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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.

Legislative Updates are posted to the Club website in a timely manner. As the Editor, I thought you should see a small piece of the content that is there. As a gun enthusiast I encourage you to keep an eye on what your elected officials are up to.

CCRP Legislative Alert – February 4, 2025, Volume 1, Number 4

GREAT NEWS!!!

Pressure against HB 1504 was so immense, the bill has been removed from Wednesday's hearing schedule. More than 8,000 people had responded with opposition to HB 1504, whereas fewer than two dozen supported it.

This bill would have require a \$25,000 deposit for each gun you own for liability.

This is success in the face of committed oppression against our gun rights.

The Legislature's website had crashed yesterday afternoon. Even committee telephone numbers were not working, so it was impossible to get updates about this bill.

But by appearances, HB 1504 will die a quiet death. Great work folks.

There is plenty more to fight this session, which we will continue reporting about. But contacting your legislators made the difference with killing HB 1504!

THANK YOU!!!

February Old Soldier Match

We had a good turnout of seven shooters for the February Old Soldier Match. One Club member showed up, who apparently didn't realize there was a match going on. So we asked "Did you bring your rifle? Then come shoot the match with us". So, John Cox shot his first CCRP High Power Rifle match today and did very well. Welcome, John.

Tom Schuettke won the match with a score of 457-9X, closely followed by Gary Thorson with 453-3X. 3rd was Mike Coleman with 446-6X. And 4th was John Cox at 437-13X - not bad for his first match. Although John was shooting a "modern sporting rifle AR-15 - not quite an Old Soldier - but that's OK. It's all about having fun.

Here are the scores:

TG T	NAME	RIFLE TYPE	Stand- ing Slow Fire	Sit- ting Rapid Fire	Pron e Rap- id Fire	Pron e Slow Fire	TOTAL	Matc h Plac e
1	Gary Bladwin	Mosin Nagant Model 91-30	23	21	37	91	172	7
2	Nicholas Parker	U.S. Rifle Cal. .30 M1	24	62	35	90	211	6
3	Gary Thorson	U.S. Model 03- A3	87-1X	93- 1X	91	182- 1X	453-3X	2
4	Tom Schuettke	U.S. Model 03- A3	84-1X	87- 1X	94- 2X	192- 5X	457-9X	1
5	Brad Burnham	AR-15	0	0	77	152	229	5
6	Mike Coleman	Swiss K-31	89-1X	74	92- 2X	191- 3X	446-6X	3
7	John Cox	AR-15 w/4X scope	65-1X	73	99- 2X	200- 9X	437-13X	4

We had six shooters participate in the Gong Challenge, and Tom Schuettke won the pot.

NAME	TIME	MISSES X 10 SECOND PENALTY	TOTAL TIME
Tom Schuettke	1:04	1 X 10 = 10	1:14
Gary Thorson	0:51	3 X 10 = 30	1:24
John Cox	0:46	5 X 10 = 50	1:36
Mike Coleman	0:44	6 X 10 = 60	1:44
Nicholas Parker	1:17	3 X 10 = 30	1:47
Brad Burnham	1:08	6 X 10 = 60	2:08

We finished up the day with the .22 Rimfire Rapid Fire Silhouette Match, which is a lot of fun even in the rain. Mike Coleman had the fastest time, knocking down all 25 targets in a mere 40 seconds. Good shooting, Mike.

	.22 Rapid Fire Silhouette	Rifle Type	Blue	Yellow	Fastest	Place
	Mike Coleman	Ruger 10/22	0:42	0:40	0:40	1
	Brad Burnham	Ruger 10/22	2:18	1:31	1:31	5
	Tom Schuettke	Ruger 10/22	1:20	1:46	1:20	3
	Gary Thorson	Ruger 10/22	1:25	2:12	1:25	4
	Nicholas Parker	Ruger 10/22	4:09	-	4:09	6
	John Cox	Ruger 10/22	0:59	0:54	0:54	2

NRA Basics of Pistol Shooting

CCRPC is proud to announce that we are offering regularly scheduled NRA Basics of Pistol Shooting classes. We plan to offer at least one 8-hour class each month. This is a fundamentals pistol class that includes live fire on the range, perfect for the new shooter or those shooters who want to increase their pistol knowledge and skills. The next class is scheduled for Thursday, February 20th. The March class will be held on March 20th. Instructors, Betsy Stone (CCRPC Board Member) and Margaret Eby can schedule weekend classes if there's enough interest. For more information or to request a weekend class, please contact Betsy at (678) 492-3057.

Rain-Dee-Voo

by Mike Moran, February 2014

*The rain has been falling since early this morn, the wind blows the trees in a gust,
The soft ground has turned into ankle deep mud, my rifle's beginning to rust.
My horn is well hidden to keep powder dry, its tucked way up under my arm,
I shelter the spout as I measure a charge and try to keep it from harm.*

*A patch and a ball should make a good seal, to keep the rain out of the bore,
The few drips that follow the ramrod down shouldn't bother it anymore.
Leaning well forward I tip down my hat, the water runs off in a gush,
And wiping the pan with the tail of my shirt, I prime her in kind of a rush.*

*The front sight comes up to the target I see, the lock is now fully exposed,
I hair set the trigger and let out a breath, now the anticipation grows.
Steady I squeeze, the cock falls away, the frizzen slides back in delight,
I wait for the flash and the volley of smoke, but something just isn't quite right.*

*For at the last minute when closing the pan a drop made its way to the prime,
And though I was quick in my firing steps, that moisture had just enough time.
It wet down the powder and gummed up the works; all spark but no flash in the pan,
No boom from the muzzle or ping of the gong, I'll have to start over again.*

*At Capitol City a bunch of us stood, quite soggy and tired and cold,
With eight targets left out of twenty or so, at this rate we're gonna grow old.
But a dry piece of shirt wipes the pan once again, my efforts I start to renew,
At the most aptly named rendezvous of the year –it's "RAIN-DEE-VOO"*

A Trapper's Christmas

Mike Moran, December 2020

T'was the night before Christmas and all through the camp
Our moccasins drying but still feeling damp
To get the best plews this time of year chosen
Ensuring our feet would remain mostly frozen

We had a stark camp, it was windy and cold
But quality beaver trades better than gold
We laid out our traps in pursuit of our prey
Then plunged in to set them, there's no easy way

Back at the camp we'd dry out our clothes
Then start skinning quickly 'fore everything froze
Grease up our moccasins, gather more wood
And try to make supper with what food we could

When out of the forest a man did appear
Holding his rifle and dragging a deer
A red wool capote and Canadian cap
It seems like I might have heard tell of this chap

"Hello in the camp" he hollered out loud
"A hot cup of coffee would sure do me proud.
I have lots of meat and I'll share quite a bit"
And soon roasted deer heart was served from the spit

"That's prime fur you're catching" he noted, with cheer,
"Should bring a fair price from the traders next year
But this work is hard, why not give up this life
Go down to the city and find you a wife"

I said "Sure it's hard but that's only one part
This life in the mountains is good for the heart
There's freedom to roam, and game for the taking
No city I've been to has those kind of makings"

"Good women are there but it's real hard to find
One that can tolerate men of our kind
So here in the hills is where I'll spend my days
Besides you might say that I'm stuck in my ways"

He left a hind quarter hung up in a tree
Then thanked us for being such good company
"Good Luck" he said, grabbing his rifle to leave
"I wish you all well on this cold Christmas Eve."

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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.)

March

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 2025 WA State Junior Indoor Rifle Championship (IR,CR) Tumwater HS Match (CH,IR) Black Powder Monthly Shoots (BP)
2 2025 WA State Junior Indoor Rifle Championship (IR,CR) Tumwater HS Match (CH,IR)	3 Black Hills High School Rifle Practice (IR) Monday Night .22 Pistol League (IR, CH)	4 2025 Capitol City Junior Rifle Club Practice (I,C)	5 Black Hills High School Rifle Practice (IR) .22 Rifle Instruction (IR)	6 2025 Capitol City Junior Rifle Club Practice (I,C)	7 Black Hills High School Rifle Practice (IR)	8 Lever Gun Match (BP) Air Rifle Indoor Field Target (IR)
9 Multi Purpose Range Orientation (MP)	10 Black Hills High School Rifle Practice (IR) Monday Night .22 Pistol League (IR, CH)	11 2025 Capitol City Junior Rifle Club Practice (I,C)	12 Black Hills High School Rifle Practice (IR) .22 Rifle Instruction (IR) New Member Orientation (CH)	13 2025 Capitol City Junior Rifle Club Practice (I,C)	14 Black Hills High School Rifle Practice (IR)	15 Hunter Education (CH,IR,BP,MP) Hunter Education (CH,IR,BP,MP) NOTE: Friday is Indoor Range and Club House only. Old West Centerfires 2025 (HP,SB)
16	17 Black Hills High School Rifle Practice (IR) Monday Night .22 Pistol League (IR, CH)	18 2025 Capitol City Junior Rifle Club Practice (I,C) Board of Directors Meeting (CH)	19 Black Hills High School Rifle Practice (IR) .22 Rifle Instruction (IR)	20 NRA Basic Handgun Safety (MP,CH) 2025 Capitol City Junior Rifle Club Practice (I,C)	21	22 Air Rifle Bench Rest (IR)
23 Service Rifle Match (HP)	24 Monday Night .22 Pistol League (IR, CH)	25 2025 Capitol City Junior Rifle Club Practice (I,C)	26 Open Trail (BP) .22 Rifle Instruction (IR)	27 2025 Capitol City Junior Rifle Club Practice (I,C)	28	29 I/R 5050 Rimfire Benchrest (MP)
30	31 Monday Night .22 Pistol League (IR, CH)					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