

Message From the Chairman



October 2017

Greetings ICORE Members,

July 1 marked the halfway point of the present Board's term, and it's hard to believe that over one year has gone by. Lots of things have been happening this year. Four of us on the Board lost an immediate family member, so thanks to everyone who sent kind words and prayers.

There have been changes within the Board of Directors. In April the Board finalized the process and voted unanimously to remove Art Leach as Treasurer for reasons stated in Article IV of the ICORE Bylaws. During the same week, David Surgi resigned as Membership Director, thus shutting down online membership renewal/application. In May, I appointed Melanie Chan as Treasurer for the remainder of the term ending June 30, 2018. Ron Williamson stepped in to cover Membership duties for the remainder of the term. He has been constantly working to regain control of membership items. A personal thanks from me to my fellow Board members for coming through to initiate a period of repair that has ICORE on the way to running more smoothly.

With the popularity of the giveaway of IRC entries last year, the Board decided to do the same this year. Every Regional match received three entries to be awarded via random drawing, and most of those have been redeemed for IRC 2017.

We had a "classifier contest" to add new stages to the current classifier pool. Four ICORE members (three Board and one general), independently reviewed and ranked the entries. In the end, five entries were chosen to be added as new classifiers, and you can see them represented as CS-043 through -047. Submitters Jim Gommenginger and Ken Ortbach won a \$25 gift card for each winning entry, with Ken receiving \$100 in Amazon cash. Jim received \$25 in Amazon cash for the #1 new classifier as ranked by the selection committee. By the way, Central Florida ICORE had the honor of being the first to use the new stages, and IRC shooters will be able to experience the new stages at the Thursday classifier match.

We now have overlays with the ICORE logo. We sent them to Regional reps for distribution to their clubs.

Preparation for IRC is in full swing by the Board and Universal Shooting Academy. A committee from the Board shared prize table duties with Shannon this year, and they're doing an awesome job! Sponsors have been posted on social media as they have signed on to support the event. Be sure to thank them at every opportunity: TITLE SPONSOR Ruger; MATCH SPONSORS Montana Gold, Hogue, Apex Tactical

Specialties, John Strayer's Pro-Arms, and Electronic Shooters Protection (ESP);
STAGE SPONSORS ESP, Bayou Bullets, Newbold Targets, and TK Custom;
EVENT/SUPPORTING SPONSORS Massad Ayoob Group, Ranch Products, Starline,
SafariLand, The Revolver Supply Company, Dillon, Bob Perdue's 4wheelguns.com,
James Austin Moon Clip Server, Speed-E-Rack, and last but not least, Dave Parker's
Revo-Gear. Thanks everyone!

We have been working on a plan with regard to the IRC, and we hope it will ensure consistency in the years to come. We also considered inquiries by two separate entities interested in hosting the next IRC.

Here we are in October, and our next project in work is a new website. It will include a members-only area and the option to pay online for memberships, classifier fees, etc., via credit card or PayPal. In the next few months we will take a look at the past year's activity so that we can continue to implement some of the favorites, and an elections committee will soon be planning for the new term that will begin on July 1, 2018.

2017 Regional Championships are history, and next up is the season-ending International Revolver Championship in Frostproof, FL. I look forward to seeing revolver friends again, and we especially welcome our foreign members from Australia, Brazil, Canada, Germany, and Italy. Thanks to Shannon Smith and his USA crew for hosting the match at his busiest time of the year. And once again, a huge thanks to our awesome Sponsors who have really stepped up to showcase what will be a special prize table.

To be announced at the 2017 IRC award ceremony.... the location of the 2018 International Revolver Championship!

Enjoy the match and the Florida Fall weather!



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