



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.

FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT

As I said at the recent monthly meeting, mainly attended by the executive officers, last year I was a bit slow in getting any information out concerning our club's annual elections. This year we'll get things going much earlier than that...

Our club's elections won't take place until the December meeting and, generally, nominations must be made by the November meeting. For this year's elections, I will accept nominations, if the nominated member is willing to accept, at any time. The best place to make such nominations is, of course, at one of the coming meetings when the member being nominated is also present. My hope is that starting this early will generate more interest in our club's process of elections as well as greater participation for the club's general membership.

There are a number of board positions which are due for either re-election of the person holding that position or for the nomination and election of a new member to the board. These positions are simply nearing the end of their 3-year terms. They are; Treasurer (presently Doug Simpson), Security Officer & Information Technology (Richard Schneider), Action Pistol Range Director (Ron Lohman), Black Powder Range Director (Tom Witt), and the Hunter Education Director (Blayde Fry).

In addition to those board positions, all of the executive positions, being the president, vice president, treasurer, security officer, safety officer, and the secretary are voted on or elected annually. To be eligible for those positions nominees must be members of the club's Board of Directors.

When we consider someone for a position on our Board of Directors, one thing we can look at is their attendance record for our meetings. Those meetings are rather important and several of us have the hopes that participation at our meetings will increase. The record or roll call for present directors at our past meetings will be made available. Of course, there are justifiable excuses for missing meetings such as health problems or an employment schedule.

Also, a general observation shows that several black powder shooters are now on the Board of Directors. Those black powder shooters are simply interested in helping the club run along a good course. At the same time, things might seem more properly balanced if some members from other "shooting ranges" were to step up and take more active positions within the club by becoming board members.

So, there are certainly things to consider in either making nominations for board members or accepting a nomination. Let's begin making some of those considerations now so we can enjoy having a meaningful election for club board members and officers this December.

Shoot sharp, Mike

Lever-Gun Match

By Loco Jeff Ritter

Our first-time to shoot with us guest, Jerry Johnson shot an 1895 Marlin “Cowboy” in .45-70, with mild carbine-like black powder loads and did quite well, and Paul Warden, already a club member but a first-time shooter joined us and was allowed to use smokeless “Cowboy” loads in his .44-40 caliber Model 92 Winchester. We can expect to see both of them back for more, burning “charcoal.”



Our first-place went to Mike Nesbitt. He used his favorite Model 1873 replica in .44-40 with the 30-inch-long barrel, sighted with a Lyman tang sight. His total score was 237-X out of the possible 300. (We fired ten shots each at three targets, 100 points possible per target.) Mike had the high scores on both his 50-yard target (the big buffalo) and on the 100-yard target (the big bullseye). Both of those targets were shot from the sitting position while using cross-sticks for a muzzle rest. (The 25-yard target, the big turkey, was shot offhand.) And, second place went to another “Mike” who was also using a .44-40 with a 30-inch barrel, also shooting left-handed, that was Mike Holeman with a score of 234. And one point behind Holeman was Bob DeLisle who shot his old original Winchester Model 1892 short rifle in .32-20, getting a score of 233-XX.

Paul Warden was our last place shooter and there’s nothing wrong with that. It’s about time he became one of our shooters. And because he wasn’t totally prepared, we agreed that he could shoot the match with “cowboy loads” which used lead bullets but with smokeless powder. Cowboy loads are on the light side, generally too light for 100 yards shooting. He’ll be better equipped for the next match and we’ll probably be able to notice that not only in the report from his .44-40 rifle with black powder loads but in his standing in the scores as well. It will remain our policy to allow first time shooters to use smokeless loads with lead bullets.

Shooter:	Caliber	25Yds	50Yds	100Yds	Total	After Match
1. Mike Nesbitt	44-40	69	78	90-X	237-X	98-4X
2. Mike Holeman	44-40	70	74	90	234	
3. Bob DeLisle	32-20	96-2X	61	76	233-XX	
4. Jerry Johnson	45-70	60	77	89	226	100-4X
5. Jerry Mayo	44-40	87	43	85	215	
6. “Loco” Jeff Ritter	38-55	43	73	89	205	
7. Doc Ritter	45 Colt	76	55	66	197	
8. Dan Johnson	44-40	42-X	62	56	160-X	
9. Ralph Birmingham	44-40	48	23	7	78	
10. Paul Warden	44-40	25	26	14	65	

OLD WEST CENTERFIRES by Jerry Mayo

The 2023 Aggregate Finale

We come to the end of another very successful year of the Old West Centerfires black powder cartridge yearly aggregate. And for the last match of this season, we had an excellent turnout. Joining the regular bunch of those Black River Buffalo Runners were some new faces as well as some familiar faces not recently seen. We appreciate you all. For only the third time this year a first-place shooter would break into the 190s.

Let us take a look at how our Buffalo Runners fared in today's match and how that effects the final outcome of the aggregate results. The course of fire was our standard aggregate setup which includes ten shots at 100 yards at a single-bullseye target, then ten more shots at a 200-yard single bullseye target. Those targets can be shot at in the order the shooter chooses.

<u>Scores for this Match</u>				
Name	Rifle/Cartridge	100 yd.	200 yds.	Total
1 st Curt Lokovsek	'74 C. Sharps Arms .45/90	95-2X	95	190-2X
2 nd Ken Kurfurst	Sharps Borchardt .45/90	91-2X	97-X	188-5X
3 rd Allen Cunniff	C. Sharps Arms. 40/65	92-2X	96-2X	188-4X
4 th Phil Wiebe	'74 C. Sharps Arms .45/70	90-X	90-X	180-2X
5 th Jeff "Doc" Ritter	Martini .38/55	86	90-X	176-X
6 th Mike Holeman	'74 C. Sharps Arms .45/70	80	93-X	173-X
7 th Jerry Johnson	'74 Shiloh .45/70	87	86	173
8 th Jerry Mayo	'74 C. Sharps Arms .45/70	86-2X	85-X	171-3X
9 th Mark Davis	'74 Shiloh .45/70	86-X	78	164X
10 th Mike Nesbitt	'74 C. Sharps Arms .50/70	78	79	157
11 th "Loco Jeff" Ritter	'74 C. Sharps Arms .40/65	76	76	152
12 th Bob DeLisle	1874 Pedersoli .45/70	66	82	148
13 th Tom Witt	C. Sharps Arms .50/70	80	68	148
14 th Mike Moran	'74 C. Sharps Arms .50/70	39	51	90
15 th Dan Johnson	'85 High Wall .44/40	45	21	66
16 th Paul Warren	'74 C. Sharps Arms .50/70	0	20	20

After six matches dating back to January, we come to the moment we've been waiting for... congratulations to KEN KURFURST! Ken is our 2023 Old West Centerfires Aggregate winner with a five-match total score for the year of 942-18X. Good job Ken.

2023 Aggregate Results

1 nd Ken Kurfurst (5)	942-18X	12 th Mark Davis (4)	586-3X
2 nd Curt Lokovsek (5)	928-15X	13 th "Doc" Ritter (4)	546-2X
3 rd Allen Cunniff (5)	916-10X	14 th Dan Johnson (5)	392-1X
4 th Mike Holeman (5)	871-5X1	5 th Jim Haeckel (2)	214
5 th "Loco" Jeff Ritter (5)	840-10X	16 th Eric Johnson (1)	185
6 th Mike Nesbitt (5)	820-8X	17 th Jerry Johnson (1)	173
7 th Jerry Mayo (5)	816-9X	18 th Larry Litten (1)	146
8 th Bob DeLisle (5)	816-6X	19 th Will Ulry (1)	110
9 th Mike Moran (5)	774-6X	20 th Jim Dickerman (1)	108
10 th Tom Witt (5)	760-5X	21 st Tom Herman (1)	62
11 th Phil Wiebe (5)	745-5X	22 nd Paul Warden (1)	20

Just a reminder, the scoring table above does not include specialty events held throughout the year and totals show the aggregate matches shot up to a total of five. The number in parentheses indicates number of matches counted toward aggregate score shown.

Old West Centerfires will start up again in January 2024. We will be making some changes to improve the shoots such as required relays. So, keep an eye on the Capitol City Rifle and Pistol Club calendar (CCRClub.org) for upcoming black powder events as well as other shooting opportunities.

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 2, 2023

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 for 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 question contact Harvey Gertson at 360-352-7669 or email at rabbit65@comcast.net

You'll Shoot Your Eye Out

It is that time of the year to start planning for the BB Gun Shoot. This year the event is planned for the 2 & 3rd of December. We will have a set up time in the afternoon on the 2nd about 5:00. The shoot will commence at 1:00 Sunday the 3rd. If you would like to give us a hand on the committee, prizes, kitchen, RSO duty, or any other assistance let me know. I will be scheduling a committee meeting soon.

Will Ulry

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WINTER INDOOR .22 RIFLE SHOOTING

By Gary Thorson

Beginning on Wednesday, November 1st, we will have the Indoor Range open each Wednesday evening for .22 rifle shooting. This will be every Wednesday evening from Nov. 1 to the end of March 2024. This will be for CCRP Club members only; the gate will not be open so you will need your club key card to get in the gate. There will be no charge for these Wednesday night sessions, but you must be a CCRP Club member.

The Indoor Range door will be open at 6:00 PM. Shooting will start at 6:30 PM. This will be a semi-formal range session. We will have four 10-minute shooting sessions, with plenty of time between sessions to warm up by the wood stove and visit with your friends.

The firing line will be run by an NRA Certified Range Safety Officer. NRA A-17 50-foot rifle targets will be provided. If we run out of targets, we'll take up a small donation to buy more targets. You can bring your own targets if you want. You can shoot in any position you choose or set up a table and chair to shoot from the bench.

Any rifle chambered in .22 Short, .22 Long, or .22 Long Rifle may be used. No .22 Magnum or .17 caliber rimfires. Open sights or scopes may be used. This will be precision target shooting. No rapid fire "mag dumps" will be allowed.

Beginning in mid-December, several of us will form a team to participate in the National Rifle League "postal league". Any club member is welcome to join our team. If you don't want to shoot in the postal league, you can still come and shoot with us for recreation and fun.

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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.)

December

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2 Free Trappers Monthly Match (BP) Air Rifle Indoor Field Target (IR) BB Gun Tournament
3 BB Gun Tournament	4 Tumwater HS Match (CH,IR) Monday Night .22 Pistol League (IR, CH)	5 Junior Rifle Club Fall Practice IR	6 4 Position .22 Rifle Instruction and Practice	7 Junior Rifle Club Fall Practice IR	8	9 Lever Gun Match (BP)
10 Multi Purpose Range Orientation (MP)	11 Tumwater HS Match (CH,IR) Monday Night .22 Pistol League (IR, CH)	12 Junior Rifle Club Fall Practice IR	13 4 Position .22 Rifle Instruction and Practice	14 Junior Rifle Club Fall Practice IR	15	16 Air Rifle Bench Rest (IR, {CH Nov})
17 Action Pistol Match	18 Monday Night .22 Pistol League (IR, CH)	19	20 4 Position .22 Rifle Instruction and Practice	21	22	23
24 Old Soldier Rifle Match	25	26	27 Open Trail (BP) 4 Position .22 Rifle Instruction and Practice	28	29	30
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RANGE KEY: A=Archery; AP=Action Pistol; BP=Black Powder; CG=Campground;
CH=Club House; HP=High Power; IR=Indoor Range;
K=Kitchen; MP=Multi Purpose; SP=Pistol Side Bay