

Powder River Sportsmen's Club

Second Trimester 2010

P.O. Box 162

Baker City, Oregon 97814

Regular Meetings @ 7:00 P.M., First Tuesday of the Month at 2690 Broadway

New Website!

The Club has a new website at **www.prsportsmen.org**! On the website, you will find information about all upcoming events, matches, range schedule and calendar, range rules, Club news, and much more. You can also download membership application / renewal forms and shooting range maps. Check it out and send us an email for comments or suggestions. We hope that the website will encourage more of our neighbors to join us at the range, but we need your help to spread the word in the community! If you have photographs of Club events that you'd like to see on the website, email them to **admin@prsportsmen.org**.

Get your Club Newsletter by email!

In the future, if you'd like to receive your newsletter by email instead of postal mail, subscribe by sending an email to **newsletter@prsportsmen.org**. Be sure to type your full name and the word "subscribe" in the text of the email, and we'll add you to the list. Emailed newsletters will be sent on the same trimester schedule as the printed newsletter, and will be in Adobe pdf format. If you have access to email, please sign up for the new email newsletter system to help the Club reduce printing and postage costs!

Range Clean-Up Day is May 16th

All members are asked to come to the range Sunday afternoon, May 16th, 1 p.m. - 5 p.m., to help clean up litter, haul trash and do maintenance work on the facilities. Bring gloves, hand and/or garden tools, and drinking water. We have a nice range, but we all need to help maintain it.

Membership Dues to Increase for 2011

In order to continue to meet the club's fixed expenses in range insurance, newsletter printing, clubhouse rent, utilities, and Oregon Association of Shooting Ranges fees, an increase in the annual membership dues was approved at the March 2, 2010 meeting. The increase will be \$5.00 per year to a total of \$25 per individual and \$30 for family.

While unfortunate in a period of tough economic times, these higher dues are still a bargain compared to other area ranges with similar facilities. Members are asked to encourage others to join the club as every new member reduces fixed costs per member and reduces the possibility of future dues increases.

High Power Sporting Rifle News

Our first sporting rifle match will be held May 9th at 9 a.m. Anyone may come and shoot as no special equipment is required: any centerfire rifle capable of holding 4 cartridges may be used as long as the weight is kept to 9 ½ lbs. See Match Schedules for details.

We have been invited to enter a team in the Sporting Rifle Postal Matches. We need to select a team following the May 9th shoot if we wish to participate.

Our club will be hosting the Oregon State Sporting Rifle Championship this year on August 21st and 22nd. We need volunteers to serve as a Pit Boss and a Statistics Officer (head score keeper). This will be an NRA Registered Match with nice awards, so we'd like to see lots of participation.

Club Secretary, Elwood Wirth, traveled to the Vale range last month and won the Snake River Club's Don Johnson Memorial match - again!

NRA Basic Pistol Class Scheduled

Certified instructor Buck Buckner will conduct this class, beginning on May 19th. This course includes 9 - 10 hours of classroom instructions, handbook assignments, and 4 - 5 hours of live fire instruction. Satisfactory completion of the course meets requirements for application for an Oregon Concealed Carry Permit. Space is limited so those interested should contact Buck Buckner at 541-523-6109 A.S. A.P. The course fee is \$55 and benefits the Club.

Oregon Hunters Education Classes Scheduled for June & August

Parents who wish to have their children complete the Oregon Hunter Ed Program should get them registered on sign-up sheets at Thatchers Ace Hardware, Bi-Mart or Yorks.

The June class will begin Monday, June 7th and run through Saturday, June 12th. Classes Monday - Friday will be from 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. at the Club house on 8th and Broadway. Instructors will be John Wulk (541-403-0318) and Dick Haines (541-523-3554).

The August class will be August 2nd - August 14th, 5 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., shooting on August 7th, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. and will meet at Baker County Library, instructed by Dick Haines.

Youth Hunter Ed Challenge Regional Coming Up

The Club's Y.H.E.C. group, led by Glenda Staebler and Buck Buckner, have been busy earning money by helping local groups. They worked the air rifle booth at LaGrande's Wild Turkey Fundraiser, loaded traps and scored at Baker Trap Club's spring shoot, helped sell tickets and were runners for Oregon Hunters Assoc. Dinner. Funds are being used to purchase higher quality compasses for the Y.H.E.C. orienteering event and will be used to subsidize travel to the S.E. Oregon Regional at Ontario on May 15th and the State Event June 12th & 13th.

Local Y.H.E.C. shooter, Nick Vowell, has been winning Junior Champion titles at area trap shoots and is to be congratulated.

Powder River Pistolettes

May 5th, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. will be the first scheduled shoot for this group, which is made up of ladies interested in becoming more proficient with a handgun. Judging from the number who attended the April 20th meeting at the Geiser Hotel, it appears the 2010 season will have as many enthusiastic shooters as last year. For information, ladies may call Hope Buckner at 541-519-5927.

Match Results

Black Powder Cartridge Rifle Silhouette

The first match of the year was led by Grant County shooters. Under difficult conditions, (means very windy) on April 10th, Seneca shooter Mike Browning ended with a 21 score, edging out John Day shooter Jim Sproul's equal 21 score by toppling more long distance targets. Gale Culver ended in 3rd place with a respectable 19 score.

Rock Chuck Varmint Match

Varmint shooters had a nice day to shoot at chucks on April 18th, with little wind. Elwood Wirth used a .22 PPC rifle to score 90 at 200 yards and 60 at 300 yards to win the match with 150 points. Wayne Bloom tied with Bill Hanley and Bryon Morrissey for 2nd place scores of 85, but won the money for his higher 300 yard score fired with a .223 Rem.

Match Results Continued

1000 Yard Bench Rest Matches

Five shooters showed up January 3rd and shot 2 record groups each with the following results:

#1 - Steve Simmons with a 7-5/8" 5-shot group

#2 & #3 - Frank Taggart with a 8-5/8" and 9-1/4"

Best scores were Steve Simmons at 48; and a tie for second between Steve Simmons and Frank Taggart at 43 each.

Eight shooters attended the February 7th match: Best 5-shot groups were Steve Simmons with 5-1/16" and 5-5/8"; third place group was Gary Paananen at 6-1/16". Best scores were a tie between Steve Simmons and Grant at 48 each with the next from Jim Rector at 46.

A good turnout on March 7th had 14 shooters including two with 50 BMG rifles. Best group was Gary Paananen at 6-7/16"; second was Wayne Malmstrom at 10-3/16" and third was Marv Nunn at 10-3/4". Best score was a 4-way tie between Wayne Malmstrom, Mark Ralph, Gary Paananen and Marv Nunn at 43 each. Twitchy winds kept everyone guessing.

Match Schedules

Single Shot Black Powder Cartridge Rifle Silhouette Match

NRA Approved; Info: Gale Culver 541-437-6183

WHEN: Sat., May 8th, July 10th & August 14th
10:00 a.m. each day

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00

LEGAL RIFLE: Original or replica of single-shot with external hammer invented prior to 1896, with iron sights, firing cartridges loaded with Pyrodex or black powder only.

COURSE OF FIRE:

- 10 shots, standing - chickens at 200m
- 10 shots, sitting or prone - pigs at 300m
- 10 shots, sitting or prone - turkeys at 385m
- 10 shots, sitting or prone - rams at 500m

SPECIAL NOTE: Cross Sticks are Allowed

1000 Yard Bench Rest Rifle Matches

Info: Elwood Wirth 541-877-2324

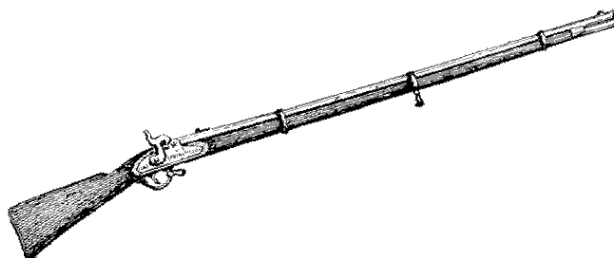
WHEN: Sunday, May 2nd, June 6th & August 8th
9:00 a.m.

ENTRY FEE: \$8.00 per entry
+ \$2.00 if you want your target

LEGAL RIFLE: Any rifle, any sights

COURSE OF FIRE:

Unlimited sighters and 5 shots for group and score.



Match Schedules Continued

Cowboy Action Shoot

Information: Don Tholen 541-519-6902
Work 541-523-3659

WHEN: Sat., May 22nd, June 26th & July 24th
8:30 a.m. each day

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00

EQUIPMENT: Single Action Revolvers
Lever Action Rifles
Pre 1900 Design Shotguns

AMMUNITION: All ammunition must be loaded with lead bullets only. NO EXCEPTIONS. Bring 50 rounds each for pistol and rifle.

COURSE OF FIRE: Various western scenarios.
"Western Dress is encouraged"

High Power Sporting Rifle

Information: Buck Buckner 541-523-6109

WHEN: Sun., May 9th, June 20th & July 18th
9:00 a.m. each day

ENTRY FEE: \$12.00

LEGAL RIFLE: Any center-fire rifle capable of holding 4 rounds and weighing 9.5 lbs or less including sights.

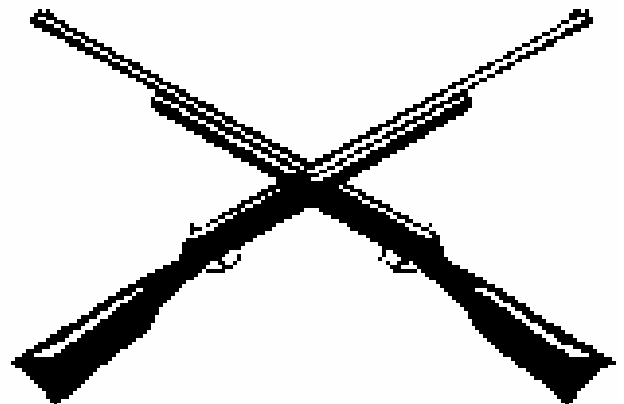
COURSE OF FIRE:

NRA High-Power Sporting Rifle Match
Course at 200 yards at standard high-power bull's eye targets.

- A. 2 sighting shots & 8 shots for record, prone in 10 minutes
- B. 8 shots for record, standing in 8 minutes
- C. 8 shots for record, sitting rapid fire
(4 shot strings - 30 seconds)
- D. 8 shots for record, prone rapid fire
(4 shot strings - 30 seconds)

AWARDS: Cash awards to match winner and class winners (3+ entries to a class)

SPECIAL NOTE: First match will serve as a tryout match for club selection for The American Sporting Rifle Postal League Teams.



VIRTUE FLAT RANGE

For New and Old Members: Information on using the Virtue Flat Range

Numerous questions are asked about when club members may use the range. Hopefully this will answer some of them.

The club calendar section of the newsletter lists all scheduled matches and most other reserved range use with the dates and times involved, helping members avoid conflicts and wasted trips.

In many cases, a shooting activity on one range does not affect other range use.

The Club's Ranges are:

1000-yard Range (*Prevents any other range use*)

Use of this range, with the firing berm nearest to the entry gate;

This range is used for **Black Powder Cartridge Rifle** monthly matches; **1000-yard Bench rest** and **long-range High Power Rifle Matches**.

These matches usually end by mid-afternoon. (*Individuals using this range - Must first check the entire range to be sure no one else is down-range.*)

200-yard Range (*Prevents 1000-yard use*)

Most range use occurs here, where there are several bench rests under a roof, with target holders at 25, 50, 100 and 200 yards.

This range is used for Standard High Power and Sporting Rifle Matches, Pistol Classes and by most individuals wanting to test loads or sight rifles.

When this range is in use, it is still safe to use the 100-yard pistol range to the North, which has 2 bench rests under cover, and a 100-yard target holder.

Pistol Range (100-yards) (*Prevents 1000-yard use*)

This range is used primarily for pistol shooting, with a registration building, target storage shed, and covered area with two bench rests and picnic tables.

Most law-enforcement agencies reserve this range for qualification shooting. It is also used for .22 Silhouette Matches, Junior .22 Program, YHEC .22 and Muzzleloader training and Cowboy Action Shoots.

Use of this range still allows for safe use of the 200-yard bench rest area.

When using this area please make sure the slide rails are put up when you leave to keep cattle out of it.

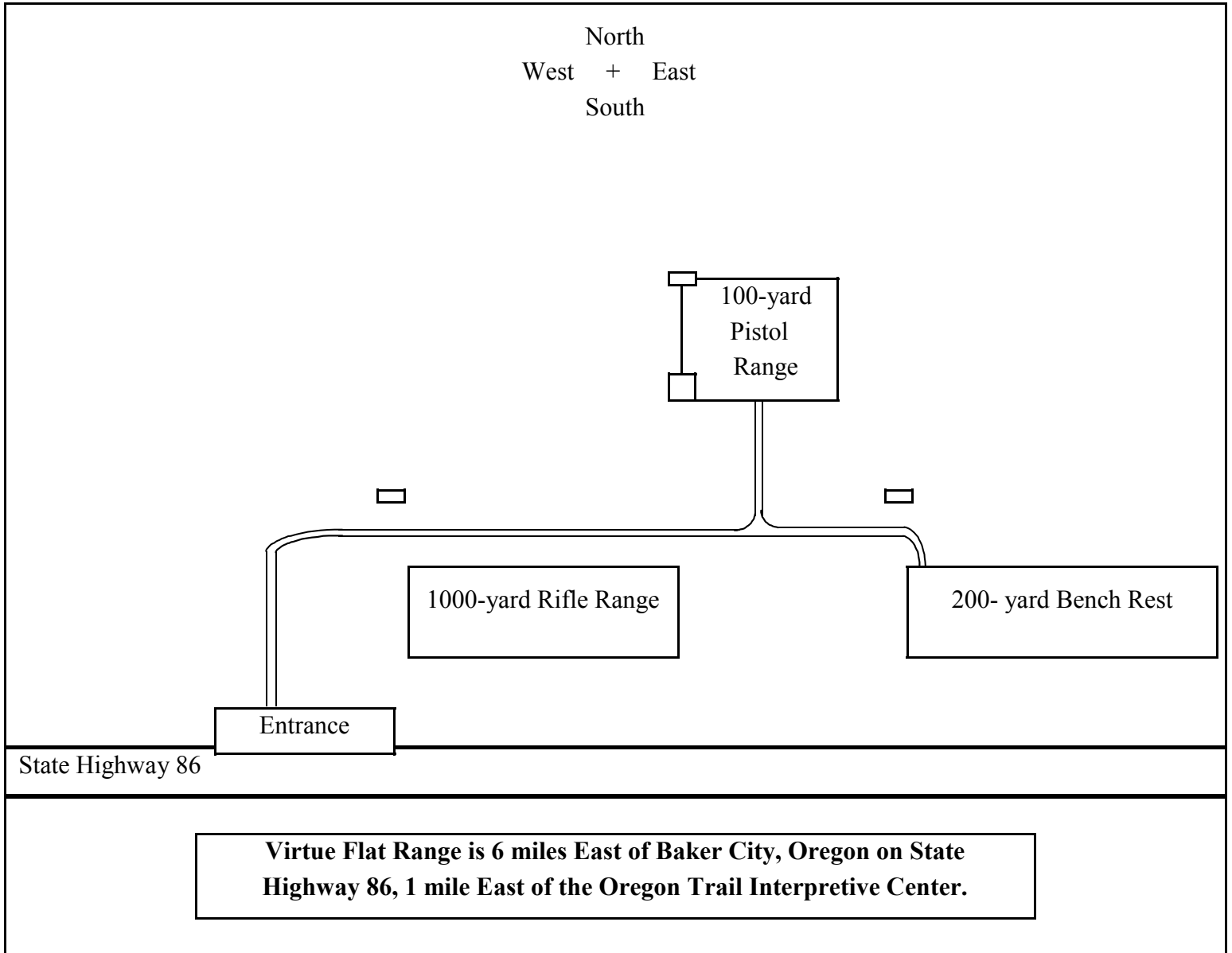
It is the Club's intent to have the 200-yard range and / or Pistol range available for general use about half of the weekend and holiday days during the busiest, warm months.

Fee's from matches and law-enforcement use are necessary to keep the range in operation, so any help and consideration from any and all members is appreciated.

**Please report any acts of vandalism... to the Sheriff as soon as it is discovered,
and remember to put *Safety First* at all times.**

Map of Powder River Sportsmen's Club Virtue Flats Range

North
West + East
South



Virtue Flat Range is 6 miles East of Baker City, Oregon on State Highway 86, 1 mile East of the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center.

May 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 1000 Yard Benchrest Shoot 9:00 am	3	4 Club Meeting 7:00 pm	5 Pistol Range Reserved Pistolettes 9am-12pm	6	7	8 Black Powder Cart. Rifle Silh. Match 10:00 am Friends of NRA Dinner - Event Ctr.
9 Sporting Rifle Match 9:00 a.m. Mother's Day	10	11	12 Pistol Range Reserved Oregon State Police 1pm - 4pm	13 Pistol Range Reserved Sheriff's Office Department 8am - 5pm	14	15 Y.H.E.C. Regional at Ontario
16 Range Clean-Up 1 to 5 p.m.	17	18	19 Basic Pistol Registration 7pm	20	21 Pistol Range Reserved Oregon State Police 1pm - 4pm	22 Cowboy Action Shoot 8:00 am Pistol Range Rsvd Pistolettes 2pm-5pm
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31 Memorial Day					

June 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Club Meeting 7:00 pm	2	3	4	5 200 yard Range Reserved Pistol Class 7am-12pm
6 1000 Yard Benchrest Shoot 9:00 am 200 yd Range Rsvd Pistol Class 1pm-5pm	7	8 Pistol Range Reserved Pistolettes 9am-12pm	9 Pistol Range Reserved Sheriff's Office Department 8am - 5pm	10	11	12 Pistol Range Reserved Hunter's Ed Class 9am-1pm
	Hunter Ed Class 5pm-8pm at Club House					
13	14	15	16	17 Pistol Range Reserved Sheriff's Office 8am - 5pm	18	19 Pistol Range Reserved Pistolettes 9am-12pm
20 Sporting Rifle Match 9:00 am Father's Day	21	22	23	24	25	26 Cowboy Action Shoot 8:30 am Steel Varmint Silhouette Match 1:00 pm
27	28	29	30			

July 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5	6 Club Meeting 7:00 pm	7 Pistol Range Reserved Pistolettes 9am-12pm	8	9	10 Black Powder Cart. Rifle Silh. Match 10:00 am
11 Pistol Range Reserved Sheriff's Dept. 8am - 12 pm	12	13	14	15	16	17
Entire Range Reserved - O.S.P. SWAT Training						
18 Sporting Rifle Match 9:00 am	19	20	21	22	23	24 Cowboy Action Shoot 8:30 am Pistol Range Rsvd Pistolettes 4pm-7pm
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 Pistol Range Rsvd. N.E. OR Hunter Ed Conference 2:00 pm

August 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 Club Meeting 7:00 pm	4	5	6	7 Pistol Range Reserved - Hunters Ed Class 8am-4pm
Hunter Ed Class at Library						
8 1000 Yard Benchrest Shoot 9:00 am	9	10 Pistol Range Reserved-Sheriff's Dept. 9am-12pm	11 Pistol Range Reserved Pistolettes 9am-12pm	12	13	14 Black Powder Cart. Rifle Silh. Match 10:00 am
Hunter Ed Class at Library						
15	16	17 Pistol Range Reserved B. C. Police Dept. 8am-12pm	18	19 Pistol Range Reserved B. C. Police Dept. 8am-12pm	20	21 Oregon State Sporting Rifle Championship
22 Continued Oregon State Sporting Rifle Championship	23	24 Pistol Range Reserved Pistolettes 4pm-7pm	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

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Virtue Flat Range Rules

1. Keep entrance gates closed at all times.
2. Always keep firearms pointed in a safe direction.
3. Keep firearms unloaded until ready to shoot.
4. Know where others are at all times.
5. DO NOT fire from the 1000 yard line until you have determined there are no others down range.
6. Do not use bottles or glass for targets.
7. Clean up after firing.
8. Use trash receptacles or pack your trash out.
9. DO NOT share the gate combinations with non-members.
10. Eye and ear protection is strongly recommended.
11. Failure to comply with rules will result in termination of membership.

**** I hereby acknowledge I have read PRSC's Virtue Flats Range Rules and agree to abide by them. ****

Signature

Date

Membership Application / Renewal

Mail application and check to:

Powder River Sportsmen's Club

P.O. Box 162, Baker City, Oregon 97814

CHECK ALL BOXES THAT APPLY

- New Membership
- Renewal Membership
- \$20 Individual Membership
- \$25 Family Membership
 - *Please show # of family members for our records _____
- \$10 Range Fee for Life Members

Name _____

Address _____

City/State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

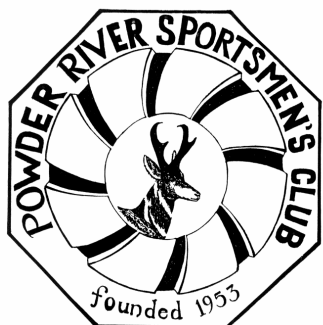
Email Address _____

- I am an NRA Member
- I would like a NRA Membership application sent to me

* A new membership card will be mailed to you with the range lock combination located on the reverse side upon receipt of application and paid dues.

Date Received _____
By Whom _____
Was a card issued YES NO
Was a News Letter issued YES NO

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Club Officers
11/03/2009

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