

May, 2015 SRC Bulletin Summary

Mike Furrer reported that the Juniors received 5 each Winchester M70 Super Grade rifles through Midway's USA Foundation. They are a "gift" for us to sell or auction and send ½ of proceeds back to the program – which Midway will then match with gift cards. Midway maintains foundation accounts for junior marksmanship teams and this is part of that. The Juniors will sell rifles outright for \$3,000 each then sell raffle tickets for the remainder. They include one or more in previously unavailable .280 Rem caliber. See Jeff Upham if you are interested in one of these limited edition rifles.

Rich McClure won the "Top Shot" benefit match. Rob Wilson reported 7 shooters attended the match and the Juniors netted what they would have at a yard sale.

Women's Chairwoman, Kaery Dudenhofer, will be teaching an un-armed response class to 27 women, soon. She notes that Junior's moms are beginning to show interest in TAWW and Kaery announced the Friday, July 10th TAWW BBQ is an open house, inviting all of SRC's women members to attend. **Men, your wives are all members, so please tell your wives about this opportunity to meet The Well-Armed Women.**

Juniors Chairman, Mike Furrer, reported the Junior team did well in Wenatchee, winning outdoor prone, women's 3 position, and the women's junior trophy. The Juniors also fielded 4 teams of 4 to take 2nd in the State losing 1st by only 6 points. Former Junior, Randy Laudin, earned a scholarship to "Old Miss" based on his Jr Olympics results.

Membership update: We have 1255 total members, of which: 150 are new, 193 are Life members, and 38 are Juniors.

NW Sportsman Club will hold their annual board meeting and banquet the 3rd Friday in July, 17th, Jeff Upham needs volunteers to help them.

We had 125 trap shooters in May. See Dave Valandra for the last of reclaimed shot.

BPCR Chairman, Jim Jones, reported 9 shooters at the May BPCR match. Definitely the new baffle at the 600 yard berm was a factor in the good turnout.

Women's Division Chairwoman, Kaery Dudenhofer, reported 31 women attended the TAWW in May. She also says 9 TAWW members plan to begin shooting action pistol.

Hunter Education Chairman, Dave Colton, reported 40 kids filled the last class, including those who showed up to replace no-shows. Six failed the written test – too young to comprehend the material.

The board approved buying 2 more trauma kits from Brian Tafoya. Simple trauma kits are also available to members for \$40 each. Details are available from Mike Cooper.

Thanks, to member, Daniel Gilb, who kindly volunteered to enter new members into the roster and mail out new member cards. She cleared up the backlog and is keeping up with new memberships and renewals. Thanks, too, Kaery Dudenhofer for finding Daniel.

Kaery reports that 23 TWAW members completed the on-line Hunter Education class and all are now looking for a range class to complete their certificates. She will arrange one with Dave Colton.

Smallbore Chairman, Jeff Upham, asks anyone wanting to sell a RF target rifle to new smallbore shooters please contact him. Winchester M52's are a good example.

A member was hurt on the trap range when he attempted to change the trap from doubles to singles and he got hit in the face with a bird. Unknown if he triggered the bird himself. We will write some guidelines for who is allowed to change the trap and how.

We will spend \$500 for parts plus spares to repair damage to the 100 yard range baffles. Please take special care to place your targets correctly on the target frames and ensure your bullets are landing in the sand of the backstop in order to avoid these quite expensive repairs.

The 25 yard upper fascia was repaired.

Sand was added to 100 and 200 yard backstops. The Vendor couldn't access 25 yard backstop with his equipment. Executive Officer, Larry Bassett will try again with different equipment. He widened the gate on the 25 yard range so equipment can get access to the backstop. We can now add 10 yards of sand/gravel mix there, too.

Legislative Chairman, Jack Jenkins, reported that the BATFE plan to ban M855 surplus ammo failed but it's not dead. The "reciprocity bill" is still around but is not moving. NRA helped stop a federal bill to tax all firearms returning from abroad. There is talk of a state bill to make chemical dependency grounds for permanently denying firearms purchase. The governor is asking legislators to revive anti-gun bills, but, of 2045 total bills started last year, only 308 made it to the governor's desk. Write your legislators, please. High Power Chairman, Dusty McQuary, reported the WA State Rifle and Pistol Association is permitted to lobby on our behalf but is not doing it. Write them, too.

BSA Troop 171 will hold trap shooting for 18 kids and 14 adults. They are hoping for an annual event. This event was previously approved by the board. We need volunteer RSO's who can serve on a weeknight or Saturday in June. Contact Dave Valandra to volunteer.

Your club board encourages you to be good neighbors to those living in the houses along the roads leading to the rifle club premises and that you especially obey speed limits and drive carefully around the many people that are out on the local streets and Aubrey White Parkway jogging or walking their pets.