

February 2005

Douglas Ridge



Rifle Club

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Need Work Hours?

Michael Jones, Executive Officer

If you need to put in work hours there are several options. First, if you are available on any Tuesday you can join the maintenance crew at the clubhouse and put in up to 4 hours doing any number of things we might have on tap. The Annual Work Day this year will be Saturday, April 30 and a free lunch will be provided. We are trying to schedule another Work Day for late summer or early fall. We'll let you know. Finally you can schedule to do club work on your own time. Contact Michael Jones, Jim Quinn or John Weil and tell them what you can or want to do (your special talents are welcomed). Contact info is in the Club Directory.

Up-coming Classes

Michael Jones

Upcoming classes:

- Basic & HFS (Instructor class) Sunday, Feb. 6
- Range Safety Officer Feb 19 & 20
- Pistol Apr (Instructor class) 16 & 17
- Personal Protection (NOT an instructor class) May 21 & 2
- Personal Protection (Instructor class) June 4 & 5
- Shotgun (Instructor class) July 2 & 3

As indicated in the list in February there will be another Range Safety Officer class offered on February 19 & 20. The Cost is \$35 for DRRC members and \$45 for non-members. To get more information or pre-register for an upcoming class contact Michael Jones at jonesc@teleport.com.

Unwrap the Present

I've been seeing shooters who get frustrated because they are not shooting well and others that just never seem to improve their skills. Everyone says they need to practice more and that's probably right for most of us. The problem is most shooters don't know how to practice. Going to the range and throwing 200+ rounds down range is not practicing. More often than not it's building bad habits. Remember the idea behind practice is to build muscle memory and coordination. If you practice what you are already good at you are gaining nothing. If you practice bad habits you will only increase your abilities to be bad.

A good practice session should start with a goal in mind. I want to improve my weak hand shooting or something like that. Find a couple of drills that will work your weak hand and also have a specific number of rounds to shoot. In handgun shooting do the shorter fast drills and repeat them several times. Short drills will force you to focus on the one objective you are working on. The idea behind this method is to improve your weaknesses so all your skills are more equal to each other. Also make sure you are working on good drills. Ask a better shooter what they do and get them to watch you. The main thing is "don't practice bad habits".

Now the fun comes. You've practiced and you know you are getting better. It's match day and your turn to show your stuff. Match day is not practice it's also not physical. You've done all your "good" training. Match day now is mental. For an IPSC match I come with my mind loaded. As a foot note it's also good to check that your gun is loaded! Now comes the fun part, I forget about yesterday, don't even think about tomorrow every thing is right now. I'm standing in the start box with my game plan and now I'm becoming a little kid at Christmas. The present is all right here, now, in front of me and when the buzzer goes off I'm going to unwrap the present. You've stepped into that zone and you know it's only going to last a short time. The buzzer goes off I remember drawing and attacking the first target, now I'm running about as fast as I can go under

control, the sound is gone, I can see my front sight sitting on the A zone and my slide is moving back and forth but every thing is happening in slow motion. Then every thing stops, I can breathe again! The RO calls out the time I can't believe it, I look at my targets all good hits, WOW. That was 22 rounds in 13 seconds, a great run. Now treasure the moment with your fellow shooters. The practice sessions have paid off as I was working on target transitions and I won. Now it's gone, that's past, forget about it as it's time to move to the next stage and look to unwrap the present again!

Buy, Sell or Trade

For Sale: Mossberg Mdl. 81 Shotgun.

Never shot, 12 ga., 28" vented rib barrel, synthetic stock. Accepts 3.5" shells. \$250. Karl at 503/668-6986 or email: eagleeye@aol.com.

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Need Clean Fill

Michael Jones, Executive Officer

The Club is planning a number of projects for the coming years and we need LOTS of clean fill dirt, preferably FREE. If you know of a source let us know: Contact Michael Jones, Jim Quinn or John Weil; contact info is in the Club Directory.

Dues and You! *DRRC Board of Directors*

It is that time again in the life of DRRC to broach the topic of a dues increase. It has been many years since DRRC has seen a dues increase, but it is time to seriously discuss the future of DRRC and the need for additional funds to maintain, improve, and ensure DRRC continues to remain one of Oregon's premiere shooting clubs. We all know that the cost of doing business and living is constantly on the increase. Especially in the areas electricity, natural gas, fuel, and insurance, which has affected all of us, including DRRC.

DRRC has, for many years, effectively managed its resources to stay on top of the rising cost of doing business without increasing your dues. We know you have many areas where your limited resources are needed so we don't take this request lightly. However, we can maintain a status quo and let the club deteriorate or, we can ensure that aging facilities are improved and maintained, new facilities are added to enhance and improve DRRC, safety improvements are made, and changing laws (ADA) are met. So, we come to you, the members of DRRC, with a request for a dues increase. We don't want to ask you for a short-term patch only to ask again in a short time, but to propose a long-term solution that will meet our needs for years to come. We present the following.

Increase Membership – While increasing membership will help generate revenue, it will not happen quickly and it is doubtful it would meet the growing needs of the club. We are working on finding volunteers that would be willing to man a DRRC booth at events such as the Sportsman's Show and possibly at local gun shows.

Grant Monies – We are applying for and hope to get grants in the future to assist us with major projects. However, this is not a reliable and stable method of funding and as we are finding out, some matching monies must be provided.

Increasing Dues – This is the primary way to increase revenue for the club. The Board believes that small increases over several years would be the best and least painful way to implement a dues increase. Draft 1 of such a proposal was first presented to the membership at the January 6, 2005 general membership meeting. From that meeting the Board took input from the members and has revised the first draft to include a consensus of member input. Following is draft 2 of our projects and needs and a proposed dues increase plan. Please review this proposal carefully and bring your thoughts and ideas to the next general membership meeting on Thursday, February 3, 2005. If you are unable to attend the general meetings and would like to provide input or if you have questions about this proposal, please contact one of your officers as listed in the newsletter or send an email to the club secretary at webmaster@douglasridge.org.

Project/Need	Comments	Estimated Cost
Indoor range ventilation and insulation upgrade	In process. ODFW grant has been approved for 2005/06	\$48,000 (\$36K grant funded, \$12K club funded)
200 yard drainage	In process	\$2,500
Club house restrooms brought up to ADA standards	Required by law. Must be in compliance by 2007.	\$20,000
Silhouette Barn and Stat Shack	Existing stat shack needs to be replaced. Additional storage/work area is needed.	\$22,000
Shooting Bays	6-7 Shooting bays for use by existing and new disciplines use and safety training.	\$75-\$80K Would anticipate grant monies would mostly fund this.
Safety Barrier between Silhouette range and 100/200 yard range.	150 yard safety barrier to eliminate risk of accidental cross range shooting.	\$75,000 Possibly partially funded by grant monies.
Land Purchase/Building	Accumulated fund for future purchase of adjoining property and/build construction.	Amount unknown. Set up an account and start saving funds for future needs.
Fencing Repair/Replacement/New	We have a need to repair, replace, and property. add new fencing along some areas of our	\$20,000
Safety barrier at 1,000 shooting berm	Need a safety barrier between the Metal Fabrication business and our 1,000 shooting berm. Current situation does not meet NRA range standard.	\$15,000

With the exception of the indoor range improvements, the above costs are rough estimates for budgeting purposes and are not based on actual bids.

Category	Current	Proposed	Potential Revenue Increase:	1 st Year	2 nd Year	3 rd Year
Senior*	\$65	1 st year \$75, 2 nd year \$85, 3 rd year \$100.		\$8,260	\$16,520	\$28,910
Old Time (65 years and 8 consecutive years as member)	\$15	\$25		\$880	\$880	\$880
Initiation	\$100	No change		0	0	0
Work hours (First 5 years)	8	No change		0	0	0
Work Hours Assessment** (First 5 years)	\$70	1 st year \$100, 2 nd year \$125, 3 rd year \$150.		\$5,700	\$10,450	\$15,200
Building Assessment*** (First 3 years)	\$25	No change		0	0	0
HID Access Card Fee (Refundable)	\$5	No change		0	0	0
Estimated Increased Revenue				\$12,851	\$23,452	\$51,923
Annual Dues Cost Comparisons	Current			1st Year	2nd Year	3rd Year
New Member Join Cost	\$195			\$205	\$240	\$255
1-3 Year Member Annual Cost	\$160			\$200	\$235	\$275
4-5 Year Member Annual Cost	\$135			\$175	\$210	\$250
6+ Year Member Annual Cost	\$65			\$75	\$85	\$100

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 8am-noon Range Closed Maintenance	2 6pm-9pm Ladies Night (Ind)	3 Long Range Day 9am-1pm 800-1,000 yd 1pm-sunset 300-600 yd 7:00pm-9:00pm General Meetinga (CH)	4	5 9am-4pm USPSA/IPSC (Silh)
6 8am-8pm NRA Instructor Class (CH/Ind) 9am-5pm Bigbore Pistol (Silh) 9:30am-2:30pm Trap	7 7:00pm-9:00pm Board Meeting (CH)	8 8am-noon Range Closed Maintenance 6:00pm-9:00pm Hunter Ed (CH/Ind)	9 6pm-9pm Ladies Night (Ind)	10 Long Range Day 9am-1pm 300-600 yd 1pm-sunset 800-1,000 yd 6:00pm-9:00pm Hunter Ed (CH/Ind)	11	12
13 9:30am-2pm Sporting Clays 9am-3pm Action Pistol (Ind) 2:00pm-3:00pm New Member Orientation	14 5:30-8pm Jr Smallbore (CH/Ind)	15 8am-noon Range Closed Maintenance 6:00pm-9:00pm Hunter Ed (CH/Ind)	16 6pm-9pm Ladies Night (Ind)	17 Long Range Day 9am-1pm 800-1,000 yd 1pm-sunset 300-600 yd 6:00pm-9:00pm Hunter Ed (CH/Ind)	18 8:00pm-10:00pm Adult Smallbore (Ind)	19 8am-4pm RSO Class (CH/Ind) 9am-3pm Smallbore Pistol (Silh)
20 8am-4pm RSO Class (CH/Ind) 9am-4pm Speed Steel (Silh) 9:30am-2:30pm Trap	21 5:30-8pm Jr Smallbore (CH/Ind)	22 8am-noon Range Closed Maintenance 6:00pm-9:00pm Hunter Ed (CH/Ind)	23 SERT Training 8am-12pm (Silh) 12pm-5pm (Long Range) 6pm-9pm Ladies Night (Ind)	24 Long Range Day 9am-1pm 300-600 yd 1pm-sunset 800-1,000 yd 6:00pm-9:00pm Hunter Ed (CH/Ind)	25 8:00pm-10:00pm Adult Smallbore (Ind)	26 8am-1pm Hunter Ed (CH/Ind) 9pm-2pm Blackpowder (Silh)
27 9:30am-2pm Sporting Clays	28 5:30-8pm Jr Smallbore (CH/Ind)					

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Hunter Sight-In '05

Michael Jones

Yeah, I know it is WAY early, but I need to get the word out now. As you are aware the Hunter Sight-In event is a major money-maker for the club. We will need a bunch of help beyond the normal need for coaches, RSOs, etc. for the September DRRC Hunter Sight-In. Specifically, we need a person or persons to call members beginning in late July to solicit help for the event. We have contact (calling) lists from last year that will be helpful. Other help will be appreciated but we need to procure the calling people early. Let me know if you might be able to help. Michael: 503-654-7452 or jonesc@teleport.com.

Dues and You! (cont.)

- Annual cost comparison figures due not include NRA dues, as NRA annual costs will vary depending on the type of membership you choose to get.
- Annual cost comparisons include the full work assessment fees. If you put in your 8 work hours, then the removal of the appropriate work assessment fee would reduce the actual annual cost for membership.
- Work assessment fees are not prorated. You must either work 8 hours or pay the entire fee.
- Potential revenue increase data is based on 2003/04 membership data and assumes we maintain the same number of members. Should membership drop or more members put it work hours instead of paying the work assessment, then actual increased revenues would be less.



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