# XO Change

Executive Officer Mark Edwards resigned effective March 1st. The Board has appointed Ben Edman to fill the position for the remainder of the current term. The current term ends on June 30 this year, and a new Executive Officer will be elected for a two year term at the Annual Meeting of the Members in July.

The Executive Officer is responsible for scheduling matches, events, classes and training at the Range, and maintaining the Club calendar. Any members who may be interested in running for the position at the next election should contact Past President Chuck Adams.

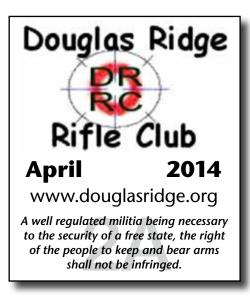
## **Fall Work Day**

At the February Board Meeting, Project Coordinator Ron Carey requested another Work Day be scheduled in the Fall, after the summer shooting season, to get some final projects done before Winter arrives. The Board agreed to give this a try, and see how it is supported by the membership. So Saturday, November 22nd has been scheduled as a second Work Day in 2014.

# Update Your Mailing Address

Joe Keller

As we get closer to membership renewal time, I want to remind everyone to be sure we have any address changes in our system before we start mailing statements. Every year, we get several renewal notices returned as "Undeliverable". We try to track down the members, but it takes a lot of extra time and effort, and we never find some of them. So their memberships get canceled. And we are all volunteering our time, so anything you can do to make the



process easier is appreciated.

If you look at our Club web site, www.douglasridge.org, you will see on the bottom right column a link to "Update Your Contact Info." Use this link for any recent address changes. Please get those address changes in to us by the end of April, so we'll have our records updated prior to our mailing of renewal statements in May. Thanks for your help.

## **Light Duty Work**

Project Coordinator Ron Carey has a couple construction projects coming up for the Club. He is looking for Club members who may need light duty work to fulfill their work hours due to age or physical limitations, and have flexible schedules such that they could be available with a couple days' notice. Examples of the work needed might include traffic directing, record keeping and errand running. Interested members who fit this profile should contact Ron at 503/668-4212 to let him know about their availability.

# 200 Yard Targets

Joe Keller

A recent incident at the 100 Yard Range was the exact scenario that we present to new members at the Orientation, when we explain how to use the 200 Yard targets. Except that one thing happened that we never thought to address. So, we'll discuss it here.

When shooting at the 200 Yard targets on the east end of the 100 Yard Range, everyone knows that we need to use the blue light and the "No Shooting" flag to indicate that someone has driven down range to the 200 vard target pits behind the impact and safety berms, and is not visible from the firing line. We also instruct that when the blue light is on and/or the flag is left out, that someone needs to drive to the 200 yard pits to clear the pits and ensure no one is still there. We also instruct that after you go to the 200 yard pits, you need to return to the firing line and take down the "No Shooting" flag and turn off the blue light. Then the process of making the firing line 'hot' can begin.

That is exactly what happened. The shooter using the 200 Yard pits turned on the light, and went down range. However, they had already cleared their equipment from the firing line, so after they pulled the target, they proceeded to leave, leaving the blue light on. This was a violation of the SOP; the person who turns on the blue light or puts out the flag is supposed to be the one to turn the blue light off and put the flag away. The shooters who remained on the 100 Yard line noticed them drive away and not return to the firing line. But they used proper procedures per the SOP, and drove down range to clear the pit area. The unexpected action was that the member clearing the target pit area was relatively new, and after driving to the 200 Yard pits, proceeded to drive up the service road towards the upper pits. This placed him in an exposed position of danger, as shooting was taking place on the Dynamic Range and the Silhouette

Range. "Cease Fire" was called, and no accidents occurred. The member returned to the firing line, the blue light was shut off, and everyone returned to normal shooting.

The upper target pits should never need to be accessed unless it is Long Range Thursday, a long range match is taking place, or the ranges are closed for maintenance. A portable barricade has been placed at the bottom of the access road, to remind us to not drive up there during regular shooting times. Long range shooters and maintenance workers are asked to simply move the barricade out of the way when they need to drive to the upper target pits, and place the barricade back in the service road when their need to use the road is over. "Let's be careful out there."

## Long Range Signs

Hey, all you Thursday long range shooters. Please remember, if you are the last shooter to leave the range, take the "Long Range Shooting in Progress" sign out of the road, and put it away. When no long range shooters are using the range, other members are allowed to shoot on a Long Range Thursday, with the understanding that if any long range shooters show up to shoot, the other shooters have to immediately give way and clear off the range. Putting the sign away signals to everyone that the long range is not in use. Thank you for your observance of this SOP.

## Memorial Highpower Match

Saturday April 26th Douglas Ridge Rifle Club will be host to the 15th annual John Fields Memorial Match. John was a long time member of Douglas Ridge and a long time Highpower competitor, competing in both the United States and Canada. As John began to compete less he gave back to the sport by always making himself available to help conduct matches. As the Range Officer or Pit Officer his booming voice left out the need for a PA system, while he kept the event running smoothly.

Seeing a need for quality rifle slings suitable for competitors at a reasonable cost, John started "Fields Custom Slings" making slings for both the service rifles and match rifles. Johns' widow Betty still operates the sling business and will have them available at the match.

This year's match will be the 100 shot Regional Match Course fired at 200, 300, and 600 yds. Registration will begin at 8 AM with firing commencing at 9 AM. Come join the fun.

#### **Annual Work Day**

The Annual Work Day this year is Saturday, April 19th. The range is closed all day to shooting, and Project Coordinator Ron Carey has a list of work projects to complete. Work starts at 8am, so arrive early to sign in. Upon arrival, come to the Clubhouse, and go left to the sign-in table. Fill out your work hour ticket and hang it on the cork board on the wall by the first letter of your last name. Workers will be assigned to various tasks, each with a crew leader. At the mid-day break, a BBQ lunch will be provided by the Club, coordinated by Dan Sweet. After lunch, it will be back to work to finish the projects by the end of the day. When the work is over, return to the Clubhouse. Find your work ticket and give it to the time keeper, who will enter your time and sign it. A signed work ticket is required to get credit for your

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"Knowledge will forever govern ignorance: And a people who mean to be their own Governors, must arm themselves with the power which knowledge gives."

James Madison, letter to W.T. Barry, 1822

**General Meetings** 

2014: 05/01, 06/05, 07/03, 08/07

**Board Meetings** 

2014: 05/29, 06/26, 07/31, 08/28

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hours.

The projects to be done include:

- Clean clubhouse roof and gutters
- Clean host trailer roof and gutters
- Clean maintenance Shop roof and gutters
- Trim low branches from trees
- Run branches through chipper
- Cut larger branches to length and stack
- String trim berry vines and tall grass
- Clean up archery area and repair targets
- Misc. carpentry, cleaning, raking and shoveling

If you have any of the following resources available for that day, please let Ron know: dump truck, small track hoe, farm tractor with a brush hog mower, farm tractor with a flail mower, riding lawn mowers.

Tools and other items that will be useful to bring on Work Day include: chain saws, string trimmer, loppers, clippers, gloves, work boots and work clothes, rain gear, carpentry tools, shovels, rakes, machete, etc.

Remember that all members who joined the Club before July 1st, 2013, and have not attained Oldtime status, need to contribute a minimum of eight hours work for the year or pay the \$150 Work Hour Fee at renewal time. And Work Day is the last opportunity to volunteer work for the 2013/14year. Any work performed after Work Day will count towards the next year. Work slips must be deposited in the green box by the end of Work Day to count for this year. Also, work performed by registered Associate and Junior members count as work hours credit for the Senior member.

Even if you don't need the hours, please consider coming out to help. This is our opportunity to get the range in good shape leading into the busy Spring and Summer shooting seasons.

