when he couldn't get around in the fields like he used to, he would come out occasionally and have a cup of coffee with the guides. About once a week he would come to the office and see the gals in the office and enjoy a cup of coffee with me in my office.

He invited the club to join him on his annual fishing trip to Canada and we continued that trip for many years, and a lot of you got to fish with Stan at Dore Lake for big Pike and Walleye, but more importantly you got a chance to know the gentle man he was.

Stan was a unique man, and always a big supporter of the club. Stan went to every wedding and funeral that was announced in the RMR news and was always ready to help when he could. He was a very big part of the RMR family and he will be missed. We named an area after Stan, "Marshall's", back in the 90's and he really enjoyed hunting in the area that was named after him.

His funeral is Wednesday April 22 at 10am at St Pauls Catholic Church across from the Broadmoor at 9 El Pomar Rd. Stan specifically requested that in lieu of flowers donations be made in his name to HOSPICE. The Sol Amor Hospice took care of Stan prior to his passing.

We love you Stan and will look forward to hunting and fishing with you at another time when we are all together again.

AMMO ORDER

I got a call from the manufacturer this morning and our order is in process, and they are working on filling it, but components are in high demand. It is still a ways out, but we will get it they assure me. Your checks have not been cashed and only will be cashed when the order arrives I will let everyone know that ordered ammo when it will arrive. It looks like we will be putting together another order after this one arrives and I will let you all know when we do that. Watch your e-news for info on this.

GUN SAFETY CLASS

We had another very successful Basic Pistol Class this past weekend and we will be holding another one in May. I am not sure of the dates yet, but look towards the end of May or the first part of June to attend the next class. Again, watch your email for details.

SHOOTING THIS SUMMER

The clay range is open Tuesday through Saturday during the summer as usual. \$7 per round of 25 targets.

We built an 8 lane pistol practice range across the street from the clubhouse and it is open for members to practice if they would like too. The cost is \$5 per target stand and you can buy targets at the clubhouse to use for pistol practice if you would like for \$1 each. (This cost offsets the cost of the target stands since some of them get shot up pretty bad) You just need to call the office to make reservations to shoot and we will get you set up if you would like to practice.

You can also use the rifle range by appointment as well. It is north of Carters Creek and there are shooting benches there for you to use, but you will need targets and tape or a staple gun to put them on the back stop.

TWO FOR THE ROAD

A police officer in a small town stopped a motorist who was speeding down Main Street.

"But officer," the man began, "I can explain,".

"Just be quiet," snapped the officer. "I'm going to let you cool your heels in jail until the chief gets back..."

"But officer, I just wanted to say..."

"And I said to keep quiet! You're going to jail!"

A few hours later the officer looked in on his prisoner and said, "Lucky for you that the chief is at his daughter's wedding. He'll be in a good mood when he gets back."

"Don't count on it," answered the fellow in the cell. "I'm the groom."

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HOW TO CATCH A BIG FISH

You know how to catch a nice big trout? You look for a place in the stream where there's a sunken log or hole where the big ones like to hang out. Every day for a week, you throw in a handful of worms and a sugar cookie. On the last day, you just throw in the worms. When the trout sticks his head out of the water to see what happened to the sugar cookie, you hit him over the head with a baseball bat!

HAVE A GREAT WEEK!!

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