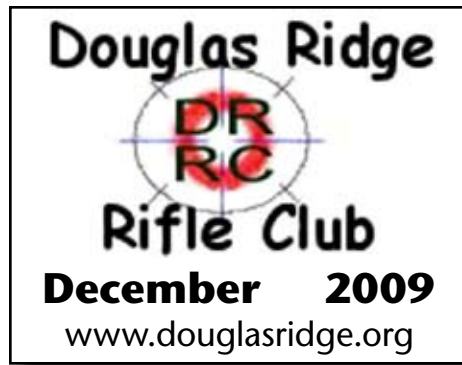


Greetings Everyone

by Stan Pate, President

The weather is closing in and the temperatures are falling, rain is in the forecast as I'm writing this month's report. We are now preparing for the holidays that are upon us, Halloween is over, Thanksgiving is just around the corner, and believe it or not we're already hearing Christmas songs on the radio and in stores. Let me and mine express to you Happy Holidays, and may your New Year be better than you've ever experienced.

On the legal front some things haven't changed and some have. As I'm writing this report we just had the Summary Judgment hearing yesterday at the federal courthouse. In attendance were of course the attorneys for both sides, the plaintiff and five board members and officers of DRRC including myself. The hearing lasted for approximately an hour and all parties were dismissed. The case is now with the Judge to make a determination as to what he believes the evidence shows in the



case. We will not know any more until the judge renders a verdict on our summary judgment case; we will keep you posted as things develop. As usual an additional way to stay informed is to come to general membership meetings.

By the time you read this the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality will have been on our range to observe some sampling that we've agreed to do in the Army Corps of Engineers Ditch per our consent agreement with the DEQ. This will cause the range to be shut down for one day to get all of the testing done, this testing process

will be repeated again in five years.

We will have in the next week finished another of the Ladies Only Handgun Classes that DRRC does for the good of the public and again I believe that it was a grand success. This type of training for ladies has seemed to turn into a sort of phenomenon across the country, ladies in far greater numbers are taking classes to learn how to shoot firearms, and to protect themselves. Here at DRRC we have a history of holding classes for the good of the public such as in the case of our Junior Small-bore Classes.

Once again from our house to yours, Happy Holidays, be safe, happy, and merry.

Concrete Safety Wall

by Ron Carey

On October 3, volunteer members of our club and special friends of mine loaded, transported and constructed the block wall between the silhouette range and the tactical shotgun range. This project was completed in one day. We started a 9:30 a.m. and finished at 6 p.m.

Thanks to my special friends, Rodger Sayles, Ulrick Ruegger and Dean Fisher, who supplied the trucks, trailers and track hoe to load and transport the concrete blocks from SE 174th and Powell to DRRC. They did the loading and transporting at no cost to the club. DRRC did pay for their fuel.

H & L Steel Erectors supplied the chokers and clevises at no charge to the club.

The club did rent an 8,000 lb. lift capacity forklift to lift and unload the concrete blocks and place them in place to construct the new wall. Club member Bob Carey operated the forklift and did an excellent job. Many thanks to him.

I want to thank all the following club members who volunteered their time, sweat and energy to make this project a great success: Terry Bennett, Bob Gordon, Greg Watson, Dennis Carey, Larry Logdahl, Michael Danehy, Hal



Christmas Party Time

by Nils Bittner

For all DRRC members and their family, our annual Christmas Party will be held on Saturday December 12th at Mountainview Christian Church, the same location as the last two years. Mountainview Christian Church is located at 1890 NE Cleveland Ave. on the east side of the road between Burnside and Stark in Gresham.

This is a potluck affair with the club providing the turkey, ham, mashed potatoes and gravy, and some of the best stuffing you have ever tasted. The club will also provide all of your eating utensils and beverages. Our Chef Ron Lucas has again volunteered his services and I will head up the setup and cleanup duties along with other volunteer help. Please bring your favorite side dish, salad, or dessert.

Our World Team Champions will be there so you can talk with them about their exploits and see their many medals.

As usual we will have door prizes that have been donated from vendors and other folks. There will also be a raffle for a rifle and a couple of other nice items so be prepared to buy lots of raffle tickets. So join us for a time of fun, food, and fellowship. The party starts at 6 pm and goes until 9 pm. See ya all there.

Halverson RSO, Mark Edwards RSO, and Mike Holter RSO.

There were several other people at the work site. I don't remember who they were, if they were helping or were spectators. Thanks to you, also.

Everyone did a great job and I was very impressed with the way each and every one did your part to make this day a pleasant and successful one. I thank you and the club thanks you.

Target Shooting

from Life of David Crockett (1860)

As there was considerable time to be killed, or got rid of in some way, before the dinner could be cooked, it was proposed that we should go beyond the village, and shoot at a mark, for they had heard I was a first-rate shot, and they wanted to see for themselves, whether fame had not blown her trumpet a little too strong in my favor; for since she had represented "the Government" as being a first-rate statesman, and Colonel Benton as a first-rate orator, they could not receive such reports without proper allowance, as Congress thought of the Post Office report.

Well, I shouldered my Betsey, and she is just about as beautiful a piece as ever came out of Philadelphia, and I went out to the shooting ground, followed by all the leading men in Little Rock, and that was a clear majority of the town, for it is remarkable, that there are always more leading men in small villages than there are followers.

I was in prime order. My eye was as keen as a lizard, and my nerves were as steady and unshaken as the political course of Henry Clay; so at it we went, the distance, one hundred yards. The principal marksmen, and such as had never been beat, led the way, and there was some pretty fair shooting, I tell you. At length it came to my turn. I squared myself, raised my beautiful Betsey to my shoulder, took deliberate aim, and smack I sent the bullet right into the

centre of the bull's eye. "There's no mistake in Betsey," said I, in a sort of careless way, as they were all looking at the target, sort of amazed, and not at all over pleased.

"That's a chance shot, Colonel," said one who had the reputation of being the best marksman in those parts.

"Not as much chance as there was" said I, "when Dick Johnson took his servant for better for worse. I can do it fives times out of six any day in the week." This I said in as confident a tone as "the Government" did, when he protested that he forgave Colonel Benton for shooting him, and he was now the best friend he had in the world. I knew it was not altogether as correct as it might be, but when a man sets about going the big figure, halfway measures won't answer no how; and "the greatest and the best" had set me the example, that swaggering will answer a good purpose at times.

They now proposed that we should have a second trial; but knowing that I had nothing to gain and everything to lose, I was for backing out and fighting shy; but there was no let-off, for the cock of the village, though whipped, determined not to stay whipped; so to it again we went. They were now put upon their mettle, and they fired much better than the first time; and it was what might be called pretty sharp shooting. When it came to my turn, I squared myself, and turning to the prime shot, I gave him a knowing nod, by way of showing my confidence; and says I, "Look out for the bull's eye, stranger." I blazed away, and I wish I may be shot if I didn't miss the target. They examined it all over, and could find neither hair nor hide of my bullet, and pronounced it a dead miss; when says I, "Stand aside and let me look, and I warrant you I get on the right trail of the critter." They stood aside, and I examined the bull's eye pretty particular, and at length cried out, "Here it is; there

is no snakes if it ha'n't followed the very track of the other." They said it was utterly impossible, but I insisted on their searching the hole, and I agreed to be stuck up as a mark myself, if they did not find two bullets there. They searched for my satisfaction, and sure enough it all come out just as I had told them; for I had picked up a bullet that had been fired, and stuck it deep into the hole, without any one perceiving it. They were all perfectly satisfied, that fame had not made too great a flourish of trumpets when speaking of me as a marksman; and they all said they had enough of shooting for that day, and they moved, that we adjourn to the tavern and liquor.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 8am-noon All Ranges closed for maintenance	2 6-9pm <i>Ladies' Night (CH/Ind)</i>	3 Long Range Day 9am-1pm 800-1000 yd 1pm-sunset 300-600yd 7pm-9pm General Meeting	4 6pm-9:30pm <i>CMP Class (CH/Ind)</i>	5 9am-4pm <i>USPSA/IPSC (Silh)</i> 8am-4pm <i>CMP Match (100/200)</i>
6 9am-3pm <i>Pistol Silhouette (Silh)</i>	7 4:30pm-8pm <i>Jr. Smallbore (CH/Ind)</i>	8 8am-noon All Ranges closed for maintenance <i>Newsletter Submissions Due</i>	9 8am- 9am LE: NOAA 8a-9p (CH/Ind) 9-Noon (Silh) 1p-5p (CH/Ind)	10 Long Range Day 9am-1pm 300-600yd 1pm-sunset 800-1000 yd	11	12 6pm-9pm Christmas Party! At Mountainview Christian Church (see website/newsletter for info)
13 9am-3pm <i>Action Pistol (Silh)</i> 1pm-3pm New Member Orientation (Ind/CH)	14 4:30pm-8pm <i>Jr. Smallbore (CH/Ind)</i>	15 8am-noon All Ranges closed for maintenance	16 6-9pm <i>Ladies' Night (CH/Ind)</i>	17 Long Range Day 9am-1pm 800-1000 yd 1pm-sunset 300-600yd	18	19 9am-2pm <i>Black Powder (Silh)</i> 2pm-Sunset <i>Pistol Silh Practice (Silh)</i>
20 9am-5pm <i>Speed Steel (Silh)</i>	21 4:30pm-8pm <i>Jr. Smallbore (CH/Ind)</i>	22 8am-noon All Ranges closed for maintenance	23	24 Long Range Day 9am-1pm 300-600yd 1pm-sunset 800-1000 yd	25 Christmas Day	26
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- CH/Ind Clubhouse & Indoor Range
- Arch Archery Range
- 100/200 100/200 Yard Range
- Silh Silhouette Range
- LR Long Range

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