President's Corner

Tom Hatch, DRRC President

As I write this, the beginning of Fall is officially upon us. As with every October, my wife and I loaded up with candy for all the goblins, princesses and super heroes. I couldn't help myself, though, when a young man came to the door wearing a ghillie suit. I felt the edge of the candy bowl begin to lean towards his bag but my wife intercepted me and shared her thoughts on how all the costumes were great....no they weren't!

I am sorry to say that Todd Hanson will be stepping down as our CMP Director, effective the end of December. So many members have shared with me how Todd did an excellent job as the Discipline Director. He held the job for five vears and feels it is time someone else have the opportunity to run the program. Todd mentioned that he will continue to shoot CMP, and will assist the next Director as he snaps in. Recently I was contacted by Justin Fluegel who has agreed to take over as Director. Justin has experience in CMP competition and has a love for the discipline. I look forward to Justin taking over and want to say thank you to Todd in advance for helping.

At the last general meeting our Hunter Sight In Director Mike Dillard shared with us that HSI had another successful year and again, ZERO accidents. Job well done Mike, and thank you for running not only an enjoyable shooting experience but also a safe environment.

As you read this, the election is over and we continue to move forward as a country. This was an important election; whether your candidates or measures were elected or passed I hope you exercised your right to vote.

As a former Marine, November 10th has a special meaning to me as it does to all Marines, it is our birthday. More importantly, November 11th is Veterans Day and



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A well regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed.

we salute ALL those who wore/ wear the uniform. Please take a moment and remember all our veterans.

My wife Denise and I would like to take this opportunity to wish all the members of Douglas Ridge Rifle Club a Happy Thanksgiving. It is our hope that you will take a moment to reflect on what we have to be thankful for as Americans.

Hunter Sight-In Report

Mike Dillard, HSI Director

This year was accident free and ran smoothly. I would like to thank all the volunteers that showed up for this event. Volunteer participation was very high the opening weekend, when the weather was great. The third weekend could of used some more helpers.

New for this year was an information booth, food service and a NRA booth; all went well. The information booth was similar to what we do at the gun shows, i.e. promote the club to the public. President Tom Hatch specifically dedicated that job for volunteers who have medical reasons as it is hard for them to do other tasks. The food was a fundraising project of the equestrian clubs from Estacada High School and Sandy High School. Hopefully they did well and will want to do it again.

Members that have done this before are the backbone of this

event. The people that are new to this were great and caught on quickly, hopefully they will use this opportunity to get their work hours in.

There were a total of 883 rifles this year.

Blackpowder Cartridge Rifle Match Report

Dave Kendall, BPCR Director

Saturday October 22nd was a fine day, a perfect 70 degree day, sunshine and all, the best of days for an outdoor match. Several people showed up, to shoot or just watch. Seven shooters were there but only 5 decided to compete.

We began at 300 yards shooting from cross sticks at a standard 300yard repair center. Ten rounds slow fire. Then we changed to a 600-yard repair center and fired 10 rounds offhand. Very challenging to say the least. The final round of fire was 10 rounds from cross sticks at 600 yards on the same 600-yard repair centers.

High score was a tie between Dave Kendall and Howard Enquist, 165/300. At first accounting DK was scored as 175/300, but a recount showed the tie instead. The tie breaker turned out to be X's and 10 ring hits and we discovered that Dave K had won by 2X's and 5 10's, to 4 10's for Howard. Great competition. Howard received the 2nd place award and Steve Irving the 3rd place award.

A special component of award was given for the smallest (best) 5 shot group of the 10 rounds fired in the offhand segment. This was also given to Steve Irving.

Great fun on a perfect day!

Board Approves Security Enhancements

Ioe Keller

At the October Board Meeting, the Board approved two projects to improve security for the facilities at DRRC.

The first project is a replacement of most of the door locks on the property. We have many doors

that require keys, and there are many different members who need access to different doors. The current system is to assign keys to the members who need access. There are several concerns with this system. The keys need to be tracked. As roles change, keys need to be collected and reassigned. Keys can get lost. Keys can be copied inappropriately, and not be tracked.

Alternatives were investigated, and the proposed alternative is electronic locks that are coded to be accessed by the same cards we use for gate and clubhouse access. Each lock will be coded individually for the approved member access. Only the approved Discipline Directors, maintenance volunteers, safety officers and others will have access to the doors they need to have. The lock system will have the additional benefit of recording who accessed the various doors, in case an issue arises. Project Coordinator Ron Carey will oversee the implementation of the new lock system, and he will also establish and maintain the access approvals.

The second project is an expansion of the security camera system. The camera system that was installed in the clubhouse and indoor range has resulted in near elimination of the vandalism problems that were occurring. But there have always been and continue to be problems on the outdoor ranges. A hole shot in the roof of the Silhouette range, someone shooting the safety sign hung on the chain across the road to the road to the upper pits from the 100 Yard range, and people using centerfire rifles on the Silhouette range and damaging the steel silhouette targets, are some of the recent issues.

New security cameras are being installed on the 100 Yard range, Silhouette range and in the Ag building. The cameras will help identify members and others who commit vandalism, they will provide a visual record of accidents that may occur, and they will be recorded

evidence in cases such as the recent trespassers caught using the range.

Boy Scouts Visit

Joe Keller

Boy Scout Troops have been visiting Douglas Ridge for a long time. I thought I would share the experiences of a recent visit to relay what DRRC can offer to scouts.

On Saturday morning November 12th, Troop 144 from Milwaukie and Troop 465 from northeast Portland arrived at the club to begin their day. After signing in, the scouts headed to the Archery range. There, Archery Director Frank Womack got the boys started shooting at the practice target butts, using the club bows and arrows. After several rounds, Frank brought out some 3-D targets to give the boys a change of pace. Finally, when two hours had passed, the scouts swept the range to find any lost arrows, and helped put away all the targets and archery equipment. They thanked Frank and his son for helping them, and moved on to the Shotgun range.

At the Shotgun range, Junior Shotgun Director Dale Nelson gave the boys a short orientation, and found out who had some experience and who was a new shooter. The scouts then split into two groups, and the scouts who had experience started shooting trap along with some of the regular junior shotgun participants. The other scouts went to the second trap range, and got some instruction from Dale and CRSO Mike Holder. After a bit, they were also shooting trap, and every one of them broke some clays. The Club makes it very reasonable for all the youth to participate, by charging them only for the ammunition and donating the clay birds for the shooting.

After two hours at the Shotgun range, the scouts went to the campground and picnic tables near the clubhouse and prepared their lunches. Following lunch, they met Project Coordinator Ron Carey at the Ag building for a service project.

General Meetings

2016: 12/01; **2017**: 01/05, 02/02, 03/02

Board Meetings

2016: 12/29; **2017**: 01/26, 02/23, 03/23

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December 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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• Arch • 100/ • Silh	Archery Range	Trap House Trap House SC Sporting Clays Range LE Law Enforcement (train	ing)	Long Range Day 8a-1p (300/600) 1p-		10:00 am - 5:00 pm USPSA (Silh/TSBDR)
• LR • DR	Long Range Dynamic Range	NRA NRA Classes TSB Tactical Shotgun Bay		Sunset (800/1000) 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm General Meeting (CH/Ind)		11:00 am - 6:00 pm PITA Winter Multiplex Trap Tournament (Trap)
						6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Christmas Party
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
9:00 am - 3:00 pm Handgun Silhouette (Silh)		8:00 am - 12:00 pm All Ranges Closed For Maintenance	8:00 am - 4:00 pm NOAA qualification (CH/Ind, Silh)	Long Range certification required	6:00 pm - 10:00 pm Service Rifle Clinic (CH/Ind)	8:00 am - 6:00 pm Close Range Gunfighting (CH/Ind)
11:30 am - 12:00 pm New Member Orientation setup (CH/Ind)		8:30 am - 10:30 am Long Range Thursday orientation (CH) 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm	6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Ladies Night (CH/Ind)	Long Range Day 8a-1p (800/1000) 1p- Sunset (300/600)		8:00 am - 6:00 pm Project Appleseed (Silh/TSB) 8:00 am - 2:00 pm
12:00 pm - 3:00 pm New Member Orientation (CH/Ind)		JR Small Bore (CH/Ind)		Newsletter articles due		Service Rifle Match (100/200)
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						11:00 am - 4:00 pm Trap (Trap)
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8:00 am - 6:00 pm Close Range Gunfighting (CH/Ind)	5:30 pm - 6:00 pm Well Armed Women setup(CH/Ind)	8:00 am - 12:00 pm All Ranges Closed For Maintenance		Long Range certification required		9:00 am - 7:00 pm 540 Tactical DPSST Armed course (CH/Ind)
8:00 am - 6:00 pm Project Appleseed (Silh/TSB)	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Well Armed Women (CH/Ind)	1:00 pm - 5:00 pm Black Powder Cartridge (300/800)		Long Range Day 8a-1p (300/600) 1p- Sunset (800/1000)		9:00 am - 2:00 pm Blackpowder Muzzleloader (Silh/TSB)
		4:00 pm - 8:00 pm JR Small Bore (CH/Ind)		Sunset (000/1000)		4:30 pm - 7:30 pm 3 Gun Setup (Silh/TSB/DR)
18	19	20	21	22	23	24 Christmas Eve
8:00 am - 8:00 pm 540 Tactical DPSST Armed course (CH/Ind)	6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Long Term Planning (CH/Ind)	8:00 am - 12:00 pm All Ranges Closed For Maintenance	6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Ladies Night (CH/Ind)	Long Range certification required		11:00 am - 4:00 pm Trap (Trap)
9:00 am - 5:00 pm 3 Gun (Silh/TSB/DR)		4:00 pm - 8:00 pm JR Small Bore (CH/Ind)		Long Range Day 8a-1p (800/1000) 1p- Sunset (300/600)		
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		4:00 pm - 8:00 pm JR Small Bore (CH/Ind)		Long Range Day 8a-1p (300/600) 1p- Sunset (800/1000)		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
				7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Board Meeting (CH/Ind)		



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Ron handed out gloves and loppers, and the scouts and their leaders spent an hour and a half cutting blackberry vines out of the wetland recovery area next to the Ag building. When they were sufficiently scratched and wet, they returned the tools. One troop left to spend the night at a different location, and the other troop returned to the campground to set up their camping equipment. The youth cooked some fish over the campfire for dinner. Then they played some games before getting in their tents for the night.

Sunday morning after breakfast, the second troop returned, and both troops went to the Silhouette range to shoot .22s. Once again, DRRC helps the troops to shoot, by having some older target rifles dedicated for scouts to use. The scouts also used the club mats and delta rests. And the club has .22 ammunition purchased under a special program for youth shooters, which is sold

at cost to the scouts. Ron Carey provided some low target frames which the boys installed cardboard on, and after a safety briefing, they began shooting. A few other members were also shooting on the range, so the group coordinated the hot and cold lines with the other shooters. Many of the boys could shoot some good 5-shot groups. When they were done, they helped put away the target standards, and return all the club rifles and equipment to the clubhouse. Then they broke camp and left for home.

Douglas Ridge is pleased to be able to help scout troops enjoy our shooting ranges. Arlo Gatchel is our Scout Coordinator, and works with troops to help them schedule visits to the ranges. Our discipline directors are also very generous in helping scouts to participate in their sports. In addition to archery and trap, other scout visits have participated in blackpowder shoots.

And troops can almost always find an opportunity to shoot .22s on a visit. The club does not charge for using the campground, other than the service projects the troops do when they visit. Any member can sponsor a troop to visit, and Arlo helps troops who don't have a member sponsor with their visit. Some scouts have even chosen DRRC as the recipient for their Eagle Project, and have provided some nice facility enhancements as a result. But the best part is encouraging the young men to participate in our shooting sports. Who knows, maybe someday they'll be the discipline directors helping the next generation of scouts.

"We should be unfaithful to ourselves if we should ever lose sight of the danger to our liberties if anything partial or extraneous should infect the purity of our free, fair, virtuous, and independent elections."

John Adams (1797)