Presidents Report

Stan Pate, President

Greetings Everyone. It is a brand new year and hopefully it is starting off very well for all of us. I'm writing this article near the first of December so all of the news will be current as of this time. On behalf of me, my family, and all of the board and officers, we'd like to wish you and yours a happy new year.

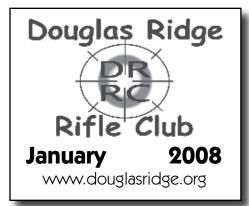
The Christmas party was a grand success even with the change of venue and the threatening weather. As most of you should know even if you didn't attend, the location for the Christmas party was held in large room in a local church. The church was a great location for such an event as ours because of all the available room, tables and chairs, as well as a huge kitchen that lended itself easily to cooking for a group as large as ours. The final attendance number for the party was 147 members and family members.

Nils Bitner and John Weil out did themselves once again when it came to obtaining many prizes to be given away when your ticket numbers were called. The raffle for the special prizes such as the two metal gun cases, the kitchen knives, the shotgun and the rifle was an enourmous success with Charlie McAlister and his wife Shari getting pitted against each other for ticket sales. The income off of the raffle not only paid for the cost of some of the items but added to DRRC coffers. Ron Lucas and his wife along with some help from Nick, and a few of the other club members took charge of the cooking duties once again, and he continues only

Shooting Times

DRRC Members: Please be sure to observe the allowable shooting times at all ranges. Sunset times are posted at each outside Range. It is easy to go past these times but we want to keep our neighbors happy.

Outdoor Range Hours - Monday through Friday, are 8:00 am to sunset (as posted at each range). Saturday, Sunday and holiday hours are 9:00 am to sunset.



to get better and better at it. When the eating was done there seemed to be a steady groaning from over eating that reverberated thru the crowd.

On the ongoing legal front the latest news is that on December the 7th in the Clackamas County Court room the remaining two local cases that were filed against DRRC by our former member were dismissed by the judge. As I get more information on what our next step is I will endeavor to keep you informed, attendance at general membership meetings will of course give all members a better understanding of the latest news. We are still having to defend ourselves in the two federal suits that were filed and this process promises to be a longer one as federal cases aren't over quickly, it is mine and the board's belief that we will prevail.

The Legal Defense Fund drive that the membership voted for in November is still collecting money. As of this writing the collected monies are quickly closing on \$20,000 with every indication of more on the way. If you haven't been able to donate yet or would like to donate additional money, it would be greatly appreciated by all of the members. On this same topic, the application to the NRA's legal defense fund has been completed and turned in and we are awaiting their response for funding and for their legal team to join with ours in the defense of DRRC.

As always, I'd like to extend an invitation to all DRRC members to attend any or all of the general membership meetings this year. It is thru the passing of accurate information that questions get answered and everyone stays informed. I hope to see you on the range.

Christmas PartyA Great Time For All

Charlie McAlister

The DRRC Christmas party was a great success and went off with out a hitch. Due to the large number of people attending the last couple of years, we had to move it to a new venue. This it was held at Mountain View Christian Church in their Family Life Center. Thanks Charlie McAlister and his wife Sheri for arranging this venue.

This year we had 147 people in attendance and we had a wonderful prepared dinner thanks to Ron Lucas and his wife Jamie. John Weil and Nils Bittner were in charge of all the gifts and there were many nice gifts given away. For the raffle we had a Henry Golden Boy 17 HMR and an IAC 12ga Pump Shotgun along with 4 other great prizes. The raffle took in \$998, thanks to everyone who took part in buying tickets. We need to thank all the vendors who donated gifts, they were Keith's Sporting Goods, Lisoski Farms, JHW Enterprises, D&L Arrangements, N.W. Safe, Tanks Electric, Tri-Phase Electric Supply, Radiant Flowers, and Dr. Robert Milne, and if I missed anyone... THANKS!

A special thanks to all those who came early to set up and everyone who stayed late to clean up. If you missed the party this year, you missed a great evening.

Classes Coming up:

NRA FIRST Steps
Pistol & Concealed Carry
January 12; 9 am & 2 pm.....\$50 & \$20

NRA Range Safety Officer

January 26-27; 9 am.....\$35

To get more information or to register for a class contact Michael Jones at 503/654-7452 or jonesc@teleport.com



Wolves in Oregon

ODFW website

Wolves in Oregon are protected by the federal and state Endangered Species Act. It is illegal to shoot a wolf, even one mistaken for another animal. Hunters in particular need to identify their target before shooting because wolves can look similar to coyotes.

Reducing conflict between wolves and dogs: Wolves are by nature extremely territorial and guard their territory from other canids, including coyotes and domestic dogs. Hunters who use dogs should take steps to limit potential conflicts between their dog(s) and a wild wolf. Upland game bird hunters can reduce the chances for conflict by keeping dogs within view, placing a bell or beeping collar on wider ranging dogs, talking loudly to the dog or other hunters, using whistles, and otherwise controlling the dog so that it stays close to you so that wolves nearby would be able to associate the dog with a human. Place the dog on a leash if wolves or fresh sign are seen. Remember, it is NOT legal to shoot at or attempt to injure or kill a wolf even if it is attacking your dog. Wolves are unlikely to be found in areas frequented by waterfowl hunters.

Excellent Duck Hunting

National Shooting Sports Foundation

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) said the state's duck hunters are in for a great 2007-2008 season and should look forward to some excellent hunting with liberal bag limits.

ODFW surveys show breeding populations are up 27 percent overall statewide while populations in major breeding areas in the United States and Canada are up 14 percent. For the first time in two decades, the canvasback daily bag limit has increased to two birds, thanks to record high numbers of canvasbacks.

Counts on survey-wide populations in Canada, Alaska and U.S. prairies indicated that northern shovelers. redheads, and canvasbacks are at alltime highs while the green-winged teal population is at their third highest population count ever. The total duckbreeding population climbed 14 percent to 41 million birds and mallards rose 14 percent to over 8 million. Pintails were the only population to see a decline.

A visit to the ODFW Waterfowl Resources Web page provides a wealth of information, including forecasts for each region of the state: Northwest, Southwest, High Desert and Northeast.

Range Etiquette

National Shooting Sports Foundation

- **ALWAYS** practice safe basic firearms handling
- **NEVER** touch a firearm *for any* reason – if someone is forward of the firing line
- **ALWAYS** walk around someone else's equipment – never step over it
- **NEVER** leave your equipment where someone has to walk around it
- **NEVER** touch someone else's equipment without their permission
- **DON'T** let ejected cases or hulls hit your neighbor
- **IF** in doubt, **ASK.** Shooters and range operators are happy to help
- **INTRODUCE** yourself to the person next to you

Have fun and be safe.

Identification Characteristics of Coyotes and Wolves

COYOTES:

- Weight: 15-30 Pounds
- Shoulder Height: 1 1/2 Feet
- Snout Muzzle: Long and Pointed

Covote

■ Ears: Long and Pointed

Taller, pointed ears; narrow

pointed face and muzzle.

Adult

Coyotes

are up to

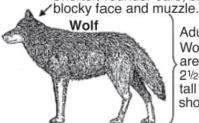
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shoulder

WOLVES:

- Weight: 70-100 Pounds
- Shoulder Height: 2 1/2 Feet
- Snout Muzzle: Large and Blocky
- Ears: Short and Rounded

Shorter, rounder ears; broad,



Adult Wolves are up to 21/2 feet tall at shoulder.

Adult Wolves are up to 6 feet long.

Adult Coyote track about 21/2 inches long.

Adult Coyotes are up to 4 feet long.



Adult Wolf track about 5 inches long.



inches wide

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Future Club Member Meetings

2008 General Meetings (Thursdays)

> February 7 at 7 pm March 6 at 7 pm April 3 at 7 pm

2008 Board Meetings (Thursdays)

February 28 at 7 pm March 27 at 7 pm April 24 at 7 pm



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