

August 2004

Our next meeting is Tuesday, August 17th at 7:30

The Meeting July 20th 2004

There were 7 new members this month.

A staple gun was found on the Long Range range. Call Mike Freestone and ID the marks to claim.

Fair Director Steve Brooks is looking for people to work the fair. He needs two people for each shift. The fair starts Monday August 16th and goes through August 21st. Shifts are from 10 - 2, 2 - 6 and, 6 - 10. The people who work the morning shift will have to pick up the rifle and money box at East Main Pawn and take it out to the fair. Steve will pick it up at the fair each night. Remember, there is a free pass to get in.

The Raffle will be held at the October meeting. The raffle prizes are;

1st Rugger Model 77 any caliber from 204 to 350 Remington, wood or synthetic stock.

2nd PSC Nova 4 - 500 Compound Bow with accessories

3rd Steady Point hand gun rest

4th Ladies Leather Concealed Carry Purse

5th 25th anniversary edition Gun Values Book

6th Deluxe gun cleaning kit

Tickets will cost \$2 each, 3 for \$5, and a book of 9 for \$15. If you write your name on the back of the tickets you sell, the person who sells the most will get their dues paid for the next year.

Chip Snapp and the 4H Small Bore Shooting Team came to the meeting to thank us for our support of the team going to Nationals. They also gave us a report on how well they did. (see announcements) New Mexico came in 5th overall. They also said that they will be able to return some of the donation to the club.

Shotgun Match Director Dave Brooks talked about the summer trap league and more. (see announcements). Remember you can still join the summer league and make up the rounds.

Youth Sports Fest Director Anna Kinney talked about the things we still need for the Youth Sports Fest. (mostly volunteers). We will also need .22 rifles, 12ga, 20ga, and .410 shotguns as well as pellet rifles. The Sports Fest will be held August 28th. The kids have a great time and so do the volunteers.

Executive Range Officer Wayland Moore said that vandalism is on the rise and there have been \$1600 damage done in just the last few months. He is going to

have some heads on a block because this is ridiculous. Someone shot one of our toilets, and a plastic trash can with a shotgun. And there was a wood spool with carpet down in the East Canyon that was all shot up too. Not to mention the fences have been cut in numerous places. This is our club and we all have to be responsible for watching out what goes on. If the gate is closed when you get here, close the gate behind you! (The gate is to remain open for matches and trap shooting times only.) There have been non-members found shooting on the range. Someone took out some of the steel silhouette targets from the fenced area and shot them up. These targets cost about \$75 each! Get their license plate number and report it to a club officer or board member. We are prosecuting and will prosecute anyone found destroying this club.

Some of the members of the New Mexico Shooting Sports Association will visit our range Saturday July 24th. They will be treated to an abbreviated Benchrest shoot.

Volunteers for the fair and Youth Sports Fest were called for. We have over 500 members of this club. If only 10 people do all of the work, that's a lot of work for one person. But if 50 or 100 people do the work, it's easy.

January elections are coming. I know it seems a long way away but we need people to think about officers and the board. All officers' positions will be open and two board members will be elected. The board members provide guidance and vote on policies and expenditures. The officers carry out those policies and provide guidance to the board. If you might be interested, call Mike Freestone or Skip George.

We NEED a Secretary!

Charles Phelan announced who won the Santa Fe Trail Rendezvous Raffles. (see announcements)

Friends of the NRA announced that Farmington was the #1 fundraiser city in the state. That's the fourth year in a row. Yeah!!

We need kids under 18 to sign up for the Junior NRA. Contact Dave Brooks for more information.

Jim Doerr gave a political speech about the Presidential Election in November.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The deadline for the September newsletter is September 10th. You can reach me at 564-3651, or email me at ptnopt@fisi.net. If I'm not home, I have an answering machine and I read my email every day (almost).

Gate Combination will Change after August 17th meeting

The "hold open" combination will change too. If the gate is closed when you come to it, close it behind you. The gate is to remain open for matches and trap shooting times. When you close the gate, spin the combination so it doesn't show. These are basic security measures.

Correction

In last month's newsletter I said that Bill Thompson had donated \$2500 to the trap range. I was off by quite a few zeros. He actually has donated \$25,000 for the new facility. My apologies Bill and thank you very much. We sure are having a lot of fun with it!!!!

Secretary job still open!

We are **still** looking for a permanent secretary. It only requires a couple of nights a month and a couple of hours at home to write-up the meeting minutes. If you know of someone (wife, friend, girlfriend), please call Anna Kinney at 564-3651, Thank you.

Sports Fest is August 28th

We are going to need a lot of volunteers for this one. I've heard that a bunch of kids have already signed up at the sporting goods stores around the area. And we haven't even been to the fair yet! The Department of Game and Fish in Albuquerque is sending Jennifer Morgan with their Laser Shot Big Screen Video game and a naturalist for animal ID.

We will still need pellet rifles, .22 rifles, and shotguns. White Flyer has promised a pallet of clay targets and with our new trap machines that ought to be a lot of fun. We are going to need .20ga and .410 for the littler kids and some 12ga rounds for the big kids.

New Mexico Shooting Sports has managed, with the help of Absolute Shooting Sports in Albuquerque, to get us 100 pairs of safety glasses and a box of earplugs for the kids. Thank you, thank you, thank you.

New Mexico Shooting Sports Association Membership Challenge

NMSSA has a membership drive going on till the end of December. The club that signs up the most new members with NMSSA will get a rifle or hand gun. NMSSA is affiliated with the NRA and is a New Mexico based organization supporting and working for the gun owners of our state. NMSSA protects our constitutional firearms rights, promotes marksmanship and all shooting sports, promotes the conservation and wise use of New Mexico wildlife resources, and strives to create public sentiment supporting the individual possession of firearms by law-abiding citizens. NMSSA is the voice and organization for those New

Mexico shooters without a local club. This becomes more important as shooting ranges are forced to close. (hint, hint) In other words, this is a pretty good organization to join. They have already helped up with the Youth Sports Fest and they're not that expensive to join. Only \$15 a year. If you are interested, there will be membership applications on the secretary's desk at the meetings.

4H Thank You

The San Juan County H Senior Rifle Team would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone involved in helping us to go the 2004 4-H National Invitational Rifle Matches. The team shot June 29th thru July 2nd at the Green Valley Gun Club in Columbia, Missouri, home of the famous Bianchi Cup pistol matches. The Competition was great, but the friendship and goodwill was incredible.

The team did well, winning a 2nd place in CMP. We also had individual awards in Silhouette (2nd) and in CMP (6th and 9th). The team finished a very respectable 5th place overall, and overall individuals finished 28th, 23rd, 16th, and 7th in the nation.

The team has many to thank. We borrowed guns, equipment and expert advice from too many individuals to mention. The team also had great support on our fundraising from the Stalcup family and the Caston family, who deserve recognition.

None of this would have been possible with out the San Juan Wildlife Federation, not only the generous donation, but for the use of the facilities, and the help and patience of the members. Thank you for supporting the future of shooting.

Concealed Carry

The Club is still offering classed for \$125. You will need 200 rounds of factory ammunition and you must have a strong side holster. Classes will be scheduled for two night sessions 6:30 – 10:00 and all day either Saturday or Sunday. For further information on dates and times, call Mike Freestone at 325-5355 evenings.

From the Outdoor Range Officer

The range will be closed for maintenance August 19.

Shotgun Information

Dear Members

The summer league is well underway and we are having a lot of fun. Some of you that have not tried trap shooting are sure missing out on that fun. Just a few things that are happening at the trap range. We just about have our shade unit put up, thanks to Roger Dunston and Billy Stallcup. We are also selling raffle tickets to raise more money to help put in trap houses 3 and 4, because we are going to have registered trap shoots next year. And believe me people that this will help bring in a considerable amount of money that will in turn help the whole club in making improvements to insure that we have one of the premier clubs in the

state.

The Raffle tickets are for a 391 Berretta trap gun that retails for \$1,799.00. The tickets are \$10.00 each or 6 for \$50.00; I do hope that you will help support this because it is for the clubs benefit.

And to touch base on the clubs benefit there was a misprint in last months newsletter that I would like to correct and that was that Mr. Bill Thompson has to this date donated \$25,000.00 Dollars to putting in this range with automatic trap machines. This way every one will know that we are very serious about making this a success. And to add to this seriousness Mr. Thompson has had me order another Auto. Pat trap, they cost \$7,200 apiece and this will give us enough for all 4 trap houses.

One more point I want to make, it seems that we don't get a lot of shooters out on Sunday afternoons so we may revise this in the fall league. It is difficult to determine the best times to be shooting

As there has never been a trap range before and I have not been here to run it so we have to kind of feel our way until we can get a Proper schedule set. Hopefully by next spring we will have a better handle on things.

Finally I want to just mention to anyone that is interested in shooting Registered trap next year that Oct. 19th and 20th of this year is national Trap shooting day and any one who signs up to shoot registered trap that week end stands a good chance to win a Remington 1100 Trap gun, plus possibly help the club win a pallet of trap targets.

Thank you Dave

Winners of the Santa Fe Trail Rendezvous Raffle

Thanks to everyone for their support of the Santa Fe Trail Rendezvous! It is greatly appreciated by all of us at the rendezvous. The following folks who won the raffles were; Ms. Julie Levi, aka "Moon Running" of Elizabeth, CO won the Lancaster flintlock, Dana Finley of Cortez, CO won the CVA Youth Hunter, Ernie Byess of Trinchera, CO won the Daisy Red Ryder BB gun. Thanks again!

Board Meeting Schedule

The Board of Directors and Executive Officers meet every 1st Monday of the month at 7pm. The members at large are welcome to attend.

**Our next meeting is
Tuesday, August 17th at 7:30 pm.
The combination will change
After the meeting.**

RANGE SCHEDULE

Cowboy Action defends the territory every 4th Saturday. Set up is at 9 and shooting starts at 10.

.22 Rifle Indoor is held every **Tuesday**. Contact Charles Phelan at 327-2029

Indoor Bullseye is held every Thursday at 7:00pm. Contact Frank Blackmer at 598-1661

Small Bore .22 Hunter Pistol was held every Wednesday night on the indoor range. This will resume October 6, 2004. Contact Jack Reid at 632-8819.

Shotgun We now have a lighted trap range. For other times for group shoots or special times, please contact David Brooks at 334-3398 or 947-1101

Monday 4:30 till...

Thursday 4:30 till...

Saturday 8:00 – 12:00 Practice Only

Sunday noon till.....

Please do not close the gate during these times. The match director will take care of it. Thank you for trying.

August

- 14 IPSC
- 15 Cowboy Rifle Pistol Silhouette
- 15 H.P. Pistol Long Range
- 21 Hunter Pistol Silhouette
- 22 .22 Benchrest Silhouette
- 22 Cowboy Action
- 28 NRA Youth Sports Fest
- 29 H.P. Rifle & 30/30 Cowboy Silhouette

September

Sept 1-5 the Shootout at Three Rivers will be held. All ranges will close at 5 pm. Part or all of the ranges will be closed. Please look below for specifics closures.

- 1 Hunter Pistol range closed for Evil Roy Shooting School. If interested call Mike Reitz for registration information. All other ranges will be open.
- 2 Trap range open. All other ranges, including club house, closed all day.
- 3 All ranges, including club house, closed all day.
- 4 East Canyon, and clubhouse closed all day. Hunter Pistol range will close at 2 pm
- 5 East Canyon will be closed until Cowboy Action finished and steel put away. 100yd Benchrest & Long Range, will close at 1 pm. Hunter Pistol range will close at 2 pm.

All ranges will be closed at 5 pm September 1st thru September 4th.

- 11 IPSC
- 12 H.P. Pistol Long Range
- 12 Cowboy Rifle Pistol Silhouette
- 13 Hunter Class Benchrest
- 18 Hunter Pistol Silhouette
- 19 .22 Benchrest Silhouette
- 25 Cowboy Action
- 26 H.P. Rifle & 30/30 Cowboy Silhouette

**All activities must be cleared with the Executive Range Officer
And written on the Range Calendar.**

MATCH RESULTS

Bench Rest

Match held Saturday, August 7

Lynn Wood 250 16x

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| Barry Davis | 250 | 14x |
| Myron Crockett | 249 | 18x |
| Grady Hampton | 249 | 15x |
| Jamie Wood | 249 | 14x |
| Team Score | 1247 | 77x |

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| George Myer | 249 | 13x |
| Dave Watkins | 248 | 10x |
| Jim Vandenberg | 248 | 8x |
| Leroy A. Ransom | 242 | 8x |

Hunter Pistol

July 17, 2004

Match Winner; Chris Walker

AAA 1st John Leonard

2nd Don Varenhorst

AA 1st Billy Valencia

2nd Spud Green

Small Bore Hunter Pistol

July 17, 2004

Match Winner: John Leonard

AAA 1st Chris Walker

2nd Don Varenhorst

AA 1st Jack Reid

2nd Billy Valencia

IDPA

Total Match Results for 7/11/04

*Name Final Score
(TPD)*

CDP / MA

1 Glenn Shelby 40.05 (14)

CDP / SS

1 Tom Maddox 54.99 (6)

2 Dave Mc Call 62.27 (26)

3 Clayton
Sharpe 66.4 (26)

4 Rick Mace 66.83 (28)

5 Bill Mahnke 68.59 (44)

CDP / MM

1 Bill Dutton 49.74 (9)

2 Melvin 72.78 (45)
Yancey

ESP / SS

1 Perry Jensen 50.99 (12)

ESP / UN

1 Michael 52.38 (8)
Henderson

SSP / SS

1 Yoshito 56.52 (13)
Becker

SSP / MM

1 Al Sundstrom 71.83 (18)

SSP / UN

1 Abigail Allen 102.1 (34)

SSR / MM

1 Lee Robbins 80.16 (22)

Total Match Results for 8/8/04

*Name Final Score
(TPD)*

CDP / EX

1 Larry 74.92 (24)
Johnson

CDP / SS

1 Rick Mace 78.31 (26)
2 Bill Mahnke 79.67 (42)
3 Tom Maddox 82.25 (16)
4 Michael 88.32 (36)
Henderson

CDP / MM

1 Bill Dutton 91.11 (35)
2 Mike Harvey 94.59 (25)
3 Melvin 110.53
Yancey (61)

CDP / UN

1 Jim Marquis 94.47 (49)

ESP / SS

1 Perry Jensen 96.13 (31)

SSP / SS

1 Yoshito 101.34

Becker (47)
2 Mason 103.16
Henderson (39)

SSP / MM

1 Al Sundstrom 112.6 (39)
2 Matt Cionek 130.46
(53)

SSR / SS

1 Dave Mc Call 95.48 (42)
Rob 103.49
2 Grossheim (29)

SSR / MM

1 Lee Robbins 116.04
(53)

Cowboy Action

July 24, 19 Cowboys and Cowgirls

Long Step, 1st Traditional, 1st overall
Near shot, 1st 49er, 2nd overall
Ruff Cobb, 1st Senior Duelist, 3rd overall
Dos Equis, 1st Senior, 5th overall
O Bar Freddie, 1st Elder Statesman, 8th overall
Largo Casey, 1st Classic Cowboy, 10th overall
Iron Dove, 1st Ladies 49er, 13th overall
Durango Jules, 1st Classic Cowgirl, 14th overall

We will be having a shoot Sunday, August 22. Pot luck after the shoot in the Club House, followed by a meeting to finalize preparation for the Labor Day "Shootout at Three Rivers". Please note the Range Schedule for Sept. 1-5

What a Blast

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