# Highpower Rifle Learning Opportunities

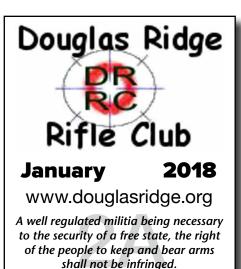
Carl Haggland

Estacada Rod & Gun Club and Douglas Ridge Rifle Club will again host a series of clinics and training matches for those interested in learning about basic rifle shooting fundamentals and Highpower Rifle competition.

The first clinic will be conducted by ERGC beginning at the Eagle Creek Grange Hall (24491 S.E. Eagle Creek Rd.) on Saturday, February 3rd at 8:30 AM. The morning will consist of a classroom session covering safety, fundamentals, equipment, and match format. The afternoon portion will be held at the ERGC range (23400 SE Eagle Creek Rd.) covering, shooting positions, rifle operation, and a live fire session to zero rifles. Day Two on Sunday February 4th will be an 80 shot training match with coaching provided for new shooters.

Douglas Ridge Rifle Club will host a second clinic Saturday March 24th at the DRRC Clubhouse (27787 Hwy 224). This class will have additional subjects not previously covered. The Sunday, Day Two will be an 80 shot match all fired from the 200 yard firing line using the target pits with coaching for new shooters both on the firing line and in the pits.

The Cascade League is a series of four matches with the goal of providing those new to Highpower Rifle an opportunity to learn the sport with coaching provided in a relaxed setting. All Cascade League matches are 80 shots for record. The Cascade League dates are as follows; February 10th at ERGC fired at 100 yards, March 3rd at ERGC fired at 100 yards, March 25th at DRRC fired at 200 yards, and April 14th at DRRC fired at 200, 300, and 600 yards. Awards during the Cascade League are for the new and lesser experienced shooters with door prizes each match and aggregate



awards following the final match.

All of these events are open to all including friends and family. Junior shooters are encouraged to attend. Club owned rifles will be available for those who do not have their own or would like to try an M-1 or AR 15. Club ammunition is also available for use at a modest cost.

Clinic fees are \$10 including the Day Two match. Cascade League matches are \$10. Registration begins at 8 AM each day and firing begins at 9 AM each day. Preregistration is not required.

For questions contact Carl Haggland at 503/281 2927 or highpower@ossa.org.

# **Christmas Party Success**

Nils Bittner, Chairman

The 2017 Christmas Party was a HUGE SUCCESS with a record number of people attending. There were approximately 300 people at the event, as the new location, Camp Withycombe National Guard Base in Clackamas, allowed us to house more members and families.

I had many reports that the food was fantastic. Best of all, because of the plentiful side dishes and desserts we had plenty of food for everyone. The leftover main dishes were donated to My Father's House in Gresham. They were very appreciative of this donation.

I especially need to thank our Chef Bryan Goold and the kitchen volunteers for their help in prepping, serving, and cleanup In addition, a big shout out to all the other volunteers who played a part to set up, decorate, clean up and tear down the main area. The Junior Girls sure did a fine job of running those gift cards and cash envelopes to the winners! Kudos to Wes and Virginia Hubbard and Donna Loux for being my much needed team to help make this party run smoothly. Our ticket sellers, Charlie and Sheri McAlister sold a record number of Raffle tickets. The amount raised this year was over \$4,800.

The Christmas Party would never have been as successful without the help of Volunteers.

Special thanks go to our incredible sponsors: Keith and Maria Ward from Keith's Sporting Goods; Paul Goff from Igloo Coolers; Brian Boniface from Sysco Foods; Jack Regele from Sportsman's Warehouse; Jake Love from Sig Sauer Optics; Greg Watson from G&S Welding; Steven & Alyce Irving of Irving Properties; Greg & Donna Loux for the Spa Certificate; and finally, Joe Mallecoat from Archery World.

The Winners of the five guns were as follows:

- Ruger LCR 38 SPL pistol Ron Kamyls
- Henry Goldenboy 22 Rifle Morgan Gilbert
- Dickinson 12 gauge Shotgun Bill Mattes
- # 2 Ruger LCR 38 Spl pistol Dennis Stroup
- Walther PPQ 22 pistol Gary Hansen

Thank you all for attending, see you next year at Camp Withycombe for the 2018 Holiday Event!

"The cause of America is in a great measure the cause of all mankind." Thomas Paine, Common Sense — 1776

#### Hunter Education Report Joe Keller

Hunter Education Director Bill Hendrix reports that 2017 was another strong year for the Hunter Ed program at DRRC. After the untimely death of long time instructor Bill Madden two years ago, new instructors Jeff Senger, Ken Laudahl, Dustin Holyk and Stephanie Wagner were added to the team. They are assisted by administrative instructors Heidi Hendrix and Teri Laudahl.

In 2017, five sets of Hunter Education classes were taught at DRRC, training and graduating 141 students. Only one youth failed to successfully complete the course, due to being very young. The team also taught a Master Hunter class for adults and trained 21 advanced hunters. In addition to their work at DRRC, the instructors helped with the highly successful Oregon Hunters Association White River Youth Turkey Clinic. They also participated in several other ODFW/OHA events throughout the year.

The training program for 2018 will be ready to get rolling as soon as the holidays are over. The DRRC training team has a Hunter Education Field Day scheduled for the evenings of January 15th and January 18th. This class is for youth who took the Online Hunter Education Course, and must complete the mandatory six to seven hour Field Day portion to receive their certificate of completion. This class is already open for registration on the ODFW web site. Find it at or.outdoorcentral.us/OR/ License/Classes#.

Registration for all Hunter Education classes is made through the ODFW web site. The club can not sign anyone up for a class; they must go through ODFW to register.

Future 2018 classes include a traditional Hunter Education class with six sessions in March. There are more classes scheduled in April, May, June and July. These classes are not yet posted on the ODFW web site, so registration is not yet open, but check the web site frequently, as class sizes are limited. Bill always reminds hunters to get their young hunters through the program early in the year, as classes become scarce by late summer and early fall when instructors start taking to the field for their own hunting adventures.

## Webelos in the Woods

John and Kristine Abraham

If you were at the club the weekend of October 21st, you may have noticed some increased activity and some particularly young new faces. Friday and Saturday night, DRRC was able to host the Boy Scouts of America Thunderbird District's annual Webelos Woods event. Each year the troops get together to give the Cub Scouts a chance to work one on one with their older counterparts, the Boy Scouts, in preparation for the Cub's transition to new and additional responsibilities.

There were a total of 209 scouts from nine different troops that were camped out in the field behind the archery range and behind the berm of the long distance range. They were ecstatic about the facilities that we were able to provide especially thankful for the flat ground. The weather was abnormally cooperative, but they still endured freezing temperatures in the early hours of the morning and had to scrape ice off their tents. These boys are used to camping in the rain this time of year and struggle to find a spot where the slopes won't drain the runoff directly into their camp so... DRRC provided some flat ground and ordered some sunshine to ensure our guests, young and old were kept smiling.

We owe a big thank you to David Koll who led the Scout's overall planning and organization. He and the entire group were an absolute pleasure to work with. The boys were left to their own agenda which they had planned for the weekend. **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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Douglas Ridge



Safety was never compromised though as the adults were always within sight and earshot of the youth group. Scouts, parents and leaders were quickly acquainted with the sounds of gun shots in the distance. The organized efforts lead by David Koll and DRRC volunteers created a harmonic balance between youth outdoor education and DRRC's normal everyday activity. The scouts could watch members of the club practice archery on our new animal targets in the woods while simultaneously participating in their own archery events. The Cub Scouts even had their own rifle range where they were introduced to firearm safety using BB guns, once again lead and taught by the Boy Scouts.

Ken Hall, Cubmaster of our son's Pack 586, expressed his gratitude to the club in his letter below.

*"Webelos Woods was lots of fun for the Scouts, Leaders and parents.* 

The Webelos learned a lot about how a Boy Scout Troop operates when camping and got to see how it is different from the Cub Scout program.

Working together as a patrol, our Scouts helped with cooking meals, clean up and pitching tents. The boys had a great time participating in the activities put on by the Webelos Staff which included a compass course, knot tying, archery, BB guns and making ice cream to name just a few.

The best part of the weekend though may just be the venue; the area was flat, no hills to climb going both ways and it didn't rain! It was great and something that our scouts haven't experienced before. Everyone was very thankful to be at Douglas Ridge Gun Club. The members were very friendly and helpful. Being so close to Gresham was also a big plus. No long drive to get there or return home. Hope we can have Webelos Woods there again next year." DRRC would like to thank Boy Scouts of America as well as our own members in their efforts to make this a safe, memorable and successful event. It was an unprecedented event in the club that we hope to replicate in the years to come. If the scouts and club volunteers can continue to work in a unified and organized fashion, keeping in mind that safety and member activities are in no way compromised, we may be able open some new opportunities for the club. The sky is the limit.

"I love the man that can smile in trouble, that can gather strength from distress, and grow brave by reflection. 'Tis the business of little minds to shrink; but he whose heart is firm, and whose conscience approves his conduct, will pursue his principles unto death." *Thomas Paine, The Crisis, no 1 - 1776*