President's Corner

Tom Hatch

With Thanksgiving behind us I hope you were able to spend time with your family and friends and celebrate what we can be truly thankful for.

Denise and I attended the annual club Christmas Party. The building was full of laughter with over 218 members visiting and introducing each other's families. Bryan Goold and his crew made us a fantastic dinner. The food was great and there was plenty for all. The club gave out over 80 prizes and envelopes with gift certificates. I can't go on without giving special thanks to Keith's Sporting Goods for their more than generous donations. To Nils Bittner, thank you for your hard work, humor and making this year's event not only a success but an enjoyable event which will long be remembered.

As president, I want to emphasize that the members at Douglas Ridge are not just a group of people. We are a rifle club and I have made many new friends and I am sure I will continue to meet more of you as my tenure as president continues. Please let me or a member of our board know when a member or a close family member is ill or has passed. As a club we need to let those of us who are going through a difficult time know that they are in our thoughts and prayers.

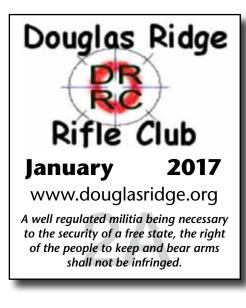
As Christmas grows closer, remember those who sacrifice being

Thank You Charlie

Tom Hatch

Charlie McAlister has decided to step down as our club key custodian.

I have observed Charlie take charge of this difficult and challenging task of controlling our keys and the security of the club-he did an excellent job of cataloging and maintaining our key inventory. Thank you Charlie for a job well done!



away from home and family to keep us safe. Please take a moment and remember our veterans, police, fire and all those who will be working on this special day.

The Hatch family is a family of faith. With that said, Christmas is a special time of year for us. However you celebrate the Christmas season, Denise and I wish all our friends at Douglas Ridge Rifle Club a Merry Christmas!

Hunter's Ed

Bill Hendrix, DRRC Hunter Education

It's time to be thinking of your family members who may need a Hunter Education card in 2017. If your young shooter is planning on hunting in 2017, is between the ages of 12 and 18, a Hunter Education card is mandatory for them. There are two ways of acquiring a card. Attend a series of classes and a field day from a volunteer instructor or take self-paced online classes available through the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW). After the student has passed their online class they are required to attend a two evening class and field day testing to complete the process and acquire the card.

Since the passing of my coinstructor and club member, Bill Madden, we have regrouped and welcome two new instructors to our teaching team. Ken Laudahl is a club member who stepped up to our call for help last year and loves teaching kids. Dustin Holyk is a life-long outdoorsman and shooter who is looking for additional opportunities to pass along his knowledge to others. We welcome them and say hello!

DRRC instructors are teaching several classes this year. We are providing one three-week traditional class, which is open to all potential students in the area, that starts in March. These classes will be on three consecutive Mondays and Thursdays on March 6th & 9th, 13th & 16th, and the 20th & 22nd at the DRRC clubhouse. Saturday the 25th will be the Field Day and final testing. Weekday classes are from 6-9 pm and the Saturday Field Day starts at 8 am and usually finishes up around 1 pm. All classes are mandatory.

Those wishing to use the online, self-paced, home study classes can do so at www.dfw.state.or.us/. Go to the HUNTING tab at the top of the home page. Then click on the Hunter Education and Events tab, and click the Online Hunter Education Courses or Workbook Option to register for the computer based study. Remember if you're taking the online classes you need to also take the two night Field Day and final exam with volunteer instructors, so plan accordingly. Our home study field day/final exam classes will be Jan.30th and Feb 1st, or May 15th & 18th, or July 31 & Aug.2. You must register for these classes separate from the home study work and attend both nights of each field day/final exam class to complete the requirements and receive your card.

If you have reached the age of 18 or older, and plan to hunt out of the country or in other states outside of Oregon, most other states require some form of Hunter Education to be able to buy tags. There are two options available to get your card; Either go onto the ODFW website and take the online study course for adults, which does not require a live fire element, *or* plan to attend our March classes; so you can be ready when you win that raffle of a lifetime. *Don't wait until July to start thinking of and trying to get into a class!!!* We as instructors are in the field starting in September and will not be available for last minute classes.

The DRRC instructors are also teaching a Master Hunter class for eligible adults on Wednesday June 7th at DRRC. Master Hunter opportunities for extra hunts start each year in July. There is a home study component, a volunteer requirement, a shooting proficiency test, and a four-hour classroom requirement before you can obtain these opportunities. The information and registration is available at the ODFW website listed at the end of this newsletter article. After you've clicked on the Hunting tab, click on the Master Hunter Education link and follow the directions for registering. If you want to take the June class as part of the program you will need to start your studies soon to complete all of the requirements before the class. We will post the class to the website a few weeks before it begins so you can register for it online.

For those young hunters who may not be ready for a Hunter Education class (age, inexperience, etc.) the State of Oregon offers a youth mentored hunt program. The program allows youth 9 through 13 years of age to hunt without first passing an approved hunter education program. It gives unlicensed youngsters the opportunity to receive mentored, one-on-one field experience and training on the ethics, safety, responsibility, and enjoyment of the hunting while closely supervised by a licensed adult. See the ODFW website under the Hunter Education Tab listed above to find out about this great opportunity for younger hunters. All of the information that you need to experience this

opportunity with a young hunter is found there.

The online applications and list of available classes can be found, when opened up for registration, at or.outdoorcentral.us/or/license. When the classes are posted on the ODFW website you can sign up until each class is full. Please have your students SSN# and a credit card handy when you are trying to register. You can also look up and sign up for classes at other pointof-sale license buying locations like Sportsmen's Warehouse, Fisherman Marine, Cabela's, BiMart, , etc. Check the ODFW website often for changes and additional classes outside DRRC.

These classes will be posted to the ODFW website a few weeks before class starts so you can use the online registration or point-of-sale places to sign up for them.

Enjoy your holiday season and we'll be looking forward to seeing you in 2017! Because of the large volume of inquiries received, I can respond to questions after working hours and weekends, by email. My email address is inspectorbill@msn. com

3 Gun

Markus Wigle, 3 Gun Director

I have been asked to write a short report out on our 3 gun match and our plans to grow this sport, I believe in what we do in the sport of 3 Gun is truly the best way to become safer in your gun handling skills. As a new competitor I will require you to squad with me for your first couple of matches this way I can coach you until your skills are where they need to be! In the last nine plus years I have helped start close to 300 men, women, and children in this sport.

If you can take instructions from a RSO and have a pistol holster and four mags, a pump or a auto shotgun and a AR style rifle with two mags, ammo, and \$10 you can get started.

We recently requested a change on the calendar in order to lesson the impact on the members range time

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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January 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 New Year's Day 9:00 am - 5:00 pm 3 Gun (Silh/TSB/DR)	2	3 8:00 am - 12:00 pm All Ranges Closed For Maintenance 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm JR Small Bore (CH/Ind)	4 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Ladies Night (CH/Ind)	5 Long Range Day 8a-1p (800/1000) 1p-Sunset (300/600) 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm General Meeting (CH/Ind)	6 2:00 pm - 5:30 pm USPSA Set Up (Silh/TSBDR) 4:00 pm - 10:00 pm Adult Small Bore (CH/Ind)	7 8:00 am - 5:00 pm 21feet CHL + Handgun Fundamentals (CH/Ind) 10:00 am - 5:00 pm USPSA (Silh/TSBDR) 11:00 am - 6:00 pm PITA Winter Multiplex Trap Tournament (Trap)
8 Newsletter articles due 9:00 am - 3:00 pm Handgun Silhouette (Silh) 11:30 am - 12:00 pm New Member Orientation setup (CH/Ind) 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm New Member Orientation (CH/Ind)	9	10 8:00 am - 12:00 pm All Ranges Closed For Maintenance 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm Black Powder Cartridge (300/800) 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm JR Small Bore (CH/Ind)	11 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm The Well Armed Women meeting (CH/ind)	12 Long Range Day 8a-1p (300/600) 1p-Sunset (800/1000)	13 4:00 pm - 10:00 pm Adult Small Bore (CH/Ind)	14 8:00 am - 5:00 pm .22 Rimfire Challenge (Silh//DR) 8:00 am - 6:00 pm 540 Tactical Concealed Carry-Multi State DH1 (CH/Ind) 9:00 am - 2:00 pm Archery Shoot (Arch)
15	16 Martin Luther King Day 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm 21feet OR & UT CHL (CH/Ind)	17 8:00 am - 12:00 pm All Ranges Closed For Maintenance 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm JR Small Bore (CH/Ind)	18 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Ladies Night (CH/Ind)	19 Long Range Day 8a-1p (800/1000) 1p-Sunset (300/600)	20 4:00 pm - 10:00 pm Adult Small Bore (CH/Ind)	21 8:00 am - 6:00 pm The Well Armed Women training class (CH/Ind) 9:00 am - 2:00 pm Blackpowder Muzzleloader (Silh/TSB) 11:00 am - 4:00 pm Trap (Trap)
22 8:00 am - 5:00 pm 21feet NRA Pistol instructor (CH/Ind)	23	24 8:00 am - 12:00 pm All Ranges Closed For Maintenance 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm JR Small Bore (CH/Ind)	25 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm 21feet Handgun Fundamentals (CH/Ind)	26 Long Range Day 8a-1p (300/600) 1p-Sunset (800/1000) 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Board Meeting (CH/Ind)	27 4:00 pm - 10:00 pm Adult Small Bore (CH/Ind)	28 7:00 am - 8:00 am Beginners Reloading Class Setup 8:00 am - 2:00 pm Beginners Reloading Class (CH/Ind)
29 8:00 am - 5:00 pm 21feet Advanced Pistol 1 (CH/Ind)	30 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Hunter Education Home Study Field Days (CH/Ind)	31 8:00 am - 12:00 pm All Ranges Closed For Maintenance 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm JR Small Bore (CH/Ind)	Cale • CH/ • Arch • 100/ • Silh • LR • DR	Archery Range	Calendar Codes • Trap Trap Range • TH Trap House • SC Sporting Clays Range • LE Law Enforcement (trainint) • NRA NRA Classes • TSB Tactical Shotgun Bay	ıg)

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by partnering with USPSA on the same weekend for both matches. I believe it will reduce our setup and tear down significantly.

Long term planning and my wish list includes the addition of six shooting bays and road improvement access to the bays. This will improve everyone's shooting experience at DRRC.

The potential Long term benefits to the club having the possibility of hosting an Annual large professional style match, bringing us on par with other clubs such as ARPC, Albany Rifle & Pistol Club, COSSA and Central Oregon Shooting Sport Association in this region.

Christmas Party

Nils Bittner, Chairman

The 2016 Christmas party was a huge success. There were 218 people in attendance plenty of good food and desserts to go around. I especially need to thank all of the folks who volunteered their time to help put the Christmas Party together. The food was prepared by our veteran Chef Bryan Goold and his fantastic kitchen helpers.

I really need to thank the folks for their donations as the party would not happen without them. Here is the list: Keiths Sporting Goods - Keith and Maria Ward were very instrumental this year with the donation of two pistols that raised \$1,000 for the Junior Fund along with other gifts. Igloo Coolers - Paul Goff Sysco Foods - Brian Boniface Sellwood Public House - Jason and Lisa Warner Greg Watson Steven Irving Douglas Ridge Rifle Club - Hal Halverson, Sporting Clays Director **BiMart** Corp Leupold Greg and Dee Loux

Sportsman's Warehouse The Junior fund made over \$2,000 from the proceeds of the raffle. Here are the lucky raffle winners: S&W 380 Bodyguard - Greg Watson Henry Golden boy .22 cal. Rifle -Stuart Weaver Walther .22 cal pistol - Nils Bittner S&W 380 Bodyguard #2 - Bob Hill Remington 870 Dale Earnhardt Special - Trish Voss Troutdale Day Spa - Todd Caldwell Samsung 48 inch T.V. - Virginia Hubbard Leupold Binoculars - Bill Slonecker Large Cooler - Mark Voss Large Cooler - Andrew Smith I look forward to seeing everyone again at the 2017 Christmas Party. Have a safe and Happy Holiday Season! From Nils and Lisa Bittner.