

Powder River Sportsmen's Club

First Trimester 2018

P.O. Box 162

Baker City, Oregon 97814

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

This newsletter is bringing in the new year of 2018. We hope it is a fine year for all. The last year has been good for PRSC as we continue to see increased use of the rifle and pistol range. As some shooting events drop off in interest, other venues increase in participation. Such is the nature of our sport.

With increased use at the range, there have been a few conflicts also. Almost all conflicts would be eliminated by an understanding of the Club range rules.

We encourage all club members to read and understand the safety and range rules on our website.

One change we will be making is to place a cable across the range road just past the 1000 yard shooting berm. This cable will hold a road closed sign and will be in place when the long range shooters are firing. This will prevent others from driving down range, as has occurred causing a safety situation. Again, the use of the range is first come as stated in rules.

A 40 foot storage unit (conex) has been installed where the old aluminum chip trailer had been. The floor of the shed had rotted out and needed replacement for the Cowboy Action shooters targets and equipment. The old chip trailer was moved out of the way and can be salvaged by anyone interested (advised club officers). Placing the new conex and moving the old one came together with the help of Casey Vanderwelle of Triple C Redi Mix, Wayne Bloom, Joe and Adam Brooks and Ray Ber-ryman. Thanks go to them.

After three years of discussion, the annual dues have been raised to \$35. This was done to keep expenditures like insurance, postage, BLM lease etc., covered by the dues. Range improvements and maintenance are generally covered by range rents, and venue incomes.

See you all at the range and at Club meetings held the first Tuesday of each month.

Records show that 47% of emails are read. Make sure you open your email and check your "trash" files in case your newsletter is going there.

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Target Frames

Target frames are still being wrongly used to hang targets. Please fasten targets only to the plywood back boards, which are much easier to replace than the cross-members. Large pieces of cardboard from the target shed can be used to temporarily fix shot-up back boards.

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Membership Dues 2018

Remember to renew memberships for 2018. Memberships expire 12/31/2017.

Range lock combination change on 03/01/2018!

Lock Gate

GATE LOCK: The lock on the gate has been replaced- again. The best way to operate the lock is to:

1. Work the code number
2. Depress the shackle, then pull open
3. Leave the number visible, go through and close the gate
4. Press the lock back shut before spoiling the number, hold closed as you spoil the number.

Beating on the lock will not make it work any better.

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The Board of Directors would really appreciate it if the members would take their trash home and dispose of it. You had room to bring it to the range, you surely have room to take it out with you; i.e. McDonald's bags, cups, ammo boxes, etc. Targets left pinned to the backers eventually blow off and litter the range. There again - someone else has to clean it up and haul it off.

Thank you for you help - and if you see litter at the range your help in cleaning it up when you see it means that the ones who have to do it all the time will appreciate your efforts.

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1000 Yard Results

March 25, 2017- Tanner Furniss Hi Score 49, smallest group 3.3". April 29, 2017- Henry Prator Hi Score 49, smallest group 4.6". May 27, 2017- Steve Prator Hi Score 48, smallest group Henry Prator 4.7". July 29, 2017- Steve Simons Hi Score 48, smallest group 6". August 26, 2017- Hank Prator Hi Score 49, smallest group 4". October 28, 2017- Steve Simons Hi Score 48, smallest group 7.5".

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Elwood Wirth Wins 2017 Club Championship

P.R.S.C.'s Annual Club Champion match was held last October, determined by a combination of Pistol, Rifle and Shotgun shooting, with each event worth a possible 100 points. Elwood Wirth's total score of 164 edged out Buck Buckner's by a single point. Wirth led the pistol event with a 69. Wayne Bloom was high in the rifle event, shooting at life size deer target at 200 yds. Buckner's 90 score led the shotgun event, edging David Spaugh's 85.

Placing 3rd overall behind Wirth and Buckner was Club President Ray Berryman with a 144 score.

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Hunter Ed Classes will begin March 2nd

Hunter Ed Classes will be held the first two weeks of March. For information contact Bill Taylor at 541-403-0900.

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Range Clean Up and Maintenance Day - April 21st

The Club requests club members to come help with clean-up and target holder repair starting 10 A.M. Saturday, April 21st at the Virtue Flat Range. Gloves and hand tools, shovels, rakes, hammers, saws are requested. The more hands we have working, the sooner we'll finish.

Local Youth Hunter Education Challenge (Y.H.E.C.)

Registration scheduled for January 25, 5:30 P.M.

Registration for the local NRA Y.H.E.C. program will be at the Clubhouse (2690 Broadway) at 5:30 P.M. Open to youths ages 10 to 18 who have completed or are enrolled in the Oregon Hunter Ed Program, Y.H.E.C. teaches hunting skills in .22 rifle, archery, shotgun, muzzle loader, orienteering, wildlife ID, hunter knowledge and field safety. Each year a statewide event in June determines 5 Junior and 5 Senior team members to represent Oregon at the National Y.H.E.C. event. Oregon Junior Team won the National event last year.

Instructors will include Oregon's Y.H.E.C. Director Buck Buckner, Educator Glenda Staebler-Siewell, David Spaugh and others.

Registration fee is \$25 per person. The Club has firearms and other equipment available for use.

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Practical Pistol, Cowboy Action, 1000 Yard Benchrest and Steel Varmint starts soon

Check the Match Schedules for dates and details following.



Match Schedules

Cowboy Action Shoot

Information: Chuck Buchanan 541-519-8550
Dan McGuire 541-212-5840

WHEN: 2nd Saturdays: April 14th, May 12th

TIME: 8:30 AM - 2 PM

ENTRY FEE: \$10 per person

LEGAL FIREARM: .Single action revolvers, lever action rifles or replicas made before 1896. Double bbl or Win. Mod. 97 shotguns.

COURSE OF FIRE: 5 or 6 stages of 25 to 30 rounds, total per stage.

Everyone is encouraged to dress in period western wear or "B" movie dress.

TARGETS: Steel, clay birds, etc.

USPSA Practical Pistol

Information: Phil O'Connell 208-850-1313

WHEN: 4th Sundays: March 25th, April 22nd

TIME: 7:45AM registration, 8:30 - Noon for the match

ENTRY FEE: Adults \$15 Juniors \$10

LEGAL RIFLE:

Any revolver or semi-auto 9mm or larger.

COURSE OF FIRE:

Various - can shoot up to 150 rounds, bring 200!

TARGETS:

USPSA paper, steel poppers, plates

Match Schedules

1000 Yard Bench Rest

Information: Steve Simons, cell: 541-805-8030
home: 541-963-4095

WHEN: Saturdays: March 31st, April 28th

TIME: 8:00 AM each day

ENTRY FEE: \$8 per rifle + \$2 per addtl 5-shot group.
\$2 extra if you want to keep your target.

LEGAL RIFLE: Any rifle, any scope.

COURSE OF FIRE: 1000-yards using any rest, unlimited
sighters for up to 10 minutes, then five shots for record
within 7 minutes.

TARGET: 1000 yard Bench Rest Target
Smallest group measured center to center wins.

Steel Varmint Shoot

Information: Ken Bardizian - evenings 541-519-6772

WHEN: Sunday, April 15th

TIME: 10:00 AM

ENTRY FEE: \$10

LEGAL RIFLE: Any center fire rifle, any sights, any rest.
Rifle and gear must be carried to the line in one trip
without use of a sled or cart.

NOTE: NO FULL METAL JACKET BULLETS, PLEASE.

COURSE OF FIRE:

- A. 5 shots @ 200m at steel squirrel (2x5)
- B. 5 shots @ 300m at steel rabbit (3x6))
- C. 5 shots @ 385m at steel chuck (6x14)
- D. 5 shots @ 500m at steel coyote (16x25)

TIME LIMIT: 2 ½ minutes allowed for each 5 shot stage.
Proceeds go to the PRSC for targets, etc.

VIRTUE FLAT RANGE USE POLICIES

The Club makes every attempt to maximize the amount of time that the range is available for general use while also scheduling enough events and private range reservations to support operation of the range. Be sure to check the calendars in the newsletter or online before planning a trip to the range. When no events or reservations are scheduled, time of arrival establishes range use priority. If shooters are at the range prior to your arrival, their activities determine which ranges are available for use. In many cases, a shooting activity on one range does not affect other range use.

The 1000-yard Range prevents any other range use. This firing berm nearest to the entry gate is used for Black Powder Cartridge Rifle Silhouette Matches, Steel Silhouette Matches, 1000-yard Benchrest Shoots, an long-range High Power Rifle Matches. Before firing from this range, shooters must first check the entire range to be sure no one else is down-range at any location east of the 1000 yard berm.

The 200-yard Range prevents use of the 1000-yard range. Most range use occurs here. Target holders are placed 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. Use of this range still allows for safe use of the 100-yard range.

The Pistol Range prevents use of the 1000-yard range. This range is used for pistol shooting, .22 Silhouette Matches, Junior .22, YHEC, and Cowboy Action Shoots. Two benchrest and target placements out to 100 yards are available. Use of this range still allows for safe use of the 200-yard range. After range use, be sure to install the slide rails to keep cattle out of the shooting area.

The Action Pistol Bays prevent use of the 1000-yard range, and may prevent use of the Pistol or 200-yard Rifle Ranges. Restrictions:

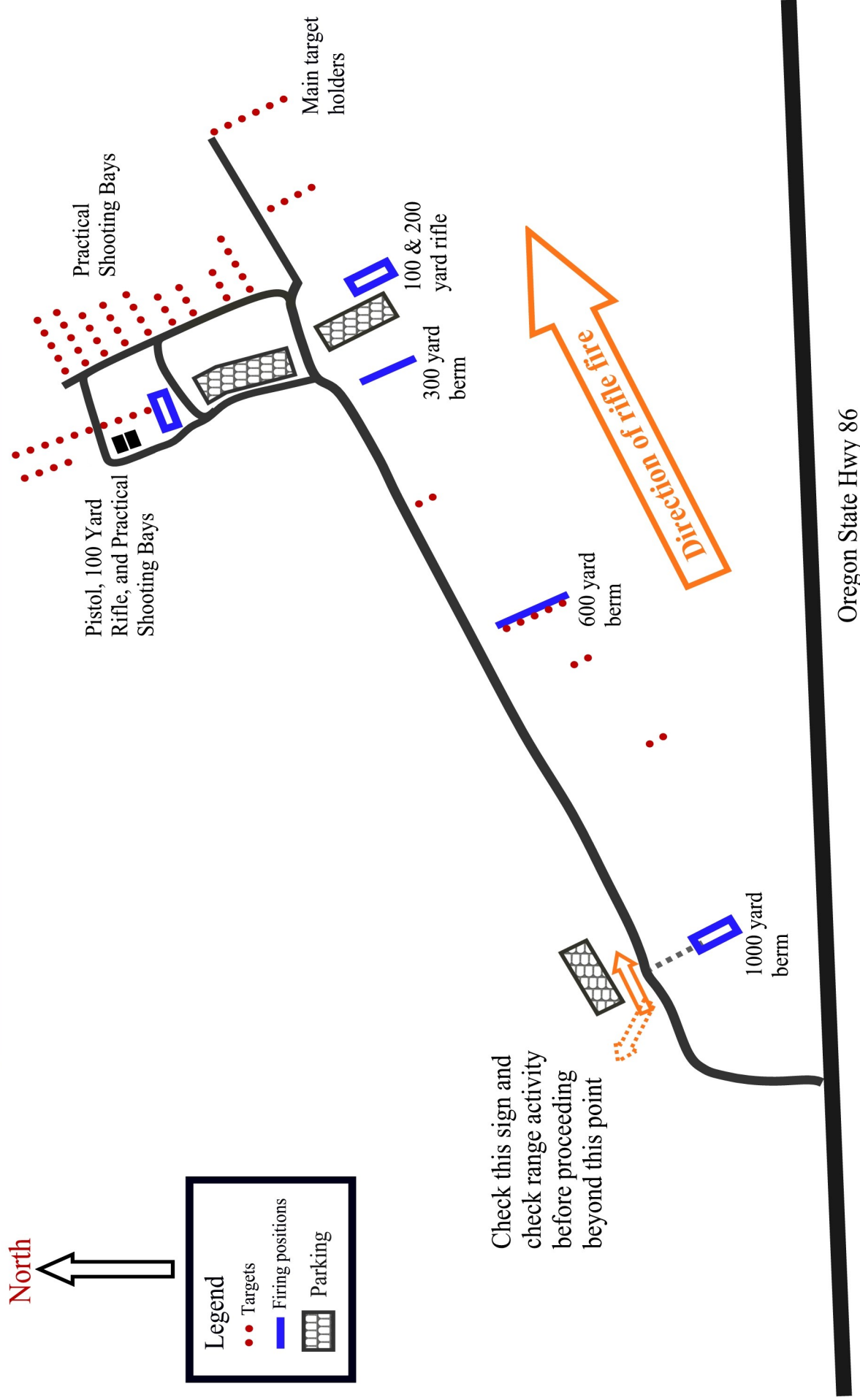
1. No matches will be scheduled simultaneously in the Pistol Bays and any other range location.
2. During Scheduled Matches on the Rifle Range or 100-yard Pistol Range, no firing is permitted in the Pistol Bays.
3. During Scheduled Matches at the Pistol Bays, no use of the Pistol Range is permitted, no firing is permitted on the Rifle Range, and no person may access Rifle Range locations east (downrange) of the 200-yard berm.
4. No firing is permitted in the pistol bays when persons are downrange of the 200 yards rifle benches.
5. When no matches are scheduled, individuals or groups who wish to use the Pistol Bays must direct all fire in an eastward direction at the back berm of the bay they are using. Do not fire in any other direction. The 180° arc of fire is permitted only during scheduled Practical Shooting Matches.
6. When no matches are scheduled, simultaneous informal use of the Pistol Bays and Rifle Ranges is permitted under the following conditions:
 - a. Fire in the Pistol Bays is directed in an eastward direction only.
 - b. Rifle Range shooters must call for and receive a cease-fire in the Pistol Bays before engaging in any activity downrange from the 200-yard benches.
7. Do not fire rifles at plate racks in the Pistol Bays.

All ranges: if you see someone checking fence or pushing cows on the hillside downrange of the target areas, STOP FIRING until that person has completely cleared the hillside.

Report all acts of vandalism to the Sheriff's office as soon as discovered.

PUT SAFETY FIRST AT ALL TIMES!

Powder River Sportsmen's Club - Virtue Flat Range



Range entrance is 1 mile east of Oregon Trail Interpretive Center entrance, or 6 miles east of Baker City

JANUARY 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
		CLUB MEETING 7PM				
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
				Y.H.E.C. REGISTRATION 5:30PM - 7PM		
28	29	30	31			

FEBRUARY 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4	5	6 CLUB MEETING 7PM	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
			PISTOL RANGE RESERVED BAKER CO. SHERIFF 8AM - 5PM			
25	26	27	28			

MARCH 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2 HUNTER'S ED CLASS 6-8:30 PM	3
4	5 HUNTER'S ED CLASS 6-8:30 PM	6 CLUB MEETING 7PM	7 HUNTER'S ED CLASS 6-8:30 PM	8	9 HUNTER'S ED CLASS 6-8:30 PM	10
11	12 HUNTER'S ED CLASS 6-8:30 PM	13	14 HUNTER'S ED CLASS 6-8:30 PM	15	16 PISTOL RANGE RESERVED HUNTER'S ED CLASSES 9 AM - 1 PM	17
18	19	20	21 HUNTER'S ED CLASS 6-8:30 PM	22	23	24 5PM SET UP **
25 PRACTICAL PISTOL MATCH 8:30 AM	26	27	28	29	30	31 1000 YARD BENCH REST MATCH 8 AM

APRIL 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3 CLUB MEETING 7PM	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13 5PM SET UP **	14 COWBOY ACTION SHOOT 8:30AM-2PM
15 STEEL VARMINT MATCH 10AM	16	17	18	19	20	21 RANGE CLEAN-UP DAY 10AM-2PM 5PM SET UP **
22 PRACTICAL PISTOL MATCH 8:30 AM	23	24	25	26	27	28 1000 YARD BENCH REST MATCH 8 AM
29	30					
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Powder River Sportsmen's Club 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, 600 or 300 yard lines until you have physically checked all downrange facilities and determined that there are no other persons downrange.
6. Do not use bottles or glass for targets.
7. Clean up after firing. It's your club - help keep it clean!
8. Use trash receptacles, or better yet - if you pack it in, pack it out!
9. DO NOT share the gate combinations with non-members.
10. Eye and ear protection is strongly recommended, and is required for all minors.
11. Failure to comply with rules will result in termination of membership.

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

Signature

Date

Mail this form with check payable to:
Powder River Sportsman's Club
P.O. Box 162, Baker City, Oregon 97814

Annual Dues are \$35
CHECK ALL BOXES THAT APPLY

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| ☐ New Membership | ☐ Renewal Membership |
| ☐ \$10 Range Fee for Life Members | ☐ Multi-year Membership paid in advance (\$35 per year) |

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

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

To reduce printing and postage costs, club newsletters will be sent to your email address. If you do not have an email address or prefer a hard copy in the mail, check here. ☐

- ☐ I have included an extra \$_____ with my dues
as a donation to the PRSC Virtue Flat Range Purchase Fund.

Upon receipt of application and paid dues, a new membership card will be mailed to you with the range lock combination printed on the reverse side.

www.prsportsmen.com

Date Received _____

By Whom _____

Was a card issued? YES NO

Was a News Letter Issued? YES NO

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Club Officers 2017

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Treasurer: Wayne Bloom	541-519-4000
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