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President's Message

Volunteers

I would like to thank all the members who help out around the club. This time of year it is nasty outside, leaves everywhere, rain and cold weather, windy. This is the time when we get ready for next year. Please help around the club by cleaning up after yourself and your neighbor. This will help reduce what the other volunteer must do.

I would like to thank the Range 1 shooters for rebuilding the 200 yd target frames. A group cemented in new post receptacles at 200yd line and made new posts. They did a great job, unfortunately the posts were to short and the 200 yd line had to be closed until the post were made taller to insure that we proper impacted at the 300 yd impact area. Robert Smith stepped right up and volunteered to rebuild the posts, raising the targets about 30". I know that this makes changing targets more difficult but it comes down to raising the targets or closing the 200 yd line and I think the raised targets is the better choice.

Events

Standard Pistol League – Standard Pistol starts in February. Get out the 22 pistols with Iron Sights and let's have some fun. It is Thursday nights, with first relay starting at 7 pm and second relay starting at 8 pm. See you there.

The Lew McMurtery shoot starts Saturday February 5 at Kenmore. We need several shooter to show up to help us when this inter-club competition. The event is single shot continental and 23 yard handicap, 25 each. Come help you club. We use to win this all the time, but have fell on hard times in recent years because of a lack of shooters going to Machias,

Cast Bullet Matches start the 4th Saturday of March.

Work Parties

We need to pick up around the club, branches etc. Any help is appreciated. We need to clean up around the club house, both inside and out; leaves debris, cob webs, etc. Let me know if you are interested in helping.

Dues

Dues are due. The renewal forms are in your news letter, on-line and available at the range office. Also, there is a line for donations, if you are so inclined. You will NOT have club privileges after February 28, 2005 without a new card. Remember it takes a week or two to get the cards out so give yourself time to receive the card in the mail.

Staffing Changes

I would like to welcome Ted to the Pistol Range on Saturday s and Sundays from Noon to Five. Stop by and tell Ted Hi!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Have Fun, Be Safe, and Play Well.

Carl Brattain

Shotgun hours of operation

Normal hours

Mon Members only 5-9pm

Tues 5:00 to 9:00 pm

Wed Noon to 5:00 pm

Thur 5:00 to 9:00 pm

Fri Closed

Sat 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Sun 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

ITS YOUR CLUB, GET INVOLVED!

Board Meeting Minutes January 5, 2005

President Carl Brattain called the Meeting to order at 8:00PM. All Board Members were present except Joe Waldron and Larry Mallory.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were accepted as published. Vic Alvarez reported on cash balances.

Guests:

Ken Deleone, Archery Committee, Larry Lohkamp, Range Committee, and Gerald Graham, smallbore rifle league.

Orientation

The following new members have completed orientation:

David Adkins
James Bacon
David Cross
Tim Ferguson
Scott and Deborah Helfrich
Frank Ives and Mary Schulte
Daniel Kell
Erik and Jennifer Kraft
Drew and Chris Lucurell
Gregory Miller
John Moore
Ed Omland
Tyler Pelo
Palmer Sather
Greg and Brenda Sellers
Robert Smith
James Tweedy
Eldon and Mary Vincent

Old Business:

None

New Business:

None

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM. Respectfully submitted by Dan Barton, Recording Secretary

Membership privileges expire the end of February unless your 2005 dues have been paid. Don't let that happen, get those dues in TODAY.

Donations

We receive many donations during the course of a yearand we are very grateful. While we are not a charity and donations are not charitable contributions for tax purposes, all donations are put to work improving the facility and its operations. This month we received:

\$100 Donations

Paul Herndon
Chris Sherwood

\$80 Donations

In Memory of Gerald Bryant
John Fay
Henry Grenley
Robert Sellers

\$60 Donations

Wayne Budbill
Alan Carey
Richard Thornton

\$50 Donations

Douglas J. Arnold
Michael Craig
William Feldner
Scott Fleury
Gene Johnson
Brian Rubens

\$40 Donations

Larry Haydon

\$35 Donations

George Lind
Daniel McHarness

\$30 Donations

Mike Broadwell
Robert Carter
Darryl Davis
Horacio Delgado
Brad Holm
Clark Jacobs
Steven Kerr
Stephen Lorenzini
Frank Mauger
Michael McConnel
Jeff Moss
Barry Teschlog

Donations cont:

\$25 Donations

Karl Bumgarner
James Flatley
Robert Gehrman
Mark Levine
Gregory Shuey
Joseph Wicklund

\$20 Donations

Richard Mayer
Diedrich Schmidt

\$10 Donations

Myles Asper
Steven Bean
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Clayton Canfield
Deborah Chase
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Lawrence Kahler
Sven Lie
Ralph Lieser
Alexander Logan
Bradley Lohnes
Michael Marden
Joshua Nelson
Martin Nelson
Ernest Norehad
Lawrence Riibe
Paul Scherwin
Richard Silcox
John Simons
James Stichka
Daniel Welles

Thanks!!!

SHOTGUN Committee

It is already February. We have some major events lined up for Kenmore Shotgun this year. The McMurtry Shoots begin at Kenmore February 5th, travels to Machias February 19th, back to Kenmore March 5th, travel to Machias March 19th, back to Kenmore April 2nd, and concludes April 16th at Machias. Machias has beat us the last two years. We aim to even the score this year. However we need as many participants to shoot these events as possible, since the format takes the 5 best scores from Kenmore and the 5 best scores from Machias each event. The team with the highest score wins the match. There are six matches, we need to win FOUR! Come and shoot and help us bring the TROPHY back to Kenmore.

The second event is the Continental League Competition scheduled for February 27th, the Shotgun Range will be closed except for the league contestants. We expect around 24 squads. Come and enjoy the shooting.

Event three this year is the Ladies Only Event. The Shotgun Range will be closed May 14th, except for the Lady Shooters. The new shooters will be coached in shooting and trained in safety by certified women instructors. This program was a great success last year.

May 21st we will host the Lloyd Johnson Memorial P.I.T.A. Shoot.

June 18th we will host a Charity Fund Raising Shoot for the Northwest Chapter of Paralyzed Veterans of America.

June 26th will be the Doug Allen Memorial P.I.T.A. Shoot.

We have placed sign up sheets to assist with the operation and work involved with these events. As always we need your support. Without your assistance these events are not possible. So sign up to help with an event or two. We have many members, some new some older, if we all work together we will not burden the same people with all the work and if we can obtain enough help these events will be fun for everyone.

Youth League would like to acknowledge contributions from Range Master Ron for contributions of cleaning supplies and several shooting bags. The students are already putting them to good use. Terry Diener



Highpower PRONE Rifle Match

THE REFRIGERATOR MATCH REPORT

The 15 January Kenmore Prone Match began in 22 degree weather, ended in a sleet-ing, icy rain, and engendered a great amount of good natured (?) comments about the sanity of folks who venture out for matches in this type of weather. Nevertheless, Fourteen hardy souls ventured out to make the first 2005 60 – shot Prone match at Kenmore a success.

Seven High Masters, two Masters, three Experts, one Sharpshooter, and one Marksman attended, and all dispatched themselves well. Felix (Bud) Solis took the Match Honors with a close to Match Record 600 – 52X. One more X would have done it – maybe next time! First High Master went to Wayne Budbill, with 600 – 49X, followed by 2nd HM Mike Maurer at 600 – 47X.

The Experts and Sharpshooter were combined, in order to make a class award, and Bernie Alford showed his ‘out of Expert’ class, with an outstanding 595 – 24X. Unable to make an entire class, the Masters and Marksman were accorded “Honorable Mention” – no cash, but kudos for good efforts. Kelly Moore, at 592 – 29X, your humble scribe, at 587 – 17X, and Chris Monego (way out of the Marksman class at 552 – 8X) applauded the winners.

A note of appreciation for Brock Schexnayer, who was unable to attend the match, but took pity on his suffering colleagues, and brought his Propane Heater out on his lunch hour, to warm us in our misery. Thanks, Brock! Thanks also, once again, to Marilyn K-Solis, for her unfailing assistance with the Stats, and to Stan Vlcek, for running the line, and helping with the unending paperwork afterward. You folks make all this worthwhile!!

Next opportunity for humility, and some Prone exercise at 100 yards, will be February 19 (the third Saturday of the month.) Come out and see what the fun is all about!!

and Jay Justice we would like to thank you for the gun cases that you donated. Thanks to all of you shooters for giving up time that you could be shooting so that we can teach the youth league. Special thanks to the parents of the youth for their support and to the instructors that give so freely of their time to pass along their skills to the students. Teaching the youth is very rewarding, if you can, come and help us with the program. Heck, you may learn something yourself.



January Benchrest Match Report

Range One looked beautiful at our January match, every year usually the coldest month for us. There was more than an inch of snow on the ground but nine shooters showed up to compete in the frigid temperatures. They were rewarded with almost perfect conditions (except for the cold). There was almost no wind all day.

We shot our normal match format, two matches at 300 yards and two at 200 yards. In the first match Rick Graham shot a perfect score but without an x. Mark Burns had one x but dropped one point (99-1x). Jeff Yost scored 97-0x for third place.

In match two Bill Gildroy and Dan Hall both scored 99-0x for first place. Gene Solyntjes was second with 98-2x, plugging away with his 30BR. Rick was third with 97-1x.

At 200 yards Rick was unbeatable shooting his .223 Ackley Imp. In the first match at that distance he put in a fantastic score of 100-4x. Dan was close behind with 100-2x as was Gene with 100-1x. In the last match Rick improved his score by one x (100-5x) but Jeff was shooting just as well and matched Rick's score.

Gene and Johnny Johnson both scored 100-1x for second and Bill was third with 99-3x. The last two matches saw some great scores and some great competition. Congratulations to Rick for shooting so well and taking home the money for the best overall score of the day, dropping only 3 points in 4 matches.

The next match is Feb.5. We'll have a special Valentine's prize. Practice so Rick doesn't go home with the chocolates again this year.

Call Richard Nicol at 206-784-1093 or Rick Graham at 206-784-1324 for info.