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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.

What's New for the New Year!

Happy 2023, fellow CCRP members! I hope your new year has begun well. Maybe your new year resolutions are on track or that your resolution was to not have any resolutions.

There were changes in the Bylaws and Standing Rules that took effect January 1 of this new year. The first is that the "printed" Plinker is no longer the official club communication. That is now the electronic Plinker and the club website.

Next, the requirement for having and maintaining a membership in the NRA to be a member of CCRP was removed. Please, note, we encourage you to hold a membership in an organization that supports the 2nd Amendment, especially those who actively lobby for that right to be maintained.

And finally, membership annual dues have been increased by \$10.00 per membership. That is both the Full membership and the Associate membership. The sales tax on those memberships will increase accordingly.

That's it for the changes – for now anyway. We are always looking to the future to continue to maintain and improve the club for all of us members. Enjoy the ranges and have fun shooting!
Chris Moffet, President, CCRP

Assessment Hours Opportunity

President's day weekend, February 17, 18 and 19 is our annual Raindevous. This event has a 30yr+ tradition in the black powder community and focuses on the life style of the American furtrapper.

This event relies on volunteers to help with running it. Areas where volunteers are include kitchen staffing during breakfast and lunch both Saturday and Sunday. Contact Bob Jamison of the Capitol City Bowmen for details and scheduling.

Another opportunity is for trailwalk monitors, usually a 2hr shift under cover. Contact Jerry Mayo , club secretary and calendar guy for further info and scheduling.

January Muzzle Loader match

By Tom Brown

Eight shooters showed up to ring in the New Year on the Black Powder Range. For this match I choose four paper targets, one each at 25, 50, 75 and 100 yards, with five shots fired at each target. By popular demand, cross-sticks returned to the match and they were used while shooting at the 100-yard target, from a seated position of course.



Bob DeLisle was in first place with a score of 150 (out of the 200 points possible), followed by Tom Witt with a score of 133. Third place went to DeWayne Pritchett with a 106 followed by Mike Nesbitt with a 103. Jerry Mayo came in fifth, and he also scored two X's on the 100-yard target. Ralph Birmingham was in sixth place, also adding an X to his aggregate score. Derek Sotelo was seventh and rounding out the field was Will Ulry.

The after-match was shot using "squirrel guns," rifles of .40 caliber or smaller (like the .40 caliber Lemman style percussion shown above). Two critter targets were chosen, a crow and a squirrel, and both targets were posted at 25 yards, with five shots being taken at each target. That should sound simple enough but the crow's body was black and plainly visible while the squirrel's body was only outlined, making it very hard to see, even at 25 yards. Bob DeLisle took the pot with a very nice score of 93-2X (out of the possible 100). Bob happily pocketed his winnings, which must have helped pay for his lunch at the local watering hole.

Come join us in the fun. We will have a match in February, even though it's Rain-de-voo month. Here's hopin' to see you there.

BLACK POWDER LEVER-GUN MATCH

By "Loco Jeff" Ritter

The weather on the morning of our January lever-gun match was almost perfect. Yes, it was. Even so, and here it comes, from my point of view, that was over the sights of a Winchester Model 1873 rifle, it was terrible. The shooters couldn't see their targets.

After the first volley of fire, the black powder smoke was so thick on the Black Powder Range that our targets were simply hidden from sight. And there was no wind, not a breeze at first, to clear the air. If I had been shooting my '73 Springfield carbine, in .45/70 caliber, I would have been sure that I was on the Little Big Horn with General Custer and the 7th Cavalry. There was really a lot of smoke.



And, to make things just a little more difficult, the glorious sun was shining through the black powder smoke and right into our eyes which made the targets even more difficult to see.

Nonetheless, our nine brave and trusted shooters somehow conquered the smoke and made sure that our bullets perforated only the paper targets before coming to rest in the sandy berm at the end of the range. Shooting was done with a nice collection of Winchesters, both originals and newer copies. (Sorry, there were no Marlins...)

Among the Winchesters was had our usual mix, including Allen Cunniff's iron frame Henry in .44/40 caliber, two Winchester (Uberti) Model 1866 rifles, Bob DeLisle's old Model 1892 Short Rifle in .32/20, one Model 1894 in .38/55, and the other four rifles were all 1873s. The caliber in the greatest attendance with the .44/40 with just one each for the .32/20, .38/40, and the .38/55. All rifles fired cast lead bullets propelled by appropriate charges of black powder.

Our course of fire included thirty shots

Jerry Mayo fires the first of his winning shots

with a possible score of 300. Jerry Mayo took first place,

shooting his Model '66 in .44/40, with a score of 200-X. Bob DeLisle was just two points behind Jerry, with 198-2X, so it was a tight race. In third place was Allen Cunniff with a 188 and Mike Nesbitt trailed ten points behind Allen with a 178-2X. I, Loco Jeff, took 5th with my original '73 in .38/40 and Dan Johnson shot his .44/40 '73 well enough to land in 6th place. Dan was followed by Doc Ritter who was shooting my .38/55. Mike Holeman, who had changed his front sight but didn't sight it in, landed in 8th place which put Ralph Birmingham at the bottom of the list.

By the time we shot at the gongs, our last relay in the match where shots were taken offhand, the sun had risen to a point where it was no longer an issue. But that didn't make the gongs any easier to hit, or some it seems. We did have three shooters who hit seven out of the ten gongs, our top three shooters. Those shots at the gongs were all taken offhand and they were timed. The time was actually not part of the score but it could be used as a tiebreaker, if needed.

Following the lever-gun match, we have an after-match with .22 single shot rifles. That was run by Dan Johnson and it featured a target with five bullseyes. We fired two shots at each bullseye, offhand, at 25 yards. The winner of this match was Allen Cunniff with a score of 68. shooting his Hopkins & Allen which is now made by C. Sharps Arms.

A very good time was had by all.

Shooter/Rifle	50 yard	75 yard	Gongs	Total
1 st Jerry Mayo .44/40	53	77-X	7	200-X
2 nd Bob Delisle .32/20	58	70-2X	7	198-2X
3 rd Allen Cunniff .44/40	58	60	7	188
4 th Mike Nesbitt .44/40	53-2X	75	5	178-2X
5 th Jeff Ritter .38/40	59	47	3	136
6 th Dan Johnson .44/40	45-2X	45	4	130-2X
7 th Doc Ritter .38/55	6	48	5	104
8 th Mike Holeman .44/40	11	24	6	95
9 th Ralph Birmingham .44/40	16	16	4	72

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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 **\$80.00** for the first member of each household and **\$45.00** 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**.

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.

February

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Black Hills High School Rifle Team (IR) 4 Position .22 Rifle Instruction and Practice	2 Tumwater HS Practice (CH,IR) Junior Rifle Club Spring Practice IR	3	4 Free Trappers Monthly Match (BP) Air Rifle Indoor Field Target (IR)
5	6 Tumwater HS Match (CH,IR) Black Hills High School Rifle Team (IR) Monday Night .22 Pistol League (IR, CH)	7 Tumwater HS Practice (CH,IR) Junior Rifle Club Spring Practice IR	8 Black Hills High School Rifle Team (IR) 4 Position .22 Rifle Instruction and Practice New Member Orientation (CH)	9 Tumwater HS Practice (CH,IR) Junior Rifle Club Spring Practice I	10	11 Lever Gun Match (BP)
12 Multi Purpose Range Orientation (MP)	13 Tumwater HS Match (CH,IR) Black Hills High School Rifle Team (IR) Monday Night .22 Pistol League (IR, CH)	14 Tumwater HS Practice (CH,IR) Junior Rifle Club Spring Practice IR	15 Black Hills High School Rifle Team (IR) 4 Position .22 Rifle Instruction and Practice	16 Rain-Dee-Voos 2023 (CH,IR,BP,A,MP) Tumwater HS Practice (CH,IR) Junior Rifle Club Spring Practice IR	17 Rain-Dee-Voos 2023 (CH,IR,BP,A,MP)	18 Rain-Dee-Voos 2023 (CH,IR,BP,A,MP)
19 Rain-Dee-Voos 2023 (CH,IR,BP,A,MP) .22 Small Bore Silhouette (MP) Action Pistol Match	20 Black Hills High School Rifle Team (IR) Monday Night .22 Pistol League (IR, CH)	21 Junior Rifle Club Spring Practice IR Board of Directors Meeting (CH)	22 Open Trail (BP) Black Hills High School Rifle Team (IR) 4 Position .22 Rifle Instruction and Practice	23 Tumwater HS Practice (CH,IR) Junior Rifle Club Spring Practice IR	24	25 Old West Centrefires 2023 (HP,SB) Air Rifle Bench Rest (IR)
26 Old Soldier Rifle Match	27 Black Hills High School Rifle Team (IR) Monday Night .22 Pistol League (IR, CH)	28 Tumwater HS Practice (CH,IR) Junior Rifle Club Spring Practice IR	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			

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

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