



WRPC News

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Outdoor Ranges and Member Responsibility

This issue contains Ron Martino's (past President of WRPC) letter and photos to the Board on the issue of the mess created on the tactical range. Ron is an articulate fellow. His letter and photography describe the situation and its consequences to himself as a member very clearly.

This issue also contains a photo of the results of someone using Club property for a pistol target frame/holder in the area of the new berms.

Ron's letter to the Board -

August 23, 2010

To the WRPC Board of Directors:

I recently wanted to show a shooter friend of mine our fine outdoor ranges and do some shooting.

I was appalled at the condition of the tactical range, littered with plastic bottles and other assorted trash. The 50 yd. range was particularly disgusting. I was first embarrassed and then mad that some of the members we voted into our Club are such uncaring slobs. These are the only words I can think of. Uncaring slobs.

I went back today for some shooting and the condition of the range was even worse than previously stated. One has to also wonder about the safety and range protocol of such uncaring individuals. There may be an accident waiting to happen.

In my opinion, something has to be done to discourage such behavior. How can this be policed? Perhaps video cameras, supervised shooting times, a sign-in register at the gate? I don't know. I also believe that if these individuals are caught in the act they should be expelled from the Club. We don't need such individuals when we have many waiting to join our organization. I don't think it was the work of one or two individuals, but likely quite a few.

I would like this subject brought up at the next meeting and tossed around for ideas. Something has to be done. I can't imagine a similar situation in other shooting clubs.

It is a privilege to join a shooting club such as ours and in doing so, it carries responsibilities and a code of conduct. Something certainly lacking in some of our members. They don't belong here.

These issues taken together, represent a distressing problem for the vast majority of our members who respect the property, shoot safely and clean up after themselves. No member should be ever be embarrassed in front of a guest because of the condition of the Club. No member should ever discover wanton destruction of Club property by gunfire when the Club

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works so hard to provide safe and suitable target areas.

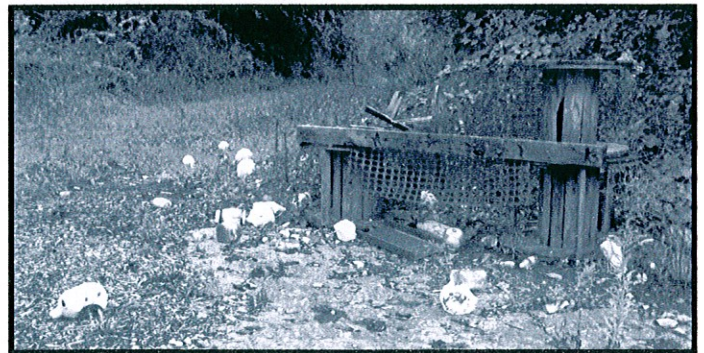
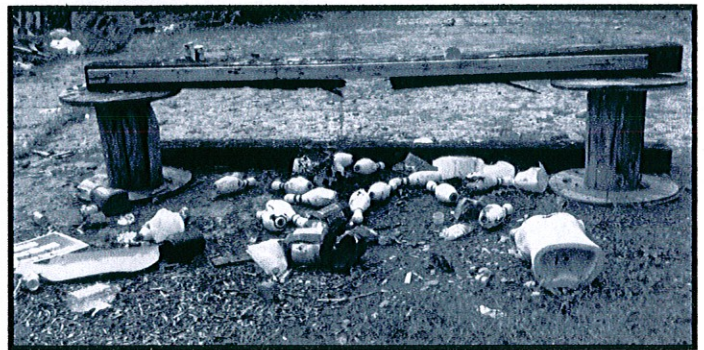
Quite simply the members of this Club should treat this property the same way they would treat their own property. If you wouldn't leave a disgusting mess in your home, then don't do it here! If you wouldn't shoot holes in the walls of your home, then don't do shoot holes in anything that is not a designated target holder/frame!

Further, this Club is an organization of marksmen. Marksmanship requires self-discipline. We control our firearms, they do not control us! If you have an irresistible urge to re-enact some gun-blasting scene you watched in a commando movie, then you have joined the wrong club and we don't want you here.

It is the overwhelming consensus of the membership that anyone observed destroying Club property should be thrown out and this will be done without hesitation.

The leadership of this Club is here to protect it in all respects for the use of its members. Everyone knows the rules. If you flagrantly violate them, you do so at the peril of your membership. Getting into this Club is now difficult because of our membership cap and waiting list. Getting back into this Club after property destruction is impossible!

Don Valerio &
the Board of Directors



New Ventilation System

The new ventilation system for the Indoor Range is complete. If you visited the Club recently, you undoubtedly noticed the new Club sign on the front of the building. The box-like structure holding the sign is the air intake. A large fan was installed in the attic at the rear of the building. This fan draws air through the intake and a system of new interior bulkheads directs the air through the attic and then downward just in front of the firing line. The air is then drawn from the front to the rear of the indoor range and then back up and out of the building through vents above the backstop.

Three of our members, Ron Pesta, Bill Dadson and Bob McCarthy devoted the entire summer to this project that included many hot, sweaty days working in the attic. We all owe them a huge thanks!

The system works fine and there is a considerable draft when all fans are running. This project will now move into the "testing & tweaking" phase. The system provides for two levels of draft. When we actually get large numbers of indoor shooters using the range at any one time (especially smoke producing centerfire pistol shooters), we will be able to tune the system somewhat to balance suitable ventilation against heat loss.

The Club has now completed two major upgrades to the indoor range over the last two summers. We have a new backstop and a new ventilation system to compliment it which eliminated the dusty, dirty sand traps. All these factors taken together means the air in the indoor range will be cleaner and healthier. The Club extends a special tanks to the members who sacrificed their time and efforts to create these upgrades : Bob Stevens, Lon Snook, Bill Dadson, Dave Eannetta, Ron & Cody Pesta, and Bob McCarthy.

New Berms

The old pistol practice range has had a face lift! New berms have been constructed that provide two new benefits to that range.

First, they create a safe backstop so the bullets impact soft dirt rather than a near-vertical wall of rock. Second, they safely separate 3 distinct shooting areas which permits three different members or groups of members to utilize the range simultaneously without interfering with each other.

As always at the Club, nothing worthwhile gets accomplisssshed without work. In this case, members had to remove large amounts of trash, relocate piles of useable scrap lumber, tear down and remove the old moving target towers, haul out piles of scrap metal, and design the berm layout. The design incorporated the removal of a large rock outcropping which created space for berm-3, while providing tons of solid rock material to reinforce the berms themselves. Credit for all this go to Lon & Carol Snook, Chuck & Kathy Irland and Scott & Cathy Bourgeois, Al Roher, Gill Marshall, and Dave Lockett.

As you read this, the shooting areas still need to be re-equipped with gongs, plate rack and a structure for holding paper targets. This should be accomplished with a few days. We will need to organize work parties to move the wood chip pile down to the rear of the property and spread it on the berms. If you wish to help, contact Don Valerio at 585-526-5561. This needs to be done in October.

The berms are constructed so that the safe bullet impact area is only to the southwest. These berms are covered with soft dirt. The side berms are constructed with much more rock exposed. These side berms should NEVER be fired into. They exist only to protect adjoining shooting areas from a sideways accidental discharge which should never happen in the first place. Even so, we will work to get them covered with wood chips. The new berms are provided for the use of all members.

Sporterifle's New Season

Waterloo Sporterifle launched it's 2010-11 season a couple of weeks ago. Our turnouts have been impressive with numbers approaching 40 each week. Andy Fegley has agreed to be Team Captain this year and is working with Tom Hearn on getting everyone registered and getting scores completed and recorded. We are fortunate this year to have a number of new shooters on the Junior Team and some new faces joining our "old timers" on the Red & White Teams.

Andy is working hard to contact shooters and build up teams and also to acquire computer skills to input scores. He deserves everyone's support and cooperation.

On the league front, Dick Eaton and the Directors and Officers decided not to try to take the next step in the NRA Program until the situation with the State Association settles down. Hopefully next year we can consider doing registered matches and doing the National Championship.

Waterloo will once again be the location for the Central Division Shoot-off on March 27, 2011. All of the shoot-offs we have run have had excellent reviews. We believe this is because we have great people who did outstanding jobs. We are sure this will occur this year as well.

We continue to take new shooters into the Sporterifle program. So, if you're interested or know of someone who is, "come on down!" We'll help you get started.

Feel free to visit the website www.sporterifle.org or any questions can be directed to director@sporterifle.org - that's Dick Eaton with his league hat on and a fancy title.

Club Defensive Handgun

This is open to all members and the general public. Our next match is scheduled for October 17th beginning at 10 am.

These matches are timed and set up to replicate real life defensive scenarios and provide realistic practice with centerfire semiautomatic or revolver handguns. The course of fire consists of shooting cardboard targets, steel plates and pepper poppers. Props such as doorways, barrels, etc. will also be used to create situations requiring a tactically correct response and the proper use of cover. Matches will consist of 2 to 4 stages with shooting distances of 5 to 20 feet from the target. Shooters will draw from a holster under loose concealment such as an open jacket or vest. Only holsters that fully cover the trigger guard will be allowed. This prevents fingers from pressing on triggers while drawing and is a crucial safeguard in this type of match. Shooters not wishing to draw from concealment will start from the "low ready" position with two seconds added to their overall match times.

Required equipment includes any centerfire, open sight handgun (semi-auto or revolver) from 9mm up to .45 caliber with muzzle velocities under 1500 fps as well as a holster and mag pouch, shirt/jacket/vest for concealment if needed.

Prior to each match there will be a safety and rules meeting and a walk-thru of each stage.

Questions should be directed to Dave Lockett, Al Rohrer, or Sandy Schulman.

Waterloo Rifle and Pistol Club 2010/2011 Match Schedule www.waterloorpc.com

Indoor Silhouette

Jan 16th, Feb 20th, Mar 20th, Apr 17th @ 9am

Sporter Rifle (Dick Eaton - eaton@frontiernet.net)

September - March; every Tuesday & Friday of the month @ 7pm

Outdoor Silhouette (Ron Pesta - rpesta@rochester.rr.com)

May 15th, Jun 19th, Jul 17th, Aug 21st, Sep 18th @ 9am

Club Defensive Handgun Al Rohrer - al.roher@co.ontario.ny.us)

Oct 17th @ 10am (future dates to be determined)

Fun Shoot (Al Rohrer - al.roher@co.ontario.ny.us)

Jan 2nd, Feb 6th, Mar 6th, Apr 3rd @ 9am

IDPA (Scott Bourgeois - momndad@rochester.rr.com)

May - October (Outdoors)/November - April (Indoors);
2nd Saturday of the month @ 10am

Bulls--eye Pistol (Bob Stevens - rgsarch@gmail.com)

October - March; every Thursday of the month @ 7pm

Tactical/Fast action (Art Pluretti - free2glock@yahoo.com)

May 1st, Jun 5th, Jul 3rd, Aug 7th, Sept 4th, Oct 2nd, Nov 6th @ 9am

Come Out and Join Us!

Clip & Save

Military Shoot

We will host our 3rd Annual Military Fun Shoot on Saturday, October 23rd beginning at 10 am.

Suitable arms include pre-1950 military issue:

Rifles - M1903 or 03A3 Springfields, Mauser K98k, Enfields, Mosin-Nagant, M-1 Garands and carbines, etc.

Handguns - M1911s, M1917s, P-35 (Hi-power), P-38, Webley, Luger, etc.

Shotguns - Military versions of Winchester M97, M12, Remington M11, Ithaca M37, Stevens 520-30, etc.

There will be a variety of shooting events loosely organized into friendly competition. The object is to use and enjoy classic military arms.

Hearing and eye protection are mandatory! Only bring firearms you know to be in safe operating condition.

For info and to let us know you are attending (we need a head count for planning purposes) please call 315-789-8112 and leave a message indicating - number attending and rifle, pistol, shotgun or all the foregoing.

The shoot is free, however a donation for the cause will be accepted and sent to the NRA.

Upcoming Elections

If you or a member you know who is interested in any Board position, please contact Bob Stevens at 315-539-2819 or make a nomination from the floor during the November meeting. Elections will take place during the December meeting and newly elected Board members will take offices in January.

Bullseye Thursdays

Open to Club members and the general public with a valid pistol license. Matches begin at 7 pm every Thursday from October through March. Any .22 cal rimfire or centerfire semiautomatic pistol or revolver may be used. Iron sights and scopes are permitted and firing is from the standing position using one or two hands.

Each match consists of 60 rounds fired as NRA Slow, Timed, and Rapid fire and takes about 45 minutes including prep time and scoring. There is plenty of time for practice following the match.

WRPC belongs to the Finger Lakes Pistol League (FLPL), a postal league where individual scores are maintained in separate categories (one-hand, two-hand, etc.) for end-of-season awards. Participation in FLPL is optional. Shooters pay the Club range fee (currently \$3) plus \$1 for each score submitted to FLPL.

For more information call Director Bob Stevens (315) 539-2819.

WRPC Property

Just a friendly reminder (especially for new members) that there is NO HUNTING on our property.

Join the NRA Today!

**Help the sport and
your Club!**

**WRPC will receive a
financial reward for each new or
renewed NRA membership that
comes through our
official recruiter.**

**Contact Art Pluretti for
more information at:
free2glock@yahoo.com**

Club Logo Wear

Embroidered shirts, jackets and sweatshirts are available for purchase. Ballcaps are coming soon. Ron Pesta, Club member and owner of Eagle Graphics Custom Embroidery is taking orders. Show your support for the Club and place your order today. Remember, a portion of the cost for each item is donated back to the Club.

A minimum of 12 pieces are needed to place an order (cost effective). Contact your shooting buddies/partners and get an order together.

Polo Shirts (50/50 or 100% cotton) **HOT ITEM!!!**
Colors - white, black, ash, forest green, maize, maroon, navy red & royal blue
S - XL \$21.00 2XL & 3XL - \$23.00

Sweatshirts (90/10)
Colors - ash, black, forest green, navy & royal blue
S - XL \$22.50 2XL & 3XL - \$25.50

Hooded Sweatshirts (90/10)
Colors - ash, black, forest green, navy & royal blue
S - XL \$28.00 2XL & 3XL - \$30.00

1/4 zip Fleece Pullover (100% poly)
Colors - charcoal, black, forest green, navy, royal blue, orange, red, carolina blue
S - XL \$31.00 2XL - \$32.00 3XL - \$34.00 4XL - \$35.00

Full zip Fleece (100% poly)
Colors - charcoal, black, forest green, navy, red, grey
S - XL \$32.00 2XL - \$35.00 3XL - \$36.00 4XL - \$37.00

3-Season Jackets **HOT ITEM!!!**
Colors - black, forest green, navy, red, royal,
S - XL \$52.00 2XL - \$54.00 3XL - \$58.00 4XL - \$60.00

Place your order by:

- filling out the order sheet at the Clubhouse
- call/fax Ron at 315-781-1953 (Eagle Graphics)
- email rpesta@rochester.rr.com
- or visit his website at eaglegraphicsembroidery.com.

Be proud of your Club, wear the logo!

Outdoor Silhouette

The 2010 season has ended with moderate success. The number of shooters was down slightly compared to the previous couple of years. However, all who attended had a great time.

Director Ron Pesta wishes to thank his crew of volunteers for doing a great job all season - Don Farenholtz, Marty Walther, Don Valerio, Bruce Butler, Vicki Porter, Dave Lockett, Tom Merkle, John Christensen, Bill Dadson, and Ron's grandkids - Jazmin, Jason & Destini.

Keep the dust and cobwebs off your firearms and join us for our indoor shooting events (check our schedule for season dates - pg. 5).

For Sale

Remington 1187 12ga. slug (with red dot scope) and bird barrels (chokes included) - \$600. Interested? Contact Bob Stevens at 315-539-2819.

Holiday Greetings

Since the next newsletter comes out in February, we here at the Waterloo Rifle and Pistol Club would like to take this time to wish all our Club members and fellow shooters sharp eyes and dry ammo during the coming holiday season - in other words "HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!"

Erratum

All Club members recently received their dues letters. The letters included a reference to a Sporterifle event scheduled for September 13th. Due to the work and complexity of publishing these letters, they were sent out after the date had already passed. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.