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President's Report

Nils Bittner, DRRC President

December has arrived and today it is quite blustery. Lots of rain and wind coming from every direction. And there are still some people shooting on the 100 yard range. I introduced myself to these members and this was the feedback and comments I received: *"This is really nice, we only get wet when we check our targets"*).

Another comment: "The last time I was out here the roof leaked and there was no back wall and the new automatic gate is well worth its weight in Gold in weather like this. Glad to see what my dues are paying for.".

This really makes my day when I hear comments on how the range improvements are noticed. I again want to thank each and every member for their volunteering efforts.

Christmas party date has been changed. The new date is Thursday, December 9th at 7 pm. All DRRC members and families are welcome.

As usual the club will furnish the Turkey, Ham, Dressing, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Rolls and Butter, Soda Pop and Coffee. The club will also furnish all the eating utensils. This year we have lots of great prizes to give away and the raffle will be for A Taurus Model 62 Stainless Steel Pump 22. Everyone come and enjoy the Christmas Party.

As for Club business, the Board of Directors are going to propose a Dues Raise for the next billing cycle which starts in July. We will have a complete list of items at the December and January General Meetings. So everyone please try to be there.

Both Lisa and myself would like to wish all gun club members and their families a Very Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year. Safe Shooting!

Classified Ads

Charlie McAllister, DRRC Webmaster

Sell your gun related items that you no longer need or find just what you have been looking for on our new Classified Ads section of our web site. Simply go to: www.douglasridge.org/classifieds.htm and see what is for sale. To find out how to list your for sale items on our web site, go to: www.douglasridge.org/classifieds rules.htm

Happy shopping and shooting and may you all enjoy Christmas blessings.

Holiday Food Donations

Jim Quinn, P.R. Director

Last year DRRC collected 275 pounds of nonperishable food during the Holiday Food Drive. This food was donated to the Estacada Family Resource Center in Estacada. The center is an Oregon Food Bank chapter with items going to families in the area. We are hoping for a good response during our drive this year. The collection barrels are located in the clubhouse near the pop machine. Oregon still ranks as one of the neediest states.

As the holidays roll around let's remember the less fortunate and pitch in with a helping hand.

Rifle Shooters

We are attempting to assess the interest in outdoor smallbore (i.e. rimfire) shooting. We have the range, target frames and it is a shame not to use them. We are thinking of the "mini-palma" type matches on a very informal basis. The mini-palma is usually fired prone at 100 yds at targets that simulate the hi-power match. Some of us have shot this match at Tri-County. The match requires 15 record shots at each of three bulls plus unlimited sighters for the 800 yd stage and 2 sighters for each of the following stages. Tri-County allows an hour to complete the match. The match is excellent iron sight practice or scopes may be used. We have also toyed with the idea of shooting it off the bench. We propose to schedule a weekday at about 6 PM, but we need to know how many may be interested. Call John Weil at 503/622-3815 or email jhw1@ix.netcom.com.

Handgun Silhouette

Its 9:00 Sunday morning the temperature is crisp and cool with a light fog hanging over the 200M rams. "Shooters to the line" the automated timer calls. I grab my .44 and my menagerie of shooting supplies and take up a position at the 50M Chicken position. "Load" calls the timer, thirty seconds later I am nestled down on my back in the Creedmoor position sighting on the first chicken trying to control my breathing when the timer yells out "Fire". The .44 barks and by the time the gun comes back down from recoil I am rewarded with an empty spot where the chicken used to be.

It's the first Sunday monthly and it is our clubs Big Bore Handgun Silhouette Match. The Silhouette matches are open to club members as well as the general public there is no affiliation needed to participate.

Firearms range from, T/C Contenders and Encores that the game was originally designed for, revolvers and bolt handguns. The only stipulation besides safety is the loads not damage the targets; generally 2300FPS is about as fast as you want to go. A 7BR or a 7TCU for example using 150gr bullets only need go about 1900FPS to take rams reliably and are easier to shoot. With a revolver cartridge target damage isn't so much of a concern.

Shooters out there with the cowboy and the defensive pistols we have you covered too. The third Saturday monthly is our Small Bore/Field pistol match half the distance of Big Bore just as much fun. As part of the field pistol classification we offer a defensive pistol category. This is where the cowboy/defensive pistols shine, the criteria is simple, any pistol with a 6" or shorter barrel in center fire calibers and the best part, that helps keep this from being lopsided is no sight adjustments and fired from your hind legs. While being quite the challenge it is also a lot of fun. So pack up the venerable 1911 or Peacemaker and smack some steel with us one of these mornings.

We act as though comfort and luxury were the chief requirements in life, when all that we need to make us happy is something to be enthusiastic about.

— Charles Kingsley

Master Hunter Program

The Master Hunter program is an advanced hunter education program designed to help hunters increase their knowledge of the sport, and particularly help them understand the concerns of private landowners.

We believe that it will have a significant effect on improving hunter/landowner relations and that, over time, it will make a major contribution to improving the public image of the hunter. In addition, graduates will have achieved a qualification that they can be proud of and which we hope will open up new hunting opportunities to them.

The program is open to all hunters, but hunters who plan to hunt in the hunts listed below must complete the program before they hunt. In these areas, the Department is working with private landowners to provide hunting access for Master Hunters on lands that are otherwise closed to the public. These hunts are not necessarily "easy" hunts, but they are hunts where ethical hunter behavior is critical to their continuance. It is possible that in future years, the program will be expanded to cover other hunts in sensitive areas.

MASTER HUNTER ONLY HUNTS

- 823B N Bank Habitat (deer)
- 210F Lower Columbia (elk)

214H Salmon River Estuary (elk) You must have completed the program before applying for a controlled hunt tag for these hunts.

The other focus area is in the Alsea unit, where a private timber company is allowing access to previously closed land only to graduates of the program. For information on this program contact ODFW Watershed District Office in Corvallis (541) 757-4186.



Becoming an Outdoors-Woman (BOW) is an award-winning outdoor skills program. Workshops teach introductory hunting and shooting skills, fishing and other outdoor activities in a supportive and nonthreatening atmosphere. Ten thousand women each year are given the opportunity to learn from patient and enthusiastic instructors.

Becoming an Outdoors-Woman is for you if . . .

- You've never tried these activities, but
- hoped for an opportunity to learn.
- You'd like to improve your skills.
- You'd like to try some new activities.
- You're looking for the company of likeminded individuals.

The three-day workshops offer about 30 different classes including firearm safety, basic fishing, camping skills, shotgun and rifle, bowhunting and archery, outdoor cooking, canoeing, map and compass, outdoor survival and many more.

BOW workshops are offered in 46 states and nine Canadian provinces.

Becoming an Outdoors-Woman workshops are generally held in a camp setting. Meals and equipment are provided. Evening activities are filled with fun and camaraderie and may include campfires, story telling or outdoor fashion shows. The setting is outdoorsy, but comfortable. Come join us for an unforgettable outdoor experience. For further information, call 503/872-5264, ext. 5358 or on the web at www.dfw.state.or.us.

Annual Christmas Party Thursday, December 9th, 7 pm Turkey and Dressing, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, ham, Coffee, Soda Pop and all eating utensils. All DBBC members and families are welcome.

Bring your appetite and a potluck dish.

Door prizes and special gun raffle.

Buy, Sell or Trade

For Sale: Sig Sauer P220, .45 cal auto DA/SA. Includes tritium night sights, Hogue custom grips & originals, 8 magazines (2 stainless), newly refinished (by Birdsong), 1 "Uncle Mikes" polycarbonate holster. Over \$1,000 invested, will take \$750. Call Robert at 503/348-6466 or email wigglestick67@yahoo.com.

Have You Moved?

If you have moved or are planning to move, be sure to notify the club via mail as soon as you can. Mail your address change to:

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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5 8am-4:25pm CMP Match (100)200 yd) 9am-4:25pm Bigbore Pistol (Silh) 9:30am-2:30pm Trap	6 7pm-9pm Board Meeting (CH)	7 Bam-noon Range Closed Maintenance 6pm-9pm Ladies Night (Ind)	8 Indoor range closed all day	9 7PM-9PM Christmas Party NO LONG RANGE Indoor range closed all	10 8am-noon Indoor range closed	11 Blackpowder 9am-2pm (Silh) 2pm-4pm (Trap)
12 9am-4pm Action Pistol (Ind) 9am-3pm Sporting Clays/5 Stand 2pm-3pm New Member Orientation	13 5:30-8pm Jr Smallbore (Ind)	14 Barn-noon Range Closed Maintenance	15 Bam-4:25pm SERT Training (Silh) 6pm-9pm Ladies Night (Ind)	16 Long Range Day 9am-1pm 300-600 yd 1pm-sunset 800-1,000 yd	17	18 9am-3pm Smallbore Pistol (Silh) 8am-8pm NRA Instructor Class (CH/Ind)
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