

NOVEMBER 2019 NEWSLETTER

Fall has always been one of my favorite seasons. The crisp mornings and evenings; the breezes and falling leaves with a hint of frost to come...football on Saturday, Thanksgiving around the corner, hunting season is here. What's not to like?

Our Bowling Pin Matches have wrapped up for the year. As usual, the plan is to resume the matches in April of 2020. I will publish a match schedule early in 2020 so everyone will have a copy. The pin match continues to be a constant attraction and provider of funds for our club.

SCHEDULED EVENTS FOR NOVEMBER

STEEL CHALLENGE 11/3/2019 I am late with this. I have just returned to town. All the details were on our Facebook page and Paul Warren, Match Director, sent out email invitations to previous shooters. This match is scheduled to continue through the winter months.

GOLF BALL 100 YARD MATCH 11/10/2019 @ 2PM. As previously explained, due to the shorter days, the growth of the program (hooray!), and the break for the pin match, we are going to try and separate the 100 yard and 200-yard events to eliminate anyone from shooting in the dark. If results indicate that separating the two matches cost us shooters, other alternatives will be explored! PLEASE try and arrive a tad early for this as we have a little business that must be discussed prior to shooting! As usual, entry fees are \$10 per shooter per rifle.

GOLF BALL 200 YARD MATCH 11/17/2019 @ 2PM If you did not read the 100yard match intro, PLEASE DO SO NOW. This will, I hope, explain everything. I am thrilled with the growth in this event and do not want to harm it in any way. As usual, entry fees are \$10 per shooter per rifle. I know – at least to those that take the time to read the newsletter – I sound like a broken record (if any of you are old enough to remember those). This range is your facility. Your money paid for it. Nothing happens at the range that doesn't, in some shape or form, cost dollars. This is your range. USE IT. DON'T ABUSE IT.

At one time, I classified myself as a single-issue voter. I was a gun owner and shooter and I vowed to oppose anyone and everyone that threatened my right to exercise that freedom that, to me, was as American as the flag itself. No longer. Whether I have changed or the face of politics in general has changed, there is no longer "just a single issue" that I find abhorrent. I am old enough to remember that associating oneself with the term Communist or Socialist was the absolute political Kiss of Death. Now? Now we have political candidates debating one another – on stage and on television, no less - about what degree of Socialism is best for our country and why capitalism – the system under which this country has flourished for nearly 250 years – is abhorrent! They tell each other why it is so wrong to work hard to achieve the American Dream without giving – GIVING – your hard-earned dollars and work to someone who hates you and your country. No. Hell no. Absolutely not. This country was formed as a democratic republic. We have one party trying to rewrite the rules, trying to change the very foundation of our country. Single issue? Never again.

If liberty means anything at all, it means the right to tell people what they do not want to hear. ~ George Orwell

See you at the range!

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