



Northern Colorado Rod & Gun Club (NCRGC) September 2020 Newsletter

GATE AND SHED COMBINATIONS CHANGE SEPTEMBER 1 THE COMBINATION IS ON THE BACK OF YOUR NEW BADGE

Welcome to our 130 new Household Members

Gary Caldwell, Secretary

Welcome new members, please be sure that you attend one of the three Safety Orientation Meetings on September, 12th, 13th or October 3rd all starting at 1:00 pm or you will not be issued a badge for the 2020-2021 membership year. It is imperative that you attend and arrive on time. The meeting is not required or recommended for dependents unless they are mature enough to absorb the material without distracting you or other members from the important content of the meeting. Please let us know if you have any questions about these Safety Orientation meetings.

Membership Survey Results

Bryon Fessler, Treasurer

We received 583 responses to the membership survey which represents a completion rate of 87.7%. This is outstanding considering our last survey had a completion rate of only 15%. Here are some of the results:

- 93% of members feel the \$150 renewal fee is a good value for what the Club

offers.

- 96% of members feel the Board is making good decisions to improve the Club and ranges and has a good grasp on meeting Club members' interests.
- The Rifle Range was used the most (60%) followed by the Pistol Range (34%), Shotgun Fields (4%), Tactical Bays (1%) and Archery Range (1%).
- The Rifle Range was ranked the most important to members, followed by the Pistol Range, Shotgun Fields, Tactical Bays, and Archery Range.
- 83% of members did not participate in an event last year.
- 82% of members rated the renewal process Easy or Super Easy. 14% were neutral and less than 4% rated the process as Difficult or Very Difficult.
- 48% of members did not bring any guests last year. Less than 1% brought 10 or more guests. Per the Range Safety Rules, members can bring a maximum of twelve guests per year, no more than two guests per visit, per badged Regular or Associate member.

Finally, we received 245 comments as part of the survey. The Board will attempt to group the comments into categories and address them in future newsletter articles. Thank you to the members who took the time to complete the survey. Your comments and suggestions are very important to continually improve Club operations. Thank you!

Defensive Pistol Match

Mike Triplett, Defensive Pistol Chair

Defensive Pistol is coming back to NCRGC this Sunday, 6-September! Please come out and join us at 9:00am, or come at 8:00 and help setup. We need help setting up! This match is open to the public, ages 12 & up (minors must have parental supervision), and this match is free in honor of the opening of Defensive Pistol once again at NCRGC. Please bring a mask. As a special opening-match bonus we may run a rifle side match if there is enough time & interest. More info about Defensive Pistol can be found on the NCRGC website at the link below.

<https://www.ncrgc.org/shooting-disciplines/defensive-pistol/>

Skeet & Trap/Shotgun News



Jason Elliott Skeet & Trap/Shotgun chair

Hunting season is fast approaching and that means two things for shotgunners, whitetails and slugs. I was recently asked if slug shells are allowed on the shotgun field and unfortunately the answer to that question is “Due to safety reasons, No they are not”. But fear not there is a solution.....shotguns and slug rounds are allowed at the rifle range! And because the typical 3 inch slug travels at around 1760 fps (feet per second) any of the 20 lanes at the rifle range can be used to dial in your shotgun before your big hunt. If

its upland and waterfowl practice you need, Skeet and Trap runs from 9am to Noon every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month for an unbelievably low price of \$5.00 per round. As always stay safe, be kind to one another, and happy hunting.

Members Only - NRA Basic Pistol Course

Bryon R. McGough, NRA Certified Instructor

An 8-hour course which covers the Rules for Safe Gun Handling, principle pistol parts, action types, operation of revolvers & semi-automatic pistols, ammo specifics, shooting fundamentals, pistol selection criteria, safe cleaning & storage, and pistol shooting opportunities will be held on Saturday, October 31st. The classroom session will be held in Fort Collins, and the live fire qualification at the NCRGC Range. The course will be limited to the first six students who enroll (minimum of four students to conduct the class). The cost for the course is \$50.00/student.

For additional information, or to enroll, contact:

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August Steel Challenge Match

Steve Jessup, Steel Challenge Chair

Had a great Steel Challenge match on Saturday, August 22!

Nine shooters formed two squads. The day was great, and the match ended around 12:30 PM.

Here is the link to the results:

<https://practiscore.com/results/html/6b1ecfa1-831e-4402-85d2-d64acb160477>

The next Steel Challenge match will be held on September 26th - hope to see you there!!!

5th Annual Rimfire Carnival

Bryon Fessler, Match Director

The 5th Annual Rimfire Carnival (First Shots Second Round event) was a success thanks to the 70 shooters, 10 spectators, 12 Range Safety Officers, 170 brats/hotdogs, sponsors (over 100 giveaway items including 2 firearms), and a smoky Colorado day due to the fires in the local area. We complied with all the COVID-19 restrictions from the Larimer County Health Department which made for a more challenging event. Despite all that, the shooters and spectators remained positive and upbeat. The 20 stages included prairie dogs, zombies, ducks, hostage, playing cards, clays, murder hornets, shotgun shells, eggs, bowling pins, animals, suckers, Jurassic park, pencils, know your limits, plastic bottles, spinners, dueling trees, and aliens have landed and they were all set up for rifle and handgun. Participants received hats, t-shirts, and lunch for the \$10 entry fee. Special thanks to all the RSOs and volunteers who helped prepare for, setup, and tear down the event. This event would not happen without your time and talent and it is greatly appreciated. Additional thanks to Ben Price (<https://adsortiummedia.com/>) for taking photos for the event. Thanks Ben! #LetsGoShooting #PlusOneMovement #nssf #ncrgc #firstshots #pewpew #rimfire #22lr



NRL 22 August 2020 Match Results



Bryon Fessler, NRL22 Match Director

The Club hosted the monthly NRL22 match on August 22, 2020 and 28 shooters participated. The shooters posted some impressive scores despite

the heat, wind, and smoke from local forest fires. We have a great group of shooters and you are always welcome to join us. Congratulations to all our first-place winners including Jeramie Walker (Open), Alan Behrman (Base), Kourtney Gardner (Ladies), and Myron Stowe (Old Guns). Special thanks to all the squad leaders for ensuring a safe and fun event. Scores and pics are on our website (<https://www.ncrgc.org/shooting-disciplines/nrl22/>) as is the pre-registration link for next month's match on September 26, 2020. Please squad up after you are approved. Hope to see you there! Finally, we want to thank Justin, Doug, and Phill for representing our Club at the 2019/2020 NRL22 National Championship. Thank you! #ncrgc #nrl22 #22lr #rimfire #pewpew #precisionrifle #letsgoshoooting

Range Clean Up September 12

Russ Hickman, Range Master

Greetings NCRGC Members!

Due to the Labor Day Holiday, the September Range Cleanup Event will be on September 12 time 10 am - 12 pm. Please remember, all the Ranges are closed prior to the RCU and for two hours after to allow time to set up and complete RCU activities.

Thanks to all of you who attended and helped with Range Clean Up Events last Membership year. Our NCRGC Membership coordinator keeps track of the attendance and one raffle ticket goes into the hat for every time you attend an RCU Event. We draw a name out for a \$500 Gift Certificate to one of our Range Sponsors, PM Guns. Congratulations to this years winner, Carmen Barbatos. When you see Carmen, let's all ask him what he bought on his free shopping spree. Remember, every time you attend a RCU Event, you get a Ticket for the Drawing!

There are a couple "housekeeping" items I would like to share with you all. With

the hunting seasons fast approaching, please watch the website calendar closely for Rifle Range Closings. We all know that our Ranges are amid an active Cattle Ranch and if Cattle are on the Range, the Range is closed.

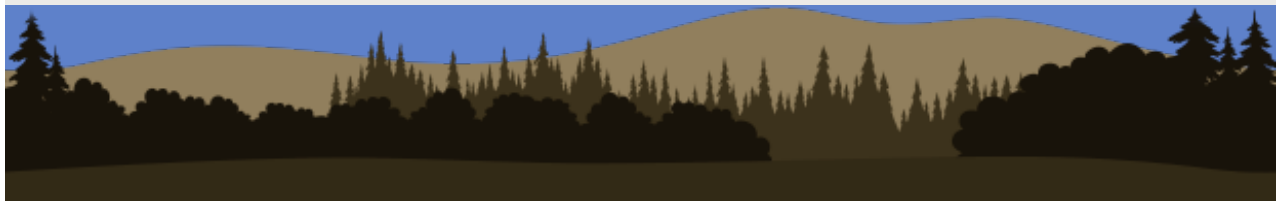
September will consist of the following Cleanup activities, please come prepared for:

- Mowing and Trimming
- Landscape work at the Rifle Range
- Continuing with the Tarring project for Bay Walls in the Pistol Bays
- Cleaning all shooting areas from debris and brass
- Fencing and gate repair
- Soil erosion mitigation at Rifle Range, erosion barrier installation
- Clean and organize all Member Sheds
- Target repair for all Ranges
- Other duties as we are made aware

Please be sure to bring and wear your Badges for sign in, work clothes, hats, gloves, mask, eyewear and sunscreen, let's dress for success! We will have lunch and give a couple cool NCRGC hats away, we always have fun at the RCU Events.

I appreciate all you do, our Ranges always look great because of all of your efforts! Thank you, see you at the Range!

Russ



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