

SPOKANE RIFLE CLUB BULLETIN - OCTOBER 2011

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS -

On behalf of the SRC Executive Board and all of our members, we want to welcome the following individuals into our club; TR James Wilkening, Kelly Edgren, Chad Smith, Thomas Farrow, Robert Ladd III, Richard Lewis, John Bellefeuille, Reid Herman, Mike Erdahl, Kevin McDaniels, Anthony Haley, Ronald Irwin, Jory Neville, Stephen Reagor, Lawrence Minsky Jr., Shane Austin, Shawn Matheson, Joe Wiley, James LaPointe, Michael McCain, Michael McCarrey, Ken Sidies, Shaidon Storch, Arch Averson, Carly Crosby, Shawn Snyder, Donald Martin, Geoffery Stultz, Scott Montney, Thomas Makela, Michael Cline, Donald Henderson, Michael Hutsell, Jerry Rashal, Charles Futch, Jimmy Warnock, Tom Berge, George Houttekier (L), Paul Russell, Christopher Jackson, and Jesse Slesar.

SRC BOARD MEETING NOTES - AUGUST and SEPTEMBER 2011

As most of you already know, the 100 yd range has a new roof over the shooting line. The line now has more natural light, more room to move about, better drainage and better acoustics than before. We also have several new back benches, built by a dedicated group of our members, that set the area off and are great for whatever you need to put on them. You will also notice that the concrete floor is longer and wider than before. The retaining wall on the west side, between the club house and the 100 yd line, has been replaced and extended. The side walk that extends from the parking lot to the 100 yd line has been replaced and a sump installed to help with drainage. All in all we've had a lot of work done and at a fantastic price thanks to Ziggy's Lumber and a grant from the NRA Foundation.

Don't forget and put on your calendars the Member's Appreciation Day, October 2nd. Free food, hotdogs and hamburgers and .22 shooting. It will start at 1000 hrs and run until 1400 hrs. What a great way to spend sometime with your kids and get to know more of your fellow shooters. There is also some talk of dedicating the new 100 yd range facility. Your E-Board members will all be there and look forward to meeting each of you.

One of the other priorities the E-Board has been looking at is getting the North Range buildings repainted. Larry Bassett, our Executive Officer, has been working on getting bids, but of the five contractors he's contacted, only one has responded. Hopefully, we'll have two additional bids in ASAP so we can get this work done before it's too late.

Dave Valandra (Shotgun Chairman) reported that they have the new lift supports and safety rods installed in the trap houses and everything there is working well. He has also received the shipment of 'birds' and wanted to thank all who showed up and helped unload and store the hundred or so cases.

Dusty McQuary (High Power) requested permission and received the okay to purchase a rifle for the club that can be used in the high power events. He used the monies he has collected from their earlier matches and bought an AR-15. Now if someone shows up and wants to shoot but hasn't had the opportunity to buy a match rifle he is welcome to use this new one. Check with Dusty prior though just to make sure it hasn't been promised to someone else for that day.

Bob Winnick has resigned as the Pistol Chairman and Jon Coleman was selected as his replacement. This is one of those bitter/sweet things, sorry to see Bob leave and glad to have Jon on-board. All the best to both of you.

The club had to spend about \$1100 to replace the pump in our well. It had been in there since some time in the 60's and just gave up the ghost. Apparently, this included some of the water line as well as it too was very old and quite corroded. Maybe that's why the coffee in the Trap Club House tasted so 'different'.

Talking about coffee, we need coffee donations in both club houses. If you're a mind to drop off a can, your fellow members will really appreciate it. I was going to make mention of finding someone that knows how to make good coffee, but must admit it has been pretty good lately at the North Range and those doughnuts are excellent.

ELECTIONS - it's that time of the year and elections for both the President and Secretary will be held at the General Meeting in December. Larry Bassett, Kit Davis and John Johnston are on the election committee. Contact them if you have suggestions for either of these positions.

Along with all of this, membership renewal reminders will be mailed out again in November. Remember your membership expires the end of December and we'd like to have your renewal received no later than the end of February. Anything you can do to help the new Secretary will be greatly appreciated and will reduce the time I have to spend training.

Leon Hopkins (Indoor Range) tells us that the Women's Pistol League started on the 13th of this month and will continue thru the winter every Thursday evening at 1900 hrs. Any of you ladies that like to shoot and might consider joining the Women's League or want lessons contact either Jon Coleman or Dave Voller. My wife joined and now she out shoots me (with a pistol that is).

ATTA BOY'S AND GIRL'S - I've saved the best for last. This is my favorite section, it's where I get to mention some of our members that have been singled by their co-harts for jobs well done or time spent for the benefit of the club and remember 'the club' is you and me. The first is Vickie Furrer for her work repainting the lobby of the Indoor Range. It looks 'simply fabulous' and she did it all by herself. Atta Girl Vickie.

Ann and Mike Kolbeck receive an ATTA BOY and GIRL for their work setting up, managing and chairing the Membership Appreciation Day on October 2nd. Thanks to both of you for all your hard work.

I've been asked by one of the Range Safety Officers to give an ATTA BOY to someone we all see around the North Range on almost a daily basis, and that would be Bruce Thompson. If there is a project underway, help needed or a job that needs to be done, Bruce is there. Thanks Bruce for your years of service and dedication to our club.

Those benches I mentioned earlier, on the 100 yard range, were manufactured by five of our members. ATTA BOY'S to Kit Davis, Jerry Masgai, Doug Shurtleff and Bruce Thompson. The fifth member of this team, that asked that I mention their names and not his was Larry Bassett. Thank you all for your time, work and effort on behalf of our club. The benches will be appreciated, by our shooters, for years to come.

That's it for now. Have a great hunting season and don't forget sight-in-days will be around the middle of October. Check the web site for the official schedule.

