September 2006 Douglas Ridge Rifle Club

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Members at Large!

Stan Pate, DRRC President

As we go about our day to day lives as it pertains to life at the rifle club we are often unaware of some of the competitors or competitions that are going on around us. We all know individuals that shoot both perhaps for pleasure and in organized competitive events. I guess the question is, how much do we really know about how club members are doing in the shooting world outside of our little arena that we see them in and how does this affect us as individual as well as an organization.

As an example did you know that here is at least one club member that has or at least had seven national records and he is a permanent fixture at our range. Did you know that you have fellow members that qualified for and tried out for our nations Palma Team this year? Did you know that we had a team from Oregon that went to the **International Championships** where they won several medals, three were members of Douglas Ridge. I wonder how many individuals are currently listed as members that have the skills to teach and direct/mentor a new shooter into a shooting discipline that they d love to be doing, and could excel in, but we just don t know who they are.

I was mentored back into the

long range rifle sport by a person that went out of his was to get me reintroduced to what had been one of my favorite things to do. I ve actively tried to pass on this love of shooting competition to both new shooters such as in small bore shooting under the direction of John Weil, or in the ladies only handgun class as an assistant instructor, again under John Weil. Another example of this mentoring is what you see on one of the ranges when one or more advanced shooters not only answer a new shooters questions, but take the next step in helping him/her improve.

Plinking as it is often times referred to is a great deal of fun and a great many of our members are members just for this reason. We have the other face of shooting here at Douglas Ridge and that is of the competitive shooters that reside here, this is the face that more often the public hears about, or pictures when shooting at a gun club is mentioned. I believe that in promoting shooting sports of all brands here at Douglas Ridge we are fortifying our future as gun owners and as a gun club. I would encourage all members that are so inclined to join in or at least try some new type of shooting sport, or perhaps start something that we haven t yet tried yet. Safe Shooting

Silhouette Range

Please remember that we do not allow center fire rifles on the Silhouette Range except for 3-Gun and Police training. Members who wish to sign in their rifles during our Public Hunter Sight-In days may use the 100 Yard Range at no cost while the public is using it.

Range Closures

We are progressing on several projects and may have to close various ranges down without a lot of advance notice. Please check out the website or call the club phone for closure announcements before you come out.

Hunter Sight-In

Michael Jones

Believe it or not it will soon be time for Hunter Sight-In. We need volunteers to work as RSO's, ticket takers, gun checkers, boresighters, and coaches. This year's dates are September 9th & 10th, 16th & 17th, 23th & 24th, and October 14th & 15th. No experience is necessary. Come on out, meet fellow club members, have some fun, and get your work hours in. For more information or to sign up contact John or Barbara Wildhaber at 503/558-0156 or Dan Wylie at 971/506-5840.

Help Needed

We are in dire need of help on the numerous projects for the Club. If you can offer any help please call Ron Carey, Project Director, at 503/668-4212.

Silhouette Director Needed

Due to work and personal needs our current Smallbore and Bigbore Pistol Silhouette Director must resign from his duties. We are looking for a new Director for this discipline. With no director the Silhouette Pistol discipline will come to an end after this month.

Note that the General Meeting time has been changed to 7:30 until further notice. Also, there will be no General Meeting in October.

Protecting the Right... to Keep and Bear Arms From infringement by the United Nations.

In recent years, the United Nations has increasingly sought to advance policies that would erode or eliminate the individual right to bear arms. The international body held a conference in 2001 and another in July 2006, when the International Conference on Small Arms was held in New York City. In the months leading up to the 2006 conference, more than 100,000 American gun owners sent letters to the U.N. in opposition to the world body's anti-gun activities. The response was so strong it led to denials by U.N. officials—including Secretary General Kofi Annan that the conference wanted to restrict private gun ownership. These claims, however do not match up with a long history of anti-gun positions by the U.N.

The U.N. has long opposed the concept of private firearms ownership, advancing the idea that small arms should never be transferred to "non-state actors," which really means anyone who is not an official government recognized by the U.N. In 2005, UNICEF and UNESCO funded the gun-ban supporters in Brazil. Despite those efforts, the referendum to ban gun ownership was soundly defeated.

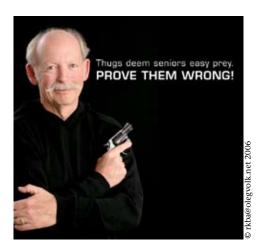
At the heart of the U.N effort to ban guns is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) named IANSA (International Action Network on Small Arms.) This group of more than 500 member associations is headed by international anti-gun zealot Rebecca Peters. Peters has stated: "We want to see a drastic reduction in gun ownership across the world." IANSA, which makes no distinction between legal and illicit gun ownership, has largely set the agenda for

the two small arms conferences. However, the United States, and U.S. Ambassador John Bolton in particular, have stood fast in their opposition to any action that would threaten American rights under the Second Amendment.

In response to these activities by the U. N., Senator David Vitter (R-LA) and Congressman Charles Boustany (R-LA) have introduced S. 1488 and H.R. 3436 respectively, to send a strong message to U.N. officials that America's Second Amendment rights are not up for negotiation.

H.R. 3436/S. 1488 would require that the President of the United States each year certify to Congress that the U.N. has taken no action to "restrict, attempt to restrict, or otherwise adversely infringe upon the rights of individual in the United States to possess a firearm or ammunition, including the imposition of a tax that will interfere with the right to own a firearm or ammunition." The legislation also provides for consequences if that certification is not or cannot be made: the loss of all U.S. funding to the U.N for the fiscal year.

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"America united with a handful of troops, or without a single soldier, exhibits a more forbidding posture to foreign ambition than America disunited, with a hundred thousand veterans ready for combat."

James Madison

DRRC Firewood

To all DRRC members: The club has approx 40 cords of unseasoned firewood for sale. The price is \$40/cord payable to the DRRC Club Treasurer. The logs are approximately 20 to 30 feet and must be cut and hauled away at the buyers expense. If you are interested in getting any of this wood you must make a reservation. To get a wood cutting reservation for a time and location you must call either Nils Bittner at 503/661-0324 or Oscar Bloom at 503/674-9385.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY THURS	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					-	2 9am-5pm Pistol & Concealed Carry Class (CH/Ind)
3 9:30-2:30pm Trap 9am-3pm BB & SB Pistol Silhouette (Silh)	4 Labor Day	5 8am-noon Range Closed Maintenance	6 8am-5pm SERT Training (200/1000 yds) 6pm-sunset Ladies Night (Silh)	7 Long Range Day 9am-1pm 800-1000 yd only 1pm-sunset 300-600 yd only 7:30-9pm General Meeting (CH)	œ	9 9am-4pm Hunter Sight-In (100/200)
10 9am-4pm Hunter Sight-In (100/200) 9am-4pm Action Pistol (Silh) 9:30am-2pm NSC Reg. Sporting Clays	7-9pm Board Meeting (CH) 8am-5pm OCPD Training (Silh)	12 8am-noon Range Closed Maintenance 6pm-9pm Hunter Ed (CH/Ind)	13 1pm-5pm 5-Stand 8am-5pm OCPD Training (Silh) 5:30-sunset Omark Trap Shoot	14 Long Range Day 9am-1pm 300-600 yd only 1pm-sunset 800-1000 yd only 6pm-9pm Hunter Ed (CH/Ind)	15 8am-5pm OCPD Training (Silh)	16 9am-4pm Hunter Sight-In (100/200) 9am-2pm Blackpowder (Siih)
17 9am-4pm Hunter Sight-In (100/200) 9:30-2:30pm Trap	5:00pm-8pm Jr. Smallbore (Ind)	19 8am-noon Range Closed Maintenance 6pm-9pm Hunter Ed (CH/Ind) 6pm-sunset Ladies Night (Silh)	20 1pm-5pm 5-Stand	21 Long Range Day 9am-1pm 800-1000 yd only 1pm-sunset 300-600 yd only 6pm-9pm Hunter Ed (CH/Ind)	82	23 9am-4pm Hunter Sight-In (100/200) 8am-1:30pm Hunter Ed (CH/Ind) 4pm-sunset 3-Gun set up (Silh)
24 9am-4pm Hunter Sight-In (100/200) 9am-5pm 3-Gun (Silh)	25 5:00pm-8pm Jr. Smallbore (Ind)	26 8am-noon Range Closed Maintenance	27 1pm-5pm 5-Stand 8am-5pm USFS Police Training (Silh)	28 Long Range Day 9am-1pm 300-600 yd only 1pm-sunset 800-1000 yd only	29 Boy Scouts Campout	30 Boy Scouts 8am-noo (CH/Ind) 1pm-4pm (Trap #1)



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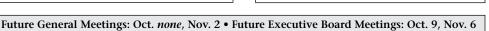
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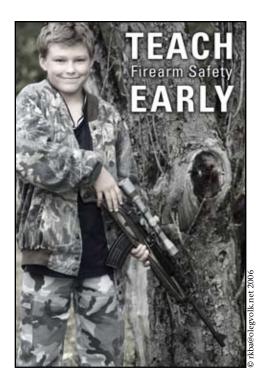




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"Whatever enables us to go to war, secures our peace." **Thomas Jefferson**

No October General Meeting