From the President

Thomas Hatch

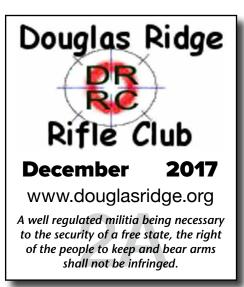
By the time you read this, Thanksgiving 2017 will have come and gone. I do hope your Thanksgiving was filled with family and thankfulness for the blessings upon our country.

So much is going on at Douglas Ridge, I'm not sure where to start. On October 13th-15th, Douglas Ridge played host to approximately 200 Cub and Boy Scouts. Campsites were on our Boy Scout site and behind the Archery



Range. Scouts participated in wood cutting, BB gun shooting, archery, cooking and many other activities. Ron Carey inspected their areas after their departure and declared they had left their campsites in as good condition or better as they found them. And this was all accomplished without affecting a single discipline or member, which is both the boards' and my cardinal rule. Though Douglas Ridge is primarily a rifle club, we are also a member of the community and as we grow, so should our commitment to the community.

By now I'm sure most of you have heard that our Range Hosts, Terry and Mitzi Bennett have moved into the new Range Host house. The old structure was overdue for replacement and the board voted on a replacement home while staying within the guidelines of our budget. A big thanks to Ron Carey, as well as the members who volunteered to help.



You rolled up your sleeves and got right to work again, showing that DRRC is a club of volunteers.

November 20th, we will host a local chapter of Wounded Warriors. For me it will be a privilege to shake the hands of these young people who have given so much to this great nation. With Veterans Day recognized on November 11th, I hope you all took just a moment to think of our Veterans both past and present. In closing, I would be remiss if I did not wish our Marine Corps a happy birthday, 242 years of service to this great nation.

Until next month, stay safe and from our home to yours, Merry Christmas.

December Turkey Shoot

Joe Keller

The Turkey Shoot on November 4th at the Trap Range was so much fun, Dick Jennings has decided to do it again. Saturday, December 16th, there will be another Turkey Shoot at the Trap Range. The shoot starts at 11 AM. The cost is \$42 for a 5 Event punch card, which includes your ammunition.

At the November shoot, different games were played, including a 3 gun knockout game, and a partners game where the second shooter tried to follow up and hit a piece of the clay bird again. Partners were chosen by random draw. December's shoot will be a similar format.

Gift card prizes will be awarded to the various winners, and there are other prizes as well. The event includes a pot luck lunch; bring some snacks to share. The Turkey Shoot is open to all, and club guns are available to use if needed. Regular trap practice will also be open for those interested.

Contact Trap Director Dick Jennings if you have questions.

Service Rifle

Barry Mogus

Our last match for 2017 is on December 9th. If you have never tried shooting highpower you should give this a try. We give a short class on the Friday evening before the match from 6 PM to 9 PM where we go over what goes on at the match. Each new shooter gets a chances to practice the positions that are used in the match (standing, sitting and prone), as well as practice loading the M1 Garand.

If you are interested in learning how to operate the M1 Garand and would like to try this out go to the Douglas Ridge Rifle Club webpage and find the Service Rifle discipline and sign up for this class and match. We are limited to the first 12 new shooters that sign up for the class. The total number of shooters at the match is limited to 36, so sign up now to reserve your spot. If you have any questions please call or text Barry at 503/709-2675.

2017 Christmas Party

Nils Bittner, Chairman

Ho! Ho! Ho! Merry Christmas! DRRC Members: It's time for the Annual Christmas Party. This



year the party is being held at a new location due to the growing turnout at our annual event.

This year the Party will be held at Camp Withycombe National Guard Base, 15300 S.E. Industrial Way, Clackamas on Saturday, December 9th.

Doors open at 5:15 PM, and Dinner served at 6 PM.

Any person age 18 or older will be checked for ID at the main gate. You must present a valid state/federal issued photo ID to enter (driver's license, military ID, concealed weapons permit). NO weapons (guns, knives, etc.) of ANY kind are allowed on Base, leave your weapons at home!!

DRRC will provide turkey, ham, stuffing, mashed potatoes/gravy, rolls/butter, beverages, and place settings. It's a potluck, so please bring your favorite main dish, salad, or holiday dessert to share.

Door Prizes include \$100 gift cards, \$ 50 gift cards, and cash envelopes.

There will also be a Raffle with all monies raised going to the Junior Fund. Prizes will include a flat screen TV, a day spa certificate, spotting scope, Igloo Coolers, and 3 guns; rifle, shotgun, and pistol

All DRRC members, spouses, and families are welcome to attend.

Volunteers needed, please call Nils Bittner 503/407-6571 to volunteer with set up, serving, and cleanup. It takes a crew for a successful event.

Happy Holidays

NRA Ladies Basic Pistol

Denise Hatch

Not long ago shooting a firearm was a male dominated activity. If a woman wished to learn to shoot, it would be difficult to find a competent instructor who had the experience, patience and desire to teach. In a group setting she may have been mingled with veterans, hunters and shooting enthusiasts. As times changed, so did the demand for classes for ladies with little to no skills. Some of these classes lasted 2-4 hours with a rushed curriculum or limited instruction. I started down this path with the help of a very competent and experienced instructor just a couple years ago, and wanted to learn even more.

In 2005, Sheri and Charlie McAlister decided to form a class with firearm safety being the cardinal rule, in addition to firearm maintenance, range



etiquette and basic firearm shooting. I recently completed one of these classes I have just mentioned. With only 12 seats available, there was a high demand to attend this class. There was no charge except for ammunition that one might wish to purchase from the club. When I arrived, I was greeted by Sheri McAlister who not only made me feel welcomed but helped to put my mind at ease. Sheri was in charge of training, organization and certificates with

General Meetings 2018: 01/04, 02/01, 03/01, 04/05, 05/03

Board Meetings 2018: 01/25, 02/22, 03/22, 04/26, 05/24

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December 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Arch Archery R	e & Indoor Range ange (ard Range e Range ge	LE Law Enfo NRA NRA Class	ge ise Clays Range rcement (training)		1 2:00pm - 5:30pm USPSA Set Up (Silh/TSBDR) 4:00pm - 10:00pm Adult Small Bore (CH/Ind)	2 8:00am - 6:00pm 540 Tactical Concealed Carry-Multi State DH1 (CH/Ind) 10:00am - 6:00pm USPSA (Silh/TSBDR) 11:00am - 4:00pm Trap (Trap) 5:00pm - 7:00pm 3-Gun Setup (Silh/TSB/DR)
3 First Sunday of Advent 9:00am - 5:00pm 3 Gun (Silh/TSB/DR) 11:30am - 12:00pm New Member Orientation setup (CH/Ind) 12:00pm - 4:00pm New Member Orientation (CH/Ind)	4	5 8:00am - 12:00pm All Ranges Closed For Maintenance 4:00pm - 8:00pm JR Small Bore (CH/Ind)	6 11:00am - 2:00pm Winter Trap (Trap) 6:00pm - 9:00pm Ladies League (CH/Ind)	7 Long Range Day 8a-1p (800/1000) 1p-Sunset (300/600) 7:00pm - 9:00pm General Meeting (CH/Ind)	8 Newsletter articles due 6:00pm - 10:00pm Service Rifle Clinic (CH/Ind)	9 8:00am - 5:00pm Service Rifle Match (100/200) 9:00am - 2:00pm Archery Shoot (Arch) 6:00pm - 9:00pm Christmas Party (Camp Withycombe)
10 9:00am - 3:00pm Handgun Silhouette (CANCELLED)	11	12 8:00am - 12:00pm All Ranges Closed For Maintenance 8:30am - 10:30am Long Range Thursday orientation (CH) 1:00pm - 5:00pm Black Powder Cartridge (300/800) 4:00pm - 8:00pm JR Small Bore (CH/Ind)	13 8:00am - 4:00pm NOAA qualification (CH/Ind, Silh) 11:00am - 2:00pm Winter Trap (Trap) 6:00pm - 8:00pm The Well Armed Women meeting (CH/Ind)	14 Long Range Day 8a-1p (300/600) 1p-Sunset (800/1000)	15 4:00pm - 10:00pm Adult Small Bore (CH/Ind)	16 9:00am - 2:00pm Blackpowder Muzzleloader (Silh/TSB) 11:00am - 4:00pm Trap (Trap)
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24 Christmas Eve 31 New Year's Eve	25 Christmas Day	26 8:00am - 12:00pm All Ranges Closed For Maintenance 4:00pm - 8:00pm JR Small Bore (CH/Ind)	27 11:00am - 2:00pm Winter Trap (Trap)	28 Long Range Day 8a-1p (300/600) 1p-Sunset (800/1000) 7:00pm - 9:00pm Board Meeting (CH/Ind)	29	30

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Rifle Club

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her husband Charlie the "behind the scenes" backbone. I quickly learned many of the shooters were like myself with little to no



experience. Instructors taught utilizing an NRA PowerPoint covering all the training I mentioned. The atmosphere was light, with

a serious note. The class covered all aspects of firearm safety, mechanics in both the revolver and semi-automatic, and handson firearm maintenance. Finally, it came Range Time starting with stance, grip, head, arm and back position. Then grip-both single and two handed support and sight picture. At the end of the class, what a different group of ladies when it came to firearms. I saw confidence, pride and a sense of accomplishment. Most of all, a desire to stay safe and be a responsible shooter while always striving to improve skills. I would like to thank the McAlister's as well as the co-instructors and the numerous RSO's who faithfully attended in order to assist each of us with every aspect covered in this class.

On Religious Liberty

Believing with you that religion is a matter which lies solely between man and his God, that he owes account to none other for his faith or his worship, that the legislative powers of government reach actions only, and not opinions, I contemplate with sovereign reverence that act of the whole American people which declared that their legislature should "make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof," thus building a wall of separation between church and State.

Thomas Jefferson in a letter to a Committee of the Danbury Baptist Association, Connecticut — 1802.

