

# Gun Collectors News

NEW MEXICO GUN COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION JAN / FEB 2016

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NMGCA  
Membership Dues:

Annual renewal for  
regular members,  
under age 62, is  
\$35.00.

Renewal for spouse:  
\$15.00.

Annual Renewal for  
senior members,  
over age 61, is  
\$30.00.

Renewal for senior  
spouse is \$10.00.

*62nd Anniversary*

## GUN, SWORD & KNIFE SHOW

Buy, Sell, Trade & Browse

March 5th & 6th

EXPO NEW MEXICO

Manuel Lujan Buildings A & B

Central Ave. & San Pedro

Albuquerque

8 ft. Table \$80.00 (Member \$70.00)  
Cost for electrical hook up is extra

### **For Table Reservations, Contact Our Show Host:**

NMGCA Show Host, P.O. Box 13687, Albuquerque, NM 87192.  
Ph. 505-262-1350. Email: newmexicogca@aol.com.

**Set-Up** (Table Holders Only) Fri 12:00 Noon - 8:00 pm, Sat. 8:00 - 9:00 am.  
(Unless you notify the Show Host before Saturday that you need to check in  
after 8:30 am Saturday, your tables may be sold to those on the waiting list.)

**Open to Public:** Sat 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, Sun. 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.

**Admission:** General Admission: \$7.00. Children under 12: Free with Adult.  
Uniformed Law Enforcement Officers: Free. Active Duty Military with ID and  
Law Enforcement Officers with Badge or Commission Card: \$2.00.  
NRA Members with Card: \$6.00. NMGCA Members: Free with current mem-  
bership card. Under 18 must be accompanied by adult, I.D. required.

No Alcohol, No Smoking, and No Dogs.

## A Tale:

# Two Smith & Wessons and Two Wars

The Smith & Wesson 1st Model Hand Ejector was only manufactured between 1908 and 1915, for a total of 15,376 revolvers. The two shown here were shipped to England either prior to or early in WWI.

The Smith & Wesson 1st Model Hand Ejector, AKA the Triple-Lock, according to the master guru of six-guns, Elmer Keith, “was perhaps the finest revolver ever manufactured anywhere, at any time.”

These two revolvers survived to be used again in WWII. They were originally manufactured in .455 Webley, a standard English caliber at the time and both exhibit British Proof



Marks. The stories of their participation in WWI are unknown.

The WWII story that came with the one revolver is that it was carried by a member of a British Commando Unit that landed in an invasion of one of the Scandinavian countries in

an attempt to dislodge the Germans who had previously invaded. The Unit was destroyed and the pistol confiscated and carried by a German soldier in later conflicts and was subsequently captured by an American G.I. Note the crude carving of a woman's name in the back-strap. The WWII story behind the other S&W is unknown.

Both revolvers found their way back to the United States and, by refacing the rear of the cylinders, converted to .45 Auto Rim. However, .45 ACP ammunition can be utilized using either half or full-moon clips which are also shown.



## **New Show Vendors Sought**

The NMGCA is again offering new vendors special table rates for 2016 shows. If you have never been an NMGCA show vendor (or haven't been a vendor in at least in the last 10 years) you are invited to take advantage of our "New Vendor" table rate.

The NMGCA is offering one discount table to new vendors at the introductory rate of \$35.00 for our March Show and a \$35.00 rate for the June and October Gun Shows or the August Old West and Military Collectible Show. (Additional tables would be at the normal member or non-member rates per table.)

Contact us at [new-mexicogca@aol.com](mailto:new-mexicogca@aol.com) or call us at 505-262-1350. You can also reach us by mail at P.O. Box 13687, Albuquerque, NM 87193. We look forward to hearing from you.

## **NMGCA 2016 Membership**

Membership in NMGCA is based on a calendar year. The NMGCA Board of Directors has approved a "grace period" until January 31st of the year in which the dues are owed. If you are a member in good standing did not renew your membership by January 31, 2016, your name will (regrettably) be dropped from our membership rolls.

Persons wishing to continue their membership in the NMGCA must re-apply as "new members" and enclose the additional money requested of new applicants. We look forward to your continued support of the NMGCA and your respect of the member requirements.

## **NMGCA 2016 Officers and Board Members**

The following were elected for 2016 to the NMGCA Board of Directors: President, Darlene Couchman; Vice President, Jim Covell; Secretary and Treasurer, Ken McCorkle. Board members elected for a 2-year term are George Edgerly, Dale Perkins, Ron Smith, and Bill Swantner.

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# 2016 SHOW CALENDAR

## Gun Shows

March 5th and 6th      June 4th and 5th  
October 1st and 2nd

## Albuquerque Old West & Military Collectible Show:

August 6th & 7th