

President's Report

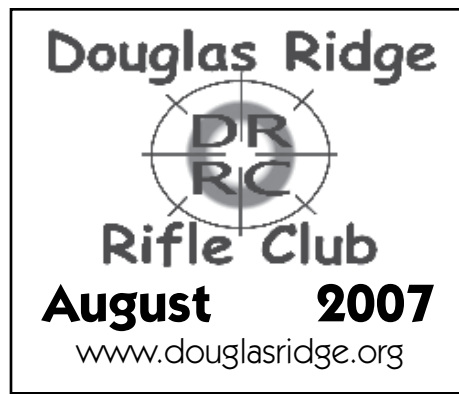
Stan Pate, DRRC President

Greetings everyone, the elections have now occurred and we have three new board members replacing the outgoing club members that served in those positions. I'd like to thank Oscar Bloom, and Steven Irwing, for working so hard to make the club a better and safer place to shoot and enjoy. There were no nominations for the Treasurers position and John Weil was nominated at the board meeting and he has agreed to stay in that position for another term.

By the time you receive this newsletter the International Match should be occurring within the next couple of weeks, I hope you will have the chance to watch the match and meet some of the competitors from the foreign countries that are attending. This is planned to be the first year of hopefully many more years that DRRC will host this NRA sanctioned match in conjunction with the British Columbia Rifle Association and the Volks Range in Chilliwack, BC.

I've received many complaints about apparent intentional destruction of club property both on the outdoor and indoor ranges. On the indoor range there appear to be several shots that were ricocheted down the left side wall, the reason for or how this could've been done accidentally is unknown. There are many new holes and "groups" in the lower red painted board in front of the impact area as well as on the cross bar boards that appear to be intentional. On the outdoor range I pulled many pistol caliber rounds out of the brand new number boards for the lower pits, the rounds struck the number boards from quite an angle. The angle at which the projectiles struck the number boards indicated that they were shot from the covered firing points which is highly illegal on our range. All of this destruction is costing DRRC many dollars annually to fix, and this doesn't take into account the man hours that have to be diverted from other projects on Tuesday work days. For most of you this is all preaching to the choir, to the ones doing all of this please stop, real targets are not that expensive.

We now have another member demanding our membership roster and financial records for the past several



years. Due to this newsletter being open for anyone to view on the internet no names will be disclosed here, so for more information please call or attend the next general meeting. As I keep saying, now is the time to stay informed as to what is happening at DRRC.

Hopefully by now the Environmental Stewardship Program is registered with the EPA as you are reading this. Our ESP Program is completed, has been reviewed by our state and federal shooting associations, and is currently with the EPA back in Washington, D.C. awaiting their approval. The work that was just completed at the 1,000 yard impact area is due in part to meeting the goals of our ESP Program and partially due to maintenance and safety issues.

Hunting season is coming very fast and now is the time to sight in those rifles if you haven't already done so. Soon we'll be having the Hunters' Sight-In days again and this is an easy way to get your work hours in for the year. Some members have so much fun at the Hunters' Sight-In that they work additional shifts just for the fun of it.

As usual, I look forward to meeting those of you that I haven't met yet and seeing again those of you that I know already on the range. Good shooting.

Ammunition

International Hunter Education Association

Only use the correct ammunition for your firearm. If you are unsure, check with a firearms dealer or gunsmith to find out.

- Check the condition of ammunition before you use it. If it is dented or appears to be irregular in any way, don't use it.

- Secure ammunition and keep it away from excessive heat or impact with sharp objects.
- Store ammunition in original container or ammo box.
- Lock up ammunition and firearms separately.
- Do not mix different size cartridges and shell sizes. Keep them separate.
- Only use round or soft-point ammunition in tubular magazines.

Good Home Security System

1. Go to a second-hand store and buy a pair of men's used size 14-16 work boots.
2. Place them on your front porch, along with several empty beer cans, a copy of Guns & Ammo magazine and several NRA magazines.
3. Put a few giant dog dishes next to the boots and magazine.
4. Leave a note on your door that reads, "Hey Buba, Big Jim, Duke and Slim, I went to the gun shop for ammunition. Back in an hour. Don't mess with the pit bulls – they attacked the mailman this morning and messed him up real bad. I don't think Killer took part in it but it was hard to tell from all the blood."

P.S.: "I locked all four of 'em in the house. Better wait outside."

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Gun Control=Violence

"Many politicians have exploited a few recent tragedies to promote their anti-gun agenda. But gun controls haven't worked and more controls won't help. In fact, many of the recommended regulations will make matters worse by stripping law-abiding citizens of their most effective means of self-defense. Violence in America is due not to the availability of guns but to social pathologies – illegitimacy, dysfunctional schools and drug and alcohol abuse. Historically, more gun laws have gone hand in hand with an explosion of violent crime."

Cato Institute Senior Fellow Robert Levy

Benchrest News

Kent Uhl

Thirteen competitors began the match with some of the best wind conditions we have seen this year. The 100 yards scores generally proved that with three heavy class shooters scoring 198's and one production class shooter scoring a 195 out of the possible perfect 200. When the morning overcast finally cleared the sun warmed the berms creating just enough mirage to make 36 power scopes bit blurry and the winds began playing their magic. Winning scores at 200 yards were hard earned, and well deserved by those who got them. The shooters with the ability to best read the changing winds conditions won the day. Congratulations gentleman!

The July match class winners:

- Mitch Migliaccio, 347-2x Plain Base Bullet Class,
- Bill Anderson 389-10x Heavy Class.
- Virgil Edwards 375-3x Production Class,

Virgil Edwards served as our line director and Art Hevy was our RSO. Mitch Migliaccio did the statistical entries and several fellows volunteered to help as target crew. With everyone's help we had another good match.

Several DRRC members stopped by during our match to observe and look over the different types of "bench" rifles and equipment used in Benchrest competition. August 4th is our last match of the 2007 season and I would like to invite anyone who has an interest in precision shooting to stop by to watch and ask questions. We hope to have ten more new shooting positions finished and available for the 2008 season, and we are looking for new Benchrest shooters who would like to join us. Till next match, Take care...

Basic Reloading Precautions

National Reloading Manufacturers Association

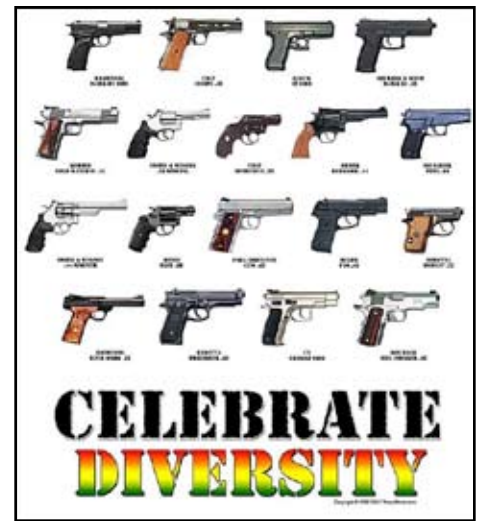
1. Modern ammunition uses smokeless powder as the energy source. Smokeless powder is much more powerful than black powder or Pyrodex®. Never substitute

smokeless powder for black powder or Pyrodex® and never mix it with either.

2. Follow loading recommendations exactly. Don't substitute components for those listed. Start loading with the minimum powder charge in the loads shown.
3. Never exceed manufacturers' reloading data. Excess pressures caused by excessive loads could severely damage a firearm and cause serious injury or death.
4. Understand what you are doing and why it must be done in a specific way.
5. Stay alert when reloading. Don't reload when distracted, disturbed or tired.
6. Set up a loading procedure and follow it. Don't vary your sequence of operations.
7. Set up your reloading bench where powder and primers will not be exposed to heat, sparks or flame.
8. DO NOT smoke while reloading.
9. ALWAYS wear safety glasses while reloading.
10. Keep everything out of the reach of small children.
11. Keep your reloading bench clean and uncluttered. Label components and reloads for easy identification.
12. Do not eat while handling lead.
13. NEVER try to dislodge a loaded cartridge that has become stuck in the chamber by impacting it with a cleaning rod. Have a competent gunsmith remove the round.



When do you have too many accessories?



"Guard against the impostures of pretended patriotism."

George Washington

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Douglas Ridge Rifle Club August 2007

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 1pm-5pm 5-Stand	2 Long Range Day 9am-1pm 300-600 yd only 1pm-sunset 800-1000 yd only 7:30pm-9pm General Meeting (CH)	3	4 9am-4pm USPSA/IPSC (Silh) 9am-1:30pm Benchrest (100/200) 9am-5pm Archery Hunter Sight-In
5 9am-2:30pm Trap 9am-3pm Pistol Silhouette 9am-5pm Archery Hunter Sight-In	6 7-9pm Board Meeting	7 8am-noon Ranges Closed for Maintenance	8 All Day – Long Range International Match (800-1000) Newsletter Deadline	9 All Day – Long Range International Match (800-1000)	10 All Day – Long Range International Match (800-1000)	11 All Day – Long Range International Match (800-1000) PM – Sporting Clays Set-up
12 9am-4:20pm NSCA Sporting Clays 9am-3pm Action Pistol (Siloh)	13	14 8am-noon Ranges Closed for Maintenance 6-9pm Ladies' Night (Silh)	15 1pm-5pm 5-Stand 5:30-sunset Omark Trap	16 Long Range Day 9am-1pm 300-600 yd only 1pm-sunset 800-1000 yd only	17 Venture Scout Campout	18 9am-2pm BlackPowder (Silh) Venture Scout Campout & Shooting (All Ranges)
19 9am-2:30pm Trap 9am-sunset Speed Steel (Silh) Venture Scout Campout	20	21 8am-noon Ranges Closed for Maintenance	22 1pm-5pm 5-Stand	23 Long Range Day Canceled	24	25 Leupold Cup Match 8am-5:30pm (CH) 9am-5:30pm (800-1000)
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Sept. 10, Oct. 8, Nov. 5, Dec. 10

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