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The Plinker



MISSION STATEMENT

The object of this organization shall be the encouragement of organized rifle, shotgun and pistol shooting among residents of our community, with a view toward better knowledge on the part of citizens of our community of the safe handling and the proper care of firearms, and the development of those characteristics of honesty, good fellowship, self discipline and self reliance that are the essentials of good sportsmanship and the foundation of true patriotism.

PROPOSED INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP DUES

Club members; A recommendation to increase our membership dues has been made to the board. Some of us can remember that our dues of \$70 per year have remained at that lever for approximately twenty years. In this day of rising costs for everything, mainly due to inflation, it can seem only natural that our dues will climb along with our costs for club operation.

In order to consider all sides of any increase in our membership dues, a committee of five interested members was formed. This was the same committee that worked on the subject of increasing our annual assessment, which we agreed should stay at \$80 per year. Perhaps you didn't even hear about that because no changes were recommended.

On the subject of an increase in the annual membership dues, this committee argued several points, from rising inflation to major proposed expenses. Our club is not in trouble but we must look to the future. Points that were considered included how much money would be generated in our accounts with particular dues increases, providing that our membership numbers would remain the same. We have to realize that an un-warranted increase in dues will likely drive some members away. We also realize that the club, CCR&P, is a club for the members which simply means that without a strong membership, we will fail. And we wanted any increase in membership fees to be acceptable to all members. A certain amount or percentage of our members are on fixed incomes, perhaps Social Security or disability compensation, and we recognize that as a fact without the need to determine the exact number of fixed income members. Any increase in dues will certainly affect those lower income shooters. We also considered leaving the annual dues as they are, at \$70, and asking for further voluntary donations in addition to the annual dues. One tiny point in favor of the donation is that they wouldn't be sales taxed. What finally boiled out of the committee was to recommend a \$10 increase in the annual dues for all members, which will increase the dues to \$80 per year, primarily to counter inflation that has long since taken place. In addition, the committee is to prepare a 5-year rotating plan of expenses so the club will have a good idea about financial needs for the future.

This recommendation will be presented to the board at the September meeting, where it will naturally be discussed further. While the board will vote on whether to increase our club's dues or not, general members are certainly invited to attend the meeting and to offer their points for the discussion. The intention is, if the dues are raised at the September meeting, to advertise the change for three months in the Plinker and on the web site, before having the change take effect on January 1st, 2023. We're all interested in this subject, please consider attending.

Mike Nesbitt, V.P./Membership Director

BLACK POWDER LEVER-GUN MATCH

By Tom Witt

We had 9 shooters show up ready to shoot. That was a fair number, those in attendance were; Jeff “Doc” Ritter (shooting an old ’73 in .38/40), Ralph Birmingham with his new 1866 copy in .44/40), Bob DeLisle (with his Model ’92 in .32/20), Phil Wiebe, Lynn Willecke, Mike Nesbitt, Jerry Mayo, and Allen Cunniff, along with myself. (All the others used rifles in .44/40 caliber.) Loco Jeff Ritter was in attendance but ended up playing the part of spectator for the festivities. I (Tom Witt) served as match director and the prizes were donated by the Black River Buffalo Runners. A special shout should go to Lynn’s gal-pal Cathi for helping to score the after-match.

The competition was fierce for our paper buffalo match. The 50-yard target was a double-bull buffalo shot offhand with 5 rounds in each bull. This one was not a crowd favorite due to the fact that none of us are spring chickens anymore and there seems to be a lot shakier guns than there were in our younger days. In addition to that, the targets were hard to see because we were shooting into the sun. I am glad that Jerry Mayo was kind enough to help me out by shooting my target instead of his own. My score was much better thanks to him, which really helped. The 75-yard target was a single-bull buffalo, with 10 shots fired while sitting and using cross-sticks. (Not quite as much whining on that one).

We then pulled out our revolvers and shot a small single-bull buffalo at a distance of about 35 feet, give or take. Shooting six guns shoulder to shoulder like that makes enough smoke to give even the best eyes a hard time seeing the target. Some pistoleers decided to step back and wait for the smoke to clear a bit before finishing the target.

The after-match (which was shot after the aggregate) was a gong-shoot with our lever guns. We had a bucket gong at 50 yards that was shot offhand and a buffalo gong at 100 yards shot sitting with cross sticks. The competition was tight with me missing once and Jerry and Allen hitting all ten times. This set up a sudden death shoot-out between Jerry and Allen. They chose to shoot the small moon at 100 yards offhand with the last one to miss being declared the winner. After 5 shots each Allen came out victorious. We had a meat prize for the top three in rifle and pistol and a prize from the blanket for the aggregate.



Mike Nesbitt commented to me

that our lever-gun match was more fun than shooting muzzleloaders. I had to agree with him...

Top Three with the rifles were: 1st Allen Cunniff, 2nd Tom Witt, 3rd Jerry Mayo.

Top three with the revolver were: 1st Allen Cunniff, 2nd Mike Nesbitt, 3rd Tom Witt.

After-Match winner: Allen Cunniff

Aggregate: 1st Allen Cunniff
4th Mike Nesbitt
7th Phil Wiebe

2nd Jerry Mayo
5th Lynn Willecke
8th Doc Ritter

3rd Tom Witt
6th Bob DeLisle
9th Ralph Birmingham

Old West Centerfires

By Jerry Mayo

Now those in reach of the 2022 Aggregate Championship were known. That matter will be settled in November. For September we had eleven shooters with some new faces in the crowd and for me this day would validate the old adage; necessity is the mother of invention.

We like shooting these big buffalo rifles for several reasons. Their historical representation, their uniqueness in these modern times, their testimony to the quality of American craftsmanship of the past and honestly, they do kick like a mule at times. It's all part of the fun until it's not. Black powder recoil is not so much painful as it is a jolt or bump. An aggressive love pat, if you will. But this time, for the first time, it felt like a sharp spike in the shoulder. This needed to be addressed immediately. So, I jumped online and ordered a shoulder pad and it would arrive promptly the day after the match. So, I grabbed some foam pipe insulation, a patch of goat skin and a hot glue gun and went to work. The results tell me not be making any "how to" videos for YouTube nor do I have a future in leather crafts. However, the shooting was more comfortable and for that I'm thankful. But I digress. Let's see how the fifth of this years' aggregate matches turned out.



Today's match we again had two shooters needing to submit scores from targets fired on a day previous to the match. The targets were shot in the presence of approved witnesses. Scores were verified prior to leaving the range and maintained by the Match Director until the day of the shoot. As it should be, in accordance with our rules.

We had a new shooter with us on this day. Paul Warden along with his wife, Anne, have recently relocated to this area from the other side of the mountains. We welcome you and are glad to have you both.

The course of fire is our standard aggregate setup which is ten shots at 100 yards at a single-bullseye target, ten more shots at 200 yards at another single bullseye target. No particular order. Just put ten shots on each target.

Our top shooter on this day was Allen Cuniff with a score of 186-3X. Allen was shooting a C. Sharps in .40/65. He has a consistent load going there. Last month he shot the same score with the exception of adding an X. Congratulations, Allen. Our number two shooter, jumping back into the top of the leader board, was "Loco" Jeff Ritter with his Remington Rolling Block chambered in .45/90 firing a 182-X. Third was Curt Lokovsek with his new (used) '74 Sharps in .45/90 posting a 180-2X. Coming in fourth and showing strong is Mike Moran shooting an 1874 C. Sharps Arms, .45/70, for a score of 176-X. Behind Mike and rounding out the top five is Ken Kurfurst using a Remington Hepburn chambered in .45/90 scoring 173-6X.

In sixth place was Will Ulry. Will shoots an 1874 Shiloh .45/70 and posted a 172. In seventh was myself with my altered '74 C. Sharps Arms Hartford .45/70 with a score of 167-2X. In eighth place was Tom Witt with a '74 C. Sharps Arms, .50/70 posting a 161-X. Ninth was Bob Delisle with his trusty 1874 Pedersoli .45/70 firing a 157 with paper patched loads. Tenth was

Mike Nesbitt shooting a C. Sharps Arms .50/70 and scoring 155. “Doc” Jeff Ritter (yes, they’re related) shot a Remington Rolling Block chamber for .45/90 (not the same one) posting a 151. In twelfth place our new shooter, Paul Warden, shoot a borrowed Sharps .50/70 and scoring 116.

The detailed scoring and aggregate standings shown below.

Name	Rifle/Cartridge	Scores for this Match		Total	Accum
		100 yd.	200 yds.		
1 st Allen Cunniff	C. Sharps Arms .40/65	92	94-3X	186-3X	927-13X
2 nd “Loco” Jeff Ritter	Rolling Block .45/90	92-X	90	182-X	881-10X
3 rd Curt Lokovsek	Sharps 1874 .45/90	92-2X	88	180-2X	835-10X
4 th Mike Moran	’74 C. Sharps Arms .45/70	87-X	89	176-X	697-2X
5 th Ken Kerfurst	Rem. Hepburn .45/90	77-3X	96-3X	173-6X	725-12X
6 th Will Ulry	1874 Shiloh .45/70	87	85	172	560-X
7 th Jerry May	’74 C. Sharps Arms .45/70	82-X	85-X	167-2X	733-7X
8 th Tom Wit	’74 C. Sharps Arms .50/70	75-X	86	161-X	784-2X
9 th Bob DeLisle	1874 Pedersoli .45/70	79	78	157	699-X
10 th Mike Nesbitt	’74 C. Sharps Arms .50/70	75	80	155	764-3X
11 th “Doc” Jeff Ritter	Rolling Block .45/90	80	71	151	151
12 th Paul Warden	’74 C. Sharps Arms .50/70	72	44	116	116

Not shooting in this match

Phil Wiebel 144-X Tom Herman 053 Mark Davis 195 Tom Brown 111

Just a reminder, the scoring table above does not include specialty events held throughout the year and totals show the aggregate matches shot, year to date, up to a total of five. Some may have shot less. Today our after-match for this shoot was a revolver affair. We had eight shooters relocate to the pistol range for ten shots each at a 10.5-inch target posted at ten yards. As always, only revolvers using black powder and lead cast bullets were used. With an 84 our winner today was Allen Cunniff. Close behind was Curt Lokovsek and Mike Nesbitt both with 80. But it remains a winner take all. Well done, Allen.



Notice the deer on the hill behind our shooters.

Indoor Air Gun Matches at CCR&P

There are two types of indoor air rifle matches at CCR&P.

There is Air Rifle Benchrest which is shot from a bench rest at targets 50 feet away. The course of fire is four targets of 25 record shots. Time for each target is 20 minutes. Match is a total of 100 record shots plus any sighters. Shooters compete in two classes; Air rifles that are spring powered (SPR) or by compressed air [precharged pneumatic (PCP) which includes single stroke pneumatic (SSP)].

The other Air Rifle match is a Field Target match which is also shot indoors at 50 feet. The targets are similar to silhouette shooting but have a hole varying in size in which the shooter has to shoot through to trigger a lever the causes the silhouette to fall down. The match is 40 shots for score. The shooters shoot twice at 20 targets. There are two classes; Field Target which is shot from a sitting position and Hunter Field Target where the shooter can use support sticks/cross sticks and sit on a stool.

These events are designed to give air rifle shooters the opportunity to test both the accuracy of their equipment and their individual skills in a friendly, competitive atmosphere away from the outside weather conditions. These events are generally held once a month on Saturdays from October through March. Check the Club's calendar and come on out and give it a try. For information about these events contact Harvey Gertson at rabbit65@comcast.net or 360-352-7669

The Fall .22 cal Precision Pistol League Starts October 3, 2022

The .22 cal Precision Pistol League is on Monday nights with a 6:30 and 7:30 pm relay. The shooting is done at 50 feet at the Indoor Range at targets with a bullseye (black center section). Course of fire consist of 60 rounds per score. There are three shooting sequences/types: Slow Fire (10 rounds in ten minutes), Timed Fire (5 rounds in 20 seconds) and Rapid Fire (5 rounds in 10 seconds). Twenty rounds are shot in each type. The shooting is done one-handed with open (iron) or optical sights (red dot or scope). Shooters may use a semi-auto or revolver however it is more difficult to shoot a revolver in Rapid Fire. Shooters may shoot with both hands for fun. The League runs for 11 weeks. Shooters submit 10 scores to be eligible for league awards. The League is NRA Sanctioned. The League cost is \$50.

If you have any questions, contact Harvey Gertson at 360-352-7669 or email at rabbit65@comcast.net

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MEMBERSHIP DUES RATES**Dues and Renewal policies**

Members will receive a statement 45 days before their membership expires. (Your renewal month is found on your mailing label.) The dues renewal date is the last day of the month in which members' "annual date" falls. Members' gate card will automatically "lock out" on their renewal date if they have not renewed, and their membership will be considered "inactive" for 30-days, during which time they may still pay their dues. After 30-days on "inactive" status the membership will be terminated. Should they wish to rejoin CCR&P past the 30-days "inactive" status, they must reapply as a new member and attend the Orientation class. **Membership fees (taxes are additional)**, collected at the time of the orientation classes are:

Annual dues **\$70.00** for the first member of each household and **\$35.00** for each additional eligible member of the household.

Initiation fee (one time) **\$80.00** for each household and a refundable gate card deposit fee of **\$10.00** for each member.

In addition, each member is expected to devote 8 hours of volunteer service annually or recruit two new members or pay an assessment of **\$80.00**.

NRA membership (required)

Orientation class (required)

(GUESTS: Members may bring their spouses and children under the age of 18 years old **as guests** as often as they'd like. Non-immediate family member guests are limited to two visits annually. Members **MUST** accompany their guests at all times, including spouses and children, and are responsible for the conduct of their guests.)

NRA CLUB AFFILIATE BENEFITS

Free listing of events on NRA website; discount on range technician team & service; attorney referral service; non-legal advice for legal problems; NRA attorneys pro bono for national concern issues; eligible to apply for \$5,000 grant annually; \$10 reimburse for each new NRA member; \$5 reimburse for each returning member; "Club Connection" quarterly magazine; eligible for NRA firearms insurance.

October

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Hunter's Sight-In (HP) Black Powder Monthly Shoots (BP) Air Rifle Indoor Field Target (I)
2 Hunter's Sight-In (HP)	3 Monday Night Pistol League (I)	4 Capitol City Junior Rifle Club Practice (I,C) THS Rifle Season Practice (I,C)	5 4 Position Smallbore Instruction & Practice (I)	6 Capitol City Junior Rifle Club Practice (I,C) THS Rifle Season Practice (I,C)	7 Air Rifle Bench Rest (Practice) (I)	8 Lever Gun Match Hunter's Sight-In (HP)
9 Hunter's Sight-In (HP) Multi Purpose Range Orientation (M)	10 Monday Night Pistol League (I)	11 Capitol City Junior Rifle Club Practice (I,C) THS Rifle Season Practice (I,C)	12 4 Position Smallbore Instruction & Practice (I) New Member Orientation (C)	13 Capitol City Junior Rifle Club Practice (I,C) THS Rifle Season Practice (I,C)	14	15 Air Rifle Bench Rest (I)
16	17 Monday Night Pistol League (I)	18 Capitol City Junior Rifle Club Practice (I,C) THS Rifle Season Practice (I,C) Board of Directors Meeting (C)	19 4 Position Smallbore Instruction & Practice (I)	20 Capitol City Junior Rifle Club Practice (I,C) THS Rifle Season Practice (I,C)	21	22
23 Old Soldier Rifle Match (H)	24 Monday Night Pistol League (I)	25 Capitol City Junior Rifle Club Practice (I,C) THS Rifle Season Practice (I,C)	26 Open Trail (BP) 4 Position Smallbore Instruction & Practice (I)	27 Capitol City Junior Rifle Club Practice (I,C) THS Rifle Season Practice (I,C)	28	29
30	31	RANGE KEY: A=Archery; B=Black Powder; C=Clubhouse; H=Hi-Power; I=Indoor; M=Multipurpose; P=Pistol Sidebay T=Action Pistol CCB=Capital City Bowmen Clubhouse				
	Monday Night Pistol League (I)					

Volunteers

John Wicklund and I have a way you can get help for projects. Also, you may enlist to be available for work and assessment hours. John takes your name and contact info. You are then on the list. When someone wants assistance they contact John and he sends the request to the list. If you wish to do the work, you contact the project leader. He will lay out the work. You may contact me or John for assessment work

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Weed Eating

Lawn mowing is in full swing. Generally the mowing is being covered. The trimming is not and needs some TLC. You can schedule your own work. Call me and I will send you your assessment time. The entrances, ranges all need work. Terry and I work early Thursdays to get ahead of the shooters. If you would like you could work with us. If not call or contact me about your assessment time.

Thanks

Will

60-701-8105

For Sale

German Mountain Rifle Muzzle Loader. Very well built, 58 caliber? \$400

.50 caliber Plains Rifle, very good shooter, hand built by Boyd Phillips, excellent condition

Burnside .54 caliber, Civil War Breach loader, Shooting condition \$2500

German Luger 1914 \$2500

Will

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