

ACGC Mailing List - Questions & Answers

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Q: When and how will I be invited to join the mailing list?

A: On about October 15, 2018 watch your email inbox for an invitation from Manager.News at AirCapGunClub decimal ORG. Please complete BOTH STEPS to join our new mailing list.

Q: Why do we need a mailing list?

A: To notify our club members in a TIMELY FASHION about matches, cancellations, work parties, newsletters, elections, meetings, membership renewals, swap meetings, and proposed changes. To SAVE postage and printing costs.

Q: What about virus and malware? Will it increase my risk?

A: VERY UNLIKELY! Only the moderator can send email using the list. The moderator cannot accidentally make our email addresses visible in the email. In addition, we have purchased premium virus and malware protection at the server level. Nothing is perfect and all servers in the world can be hacked. THE RISK IS VERY LOW!

Q: What about security? When I join the list will I be sharing my email address with everyone in the club?

A: No! Absolutely not! The email header will not include member's email addresses. This cannot happen even by accident.

Q: Will my name, physical address, or phone number be shared or at risk?

A: No! Absolutely not! Only your email address is entered when you join the list. Since the creation of our first website, I have lobbied to keep our personal information off the internet.

Q: Why will a mailing list be better than the yahoo group?

A: Currently, when Martin posts a message on the yahoo group, only a few people receive the message right away. Many group members don't receive an email when a message is posted. Some never look at the postings. Yahoo is frequently broken.

Q: Who will be able to send messages to the membership?

A: Only the moderator. A single person! Initially, it will be me, Chris Collins. Then it will most likely be Martin Phillips. If you have an announcement or something for sale, send it to Martin.

Q: Will I be able to send a message to the club members?

A: If you have an announcement or something for sale, the moderator can send this for you. I.e. send it to Martin and he can send it for you.

Q: What about reliability?

A: The mailing list will send an email to each club member. Today, email is more reliable than the telephone as many of us have learned not to answer un-recognized numbers. Yahoo changed in the last few months. Some messages take a day or more to post and some never show up.

Q: Who can be part of the mailing list?

A: Only paid up ACGC members.

Q: Why only paid up club members?

A: We will likely have members who wish to announce something for sale. Martin will certainly have things to share with members only.

Q: How can guests that are regular participants in our matches receive timely information?

A: If needed we can easily create a separate email list for regular guests. They could join that guest list via a link on our website.

Q: Why can't paid up members join via a link on our website?

A: There would be no way to keep non-members from joining the member's only mailing list.

Q: Is it difficult to join the email list?

A: For people who don't read instructions, YES!

Q: How do I join the mailing list?

A: Watch for the invitation (email) in your inbox. Read and follow the instructions. Beware, it is a TWO-STEP PROCESS. Step 1: submit your email address. Step 2: click the link you receive via email to confirm it was you that signed you up.

Q: How many chances will I get to join the mailing list?

A: ONE easy one. After that, you will need to trouble a volunteer to send you another invitation.

Q: How will I know that I have successfully joined the mailing list?

A: Notice of Completion: You will receive an email "Hello, thank you for subscribing to the mailing list >> News@ AirCapGunClub.org<<< Regards "

Q: What if I have trouble joining the mailing list?

A: You might need click the [Send] button when submitting your email address.

A: We have learned that the Step 2 email can sometimes be delayed a day or two.

A: If you don't receive the email to complete Step 2, check your spam folder, try joining again, and/or consider joining with a different email address. If you do use a different email address, be sure to advise the membership chairman of the change.

Q: Will we be keeping the yahoo group?

A: NO! The yahoo group will be deleted November 1, 2018.

Q: What if I have additional questions?

A: Post your question on the yahoo group soon. You can also send your question to Manager.News at AirCapGunClub decimal ORG.