

## President's Report

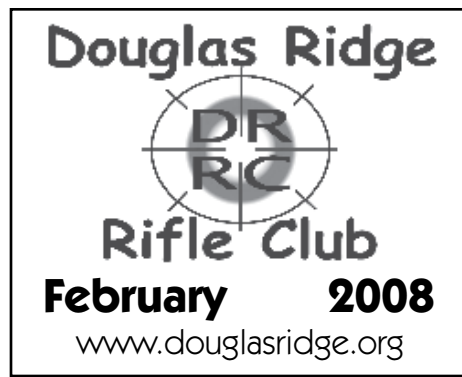
By Stan Pate

This last month has been one of victories and losses for DRRC. We've lost a couple of long time members and friends in January and this is never easy to handle. Joe Cole whom many of you know from the range passed away leaving a vacuum among his many long time friends and acquaintances. Our Range Host and friend Joe Cook also passed away quite unexpectedly leaving so many of us shocked at his unexpected passing. There are very few members at the club who don't know one or the both of these two gentlemen that were deserving of our respect and admiration. The club has suffered a great loss by not having both of these men in attendance.

On the legal front, the last two local court cases filed against DRRC by a former member were summarily dismissed by the judge so we are now left with only the two federal court cases filed by the same person. Our legal defense fund has helped DRRC greatly to defend itself financially by covering most of the bills but with more bills expected more help is still needed. The NRA has committed to helping us financially with our legal fees which is a great boost for us both financially as well as for the support this brings DRRC nationally.

Many times in the past a former member of DRRC has made accusations claiming that Michael Jones who is the Executive Officer of the club has been violating the clubs' non-profit status by conducting classes at DRRC. Recently Mr. Jones was called in to the Oregon Department of Justice (DOJ), to review the way that he conducts classes at DRRC. After the DOJ reviewing Mr. Jones' books and interviewing him, Mr. Jones was informed that the DOJ was happy that no non-profit laws had been violated and that his books appeared to be in very good order. It is hoped that this matter can now be put to rest and Michael Jones will no longer have to defend himself against unsubstantiated claims by those who would attack him. Michael donates a tremendous amount of time and energy to DRRC and deserves our continued support and respect. By the way Michael is nearing the end of his term limit and is looking for a member/s to contact him that is interested in doing the Executive Officers job. If you are interested please contact Michael so he can better inform you as to the job responsibilities.

DRRC is now going to be audited by the DOJ in the near future because of a complaint issued by "person/s unnamed". It appears like a complaint was filed against DRRC for financial improprieties, the details



of this complaint so far has not been detailed to us. This appears to be the latest in the attacks on DRRC and once again as in the past we expect to emerge from this trial not only with a clean bill of financial health, but cleared of all charges.

As we really get started into the new year I would encourage all of the club members to become more involved in our club. There are many different disciplines to try, many varied areas of the club that we can help in or donate time to. Many of us older members should consider taking the time to mentor younger or less experienced members in what we enjoy doing on the range. It is a great opportunity to pass on the things we enjoy about shooting to someone who hopefully in turn will do so again further on down the line. As usual I hope to see you on the range, and good shooting.

## A Sad Time For DRRC

In just a few days our membership has been deeply affected by the passing of two pivotal members of our club. As you read on if you are one given to prayer, then please say a prayer for the families and loved ones left behind.

## 30 Year Life Member Passes Away

By Nils Bittner

Joe Cole, a 30 year life member of DRRC passed away at age 77. Joe spent countless hours throughout his 30 years volunteering his services at the club helping make DRRC a better club. Always willing to help Joe, mentored many new shooters at the trap range where he was the Director and Assistant Director for many years, spent countless hours sitting on top of a tractor mowing the grass as well as many hours performing maintenance of the clubs tractors. Joe was also a dedicated DRRC Board Member spending many years helping guide the club. Joe was an avid Trap and Sporting Clay shooter shooting at many of the different clubs in the area. Joe will be greatly missed.

## Bye Joe...

By Charlie McAlister

"Hey Joe, do ya think you can fix this gun for me?"

"Hi ya Joe, what do you think this old gun is worth?"

"Joe, Hey Joe! Do you have any idea what kind of gun this is?"

If you knew Joe Cook for any length of time you have asked him one or more of these questions in one form or another. And if he didn't know the answer, he had a book with the answer in it.

After 25 years as a dedicated member of DRRC some time during the night between Saturday, January 5 and Sunday, January 6 Joe Cook died, and took a little piece of me with him. Most of you knew Joe as our club range host, I knew Joe as my friend. While short in stature, Joe was big in heart. With a world of knowledge in his head, a workshop crammed full of gun parts and supplies, and a crack shot he was always sharing his expertise and parts to help make your shooting experience just a little better. After several practice sessions with my new 1911 .45 and thinking that 6" group was great I can remember handing the gun to Joe and saying, "Here Joe, you try it." After quickly putting eight rounds within a 3" group on his very first time shooting that gun Joe would say, "Not a bad shooter", as he gave my gun back and went to his workshop. Joe had a great sense of humor, and he didn't mind showing it.

Joe spent many hours patrolling our club to help ensure security, mowing the grass, and fixing the equipment. I will always personally associate Joe with that little workshop nestled in the corner of the clubhouse building. After I got to know Joe I said one day, "Your workshop is sure a mess, you want some help organizing it and cleaning it up". "What do you mean it's a mess, I know where everything is" he said. So, I right then asked him for a couple of gun parts I was looking for and if he had any. In all his piles of stuff Joe went right to what I wanted and handed them to me. I asked Joe how much, and he said with a smile, "No charge". That is just how Joe was. And I never again mentioned my perceived messiness of his workshop.

The best of all was walking into his workshop and saying, "Hi Joe, want to see what I got at the last gun show". After holding up one finger and reaching over to turn down the radio (he was a little hard of

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hearing ya know) you would repeat it and his eyes would light up and he would stop whatever he was doing to look at your new toy. He would look it up in one or more of his books to tell you anything you wanted to know about it and what it was worth and then we would talk all about it. That is just how Joe was.

I have a new one I got a couple weeks ago at a show and I was looking forward to showing it to Joe. I will miss that.

*Bye Joe...*

## CMP...

### A Blast From The Past

*by Charlie and Sheri McAlister*

We had a very successful CMP season last year with lots of participants new to CMP and M1 Garands. We all had a great time and our discipline is growing. We have been asked on many occasions if folks can shoot their service bolt action rifles at our CMP matches. Normally our CMP matches are restricted to M1 Garands, M1A's, and AR15's. However, we are going to try something a little bit different at our March 2008 CMP match. We are going to include a bolt action service rifle portion to the match. While we haven't worked out all the details/ rules as yet it will pretty much go like this:

**Rifle:** Any military service bolt action rifle with iron sights. (Must be in military configuration, no sporters)

**Course of Fire:** Will be same as regular match, total of 50 rounds for count (more for sighters) shooting prone with sling, sitting with sling, and off hand no sling. Some will be slow fire and some will be rapid fire. We will allow more time for bolt action rapid fire.

**Distance:** 100 yards (possibly 200 yards if weather permits).

This would be a great opportunity to break out your Springfield 03's or 03A3's, Mausers, Enfields, Krags, or even your M44 and just come out and have some fun. Our CMP matches are fun matches with the emphasis put on safety, learning, and fun.

Remember, anyone, whether a member or not can come to a CMP match and for \$25 shoot an authentic M1 Garand. The cost includes the class (a requirement for first time CMP shooters), use of club Garand, ammo, and targets. If you have your own Garand and ammo, the match only cost is \$10. Following are our 2008 match dates so come on out and have a good time.

Questions regarding CMP and the special bolt action match can be directed to Charlie at 503 351-8360 or webmaster@douglasridge.org.

### CMP Class and Match Dates

- All classes are on Friday evenings from 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM.
- All matches begin with registration and setup at 8:00 AM with shooting starting at 9:00 AM. Matches run until finished.

Date (2008)	Course
March 7	Class Instruction
March 8	100/200 Yard Match
May 9	Class Instruction
May 10	100/200 Yard Match
July 11	Class Instruction
July 12	300/600 Yard Match
August 29	Class Instruction
August 30	300/600 Yard Match
December 12	Class Instruction
December 13	100/200 Yard Match

## For Ladies Only

*by Sheri McAlister, Associate Member*

Does your husband spend more time with his guns than he does with you? Do something about it!

Is there a particular gun your husband likes over all the others? Do some research on that one. My husband likes to know about the guns he owns. One year for his birthday, I bought my husband a rifle and tried my best to get a little information on it. Before you know it, you'll be engaged in conversation.

Most men I know go to the mall as if it was a hunting expedition. Go in, conquer, get out. Not true at a gun show. You've got to go with him. The first couple times I went were rather boring. I mean, if you've seen one gun, you've seen them all. This must be what it's like when our husbands go with us. How many shades of red can there be? I have discovered that I actually like going! I'm pointing out the guns, asking questions and on occasion making purchases. Those purchases usually turn out to be gifts for my husband.

If you don't know how to shoot, learn. I suggest having someone other than your husband instruct you. There is something about handing your wife a .45 when she has never shot before. Oh yeah, the recoil! Try the Ladies' Beginning Handgun class. Yes, ladies only! You get classroom instruction and hands on with a .22 to start. Once you feel comfortable, ask your husband to go shooting. He'll be excited that it was your idea.

If you don't want to shoot, but still want to spend time with your husband? Go to the

range with him. Help put up targets or spot. Our husbands need our encouragement, so cheer him on at a club match. Maybe learn how to score or help with match registration. If you can't go with him, get up early and pack his lunch. Don't forget the note that says, "I love you. Good luck today."

Now, for the dirty work. Help your husband clean his guns, especially if you used one of them. He'll be thrilled, half the work with twice the fun. Did I lose you? Two people to share the work and the two loves of his life. Yes, it stinks, but I'm telling you there is something about the smell of cordite together with solvent that is a major turn on.

With all this said, your husband may not spend any less time with his guns, but you will be spending more time with him. Isn't that what really matters anyway?

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# Douglas Ridge Rifle Club

# February 2008

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><b>Calendar Codes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CH/Ind Clubhouse &amp; Indoor Range</li> <li>• Arch Archery Range</li> <li>• 100/200 100/200 Yard Range</li> <li>• Silh Silhouette Range</li> <li>• LR Long Range</li> <li>• Trap Trap Range</li> <li>• SC Sporting Clays Range</li> <li>• LE Law Enforcement (training)</li> <li>• NRA... NRA Classes</li> </ul>						
<b>3</b> 9am-2:30pm <i>Trap</i>  9am-3pm Handgun Silhouette (Silh)	<b>4</b> 4:30pm-8pm Jr. Smallbore (CH/Ind)	<b>5</b> 8am-noon All Ranges closed for maintenance	<b>6</b> 6pm-9pm Lady Pistol Class (CH/Ind)	<b>7</b> Long Range Day 9am-1pm 800-1000 yd 1pm-sunset 300-600yd  <b>7pm-9pm</b> General Meeting	<b>8</b>   <b>Newsletter Due</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b> 9am-2pm Sporting Clays  9am-3pm Action Pistol (Silh)	<b>11</b> 4:30pm-8pm Jr. Smallbore (CH/Ind)	<b>12</b> 8am-noon All Ranges closed for maintenance  6:pm-9pm Hunter Ed. (CH/Ind)	<b>13</b> 6-9pm Ladies' Night (CH/Ind)	<b>14</b> Long Range Day 9am-1pm 300-600yd 1pm-sunset 800-1000 yd  6:pm-9pm Hunter Ed. (CH/Ind)	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 9am-2pm (Silh) PVL R Blackpowder Match
<b>17</b> 9am-2:30pm <i>Trap</i>  9am-5pm Speed Steel (Silh)	<b>18</b> Presidents Day 4:30pm-8pm Jr. Smallbore (CH/Ind)	<b>19</b> 8am-noon All Ranges closed for maintenance  6:pm-9pm Hunter Ed. (CH/Ind)	<b>20</b> 6pm-9pm Lady Pistol Class (CH/Ind)	<b>21</b> Long Range Day 9am-1pm 800-1000 yd 1pm-sunset 300-600yd  6:pm-9pm Hunter Ed. (CH/Ind)	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 9am-5pm High Power Reduced 800 Agg. (100yd)
<b>24</b> 9am-2pm Sporting Clays	<b>25</b> 4:30pm-8pm Jr. Smallbore (CH/Ind)	<b>26</b> 8am-noon All Ranges closed for maintenance  6:pm-9pm Hunter Ed. (CH/Ind)	<b>27</b> 6-9pm Ladies' Night (CH/Ind)  8am-5pm LE: PPB SERT (Silh)	<b>28</b> Long Range Day 9am-1pm 300-600yd 1pm-sunset 800-1000 yd  <b>7pm-9pm</b> Board Meeting	<b>29</b> 6:pm-9pm Hunter Ed. (CH/Ind)	

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*Will Rogers*

**Future Club Member Meetings**

**2008 General Meetings**  
(Thursdays)  
March 6 at 7 pm  
April 3 at 7 pm  
May 1 at 7 pm

**2008 Board Meetings**  
(Thursdays)  
March 27 at 7 pm  
April 24 at 7 pm  
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