



Monocacy Pistol Club

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NEWSLETTER – APRIL 2010

Mandatory RSO Meeting – We will be having a mandatory RSO meeting on the morning of April 17th, at 8:30 am, at the Range. The purpose of the meeting is to address developing operating standards for RSOs. Jeremy Gray, our CRSO will publish a complete meeting agenda via email before the meeting. Broad participation is essential, so we strongly encourage every RSO to attend this very important meeting; your experience and perspective is critical to our success. Thank you!

Mandatory Match Director Meeting – We will be having a mandatory Match Director meeting on the morning of May 1st, at 8:30 am, at the Range. The purpose of the meeting is to address developing operating standards for Match Directors. Jeremy Gray, our CRSO will publish a complete meeting agenda via email before the meeting. Broad participation is essential, so we strongly encourage every Match Director to attend this very important meeting; your experience and perspective is critical to our success. Thank you!

Woman's Clinic – We are restarting the Woman's Clinic classes this year, and Linda Newcomer is leading the effort. This class was very successful during the two years it ran, and we would like to reintroduce it. We ask that any Club NRA Certified Instructor interested in helping with this class please contact Linda. Thank you!

Match Schedule Changes – We ask all Match Directors to please post match schedule changes promptly, and provide as much notice as possible. Match cancellations and schedule changes should be immediately reported to Bob Loesch (bob@loeschs.com), so that he may coordinate posted on the Club's online Calendar, communicating it to the Membership via email, and posting it on the Club's phone Notices. When in doubt, Members should check the website Calendar, call the Club Notices number (301) 694-5469, or contact the Match Director to confirm whether or not the match will be conducted. Thank you!

Awards Preparation – Final Call – Match Directors, please submit your match awards information to the Annual Banquet Awards Committee – namely, Mr. Jake Straits. This will enable us to submit our plaques order with sufficient lead time for the Annual Banquet. We ask that you submit your match awards by April 6th. Thank you!

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

In support of the six (6) objectives we established for this year, we've started a number of initiatives that we plan to complete before December. The initiatives include:

- (a) Standardizing the way each Board function reports old and new business, thus enabling other Board members to report on behalf of those absent during a Membership meeting – due around June.
- (b) Develop Standard Operating Guidelines for both RSOs and Match Directors, which will provide clear guidance on roles and responsibilities for both these functions – delivery schedule is currently being determined.
- (c) Formally define the Junior Membership Program, including eligibility criteria, fees, access, promotion, etc., as an attachment (potentially) to the By-Laws – due around July for Member review and approval.
- (d) Reschedule and offer the Woman's Clinic class, modeled after the very successful class we conducted two (2) years ago – schedule currently is being determined.

If you would like to be involved in any Club initiatives, please reach out to me and we will ensure that your participation is included.

We would appreciate your perspective and feedback regarding our progress on these objectives, and areas where you feel we may need further improvement.

That's it – for now. I will continue to bring you updates on our progress. I encourage you to contact me by phone (301) 639-5650, or email at President@monocacypistolclub.com with any feedback.

Thank you, Leo Escoto.

VICE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

We will be sending out the Banquet Invitations very soon. Our banquet this year will be held on May 7th. Please reserve that date.

The MPC Annual Awards Banquet will be coming up very soon. I have not received award winners for 2009 from several Match Directors. If you haven't

sent me the award list for your match, please do so immediately so the plaques may be ordered.

I encourage you to contact me by phone (301) 371-7344, or email at jmstraits@verizon.net with any questions or feedback.

Thank you, Jake Straits

TREASURER'S CORNER

The period ending March 22nd, 2010, shaped up as follows:

- Checking Balance: \$27,158.92
- Emergency Fund Balance: \$15,000.00

The new bases for the sliding targets have been completed and work fine. There are a few targets still out for repairs, that should be back soon. That will complete the slider repairs for the time being. The weather is changing and the recent turn out for the matches have been great. Cabin fever is beginning to dissipate. I look forward to seeing you all at the range. Be safe and have fun.

I encourage you to contact me by phone (301) 846-0627, or email at gregtalamini@comcast.net with any questions or feedback.

Thank you, Greg Talamini

SECRETARY'S CORNER

We have had some extreme weather this winter, which caused me to miss the February Membership meeting. I would like to thank Merry Klinefelter for filling in, and capturing the Minutes during the meeting.

If anyone would like to include classifieds in the monthly newsletter, please get the information to me not later than the 26th of the month, which is when I typically start compiling the Newsletter. If you miss that date, I can't promise that it will make into that month's newsletter.

Bullseye Column

Spring is almost here. The grass is starting to turn green, things are starting to dry, and it is starting to warm up a little. Bullseye shooting season is getting

ready to start. Our first 1800 match is scheduled for April 17th at 10:00 am, and the .22 League season starts the first Wednesday of May, first relay at 6pm and second at 7pm. I am looking forward to seeing all of you coming and shooting with us again. So let's us get our equipment out, cleaned up, and ready to go for another year of safe and accurate shooting. Please contact me if you need any CCI .22 Standard Velocity ammo.

If any women in the club are interested in attending a Women's Clinic for gun safety and shooting, please contact me or Rick Fiore. We are trying to set up a class for either May or June, depending on the level of interest. Also, if there are any instructors willing to support with the class, we need your help setting up and promoting the Clinic.

I encourage you to contact me by phone (301) 570-3987, or email at newcomerlk@verizon.net with any questions or feedback.

Thank you, Linda Newcomer.

CHIEF RANGE OFFICER'S CORNER

Greetings! We are into Spring and it seems like people are ready to be out at the range. The weather has been fairly cooperative on the weekends and attendance for matches has been very good. I hope that this continues for the rest of the Spring shooting season and into the Summer.

We are going to have a Spring work day to get things spruced up for the coming shooting season. Some of you may have noticed that the lights up at the Bullseye range are a bit damaged after all the snow, so that is one item that we plan to fix. The date hasn't been set yet, so just be on the lookout for an announcement.

The project to fix the Pins range will have to be tackled after things have dried up some; it's still a bit too soggy to begin digging in the dirt!

Let's keep it safe out on the ranges. We have noticed that some 5.7x28mm brass has been showing up, and as a reminder to all, that caliber is not allowed because it is too hot and exceeds our standards for velocity on the ranges.

Also, I know that the locks for the gates and stat sheds have been troublesome lately. I will correct that by purchasing new locks, and I will let everyone know via email blast when that is done.

I encourage you to contact me by phone (240) 423-0953, or email at jeremygray2@mac.com with any questions or feedback.

Thank you, Jeremy Gray.

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN'S CORNER

The current MPC Membership standings are as follows:

Active Membership:

- Regular – 217
- Life – 7
- Junior – 3
- Probationary – 30

Total Active Membership: 257

Potential Membership:

- Probationary (pending remittance) – 1
- Junior – 2 openings
- Wait List – 9

We had our first Critter match of the season on 3-27 and the turnout was very light. I hope to see a better membership turnout as the weather improves. Keep in mind this is a very friendly match for youths and I encourage you to bring your son/daughter, nephew/niece with you to a match and let them experience an event that is safe, fun, and gratifying.

I encourage you to contact me by phone (301) 748-0397, or e-mail at hullhorr@yahoo.com with any questions or feedback.

Thank you, Rick Fiore

CLUB ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

(1) The Membership meetings of the Monocacy Pistol Club are held on the third Tuesday of every month at 7:30 pm at the Keller Williams office located at 7450B New Technology Way, Frederick, MD 21703. Members are welcome.

(2) The Executive Board meetings of the Monocacy Pistol Club are held on the first Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm. We are currently exploring location options, which will be announced when finalized.

UPCOMING CLUB MATCHES

April 2010

- Saturday, Apr 3rd, 10:00 am – Falling Steel
- **Sunday, Apr 4th, Easter – RANGE CLOSED**
- Saturday, Apr 10th, 10:00 am – Speed Steel
- Sunday, Apr 11th, 10:00 am – Rimfire Steel
- Tuesday, Apr 13th, 11:00 am Cowboy (CAS)
- Saturday, Apr 17th, 10:00 am – Pins
- Saturday April 17th, 10:00 am – 1800 Match
- Sunday, Apr 18th, 10:00 am – Lucky Seven Steel
- Sunday, Apr 25th, 10:00 am – Revolver Steel

May 2010

- Saturday, May 1st, 10:00 am – 1800 Match
- Saturday, May 1st, 10:00 am – Falling Steel
- Sunday, May 2nd, 10:00 am – Three Stage Steel
- Wednesday, May 5th, 6:00 and 7:00 pm .22 League
- Saturday, May 8th, 10:00 am – Speed Steel
- Sunday, May 9th, 10:00 am – Rimfire Steel
- Tuesday, May 11th, 11:00 am – CAS Cowboy
- Wednesday, May 12th, 6:00 and 7:00 pm .22 League
- Saturday, May 15th, 10:00 am – NRA PPC Match
- Saturday, May 15th, 10:00 am – 1800 Match
- Saturday, May 15th, 10:00 am – Pins
- Sunday, May 16th, 10:00 am – Lucky Seven Steel
- Sunday, May 16th, 1:00 pm – Rimfire Lots of Steel
- Wednesday, May 19th, 6:00 and 7:00 pm .22 League
- Saturday, May 22nd, 11:00 am – Great Wars Match
- Sunday, May 23rd, 10:00 am – Revolver Steel
- Wednesday, May 26th, 6:00 and 7:00 pm .22 League
- Saturday, May 29th, 10:00 am – 1800 Match

CLASSIFIEDS

For Sale – Mossberg Model S42M bolt action .22 rifle with a Weaver C6 Scope. Original sights are missing. The gun shoots great. I am asking \$150.00 OBO. Please contact Dave Fox, 301-473-4307.

For Sale – Ruger 77V, 22-250 Rifle, heavy barrel, with 4x12 Simmons scope; and sling, box, and papers. Shot very little and in excellent condition. Asking for \$700.00, or best offer. Please call Jake Straits at 301-371-7344.

For Sale – Browning XS Pro Comp 12 gauge Over/Under, in Excellent condition. This firearm is gorgeous and has only seen 300 rounds. It comes with everything from the factory: extra triggers, invector plus chokes, and extra sights. Included are a Bagmaster and an Otis portable shotgun cleaning kit. Asking for \$2,400.00. Please contact Robert Orent 301-639-3333 or Robby Orent 301-639-5874.

For Sale – Browning Gold Hunter Autoloader shotgun, 3” 20 gauge. Never been fired. Includes 26” ribbed barrel with invector plus choke system, and 3 tubes. Shortened stock with integral internal recoil compensator for shorter and/or younger shooters. Browning factory soft case. Some ammo also included. Asking for \$1200.00. Contact Kent Gittings at cell 240-529-4527, or at home 301-733-8101.

MENTIONS OF INTEREST

- (1) **Silverado Gun Show** – April 3 (One Day Only), at Frederick Fairgrounds, Frederick, MD
- (2) **Nations Gun Show** – April 23, 24, and 25 at the Dulles Expo Center, 4368 Chantilly Shopping Center, Chantilly, VA

LEGISLATIVE NEWS

Currently, there are two very gun-unfriendly bills being introduced in the Maryland Congress, including:

Firearm Safety Act of 2010 – House Bill 820, sponsored by Delegate Rosenberg, and Senate Bill 645, sponsored by Senator Frosh. Synopsis below:

If you wish to write your representatives, please visit the www.ksconline.net link.