

**December 12, 2009 – Oregon Junior JOSCS Small bore - Salem**

**Caleb Lachepelle – 534, Ian Guile – 504, Tyler Chin – 429, Devin Dueck – 400, Brandon Altermatt – 353, Heather Altermatt – 520, Mackenzie Green – 526, Lauren Kraft – 507, Marilyn Brooks – 485, Taylor Dueck – 367, Nicole Sebens – 403, Kalani Kliewer – 321**

**December 16, 2009 – Army Postal Air Match**

**Caleb LaChapelle – 377, Mackenzie Green – 369, Marilyn Brooks – 357, Ian Guile – 345, Lauren Kraft – 339, Heather Altermatt – 330, Taylor Dueck – 294, Brandon Altermatt – 281, Tyler Chin – 269, Nicole Sebens – 254**

**December 19, 2009 – NRA International Air Sectional – Madras**

**Marilyn Brooks – 503, Brandon Altermatt – 440, Caleb LaChapelle – 540, Ian Guile – 503, Lauren Kraft – 517, Mackenzie Green – 559, Heather Altermatt – 528, Tyler Chin – 449, Nicole Sebens – 452**

**January 2, 2010 – Icicle 3P Smallbore – Puyallup, WA**

**Heather Altermatt – 405, Brandon Altermatt – 347**

**January 9, 2010 – USAS Air Rifle Junior Olympic State Championship (JOSC) - Madras**

**Women’s JOSC, 400 points possible: Heather Altermatt – 365, Mackenzie Green – 371, Taylor Dueck – 313, Lauren Kraft – 380, Marilyn Brooks – 326, Jocelyn Jordan – 253, Nicole Sebens – 309**

**Men’s JOSC, 600 points possible: Caleb LaChapelle – 542, Ian Guile – 496, Tyler Chin – 487, Brandon Altermatt 417**

**upper range are continually being shot up.**

**This is not acceptable and will longer be tolerated, thus we are going to exert a great deal of effort to catch those responsible for this behavior, We now have the means by which to do so and would like the assistance of all members in this endeavor.**

**Each time a member uses his/her card to enter the club property the date, time and the members number is logged into a computer, this tells us when they are on club property.**

**At each range there are cameras recording where they are shooting, in this manor we are able to pinpoint when they are on the property and what facilities they are using.**

**We will be installing new uprights, and cross members, repainting all metal hangers, and plugging existing holes where we find them.**

**This is where we need the your help:**

**(a) when you arrive please check for any holes in the wooden uprights and cross members, also bullet strikes on any metal hangers or other structures down range.**

**(b) There will be boxes located at each range, please write a note indicating the date and time along with the target area you find the damage and drop it in one of the boxes.**

**In this manor we can determine exactly who and when they were shooting at that target area.**

**These members will be called before the executive committee and once it is determined they are responsible their membership will immediately be revoked, there will be no second chances.**

**This is your club and the money spent to repair these damages is coming out of club (your) funds that could otherwise be spent to upgrade and improve our club, so please help us get rid of those that do not respect your club.**

**We understand that accidents will and do happen and one bullet hole does indicate deliberate misconduct , we are looking for those that shoot several bullets in the same area.**

### **How important is your membership?**

**To some members it seems their membership in Four corners Rod and gun Club is of little importance since they are still shooting up club property. We continue to find the cross members and uprights being used as targets, at the lower range, and the 2x2 metal target holders on the**

### **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

**The following new members recently joined or rejoined the club. Richard Robison, Don Garrett, Richard Crow, Jimmie Smith, Frederick “Geoff” Shipley, Benjamin Wilson, James Krehmke, Dale Gibson, Rod Jones, and James Scott.**

## SINGING OR CRYING

At each general membership meeting the member number of a member is drawn from the BIG barrel. If that member is current on his/her dues and present at the meeting, then they are rewarded with money. The amount is based on what has accumulated in the POT-OF-GOLD up to that time with a maximum of \$500.00. If they are not present then they get the crying towel. At the January meeting member number 84 belonging to Daniel Fiedler was drawn. He was not present so lost out on a check for \$327.00. So Daniel it is boo-hoo and the crying towel to you.

## TIDBITS

OK, here it is a brand new year and I simply can't wait to see what the "we know what is best for you" people will try and pull over on us this year. Actually if they did nothing that would be great. Will keep you informed.

Remember a while back reading the tidbit about those "we know what is best" people – in this case the U.S. Office of Customs and Border Protection - trying to basically ban the importation of "assisted opening" knives by classifying them as switchblades. That designation would have applied to any knife which could be opened with one hand. Well after a month long fight in Congress a new law has been passed which protects the ownership and sale of such common types of pocket knives. The amendment, adopted as part of the Homeland Security Appropriations Act of 2010, clarifies the law to ensure that "assisted opening" folding knives remain legal. The law was signed on October 28, 2009. Score one for our side and common sense.

Did you know that in the city of Seattle, Washington it is illegal by city policy to carry a firearm in parks, community centers, and other city owned buildings even with a concealed carry permit? And did you know that this policy violated Washington State's pre-emption statute which like Oregon's forbids localities from enacting their own restrictions on gun owner's rights. The city was put on notice in 2008 that they were in violation of the law and chose to do nothing. Now the NRA, the Second Amendment Foundation, The Citizens Committee for the Right

to Keep and Bear Arms, the Washington Arms Collectors, correctional officers and private citizens have joined to file suit against the City. This could be an interesting suit to watch as its outcome could effect what happens in states with similar pre-emption statutes. Just for your information, school districts in Oregon are using the policy approach to prohibit lawful concealed carry on school grounds and that sure seem to me that they are violating the spirit of Oregon's pre-emption statute.

Now how about this bit of the "pot calling the kettle black". In Russia, which frustrates many countries by turning a blind eye to its residents counterfeiting music, movies, and more, says it will begin defending its patent on its Kalashnikov rifle. They say that the AK-47 is being knocked off by dozens of manufactures. More than 100 million Kalashnikovs have been produced. Mikhail Kalashnikov, inventor of the AK-47, recently celebrated this 90th birthday.

And also in the firearm vein – Remington is producing its 10,000,000th Model 870. This shotgun has been voted America's favorite pump gun many times. And I would say that the number produced back up that distinction. If you log on to [www.remington.com/10milu](http://www.remington.com/10milu) by December 31 and put your name in the hat, you could be one of ten winners selected to receive a commemorative Model 870.

Firearm and ammunition manufactures reported federal tax obligations of \$122 million in the second calendar quarter of 2009, a 52 percent increase from the same period a year ago. These funds (know as Pitman-Robinson Act funds) are a major source of wildlife conservation funding.

One last thing for this edition – Give me back my deer. A bow hunter in Sheridan, Wyoming in early November went to recover a deer he had shot and found it covered over with grass and brush. When he looked around he saw a mountain lion about 25 yards from the deer so he backed away and contacted the Wyoming Fish and Game Department. They advised him to either return to the spot with a bunch of friends and drive the cat away or get purchase a mountain lion tag. He did the latter and bagged the cat. Now he has meat in the freezer and a cougar rug on the floor. Not bad for one season.

Once again that is all for now. More next month if the world keeps turning and the sun doesn't get too close to the earth. Until then, shoot straight, keep em in the ten ring, be safe on the range, and be vigilant and protective of your freedoms.

Tim Brown

### January Rimfire Defender Pistol

It was to be a winter's blast shoot for the participants who gathered at the Indoor Range on the evening of January 12, 2010 for the first Rimfire Defender Pistol shoot of a brand new year. As the group of shooters took to the firing line, there in from of them were three bulls-eye targets and the snowman "Winter's Blast" target. This target consisted of a three snow ball snowman with different point values for each snow ball which made up his body – with the highest value for the smallest snow ball. As instructed by the match director, each shooter loaded the given number of rounds for each phase and then fired them off up and down, side to side, and crosswise on the targets as instructed. After the first shooting relay, new targets were put up, the shot targets were scored, coffee was consumed, stories were told, and then it was back to the firing line for another go at the targets. Each shooter went through the shoot program twice for a total of one hundred rounds fired. At the end of the evenings shooting, when all the targets had been scored and the range cleaned up, shooting honors went to:

1st Place      Jim Garges  
2nd Place      Tom Byerley  
3rd Place      Tim Brown

My thanks to all those who came out on a winter's night and shot and enjoyed themselves. To the rest all I can ask is where were you? There is always space and fun for all so come on out and join in the fun.

Tim Brown.....Match Director

### December Centerfire Defender Pistol

T'was the day after Christmas and all around the Short range it was smiles on the faces of the shooters who gathered on the morning of

December 26, 2009 for the Centerfire Defender Pistol Shoot. As the shooters were squaded and took their positions on the firing line, each shooter faced four bulls-eye targets at twenty-five yards and two sod poodle targets at ten yards. At twenty-five yards each shooter fired a total of forty rounds at their targets in the manner prescribed by the match director. They then took their remaining ten rounds of ammo to the ten yard line where they fired two five round strings in the manner prescribed by the match director. Each shooter went through the shoot program twice for a total of 100 rounds fired.

When all the targets were brought back and the hits scored, shooting honors went to:

1st Place      Dusty Freeman  
2nd Place      Jim Ritts and Dean Backer  
3rd Place      Tom Byerley

Many thanks to all those who came out to the shoot. This may have been the last on for 2009, but there will be more in 2010 so those of you who stayed home will have plenty of chances to come out and join in the fun. Remember, there will always be a space just for you.

Tim Brown.....Match Director

### Small Bore Pistol Silhouette Shoot

The morning sky threatened rain as the set up was completed and the first shooters took to the firing line on the lower range on the morning of December 20, 2009 for the scheduled Small Bore (.22 rimfire) Pistol Silhouette shoot. During the course of the shoot, the participants were treated to rain, wind, and sun breaks – all of which added to the challenge of toppling the steel animals. As is the norm for this shoot, each shooter who stepped to the firing line took ten shots from each firing position in an attempt to knock from their stands as many of the steel chickens at 25 yards, pigs at 50 yards, turkeys at 75 yards, and rams at 100 yards as they possible could. Each shooter went through the targets twice for a total of eighty rounds fired.

When the shooting was over and the score sheets were tallied, honors for this shooting event went to:

1st Place      Jim Ritts

2nd Place     Dusty Freeman  
3rd Place     Lee Daue

My thanks to all those who came out to this event and participated. And once again to those of you who stayed away, all that can be said is that you missed the fun again. So, check the bulletin and come on out and see what you are missing.

Tim Brown.....Match Director

#### WIN A RIFLE

Here is another reminder about the rifle that some lucky member will get to take home for their very own.

At the Friends of the NRA banquet in September the club was the lucky recipient of a Remington Model 597 LR .22 rifle with a Realtree APG HD camo pattern stock. This rifle will be given away to some lucky person at the March 2010 General Membership meeting just before the change of officers takes place.

To get your chance to win this firearm all you need to do is buy a ticket. Tickets will be sold at the membership meetings for \$1.00 cash money each or the bargain price of 6 for \$5.00. Of course, you can buy as many tickets as you like and thus increase your odds of winning. So don't be bashful about pulling out and opening up your wallet. And you need not be present to win.

Just think how good this rifle would look in your hands or how happy your son/daughter/grandson/granddaughter would be to receive it as a gift. So, come on out for sure to the meetings and get your tickets.

#### Final Election Reminder

One more time let it be said that the annual election of club officers will take place at the February 2, 2010 General Membership meeting. Keep in mind that those people who take the time to attend the meeting will be the ones who have the say on who will run your club for the next year. If you want a voice in that process - and every member should - come to the meeting and cast your vote.

If that isn't enough to get you out to the meeting, also keep in mind that at the meeting all the remaining drawing prizes will be given away. But you must be there to get a ticket to be in the drawing. So come on out and be counted.

#### .22 Rifle Silhouette Shoot

The little metal chickens, pigs, turkey, and rams on their stands didn't seem to notice that the regular match director wasn't present on the range as the .22 rifle toting shooters arrived at the lower range on the morning of December 19, 2009 for the final .22 Rifle Silhouette shoot of the year. As the shooters went to their positions and the fire command was given, a hail of bullets went down range towards the little targets. Some targets fell and some seemed to duck out of harms way. After firing ten rounds at their targets, each shooter moved to their next position to try their luck with their next set of targets. Overall, each shooter took forty rounds of ammo to the line and fired ten shots from each of the four shooting positions in an attempt to knock over as many metal chickens, pigs, turkeys, and rams as they possibly could. Each shooter went through the course of fire twice for a total of 80 rounds fired. When the shooting was over and the scores were tallied, honors for the morning's silhouette toppling fun went to:

1st Place     Greg Plass  
2nd Place     Tyler Fitzpatrick  
3rd Place     Manny Carter

For those of you who weren't there you sure missed out on a lot of fun. There really is nothing like the sound of a bullet hitting and toppling a silhouette to bring a smile to a person's lips. This is a monthly event and there are plenty of animals to go around, so check your bulletin, grab your shootin' iron, and come on out and join in the fun.

Tim Brown . . . . Match director pro tem

#### HELP WANTED

The annual Spring Rickreall Gun Show is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday March 13 and 14, 2010 at the Polk County Fairgrounds. As we have done for some time now, the Four Corners Rod and Gun Club will have an information and membership table at the show to make our

facilities, programs, and activities know to the public attending the show.

Member volunteers are needed to man the table. Two members are needed at the table for each of four shifts or a total of eight members. Table shifts will run from 8:00 AM to 12:30 PM and 12:30 PM to 5:00 PM on Saturday and 9:00 AM till 12:30 PM and 12:30 PM to 4:00 PM on Sunday.

Club members manning the table will be rewarded with free admission to the gun show. This of course is in addition to the rewards of being of service to the club, gaining an opportunity to meet and talk with a lot of interesting people, and being able to browse around the show and look at all the goodies.

Members desiring to help will need to sign up for a shift so that their names can be given to show management for name tags and free entry. To sign up for a shift, or if you have questions, please call Tim Brown at 503-390-1922.

sometimes at the pull of the trigger there was that satisfying clang and the animal toppled over and sometimes nothing happened. Each shooter makes two rounds through the animals for a total of eighty rounds fired.

When the shooting was over and the animals knocked from their stands were tallied, shooting honors for the morning fun went to:

1st Place	Jim Ritts
2nd Place	Tim Brown
3rd Place	Daryl Fitzpatrick

Silhouette shooting - whether shot with a rifle or a handgun - is not only fun and challenging but will make anybody a better shot. But you won't know how much fun it is and how much a better shooter you can become unless you come out and give it a try like the guy above. So pack up your shooting iron and come on out to an event. Fun awaits you!

Tim Brown.....Match Director

#### January Field Pistol Silhouette Shoot

Neither the occasional misty drizzle nor the gloom of an overcast sky prevented the rousting of the steel chickens, pigs, turkeys, and rams from their warm beds in the storage building and their placement on the stands set up on the lower range on the morning of January 17, 2010 for the scheduled Field (Centerfire) Pistol Silhouette shoot. The fire in the wood stove was going and the coffee was on as the shooters arrived and signed in. Then it was off to the firing line for the shooters to face off against the animals gloomy weather. About half way through the first relay, a member came to watch the proceedings. When asked if he had a handgun with him and wanted to join in, he said yes and yes, and joined the group in the second relay. He finished the shoot with several animals knocked over and a smile on his face.

As is the norm for this shoot, each shooter took their centerfire handgun and forty rounds of lead bullet ammo to the line and fired ten shots from each of the four shooting positions in an attempt to knock over as many metal chickens at 25 yards, pigs at 50 yards, turkeys at 75 yards, and rams at 100 yards as they possibly could. And as always,