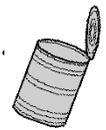




# The Plinker



## 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.*

### OLD WEST CENTERFIRES by Jerry Mayo

It was a Happy New Year as our Black River Buffalo Runners came together for the first match of the 2026 aggregate season. We had new faces, high scores, good conditions (for the season), great attendance and a new wood stove on the high-power range to stave off temperatures in the 20s. There were no major changes of rules or procedures for the new season but despite a month off for the holidays, I was pleased how the event flowed like a well-oiled machine; to coin a phrase.

We had a new shooter join us on this day. Young Jeremiah Meuller stepped up to our firing line for the first time. Jeremiah is the grandson of Phil Wiebie who has been with us for years. He quickly settled into the routine and shot rather well. We hope to see more of him throughout the year.

Getting into the rules right off the bat, to settle some placements on this first shoot of the year. The difference between fourth and fifth place was settled not by high score nor number of X's, but by highest score at the furthest distance. A tie between sixth and seventh place was settled with a single X and eighth and ninth by just a single point. It's great to see the season open with such tight and strong competition.

The course of fire on this day was our standard aggregate setup which consists of ten shots at 100 yards at a single-bullseye target, ten more shots at a 200 yards single bullseye target. The targets may be shot in the order that the shooter chooses. Cartridges must be loaded with black powder and lead bullets. Shooting is done from the sitting position with cross-sticks. The match is shot in thirty-minute relays in which all twenty scoring shots must be fired. Fouling shots are allowed.

Our top shooter for the day was Dick Elliott. Dick used his Highwall in .40/65 to post a very impressive score of 196-7X. That man showed up to shoot! He had the high scoring targets at both distances; 98-3X at 100 yards and 98-4X at 200 yards.



### Scores for this Match

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rifle/Cartridge</u>	<u>100 yd.</u>	<u>200 yds.</u>	<u>Total</u>
1 <sup>st</sup> Dick Elliott	Highwall .40/65	98-3X	98-4X	196-7X
2 <sup>nd</sup> Curt Lokovsek	'74 Shiloh .45/90	94-3X	97-2X	191-5X
3 <sup>rd</sup> Mike Nesbitt	'74 C. Sharps Arms .45/90	97-5X	89-X	186-6X
4 <sup>th</sup> Jerry Johnson	Rem Rolling Block .40/65	88-X	94-X	182-2X
5 <sup>th</sup> Allen Cunniff	'74 C. Sharps Arms .40/65	91-2X	91	182-2X
6 <sup>th</sup> Ken Kurfurst	Highwall .40/82	92-X	85-X	177-2X
7 <sup>th</sup> Mike Holeman	'74 C. Sharps Arms .45/70	91	86-X	177-X
8 <sup>th</sup> Bob DeLisle	1874 Pedersoli .45/70	84	89-M3X	173-3X
9 <sup>th</sup> Jerry Mayo	'74 C. Sharps Arms .45/70	85-X	87-X	172-2X

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<b>10<sup>th</sup> “Loco” Jeff Ritter</b>	<b>’74 C. Sharps Ar,s .40/65</b>	<b>91-X</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>160-X</b>
<b>11<sup>th</sup> Kellie Davis</b>	<b>’74 C. Sharps Arms .45/70</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>159</b>
<b>12<sup>th</sup> Phil Wiebe</b>	<b>’77 C. Sharps Arms .40/65</b>	<b>96-2X</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>155-2X</b>
<b>13<sup>th</sup> Mark Davis</b>	<b>’74 Shiloh .45/70</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>143</b>
<b>14<sup>th</sup> Jeremiah Mueller</b>	<b>’74 C. Sharps Arms .45/70</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>130</b>
<b>15<sup>th</sup> “Doc” Jeff Ritter</b>	<b>Rem Rolling Block .45/90</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>108</b>
<b>16<sup>th</sup> Dan Johnson</b>	<b>1885 Highwall .44/40</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>85</b>

Mike Nesbitt won the after-match with ten shots from his .44 Russian revolver, scoring a 100-5X.

Our next match will be on February 22, 2025. The February match will not be a part of the aggregate. It will be the annual .50/70 match. All Old West Centerfire qualifying calibers are welcome but will be scored separately. Keep an eye on the Capitol City Rifle and Pistol Club calendar (CCRPClub.org) for upcoming black powder events as well as other opportunities.

## January CMP/NRA Service Rifle Match

Sunday, January 25 was our first high power rifle match of the new year. On a cold and foggy morning, we had five shooters show up. We were worried about the fog while driving out to the range, as our December match had to be cancelled when we couldn't see the targets at 200 yards. But when we drove up the hill into the club, the fog lifted (mostly), and we were able to have a good time with the match.

With the temperature at around 29 degrees, we spent a lot of time huddled around the newly constructed wood stove. **THANKS Tom Schuettke** for all your hard work on the new wood stove.

At first, the fog was still unpredictable, so we shot the Carbine Match first, since it is a 50 yard match. The Carbine Match is a 40 shot match, done in two 20-round strings. The course of fire is:

- 5 shots standing
- 5 shots kneeling
- 10 shots prone

In a time limit of 1 minute.

We were using 50 yard pistol targets, at 50 yards. Hits in the black are 1 point, hits in the white are zero. After the first string, we score the targets, and then shoot the course again, for a total of 40 shots.

Match winner was Gary Thorson shooting a World War 2 vintage M1 Carbine with a score of 36 out of 40 shots.

<b>Carbine Match</b>	<b>Carbine Type</b>	<b>1st String</b>	<b>2nd String</b>	<b>Total</b>	<i>Match Place</i>
Gary Bladwin	AR PCC .40 S&W	10	12	22	3
Nicholas Parker	AR-15 M4 Carbine	9	4	13	4
Gary Thorson	M1 Carbine	18	18	36	1
Tom Schuettke	Ruger Mini-14	15	17	32	2

After the Carbine Match, we felt pretty comfortable with being able to see the targets at 200 yards, so we then shot the main Service Rifle match. Visibility stayed good for the rest of the match, and we kept the wood stove fired up to thaw out frozen fingers between the stages.

The course of fire is:

- 10 rounds slow fire standing in 10 minutes
- 10 rounds rapid fire sitting in 60 seconds
- 10 rounds rapid fire prone in 70 seconds
- 20 rounds slow fire prone in 20 minutes

Match winner was Tom Schuettke who shot an impressive 485-20X out of a possible 500 points. Good shooting, Tom!

NAME	RIFLE TYPE	Stand- ing Slow Fire	Sit- ting Rapid Fire	Prone Rapid Fire	Prone Slow Fire	TOTAL	<i>Matc h Plac e</i>
Gary Baldwin	M14A	53	36	59	85	233	<b>5</b>
Nicholas Parker	AR-15	24	88- 2X	72	122	306-2X	<b>4</b>
Gary Thorson	AR-15	73-2X	96- 4X	95-1X	190- 2X	454-9X	<b>3</b>
Eric Boos	AR-15	94-1X	95	96-3X	172- 1X	457-5X	<b>2</b>
Tom Schuettke	AR-15	93-2X	96- 3X	98-3X	198- 12X	485-20X	<b>1</b>

To finish up the day we had the Gong Challenge. The Gong Challenge consists of:

- 2 shots standing at gongs at 50 yards
- 2 shots across the barricade at gongs to 100 yards
- 2 shots kneeling through the window of the barricade at a gong at 200 yards
- 2 shots across the barricade at gongs to 100 yards
- 2 shots standing at gongs at 50 yards

The course is “on the clock”, and each miss is a 10 second penalty. The fastest time wins.

Shooter	Time	# Misses X 10 second penalty	Total time
Tom Schuettke	0:52	4 X 10 = 40	1:32
Nicholas Parker	1:05	4 X 10 = 40	1:45
Eric Boos	0:58	2 X 10 = 20	1:18
<b>Gary Thorson</b>	<b>1:05</b>	<b>1 X 10 = 10</b>	<b>1:15</b>

## 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. The match is 40 shots for score. The shooters shoot twice at 20 targets. There are two main classes; Open 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](mailto:rabbit65@comcast.net) or 360-352-7669

## Indoor .22 Rifle Shooting

Beginning on the first Wednesday evening of November, we will have the Indoor Range open to CCRP Club members for .22 rifle shooting. It will be open each Wednesday evening through the end of March. The doors will be open at 6:00 PM, and shooting will start at 6:30 PM.

This activity is open to CCRP Club Members only, and there will be no charge for using the range. You will need your key card to get in the gate.

This is an opportunity for club members to practice your rifle skills through the rainy winter months. This is a semi-formal range session. The firing line is controlled by an NRA certified Range Safety Officer. We will have four 10-minute firing sessions, with plenty of time between sessions to change targets, talk with friends, and warm up next to the wood stove.

You can use any .22 rifle that you want with either open sights, red dot, or scope. Scopes work best if they can focus down to 50 feet. Ammo must be .22 Short, Long, or Long Rifle. No .22 Magnum or any other rimfire calibers are allowed.

Those of us “regulars” usually shoot a 4-position course of fire consisting of:

Prone position – 10 shots in 10 minutes

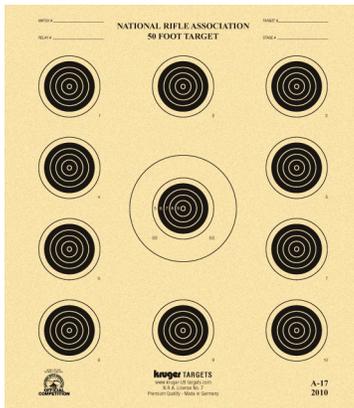
Sitting position – 10 shots in 10 minutes

Kneeling position – 10 shots in 10 minutes

Standing position – 10 shots in 15 minutes

You can shoot the “positions” with us, or you can shoot from any position you want for practice. You can also set up a table and shoot from the bench if you want. It’s all about coming out and having some fun.

Some of us also form a team and compete in a 4-position .22 Rifle League, where our scores are emailed to the league each week. You are welcome to join the league with us, or just come out and shoot for fun and practice. The NRA A-17 target shown below is provided for a nominal charge. You are also welcome to bring your own targets.



## ATTENTION HIGH POWER RANGE USERS

I am continuing to find unauthorized trash being used as targets and left abandoned on the High Power Range. Range users are responsible to read and follow the posted Range Rules and clean up after themselves.

### Authorized Targets:

- Paper targets
- Commercially manufactured AR-500 steel gongs (at 100 and 200 yards)
- Clay pigeons placed on the berms

### Prohibited Materials: Do not bring or shoot at any of the following materials:

- Scrap metal or any metal that is not an AR-500 rated gong
- Scrap wood
- Rocks
- Plastic bottles or metal cans
- Any other type of trash or material that is not an Authorized Target

**Clean up after yourselves.** When you are finished shooting, remove all targets, debris, and trash, and dispose in the trash cans. Pick up your fired cartridge cases. We have numerous trash cans, a dumpster, and buckets for brass. Use them.

**Blackpowder Shooters:** Pick up your dirty used cleaning patches and put them in the garbage can. Do not leave a pile of dirty patches on the ground.

There are no paid janitorial staff here to clean up after you. If you want to shoot at trash in a gravel pit, go to Capital Forest. If you want to be a member of a private gun club with nice facilities, then follow the rules and clean up after yourselves.

**Read and follow the Range Rules** posted on the bulletin board at the High Power Range. Violators will be referred to the Board of Directors for disciplinary action.

Gary Thorson  
High Power Range Director

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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.)

