



CRC NEWS

COLORADO RIFLE CLUB



September 2022

NOTICES

The Long Range Precision Rifle Range will open spring of 2023. Details will be forthcoming.

During the last couple of work parties we have dismantled some old derelict travel trailers. The only remaining items are the wheels, axels and frames. **These would make excellent carts/trailers for hauling target frames and steel.** If anyone has interest in utilizing these frames for any use please contact Dave Paananen at 303-673-0106.

CLUBHOUSE UPDATE

Article and photo by Wayne Harris, CRC President

A lot of work on the clubhouse has transpired since my last report the first week of July. At that time James David our General Contractor (GC) was just finishing installing the subfloor over the basement. By the end of July he had raised all four walls and applied exterior OSB wall sheeting. On July 26 Tyvek or Vapor Wrap was applied to the West walkout wall of the basement. During the last week of July the contractor was allowed to backfill the building foundation. He then utilize the dirt piles from the excavation of the basement and completed the grading around the building.

On July 26 after the foundation backfilling was completed the contractor started to place the composite columns for the West deck. By August 3 he had completed installing the beams and stringers for the West deck and by August 9 he had completed installing the lower columns, bean and stringers for the North deck. On August 10 he began placing the upper West deck columns and beam that the roof trusses would set upon. On August 22 the first roof truss was set with the aid of a boom truck. All of the roof trusses over the main building were set by Wednesday August 24. The rest of the week was spend placing the 2X6 soffits in preparation of installing the roof sheeting. The roof sheeting was started on Monday August 29 and was completed by Wednesday August 31.

The GC plans on finishing the roof trusses and sheeting over the North deck the first week of September and then he will install the interior stairs. About this same time he will start installation of all exterior doors and windows with the goal of having the building enclosed by the end of September. When the structure is enclosed the other trades such as electrical, HVAC, plumbing, security and piping will move in to complete their preliminary installation work. The finish work such as drywall and flooring will commence in November. The Final Certificate of Occupancy should be obtained in January or February. One item which might slow our GC down for a day or two is the expected arrival of his fifth child in mid-September. We are making progress.



Installing the roof sheeting

The CRC is interested in collecting pictures of the facility and events and especially of the clubhouse project being conducted. Drone stills as well as ground shots would be appreciated. Just send a few good pictures!

Upload at <https://tinyurl.com/crcphotos>

OTHER CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS UNDERWAY

Articles and photos by Wayne Harris

OWTS AND RV DUMP STATION

On Wednesday, August 10, 2022 our contractor, Backhoe Services Bennet, arrived onsite to start installation of the Onsite Water Treatment System (OWTS). The septic field is a commercial system which entails two 1500 gallon concrete tanks, one 1000 gallon concrete tank, filters, electric pumps, and a leach field with four 75' long Q4 chambers. By Friday August 12 all of the tanks were set and the leach field installed but not covered. On Monday August 15 the two 2500 gallon RV dump station tanks were delivered and set (see photo, upper right). Then on Monday evening August 15 we received some 1.25" of rain in about half an hour. Trenches were filled with runoff and had to be cleaned out before the preliminary inspections by the government agency and the design engineer. On Friday August 19 we received our preliminary inspection from Tri County Health Department. On Monday August 22 the contractor returned to the site to backfill the OWTS leach field and tanks. The contractor still needs to change out a pump and after the power is completed in the building the OWTS will be ready for the final inspection probably the end of October. The RV Dump Station piping will probably also be completed in October. Total contracted costs for the OWTS and RV Dump Station is \$ 33,650 and \$ 20,825 respectively.



FILL DIRT

After all of the excavation soil was placed to the proper grade around the clubhouse, we noted that the parking lot needed some additional fill to bring it up to grade. Guernsey Excavating, our road grading contractor from Strasburg, utilized two straight trucks hauling soil excavated from behind the Schuetzen Range. Thirty-six round trips were made on August 3 for a total haul of over 700 CY of sandy soil to bring the parking lot up to grade. Final grading of the parking lot will take place this fall and gravel will be placed next spring.

We also placed soil in front of the smallbore 100 yard line as the concrete target holders were exposed. The contractor did a great job of grading the soil to some one foot above the top of concrete target holders.



WATER MAIN INSTALATION

On Wednesday July 13, 2022 our contractor, Power and Communications, arrived to started laying our 3,770 LF of 1.25" HDPE, CTS water line from the pressure pump pit at the Ranch House to the Clubhouse. The lines were plowed in with a caterpillar and a single plow shank generally used to bury underground cable (see photo, lower right). The line was buried 4.5' to 5' deep with a fiberoptic line placed a foot above the water line. This will allow us to trace the water line in the future. The project was completed on Monday July 18 with a high temperature of 105 degree. On Thursday July 14 the contractor had to quit early as his fellow worker had a heat episode. Joints were placed at the end of every 500 ' roll of pipe and the excavation for each joint will remain open until the line in tested by Demo, our well pump contractor. You will notice a yard hydrant about midway of the water line. This is the high point of the line and will allow us to bleed air that forms in the water line. With assistance of Tom Krom CRC # 6221 who negotiated a cost to plow in the two lines for only \$0.75 per LF the total installation cost was only \$2827.

More photos on page 9!

Get all the news and photos at
<http://crci.org/>

KNOW AND FOLLOW RANGE RULES

Rule 11

Drive only on designated roads and park only in marked parking areas.

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NEW SCHUETZEN RANGE DIRECTOR

Article by Wayne Harris

We had previously reported about our search for a new Schuetzen Range Director after John Wolf CRC # 1321 resigned from that position earlier this year. I am happy to report that Les Smith CRC # 2544 a member since 2014 has volunteered to take over the duties of the Schuetzen Range Director.

Les will report to the CRC Board of Directors and is responsible for coordinating Range maintenance and coordinating the scheduling of matches and events on the range. We all want to thank Les for stepping up to this position.



CMP 2022 HIGHPOWER NATIONAL MATCHES

Photos and article by Lee Farrell

A good number of CRC Members recently competed in the 2022 CMP National Trophy Rifle Matches held at Camp Perry in Port Clinton, Ohio.

Of those matches, the President's 100 is typically regarded by Across the Course (XTC) shooters as the most prestigious event in XTC competition. Shooting with regulation Service Rifles, the President's 100 Match course includes 10 rounds fired slow fire standing at 200 yards, 10 rounds prone rapid fire at 300 yards, and 10 rounds slow fire at 600 yards. Sighting shots are not allowed.

CRC Members Connor Campbell and Russell Gary earned the coveted award this year. Under challenging weather conditions, Russ shot a 287-9X finishing 49th and Connor fired a 286-6X earning 62nd place. A total of 847 competitors including many of the nation's very best military and civilian shooters participated in the event.

In the National Trophy Individual Match, Connor achieved Distinguished Rifleman status firing a 480-11X, placing him 36th of all non-Distinguished shooters and earning him his necessary final leg. Along with others achieving the award, his Distinguished Badge was presented to him on stage during the award ceremony.



Connor Campbell (above) and Russell Gary (below) showing off their pins



Connor Campbell in his badge presentation (in the blue shirt)



FYI: CRC Board of Directors voted to set a 2,000 member cap. We currently have about 1,800 active members and receive about 25-30 new applications a month.

COLORADO STATE LONG RANGE CHAMPIONSHIP

Photos and article by Matt Peetz



Well, the Colorado State Long Range Championship is in the books. It was held 8/27-8/28/22

This year was quite a bit different from the past years. This year it was a pair fire event. 2 shooters to a target alternating shots. Each shooter had 45 seconds to get their shot off, then their partner had the same. It was all fired from 1000 yards.

We had 34 F Open shooters, 9 FT/R shooters and 3 sling/prone shooters. Shooters came from California to West Virginia. North Dakota to Texas. We had shooters from every direction on the map. On the 26th it was an open range practice day. Mother nature decided to play tricks on the shooters that attended. It was unusually calm. It stayed calm till about 1pm and the flags decided to flutter.

Until that point, everyone was smacking the 10 ring and X ring and were feeling overly confident. Many talked about how unusual the conditions were and were taken back. They didn't know what to think. Practice got done and everyone went home to rest up for the early start the next morning.

Everyone arrived on the 27th, got their scoring tickets and squadding. First shots down range were at 8am. The conditions were pretty mild for the first relay. We had a record set by Chris Longley with a score of 200-14x in F Open. That's 20 shots inside 10 inches at 1000 yards and 14 of those were inside 5 inches.

Then the typical Byers decided it had enough of that and reared its ugly head. Sixes were getting scored to the common 9. The head scratching began. Once the final shot was shot for the day, Past multiple champion Emil Kovan was in the lead in F Open with a total of 583-17x. Luke Ramsey was in the lead in FT/R with a total of 564-12x. Stuart Lind was in the lead in Sling/Prone with a total of 569-17x

All competitors then headed over to the maintenance shop for awards for the day and prize raffle. Oh, what a prize table it was. Every competitor went home with something good.



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COLORADO STATE LONG RANGE CHAMPIONSHIP, CONT.

Sunday the 28th started a little later as the huge South West Nationals Tournament had its registration open that morning. First shots went down range at 9:30 am and there was head scratching from the word go. Byers had enough and was going to see what the shooters were made of. A big shuffle in the leader board was happening. When it was all said and done, the best shooters for the day come out on top.

Dave Nirode (pictured below left) came out victorious in Sling/Prone with a final score of 952-20x out of a possible 1000 points.

Luke Ramsey (pictured right) was in a hard-fought battle with our hometown shooter Anthony Jordan. Luke Ramsey came out on top shooting just one more X than Anthony. Luke shot a 936-17x out of a possible 1000 points. Luke is a member of the USA FT/R shooting team.

Doug Skogman (pictured below right) came from behind in F Open to Take the win with a score of 971-34x out of a possible 1000 points. Doug has come multiple times to this match from Texas and finally pulled out the win.

I want to thank each competitor for making this match excellent. On Saturday we got thru 6 matches in 5 hours and 10 minutes. And Sunday we got thru 4 matches in 3 hours and 5 minutes. Everyone was able to get on the road in good time.

I want to also thank our two club members for helping me run the match: Vincent and Christopher. I want to thank Maureen Hassing also as she helped keep the scores and rounded up the score cards. Also to my wife Kori for putting up with me and helping run the match from the score board to setting up the prize table. I also want to Thank Tom Hassing and Ron Gorski for helping me with getting the range in shape from mowing to pit work.

I can't thank these people enough. They helped make this match run flawlessly along with all the competitors.

I look forward to next years State Championship and to try to make it better.

[More photos available here](#)



Luke Ramsey



David Nirode



Norman Harrold, Doug Skogman, and Dan Bramley

SMALLBORE PRONE CHAMPIONS DENNIS CASEY AND COOPER GRAY

Article by Jennifer Obee

Congratulations to Dennis Casey, the 2022 Smallbore Prone Champion of Colorado. Dennis fired a 3187 with 215x (out of a possible 3200-320x) at the State Championship in August. Photo, top right: Dennis with Smallbore Match Director, Jennifer Obee, and the Championship trophy.

Congratulations to Gray, the 2022 Junior Smallbore Prone Champion of Colorado. Cooper fired a 992 with 64x (out of a possible 1000-100x) at the Junior Championship in September. Photo, bottom right: Cooper (on the right) with the second place junior, Jake Oberle (left, who shot a 990-54x).

Congratulations Dennis and Cooper!



NEW MAILBOX

Article and photos by Wayne Harris

I first noticed that our CRC mailbox has taken a direct hit about the second week of July. The steel mail box was damaged but the post seemed to be in good condition. Additional inspection found that someone had used a 4" diameter well casing pipe some 3/8" thick and had welded on top a 5/8" steel plate the size of the mailbox base. Everything was then set in concrete. The base may not be Tank proof but it would take a direct hit from a Subaru. For some reason The Home Depot had the exact replacement mailbox which I picked up and replaced on July 26, 2022. The numbers on the sides of the box was half of the price of the mailbox.



Before



After

BADGER DAMAGE ON THE 500 YD. HIGH POWER FIRING LINE

Badgers dug a substantial hole at the 500 yard High Power firing line. Bob McAlice shared these photos of the repair.



PHOTO GALLERY: RANGE UPGRADES

All photos provided by Wayne Harris



Above: Clubhouse trusses and roof sheathing

Below Left: Another view of the water main installation
Below center: Grading next to the clubhouse
Below right: Fill on the Smallbore Range



ADS FOR MEMBERS FROM MEMBERS

For Sale
Remington 788, .223 Rem caliber.
Incl Tasco 6-24 x 50mm scope. \$700

Tack driver
Bill Llewellyn 720/254-6266 – billll@centurylink.net



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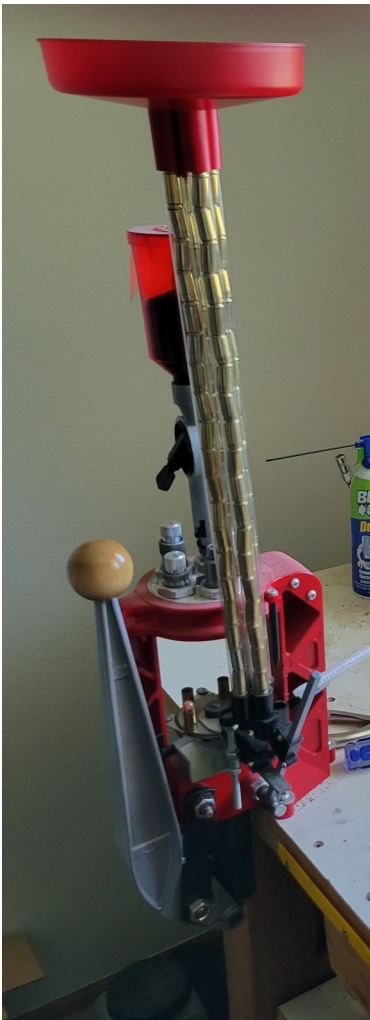
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Accessories include all items needed for reloading .380, .357mag, Makarov 9mm, and .40 caliber pistol rounds. This includes dies for .223, .22-.250, .308, and .300 WSM rifle rounds, as well as numerous spare dies and spare parts.

Hundreds of primers, empty brass, bullets and various powders are included, plus a 2ft by 6.5ft work bench.

\$2500.00. Only serious inquires. Will not separate.

Ken Manning
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720-624-9845



ADS FOR MEMBERS FROM MEMBERS

Long time CRC member Conrad Grims Sr. , badge 333, passed away. His sons would really like to offer members of CRC the opportunity to purchase some of their father's guns, particularly the ones he built.

Three .33 caliber Schuetzen rifles
One 6.5 284 caliber 1,000 yard rifle
One 6.5 284 caliber 600 yard rifle

For details contact Connie Grims, Jr.
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The new clubhouse, taken from the road to the Sporting Clays.

Look at that view.

Photo by Jennifer Obee

