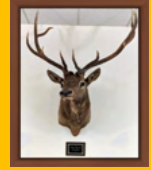




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Our Exalted Ruler's Message

October is here - and September was VERY busy at the Lodge. There was a car show, a Veteran's "Hike to Remember", the Grand Exalted Ruler visit and dinner in Westbrook, Friday night dinners, live entertainment and more.



GER Douglas A Schiefer and our ER, Don. Westbrook #1784

I hope you were able to attend some (or all) of it. We even had some local participants in the Soccer Shoot program, competing in East Windsor and now we have two qualified to go to the state level in Winsted on October 13th. Come out to cheer them on!

A reminder: anytime you volunteer for the Lodge, be sure to get your name on the

list of volunteers that the event organizer should have available. That information goes to our secretary, who sends it to the national office. This is important to show how many hours we actually spend reaching out to the community.

Speaking of community, our members made a fantastic lunch for the Marine Corps League's "Hike to Remember" on Sept 21st. Mike D and his crew made corn on the cob, grilled chicken, hamburgers and hot dogs for 200 plus participants and family members at the Marine Corps League building on Chestnut Hill Road.

A huge Thank You goes out to the 20 or so Elks who cooked, served, transported and cleaned up. There were long-time Elks there, some new Elks, and one guy who stood out from the rest - Billy Wisniewski shucked 350 ears of corn by himself (almost).

For that and for all of the other times Billy has contributed his time and effort, quietly helping wherever needed, Billy is our October Elk of the Month. Enjoy the parking spot Billy, we appreciate all you do for the Lodge!

Elk of the Month
Billy Wisniewski



Fraternally,
Don



Charity, Justice Brotherly Love & Fidelity

From Our Secretary's Desk

Hello fellow Elks and welcome to Fall. As I write this letter today, I have been reviewing our membership numbers from past years and find it fascinating how much we have grown in such a short time. In my term as secretary, we have gone from 1371 members to 1467 in just six months. I looked back on our numbers from previous years and found the following

- April 2014 657 members
- April 2015 693 members
- April 2016 703 members
- April 2017 766 members

As you can see the lodge has had about 40 to 50 new members each year, yet in the last six months we have increased by 96 new members and have 35 more in process. I would like to recognize our top proposers this year:

- Mike Dudzinski 10 new members
- Elbert Gray 5 new members
- Alicia Fiducia 4 new members
- Dylan Bassett 4 new members.

Thank you all for your support in our growth and please keep the push going.

With this type of growth projection, we will have "2202" members by 2027. This will require some planning for infrastructure as well as property and grounds improvements and staff to support our new members. The board of Directors has started this planning process and will plan to share with the membership as they develop.

The biggest need for increased growth is the need for increased support in our Lodge. Are you involved? Have you volunteered to join a committee or help at an event. This is your Lodge, and you get out of it what you put into it. Come out to a meeting and see what is happening and how you can get involved. The attendance in our by-weekly meetings could use a push and we want to hear from you and welcome your input.

New member growth is our lifeline, and the grand lodge has continued the award pin, watch and clock program until June 2025. For every 3 new or reinstated members proposed and initiated by a member during the Grand Exalted rulers' term they become eligible for a membership recruiting pin. Achieving 11 new members makes you eligible for an Elks watch, and reaching 33 new members makes you eligible for an

Elks desk clock. Each award includes a signed thank you letter from the Grand Exalted Ruler. This recognition program runs from July 1st to June 15, 2025.

Thanks again for helping increase our membership and bringing your family and friends to join us. The Glastonbury Lodge has continued to grow, and your support and involvement is what has gotten us here. Thank you for all you do to support this great organization. I'm looking forward to a great fall season and hope to see you all come out and get the most out of our Lodge.

Fraternally,
Chuck Fraser
Lodge Secretary



9/7/24 ~ It's so nice that so many people turned up to honor the memory of our beloved Cindy at today's car show at the Elks Pavilion. Thank you Phil and your team! ~ Chris Brown



CT basic pistol course on Sept 8, with 16 students.



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Propositions For Membership

The Secretary's Office has received applications from the following individual (s), and have read their names on the floor of our Lodge. Any member knowing why any of these candidates should not be duly elected to membership should notify a member of the Investigation Committee or one of the Lodge Officers. Each will be balloted on during a regularly scheduled Lodge meeting.

<u>Candidates Name</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Proposer</u>
Heather Burgess	Marlborough	Sr Business Analyst	Ray Secondo
Desmond Doyle	Glastonbury	Sales	Vince Shaheen
Michael Kelley	Portland Trans	Engineer	Robert Kelley
Donald Lavery	Glastonbury	Transfer Station	Scott Driscoll
Luis Moren	East Hampton	Pharmacist	Justin Dutton
Rich Muerchow	Rocky Hill	Retired Firefighter	Chris Reulbach
Thor Nergaard	Glastonbury	Business Owner	Mike Sclafani
Joesph Pham	Middletown	Linesman	Paul Regish
Virginia Saccullo	Rocky Hill	Retired Firefighter	Karen Clen



Location: Glastonbury High School
 Date: November 23, 2024 ~ Time: 10:00 am
 Ages 8-13 ~ Both for boys and Girls

Open to all, do not have to be Elks Children.
 For more information, go to, at Elks.org/hoopshoot

Winners will move on to District and State competition
 1/18/2025@Mahoney Recreation Center in Manchester,
 CT and possibly the National Hoop Shoot Finals April
 26, 2025, Chicago, IL.

Volunteers needed for Registration and Judging

For more information contact
 Matt Hill (matthill627@gmail.com) or
 Mark Curtin (macurtin@aol.com)

wELKome to our new members on September 11th.
 The 2202 is growing... growing... growing!!



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Range Committee News

Range Info ~ elksrange2202@yahoo.com

> Trap is open to the public. *Eye and hearing protection are required in order to use the range and shoot trap. Starts at 11am.*

> Reminder: 2202 members can bring a guest to the range twice after which the guest must become a member of 2202 to continue to come to the range. *(this does not apply to immediate family members)*

> Range Committee meets the 1st Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm



Anyone unauthorized, found to be at the range will be prosecuted.

New Requirements for Steel Targets!

All steel targets must move!

i.e. swing, deflect down or spin.
(AR500 or AR550 Steel Recommended)

ABSOLUTELY NO stationary steel targets allowed!

*This means not leaning on the backstop or propped up by wood, stone or any other material.



Minimum Distances Required:

(metal targets):

- 30 FEET** for .22 caliber rimfire pistol and rimfire rifle.
- 25 YARDS** for centerfire handguns (9mm, .38 caliber etc.) and shot guns shooting lead shot.
- 100 YARDS** for centerfire rifle (.556, 308, 30-30, .50 caliber, etc.) and shotguns shooting slugs.



Thank you for your cooperation!
Range Committee

Please send Questions to:

elksrange2202@yahoo.com

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3RD SATURDAY OF THE MONTH
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We will post schedules, updates, reminders, photos and it's a great way to contact us for information.

Contact **Mary** at 860.659.7109 or **Tracey** at 860.424.7476
For Lodge members and their guests only.

Come on up for a TrapTastic day!! **Trap Shoot!**

**Starting Sunday Sept 29, 2024
and
Every Sunday till the Spring!**

If you have your own shotgun, bring it!
If you don't have your own, one will be available for you to borrow!

Open to the public and to all levels!

Eye and ear protection are recommended and available at no cost.

***Range will be closed during the Trap Shoot!**

**Range Gate Combo Changing
October 1st 2024**

Please see the bartender or contact Elksrange2202@yahoo.com for the new combination which will be available **AFTER** the first Lodge meeting in September (9/10/24).

You must show a current paid membership card AND ID to receive the new code.

Anyone unauthorized, found to be at the range will be prosecuted.

NOTE: Range gate lock combinations are changed on April 1st & again October 1st every year! ©

Heads Up!
**Hunting begins on Sept 15, 2024 on
the Elks property**

Please pay attention to the range flags!

Yellow flag – Range Closed
 Yellow & Red flags – Range Closed (Hunting)

All hunting requires a permit from the Elks Lodge
There's **NO SHOOTING** at the range pavilion during this time when the flags are up!

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Find us on ELKS.ORG at:

<https://www.elks.org/lodges/home.cfm?LodgeNumber=2202>

Find us on The CT Elks Association:

<https://ctelks.org/lodges/glastonbury-lodge-no-2202/>

House Happening's

To be announced as they are planned.
Volunteers are always needed.

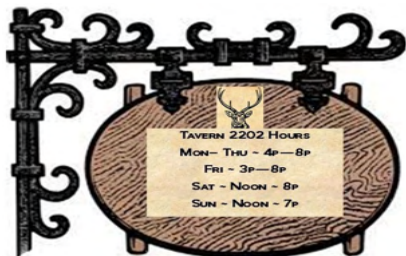
First Sunday Of Every Month

"Loaded Bloody Mary's"

By our Alicia



wELKome to our new members on September 25th.
The 2202 is growing bigger every month!



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Range Rules



"Back to School means it's time to enter your High School Senior!"

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<https://www.elks.org/scholars/scholarships/mvs.cfm>

Eligibility:

Current high school seniors, or the equivalent, who are citizens of the United States are eligible to apply. Apply at the link above for more info. Applicants do not need to be related to a member of the Elks.

High school graduates are not eligible to apply. Applicants must be citizens of the United States on the date their applications are submitted; permanent legal resident status does not qualify.

The 2025 MVS application closes on November 12, 2024 at 11:59 p.m. Pacific Time.

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October 2024

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
		1	2 Range Committee -- 6:30p	3 House Committee -- 4pm	4	5
6 Trap Shoot	7	8	9 Lodge Meeting -- 7pm	10	11	12
13 Trap Shoot	14	15	16	17	18	19 Bullets & Beauties -- 10am
20 Trap Shoot	21	22 B.O.D. Meeting -- 6pm	23 Lodge Meeting -- 7pm	24	25	26
27 Trap Shoot	28	29	30	31		



Website or Facebook questions or issues?
Contact the 2202 Webmaster at:
webmaster@glastonburyelks.org



Happy Birthday to Our Members!

October Birthdays



David Baribault	01	Aimee Corvino	10	Gilbert Hampton	23
Louise Beeghly	01	Gary Curtis	10	Alfred Brugnetti	24
James Dutton	01	David Deschaine	10	Sylvie Clavette	24
Thomas Kane	01	William Gasparini	10	Caroline Streett	24
Angela Meyers	01	Jason Gonzalez	10	Jeanette Williams	24
Michael Raffalo	01	Susan Vasel	10	James Shaw	25
June Tackus	01	Patrick Dowd	11	Vanessa Soares Bowden	25
John Wafer	01	Kyle Sitler	11	Eric Weisensee	25
Paul Calabrese	02	James Hendricks	12	Don Wilson	25
Norberto Diaz	02	Robert Perreaut	12	Darrin Burke	26
Carolyn Jaworski	02	Laura Reynolds	12	Craig DellaRocco	26
Thomas Kane	02	Joseph Waggoner	12	Jennifer Lange	26
Robin Nightingale	02	Matt Condon	13	Phil Nicolay	26
Christopher DiNardo	03	Michael Presta	14	Eric Sandberg	26
Donna Nelson	03	Ronald Begin	15	James DeVaux	27
Tania Ryea	03	James Breen	15	Craig DeVivo	27
Anthony Cruz	04	John Carpino	15	Robert Newman	27
Brian Mascaro	04	Angelo Alves	16	Nicole Pugliese	27
Christopher Peterson	04	Susan Colby	16	Ronald Tasse	27
Carol Stiles	04	Christine Connolly	16	Neil Caron	28
Paul Ackermann	05	Mark Friend	16	William Driscoll	28
Jacob Gawlak	05	Paul Huot	16	Warren Fritz	28
Merritt Loomis	05	Laurie Livingston	16	Curtis Hurley	28
Jonathan Sanford	05	Karen Ott	16	Mark Santostefano	28
Karen Silvergleid	05	David Bisi	17	John Scandura	28
Amy Chamberlain	06	Richard George	17	John Yarmolovich	28
David Dougan	06	Michael Grenier	17	Edward Boice	29
Charlie Kopcinski	06	Scott Majek	17	Micael Casey	29
Michael Perleoni	06	Gregory McCarty	17	Brett Cavalieri	29
Robert Claffey	07	Richard Waldron	17	Kenneth Kiley	29
Susan Gagnon	07	Gage Bapitste	18	Michael Medeiros	29
Sebastian Mangiafico	07	Scott Barbanel	18	Lisa Mullier	29
Sally Twachtman	07	Darrel Bullins	18	Anthony Trovato	29
Jane Colby	08	Scott Leonard	18	David Edwards	30
Lisa Laakso	08	Bree Berner	19	Paul Jacques	30
Vassilia Mazzotta	08	Patricia LeBrun	19	Charles Little	30
Brian Moran	08	Richard Repoli	19	John Mrozowski	30
Michael Petrella	08	Robert Bernier	20	Gerald Boronese	31
Bryan Waters	08	Cindy Coville	20	Peter DiFazio	31
Mark Tedeschi	09	John Pagliughi	20	Andrew Hindle	31
Mark Ushchak	09	Michael Reading	20	Roger Stevenson	31
Kristina Beaulieu	10	Benjamin Kehl	21		
		Angel Santiago	21		
		Matthew Aszklar	22		
		Steven Bielenda	22		
		Anthony Dembek	22		
		Paul Gagnon	22		
		Matthew Moody	22		
		Alexander Ott	22		
		Garry Barnes	23		
		Dylan Bassette	23		



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If you know of any member who may not be doing well, please contact the Lodge at (860) 633-2651 or by email:

secretary@glastonburyelks.org



Charles Fraser ~ Lodge Secretary

Thinking about joining a Lodge committee?



Send an email to upstart@glastonburyelks.org

with subject "Committee interest" and add your name & lodge member number.

Committee members and volunteers are always needed and welcomed. Your email be forwarded to the right folks.

~The Editor

The 12th annual Marine March of Detachment 40. Glastonbury 2202 welcomed Marines back for a lunch, chicken, hamburgers, hot dogs and sided dishes.

"Hike to Remember" *Semper Fidelis!*



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
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October 2024 Meetings

Range Committee 10/02 @ 6:30 pm

House Committee 10/03 @ 4:00 pm

Lodge meeting 10/09 @ 7:00 pm

Lodge meeting 10/23 @ 7:00 pm

B.O.D. meeting 10/22 @ 6:00 pm

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