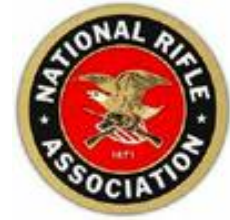




Monocacy Pistol Club

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NEWSLETTER – MAY 2010

Range Safety Officer (RSO) Meeting – We had 17 of our 53 RSOs in attendance at the RSO Meeting on April 17th to address RSO operating standards and guidelines. We would have liked broader participation in the meeting, as everyone's involvement is essential to developing guidelines that encompass a wide perspective. Jeremy Gray will publish the results of the meeting in the June Newsletter, and establish next steps for the RSO team. We thank everyone that attended.

Match Director (MD) Meeting – We had six (6) of twelve (12) MDs attend the meeting on May 1st to address MD operating standards and guidelines. Jeremy Gray will publish the results of the meeting in the June Newsletter, and establish next steps for the MD team. We thank everyone that attended.

Awards Banquet – The MPC Annual Awards Banquet will be held Friday, May 7th. We have confirmed 130 guests total, including members, guests, and dignitaries; and we will be presenting 114 award plaques and over \$2,000 in door prizes.

Guest Speakers – We are pleased to announce that Sheriff Chuck Jenkins will be our Guest Speaker at this month's Membership Meeting. Sheriff Jenkins will be speaking on a variety of subject of local interest, in addition to national topics, such as the tenor of immigration laws and their potential impact or influence in our own community. Thank you, Chuck.

Guest Speakers Wanted – We would appreciate your feedback regarding ideas for Guest Speakers at our Membership meetings. Last year we sponsored a number of Guest Speakers, and the practice was very well received. We ask for your suggestions for Guest Speakers this year. Please contact Leo Escoto, or Jake Straits with your suggestions at the numbers/email addresses in the side-bar.

Mentions of Interest – NRA Annual Meetings is May 14 -16th. This is biggest gun show and shooting sports extravaganza in the world. This year it's in Charlotte, NC. If you can't go, you can watch live broadcast of it on the NRA website.

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

We are making progress on the initiatives we advertised in last month's newsletter.

- (a) **Develop Standard Operating Guidelines for both RSOs and Match Directors** – Jeremy Gray held meetings in recent weeks to layout the foundation for standards and operational guidelines. Soon, we will be publishing the meeting results, and begin drafting the standards and guidelines.
- (b) **Formally define the Junior Membership Program** – Rick Fiore and Linda Newcomer have developed the framework to fully define and document the Junior program. We are on track to complete it around the July timeframe.
- (c) **Woman's Clinic class** – Linda and Rick are advertising to determine level of interest and begin to staff the class.

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

Since spring arrived, attendance at the majority of matches has been very good. However, after making up the list of awards for the banquet, I noticed that only fifty (50) of the two hundred-sixty (260) members will be receiving awards. I would like to share information on how you can qualify for awards.

First, you must shoot in at least three (3) matches of the same type to qualify for an award (e.g., Pins, Falling Steel, 1800, Critters, 3-Stage Falling Steel etc.).

Second, you must use the same type of pistol, either stock or unlimited, in all three matches.

For example, you would qualify for an award by shooting the Pins match three (3) times using a stock pistol, or shooting the Falling Steel match three (3) times using a stock revolver.

The Awards are given in A, B and C classes. The A Class is for the fastest, the B Class for those in the middle, and the C Class for the slower shooters. So, no matter whether you are the fastest shooter or one of the slower shooters, you may qualify for an award at the banquet.

Lastly, a number of our current matches are offered for .22 caliber pistols, so if that's the only gun you have you can still participate in Pins, Rimfire Steel, Speed Steel, Lots-of-Steel, and Bullseye matches. If you have a 9mm pistol you can shoot Falling Steel, Speed Steel and others. A .45 caliber pistol is ideal for Pins and Falling Steel. Just remember, we were all beginners at one time. Range Officers are available at every match to give help and advice.

If you have any questions about any of the matches you may contact me or the Match Director for information. So, come out and participate in the scheduled matches. The information is available on the club website. I know you will enjoy yourself.

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 April 30th, 2010, shaped up as follows:

- Checking Balance: \$26,780.25
- Emergency Fund Balance: \$15,000.00

Our Club Insurance is due once again, so there will be a significant change in our checking balance this coming month.

I'm happy to report that target repairs are up to date and new rimfire targets have been purchased. Pat Vickers will be happy about the new additions to his "Lots of Steel Rimfire Match."

The banquet is our next big event. The seats are sold and we will have another large turn out this year. Thanks for your support.

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

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

Welcome back to Bullseye! Our .22 League starts the first Wednesday in May. Many of us have been away for the winter and are out of practice. So we will all slowly get our scores back to where we were last fall – if not better. If anyone needs CCI Standard ammunition, please let me know; I have a good supply. I will be doing a review of the Range Rules and Operating Procedures before the match, to ensure we are compliant with the Club's rules and guidelines. I am optimistic we will have a good turnout for the match. So, let's get our equipment cleaned-up and ready for another fun year of shooting.

Our first 1800 match this year experienced very low attendance, and I hope that it will improve. I have scheduled 1800 matches every other Saturday starting at 10:00 am. Please check the schedule for dates.

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

Spring has sprung and we are on our way to the summer shooting season. People have been anxious to get out and shoot and that is great! We do need to have a spring clean-up, and that date is still being determined. We will advertise the workday through our usual means, including the membership meeting.

We had our RSO meeting on April 17th. We had 17 of 53 RSOs in attendance (roughly 32% of active RSOs), and we had some lively discussion about the SOP's for running matches, what the RSO responsibilities are, how a person becomes an RSO, and what specific requirements are necessary for an RSO at MPC. I'll be correlating everything and making a report to the Board on the findings. Once things are solidified, I'll be publishing the report and the final SOP's for RSOs at MPC. Thanks to everyone who got up early on a Saturday to participate.

Hope to see you all at the banquet and out at the range!

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 – 221
- Life – 7
- Junior – 3
- Probationary – 27
- Total Active Membership: 257

Potential Membership:

- Probationary (pending remittance) – 1
- Junior – 2 openings
- Wait List – 10

We had our first Critter match of the season on March 27th 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.

Reminder – There is a Critter Match on the 2nd Saturday of each month at 10:00 am.

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

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

June 2010 Matches

- Wednesday, June 2nd, 6:00 pm and 7:00 pm .22 League
- Saturday, June 5th, 9:30 am, Jim Renn Match
- Saturday, June 5th, 10:00 am, Bullseye 1800 Match
- Sunday, June 6th, 10:00 am, Three Stage Steel
- Tuesday, June 8th, 11:00 am, Cowboy Action Shooting
- Wednesday, June 9th, 6:00 pm and 7:00 pm .22 League
- Saturday, June 12th, 10:00 am, Bullseye 1800 Match
- Saturday, June 12th, 10:00 am, Critter Match
- Saturday, June 12th, 10:00 am, Falling Steel
- Sunday, June 13th, 10:00 am, Rimfire Steel
- Wednesday, June 16th, 6:00 pm and 7:00 pm .22 League
- Saturday, June 19th, 10:00 am, Pins
- Sunday, June 20th, 10:00 am, Lucky Seven Steel
- Sunday, June 20th, 1:00 pm Rimfire Lots of Steel
- Wednesday, June 23rd, 6:00 pm and 7:00 pm .22 League
- Saturday, June 26th, 10:00 am NRA PPC Match (PPC Range Closed for Event)
- Saturday, June 26th, 10:00 am, Bullseye 1800 Match
- Sunday, June 27th, 10:00 am NRA PPC Match (PPC Range Closed for Event)
- Sunday, June 27th, 10:00 am Revolver Steel
- Wednesday, June 30th, 6:00 pm and 7:00 pm .22 League

CLASSIFIEDS

For Sale – 3000, .357 Sig cases of mixed head stamps. As many or as few of them as you want. \$5.00/100 cases. Chuck Regan, 3woodsmen@comcast.net call 301-363-8319.

For Sale – Mossberg Model S42M bolt action .22 rifle with a Weaver C6 Scope. Original sights are missing; gun shoots great. 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.