

A Good Deed

Joe Keller

One thing we tell the new members is that they are joining a Club, and that we're all here to have a nice place to shoot. The following story is another reason why we belong.

When long time member Steve A. called the Club in August, he had a big problem. He had been shooting at the Silhouette Range with his grandson the day before, and when he was home and putting everything away, a rifle was missing. He called to see if anyone had found it, they thought the grandson had left it in its case in a rack at the range.

Since our Range Hosts were out of town, I checked with CRSO Mike Holder. He had not heard about a rifle being found, and reported that none was on the range now. But a little later, I got a call from Project Coordinator Ron Carey. He had met a member leaving the range the evening before, and they had found a rifle. They had put up a sign with their contact information asking whoever left it to describe it and get it back. They gave the rifle to Ron. The member was Steve Connors; he recently joined the Club in January this year.

I notified Steve A. that his rifle was found, and he contacted Ron Carey to confirm it was his and retrieve it. I am sure his grandson was very relieved.

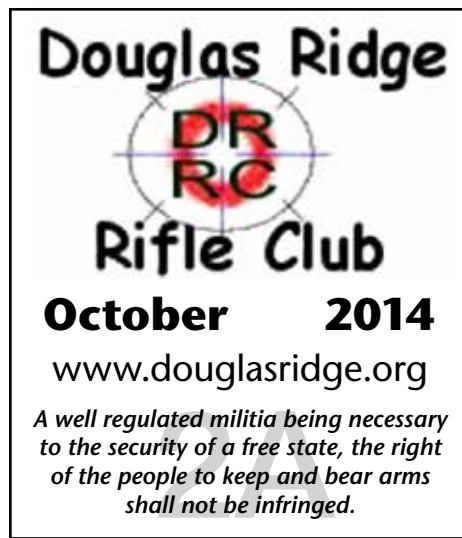
Thanks to Steve Connors for his honesty and helping make DRRC a Club where we all look out for each other.

Kaylee Lyen 4-H State Champ

Amy Lyen

(Editor note: Kaylee Lyen, DRRC member # 3078JL, is 16 years old and a member of Boom Bang Firepower 4-H Shooting Club)

April 2013, Kaylee came out to Junior Smallbore night to learn to shoot .22 rifle for the first time. While she had experience shooting air rifle and air pistol through 4-H, this was something she had not tried before and was a bit nervous. With the first rounds, she was hooked. Kaylee spent the rest of spring and summer



practicing with Glen, Bob, Roger, John and Bryan.

In the fall, Boom Bang Firepower had officially started up their .22 shooting program. From September through December, she practiced with DRRC's Junior Smallbore program, DRRC's Adult Smallbore Columbia Willamette Rifle League team, and Boom Bang Firepower. December brought Kaylee's first CWRL competitions as well. Starting in January, Oregon State 4-H started a mail-in tournament. January she shot in prone position at 50 feet, February in kneeling position at 50 feet, and March was a modified CMP that included 3P at 25 and 35 yards with both slow and rapid fire segments. Throughout the state, the scores were tallied and her scores earned her third place and an invitation to the state contest in June 2014 along with twelve other competitors in her class.

At the state invitational, there were two events: 3 Position at 50 feet and 3 Position modified CMP at about 25 yards with both slow and rapid fire in all positions. In the end, she had the high scores and was the

Don Bench R.I.P.

Don Bench, a thirty-two year member of DRRC, passed away from a heart attack on September 9th. He was seventy years old. Don was a frequent shooter at the Club, often shooting while his wife sat nearby knitting. He was also generous, giving shooting equipment he no longer used to other shooters. He will be missed.

overall champion in the senior class. Additionally, her scores earned her a place on the state team invited to 4-H Nationals in Grand Island, Nebraska in June 2015. For the next year, she will be practicing for that tournament as well as raising the money for entry fees and travel.

Kaylee would like to acknowledge her personal gratitude to Douglas Ridge Rifle Club for allowing Boom Bang Firepower to use the silhouette range for practice each month, making participation in the mail-in tournament possible. She would additionally like to thank DRRC's Junior Smallbore volunteers for her use of club equipment and their outstanding coaching assistance.

The Junior Olympics

Spencer Jacobs

(Editor note: Spencer Jacobs, a DRRC member, is 16 years old, and began shooting in the Junior Smallbore program in 2009.)

When I got the email saying that I had qualified for the air rifle Junior Olympics for my fourth time in a row, I was ecstatic. I was a little disappointed that I didn't make it for both air rifle and smallbore, but I was still thrilled that I got to go. I trained hard for months, preparing for the trip.

When the day of departure finally arrived, I was ready to go. It was going to be a long drive to the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, where the Junior Olympics were held, and we only had two days to do it. So, early in the morning, my aunt, my mom, and I all piled in the car for the long journey.

After two 14 hour days back to back, we finally made it. We checked into our hotel, and enjoyed a night's sleep before the first day of the competition began, because the first day is always the most frantic. After an early wake up, we got right to it. I started by checking into my dorm room at the Training Center and signing myself into the match. Then it was off to equipment check. The Training Center is split into two ranges, one above and one below, each having 75 firing points. Equipment check was held on the lower range.

Everybody piles into a very cramped room, puts on all their equipment and gets in line. They check your coat and pant tightness, your shoes, and your rifle, all of which have to meet certain standards in order for you to pass.

After I passed equipment check, I went on to the first of two practice sessions. After a short and to the point pair of practice sessions, it was already time for dinner. With my first two matches the next day, I ate a decent meal, and went to sleep early, in my rock hard training center bed. The next day came quick, and there was a lot to do. I got up, ate a good breakfast, and went to the range early, even though I still had hours till I shot. I put my headphones on and gave myself a tour of the campus. Finally when the second of two relays came around, it was time for me to shoot my match.

My first match was on the lower range, on one of the furthest points from the door, where it was hottest. Soon it was time for the match to begin. It started a little slow, but soon I was in my "Zone" so to speak. My final score was a little lower than I was hoping for, but still not bad. We got to shoot on electronic targets, which was a real treat. There is a metal target frame, with a template the exact size of the target you would shoot on paper. Behind the template, there is rubber cycling its way down to the ground. As the bullet hits the rubber, there is a series of microphones on either side of the rubber that pick up the sound of the bullet passing through. This allows them to pinpoint the exact placement of the shot. That information is then sent back to a monitor so that the shooter can see exactly where he shot.

The second day was very similar to the first, and the end result was clear. I would not be getting an award this year. After watching a nerve wracking final, it was time to go home. I hope that I will be able to repeat the experience again, but these next times win myself a medal.

National Rifle & Pistol Championship

Levi Clark

(Editor note: Levi Clark, a DRRC member, is 16 years old, and began

shooting in the Junior Smallbore program in 2011)

Ft. Benning, GA, June 22-27, 2014

We left for Georgia early Friday morning. When we arrived there later that evening, we got to the baggage claim area and found out that my gear bag with all my ammo got held in Portland. It was a bit unsettling knowing how sensitive my match ammo is to being dropped or left out in the heat, so I just had to take a deep breath and hope for the best! We had a couple days to settle in before going to gear check which allowed us to scope out the range where the match was being held. It is home to the US Army Marksmanship Unit who practices daily on electronic targets at 50 meters outdoors. Sunday began the day with registration, gear check and pre-event training. Everything went well that day and I was ready to shoot my competition. Monday I was shooting the first relay of 3P. It is a 120 shot match with 40 shots of kneeling, prone and offhand. I was surrounded by Team USA and Olympic gold medalists. No pressure! As the match began for sighter and prep time, I used my mental training techniques to calm my nerves and began to shoot. Prone and kneeling went OK but offhand took a turn for the worst with a few bad shots. On the second day of 3P, I came in with a better game plan and finished a little better than the previous day. Knowing that my favorite event was on the next day, I was able to cheer up a little bit.

Wednesday was a 60 shot prone match. This is the one that I've spent months training for and I was ready! My first day of this match, I finished in the top 8 of junior shooters which allowed me to shoot in the finals. It was very exciting! Now I really needed to focus and compete against the other competitors. Two others were juniors and the rest were all college shooters. After the eliminations began, and running for 3rd place, we had a shoot off! It was between Tim Sherry and me. He took his shot, and then I took mine. I won the shoot off which sent him into third place in the finals. Then, it was down to just one other guy and me. My heart was beating! I had to time the shot just

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"National defense is one of the cardinal duties of a statesman."

John Adams, letter to James Lloyd, 1815

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2014: 11/27, 12/18, 01/22/2015

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October 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
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right! Carefully, I took my breath and then took my shot. I finished 2nd in the finals! I could exhale now and feel pleased with my performance in the competition. After day two of the prone match, I took 5th place overall in the junior category, and received the High J2 medal for my prone performance.

I gained a lot of confidence knowing I can shoot well and look forward to many more matches in my future!

Late Renewals

Joe Keller, DRRC VP

As I write this mid-September, membership renewals are still trickling in. Since DRRC does not have a cap on membership nor a waiting list, we will allow members to submit their renewals after the due date. We mailed second notices at the end of July. Any member who was in good standing on June 30th, 2014, can renew their membership before the end of our Club year in 2015 by submitting a

renewal form and their dues payment. However, we do not pro-rate the dues for the time that was missed prior to the renewal. We also tack on a \$10 Late Fee for dues processed after the due date.

Members who renew late are also still expected to complete their work hours by April 2015 if they want to avoid the Work Assessment Fee on their next renewal.

Members who still wish to renew but no longer have their renewal form can request a new one by contacting the Club at info@douglasridge.org, or calling the Club at 503/627-3131 and leaving a message.

If a member does not renew prior to the mailing of the 2015 renewal statements next May, they will be moved to the inactive membership list, and will need to submit an application to rejoin the Club. Some one-time fees will need to be paid again upon rejoining, although we do reduce the Initiation Fee.

If a member has not renewed because of a situation that will

prevent them from using the Club, such as a relocation to another area or a deployment overseas, a Leave of Absence may be requested.

Per Section 402 of the Club bylaws:

7. Leave of Absence – A Senior, Old Time, or Life member may, in writing, request a leave of absence. Request for leaves of absence are subject to approval by the Board of Directors or their designee. A member on leave of absence may not use the facilities as a member until such time as they return from the leave of absence and their membership is reinstated. Their access card will be deactivated during their leave of absence. A member on an approved leave of absence may reinstate their membership without payment of any initiation fee, may credit any unused portion of their membership remaining at time of leave approval to their reinstatement cost, and are subject to any additional fees or assessments in place at time of reinstatement.