



Northern Colorado Rod & Gun Club (NCRGC) April 2021 Newsletter

Range Road is Open



Russ Hickman, Range Master

Thank you all very much for your patience and understanding during this brief closure, That was quite a storm!

The road to the Ranges will reopen at approximately noon on Friday March 26. The road into the Range is extremely wet and muddy, be very careful driving

into the Range. The Ranges will be open, but extremely muddy as well.

Please be cautious using the Roads and Ranges, Membership safety is always our first priority.

Long Range Shooting NRA Technical Team Range Visit

Gary Caldwell, Secretary

On Wednesday, March 3rd, several members of our Board of Directors met with our area NRA Range Technical Team consultant in order to explore the possibility of placing one or more long range targets at our rifle range. The NRA RTT consultant had a number of recommendations for the club in order to provide a safe opportunity for members to engage targets at a longer range past the 200 yard berms currently in place on the rifle range. The recommendations included, but are not limited to, the placement of baffles on a limited number of shooting

lanes (perhaps lanes 19 & 20), location ricochet mitigation/prevention and additional training/certification for members similar to our tactical bay certification. Now that we have a fairly good idea of what needs to be done, the next steps in this process will be to formulate a plan and establish costs to implement that plan. While we do not have a lot of specifics to report at this time, the Board felt an obligation to inform the membership that we have achieved at the least the first of a few critical steps in the process to provide the opportunity to engage longer range targets. We will pass along more updates in the future as the process continues.

Steel Challenge

Steven Jessup, Steel Challenge Chair

The weather has not been cooperating! We have not been able to hold the last several Steel Challenge matches due to the conditions found in the tactical bays: Snow and mud! We shall try again to hold a match on April 27th, 2021. With any luck we'll have better weather, and hope to see you there!

Defensive Pistol

John Pashain, Defensive Pistol Chair, CRSO

With Easter being the first Sunday of April, the Defensive Pistol for April is cancelled and we will resume in 2 May for monthly Events.

If you are an RSO and interested in volunteering with Defensive Pistol, please contact me via dp@ncrgc.com. We are looking for both RSOs and Stage Set-up for all upcoming Events.

I have been in touch with representatives for IDPA and would welcome Member feedback of those interested in seeking sanctioned IDPA Matches at the Club as I am planning on having both scored and non-scored participants of all levels attend any monthly Defensive Pistol Event they want to attend.

Defensive Pistol is open to Club Members and the public, ages 12 and up with children under 18 signed in via Club waiver and interview with Match Director prior to participating.

Enjoy Easter Sunday and see you in May.

Range Clean Up April 3, 2021

Russ Hickman, Range Master

Greetings NCRGC Members!

We have definitely had our share of weather this month, wind, snow, arctic cold, it is awesome to live in Colorado! Sometimes the weather gets in the way of our fun... Having a Shooting Club in the middle of a working Cattle Ranch creates an awareness to the weather.



Snow drifts, deep snow, mud, wet and icy roads are the norm.

The next RCU event promises Spring is around the corner. **The April 3rd cleanup is one of the last 3 opportunities for a scheduled Range Cleanup Event this Membership year. One RCU is required per Membership per Membership year.**

Dependent on spring weather of course, we will try to but not limit to:

- Rebuild Target Stands at upper and lower Ranges.
- Paint all steel gongs.
- Clean all shooting areas of brass, trash, clays etc.
- Check all PVC target stand holders.
- Check fencing.
- Give away a couple NCRGC hats.
- Enjoy some refreshments.
- Hang out with other Members and have some fun outside!

Please dress in layers, bring sunscreen, eyewear, work gloves and any PPE you may need. Also, we still are working under an approved Larimer County variance so please observe respectful distancing and masks.

Thank you all for helping to keep your Ranges in top shape. I appreciate all you do.

See you at the Range!

Russ

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