



**MID-CAROLINA RIFLE CLUB**  
**PO BOX 2528**  
**COLUMBIA, SC 29202-2528**

**Next MEETING LOCATION: Monday, July 11, 2016 starting at 6:30 PM at Murray's in Edenwood Plaza.**

**Reminder #1: Membership renewals are due 60 days before your membership expires to ensure that you do not lose gate access. You cannot renew by EMAIL.**

**Reminder #2: Get your STEEL Targets approved for use at the range. All steel targets must be approved by the CRO.**

### **Matches and upcoming events for July 2016**

July 2	9:30 AM Cowboy Action (Palmetto Posse) – First (1 <sup>st</sup> ) Saturday
July 3	9:00 AM NRA Light Rifle - First (1 <sup>st</sup> ) Sunday
July 9	9:00 AM Buffalo Rifle Match Second (2 <sup>nd</sup> ) Saturday
July 9	10:00 AM USPSA (IPSC) Practical Pistol Second (2 <sup>nd</sup> ) Saturday
July 10	9:00 AM NRA High Power Rifle – Second (2 <sup>nd</sup> ) Sunday
<b>July 11</b>	<b>6:30 PM Meeting at Murray's (2<sup>nd</sup>) Monday</b>
July 16	12:00 PM Metallic Rifle Silhouette – Third (3 <sup>rd</sup> ) Saturday
July 16	10:00 AM Steel Challenge – Third (3 <sup>rd</sup> ) Saturday
July 17	10:30 AM Metallic Pistol Silhouette – Third (3 <sup>rd</sup> ) Sunday
July 17	9:30 AM Cowboy Action (Savannah River Rangers) – Third (3 <sup>rd</sup> ) Sunday
July 23	9:00 AM Black Powder – Fourth (4 <sup>th</sup> ) Saturday
July 23	10:00 AM IDPA Defensive (Carry) pistol – Fourth (4 <sup>th</sup> ) Saturday

### **Matches and upcoming events for August 2016**

August 6	9:30 AM Cowboy Action (Palmetto Posse) – First (1st) Saturday
August 7	9:00 AM NRA Light Rifle - First (1st) Sunday
August 8	6:30 PM Meeting at Murray's (2nd) Monday
August 13	9:00 AM Buffalo Rifle Match Second (2nd) Saturday
August 13	10:00 AM USPSA (IPSC) Practical Pistol Second (2nd) Saturday
August 14	9:00 AM NRA High Power Rifle – Second (2nd) Sunday
August 20	9:00 AM Bullseye 2700 – Third (3rd) Saturday
August 20	12:00 PM Metallic Rifle Silhouette – Third (3rd) Saturday
August 20	10:00 AM Steel Challenge – Third (3rd) Saturday
August 21	9:30 AM Cowboy Action (Savannah River Rangers) – Third (3rd) Sunday
August 21	10:30 AM Metallic Pistol Silhouette – Third (3rd) Sunday
August 27	9:00 AM Black Powder – Fourth (4th) Saturday
August 27	10:00 AM IDPA Defensive (Carry) pistol – Fourth (4th) Saturday
August 28	10:00 AM NCOWS

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Dues payments may be made at the meetings or mailed to P.O. Box 2528, Columbia, SC 29202-2528. If you have questions about dues, please contact Treasurer Patten Watson at 803-463-6533 or email [treasurer@midcarolinarifleclub.com](mailto:treasurer@midcarolinarifleclub.com).

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Report apparent violations of range rules or unsafe or discourteous behavior, with vehicle license tag numbers, to club President Tom Thompson for investigation. If you want the club to continue operation, members must be self-policing in this manner.

Next meeting will be at Murray's in Edenwood Plaza, Cayce on 7/12/2016. It will start at 6:30 PM. Folks start showing up about 5:30 PM to eat before the meeting. Come out and meet some of your fellow members and get involved in your club.

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### Minutes – June 13, 2016

The meeting was called to order around 6:30 PM, by Vice President Linda Chico. There were forty two (42) members and guests in attendance: Gary Gage, Eric Wright, Dave Graley, J.R. Martin, Larry Dodson, Wesley Bommer, Linda Chico, Randy Cady, Roy Johnson, Rhonda Metz, Joe Metz, Roy Mullis, David Davis, A. Ferraro, Zachary Tice, Charles Hedgepath, David White, Susan White, Patten Watson, Phil Folkers, Sam Jones, Steve Bostrom, Jack Rocars, John Rumschik, Michael Dodge, Lee Rouse, C. Puza, Charley Francis, Joshua Kenny, Bill Remington, Jim Boyd, Richard Warkentin, Michael Carr, Johnathan Barker, Andrew Knasas, Dennis Gibbs, Jethro Currie Jr, K. Johnson, Tommy Tipton, E' Lane Tipton, Rob Butler, and Jeff Burge.

Linda Chico called the meeting to order and led the club in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. She also led the club in a prayer.

The minutes of the May meeting were approved by voice vote.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Tom THOMPSON [president@midcarolinarifleclub.com](mailto:president@midcarolinarifleclub.com) (803-755-7397).

Linda Chico reported:

Tom is in the hospital for surgery for lesions on his spinal cord. After surgery he will be moved to Lexington Extended care for rehab. A large part of the duties of the President do not require him to be on the range, those other duties will be handled by Linda for the next few months.

### **VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

Linda Chico reported:

Linda introduced herself to the members.

Linda would like to see more volunteerism. The easiest way to become a bigshot in the club is to

raise your hand and volunteer.

The Range safety brief for new members will be held on June 25, 2016t at 8:30 am.

**REMEMBER \* \* Renewals must be sent in 60 days via postal mail before your membership expires and prior to the meeting to allow all of the information to be processed and to ensure that you do not lose gate access.** You will know you have successfully completed renewal once you get a new validation label for your membership card. Please do not call or email Stephen asking about the status of your renewal if you only sent it a week or two earlier.

**REMINDER:** If you are installing Windows 10, you will need to download and install the current version of Adobe. Microsoft removes Adobe during the Windows 10 install process. Macintosh users must use the most current version of Adobe Reader to process the renewal form. Mobile devices do not work for filling out renewal forms. You must use a PC or a Mac. And you must use the current version of Adobe Reader.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** Gary GAGE [secretary@midcarolinarifleclub.com](mailto:secretary@midcarolinarifleclub.com) (803-622-2111).

Gary Gage reported:

- Sign in log: Everyone at the meeting should sign the log. If you are in the room, your real name should be on the log. Please PRINT your name so that I can read it.
- Match directors: Thank you for providing reports via email. Please get your reports to me before noon on the Monday of the meeting.
- At the last meeting Tom appointed Linda Chico to serve out the remaining VP term. The bylaws require the membership to approve of such appointments. A ballot was sent. Linda was overwhelmingly approved to serve out the remaining term.
- In August I will be appointing a nominating committee. We will need a new club Vice President, and a new Secretary. If there are no volunteers for the nominating committee, I will volunteer members to serve.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Patten WATSON [treasurer@midcarolinarifleclub.com](mailto:treasurer@midcarolinarifleclub.com) (803-463-6533). The official Treasurer's report is filed with the club. Financial information and numbers will not be included in the minutes. The official Treasurer's report will become an addendum to the hard copy of the minutes kept by the club secretary.

Patten is a CPA in SC. If you would like to have more information regarding our finances, please contact him (after the latest IRS deadline if possible).

**CRO/RANGE MAINTENANCE REPORT:** CRO: Roy MULLIS [cro@midcarolinarifleclub.com](mailto:cro@midcarolinarifleclub.com) (803-360-1490. Range Maintenance: Julie HOLLING [jwholling@bellsouth.net](mailto:jwholling@bellsouth.net) (803-755-7397)

Roy Mullis reported:

- No suspensions, mainly because nobody is shooting. It's too hot.
- We get a few shooters in the morning, and then nothing.
- We attended the last gun show with our display, and it was a bust. Very few people at the show. Talked to 20-30 people.
- "Alibi" boxes are now installed on all ranges. Roy has collected lots of dead rounds since installation.
- Please obey the 15mph speed limit when driving on the range. Keep the dust down.

- The mule is down until further notice.
- The water hoses on the range are where they are for a reason. Please do not move them. And do NOT shoot them.

**HIGH POWER RIFLE:** Clay MARSHALL [marshallc@bellsouth.net](mailto:marshallc@bellsouth.net) (803-422-7072) or Chuck McMENAMY [cmcmenary@sc.rr.com](mailto:cmcmenary@sc.rr.com) (Cell: 803-467-8272 and Home 803-708-4306). Linda Chico reported.

Four souls braved the heat on the rifle range today to shoot high power with Sam Jones winning the match with a very good score of 426 4X. We had three beginning shooters with Miles Huggins taking second with a score of 381 3x. Thanks for all the help setting up and putting the targets and stuff away.

High power Rifle, matches are conducted at MCRC on the second Sunday of each month. The match is held on the Hathcock range, with targets at 200 yards and starts at 0900 and usually ends around 1200.

The course of fire is ten (10) rounds slow fire standing, ten (10) rounds rapid fire sitting with one reload required, ten(10) rounds rapid fire prone with reload and twenty (20) rounds slow fire from the prone position, for a total of 50 rounds for score. There is a 5 minute preparation period before each course of fire and sighter shots maybe made.

High power rifle is a good opportunity to learn rifle marksmanship and position shooting while getting instruction from master level competitors. All you need to bring to the match is a rifle, about sixty (60) rounds of ammunition and have a fun time. The primary rifle for the match is the AR family of rifle, while many other rifles are used such as the M1A, Garand, 1903s, bolt rifles that can be reloaded quickly, or other magazine fed rifles. High power is also a very good opportunity for NEW AR owners to learn about their rifle, care, maintenance, use, as certified instructors are at the match and competitors who have shooting the AR for as long as the AR has been around.

So, come on out and see what all the noise is about.

**LIGHT RIFLE:** Larry DODSON [partsshooter@yahoo.com](mailto:partsshooter@yahoo.com) (803-760-0543)  
Larry Dodson reported.

The first Sunday of June, the 5th had 15 shooters for our monthly Light Rifle Match. After thunderstorms at 5am, this was a great turn out! Sunny and humid but good scores were still possible! Of the 15 shooters, we had 3 used Iron/Peep sights; 4 in the Hi-Power class; and 8 used scopes.

In the regular match Clay Marshall was the overall high score with a 375 with a scoped rifle and Miles Huggins was 2nd scope. Jethro Currie Jr was the high Iron/Peep rifle shooter with a 345 with Scott Johnson a close 342. In the Hi-Power class, Joey Hodge shot a 371. Richard Byars shot all prone on the regular target for a 391. All score are attached.

Clay and Richard had a go at the A51 50yd prone target with Clay shooting a 183 out of 200, and Richard with a 163. Thanks to everyone for the help with the set up and put away tasks !!

Light Rifle Matches are held on the first Sunday of each month at 9am. We shoot 40 shots for score at 50 yards; 20 standing; 10 prone; and 10 sitting/kneeling all in 55 minutes. Any .22lr rifle and sights may be used, and slings are allowed. Contact Larry Dodson at [partsshooter@yahoo.com](mailto:partsshooter@yahoo.com) with any questions.

**APPLESEED RIFLE CLINIC:** Tyler SCOTT [appleseedsc@gmail.com](mailto:appleseedsc@gmail.com)

Linda Chico reported:

The June 4, 5 clinic had five shooters and one junior shooter. It was very hot.

The cost for these clinics is \$60 for adults and \$20 for 18 and under. LEO, Military, and elected officials can attend for free. Free slots for MCRC members will be available on a first come first served basis. Please e-mail me if you would like to take advantage of this offer.

Project Appleseed is also offering Known Distance clinics in the region. These clinics allow you to practice apply your shooting skills at distance of up to 1,000 yards. These events are held in Elberton, GA and Ramseur, NC. If you are interested in attending on of these clinics please e-mail me for details.

Further information about upcoming Appleseed Clinics at MCRC and around the country is found at [www.appleseedinfo.org](http://www.appleseedinfo.org), the South Carolina Appleseed Facebook page or by e-mailing me at [appleseedSC@gmail.com](mailto:appleseedSC@gmail.com).

Project Appleseed is a non-profit organization of volunteers that is attempting to reconnect all Americans to their heritage as Riflemen. This is done by recounting the events surrounding April 19, 1775 and the effect that marksmanship had on the history of this country. This is also done by offering first rate, low cost marksmanship training. All are welcome to attend.

**COWBOY ACTION SHOOTING (Palmetto Posse):** Gerald DUNN [gdunn013@gmail.com](mailto:gdunn013@gmail.com) (803-422-5587) or Roger HORTON [roger@adluh.com](mailto:roger@adluh.com) (803-447-0853).

Rhonda Metz reported:

Our June match took place on June 4th in the Cooper bays at MCRC.

The overall top five finishers in June were: 1st Stone Ground, 2nd Palmetto Traveller, 3rd Wateree Kid, 4th Dun Gamblin, 5th Doc Who.

Our list of clean shooters is as follows: Doc Who and Highwayman.

Our next match will be July 2nd and will be Cowboy action only. NO WILD BUNCH due to heat and set up issues. We will look to start the match earlier than usual at 9:15am.

**A MAJOR ANNOUNCEMENT:** EFFECTIVE WITH THE JULY MATCH, STONE GROUND WILL BE THE NEW MATCH DIRECTOR. That's Roger Horton for all you non Cowboy Action shooters. He has been the assistant match director for a couple of years now and has done a fantastic job. I am very excited for the club that he has agreed to take over from me.

We are very open and anxious to have new shooters join in the fun and shoot with us. Anyone interested in additional information or in just "dipping their toes into the gunpowder," please let me know.

Anyone with stage suggestions, please feel free to contact me and let us hear about them.

Any suggestions are always welcome.

Our website is [www.palmettoposse.org](http://www.palmettoposse.org) please visit our site. All match scores will be posted on the website immediately following our matches. Please go to our website and look at our pictures.

Come on out and join us or watch. Match fees are \$12.00, however Buckaroos and first time shooters shoot free. We encourage all new shooters.

**COWBOY ACTION: (Savannah River Rangers)** Joe METZ [jmrm3@sc.rr.com](mailto:jmrm3@sc.rr.com) (803-960-3907)  
Match Director.

Rhonda Metz reported:

- Match was May 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Weather was sunny and warm.
- 24 shooters came out.
- 1<sup>st</sup> – Kid Ray, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Stone Ground, 3<sup>rd</sup> – Knot Hardly Dunn, 4<sup>th</sup> –Hoss Blocker, 5<sup>th</sup> – Shamrock Sadie.
- 7 clean shooters.
- Next match is June 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Registration begins at 8:30, Safety Meeting at 9:30, shoot by 10:00 – we would love to have you come out and see what Cowboy Action is all about!

The monthly Savannah River Rangers Match starts after the Safety Meeting. We always welcome guests and New Shooters who just want to watch. A Cowboy Action Match is a four-gun game, with 2 single action revolvers, a lever action, pistol caliber rifle and a Winchester 97 pump, Winchester 87 lever action shotgun or any Double Barrel Shotgun 12 gauge or 20 gauge. If you do not have everything you need, you can still come on out. There will be plenty of people that will happily loan you their guns or a spare gun or a holster, so that you can have a chance to shoot and try it. Savannah River Rangers shoot the third Sunday of each month. If you would like to come out or are thinking about maybe starting and don't have the equipment, don't worry about it. We have everything that you will need to be able to come out and shoot. The match fee is \$12. Visit the NEW Savannah River Rangers website: [www.savannahriverrangers.com](http://www.savannahriverrangers.com).

**BUFFALO RIFLE MATCH:** Wayne ROBINSON [jwrr@windstream.net](mailto:jwrr@windstream.net) (803-359-0058)

Linda Chico reported:

Our third match of the year started with a beautiful spring morning clear skies & cool temps. Eight shooters entered all the events. Two from Aiken, Scott and Quigley.

Sitting Supported was won by Dave Messmer with a score of 15/15 after winning the shoot off against Jethro Currie and Lyn Denny.

Standing Supported was won by Ken Parks with a 15/15 after winning the shoot off against Jethro and Rick Brewer.

Standing (off hand) was won again by Ken with a score of 13/15 after again winning a shoot off against Jethro.

Grand Aggregate went to Jethro with a score of 43/45. This made up for his losing all the shoot offs. This month's King Target was quite nice and provided by Dave Graley for winning it in March. The King Target match was won by Jethro who now will supply his version of a King target for our next match.

Thanks to all shooters for the help staging the targets and for putting target hardware away the match.

The 2016 match schedule will be run every other month on the 2nd Saturday starting in January.

No recipients for Buffalo Chips this month as no one used black powder. Match director got to eat all the chocolate oats.

See y'all at the next match, July 9th, 2016.

Participants must use period type rifles and sights of 1895 and earlier. Period dress is welcome. Cast lead bullets only. No gas checks allowed. There will be 3 categories: Standing, Standing Supported and Sitting Supported. Entry fees is \$5.00 for each category or \$10.00 for all three. All targets will be engaged at 200 and 100 yards, with five shots on each of three targets. Winner of each category will be the best of 15 shots. Grand Aggregate will be awarded also. Participants may have unlimited sighter shots during a relay on the sighter gong. Current info, scores and pictures can be found on the MCRC web site.

**NATIONAL CONGRESS OF OLD WEST SHOOTISTS (NCOWS):** Dave GRALEY [dlgraley@aol.com](mailto:dlgraley@aol.com) (803-419-2772) – Saluda Saddle Tramps is the South Carolina posse of the National Congress of Old West Shootists.

Dave Graley reported:

The next match is on August 28, 2016. Please stop by and check us out. Details on NCOWS are in the newsletter.

Registration starts at 9:00, a safety meeting at 9:30 and shooting starts around 10:00. If you want to participate, contact Dave Graley. My contact info is in the newsletter.

Check out NCOWS at [www.ncows.org](http://www.ncows.org).

Match fee is \$16.00. If anyone just wants to check us out, please stop by.

If anyone has an interest, please contact Dave GRALEY, aka Okefinokee Outlaw, at 803-419-2772 or [dlgraley@aol.com](mailto:dlgraley@aol.com).

NCOWS uses rules similar to SASS Cowboy matches, but the requirements for weapons and clothing require greater accuracy and attention to period-correct details. There are 2, 3, and 4 gun classes, so anyone with a pre-1900 pistol and lever action rifle, or pistol and shotgun, can participate. The guns can be originals or reproductions, smokeless or black powder. New participants can come as they are, since we realize it takes a long time to acquire the needed clothing and accouterments. Gun carts are optional. There is no overall winner in NCOWS; each class is judged independently. There are 12 available classes including 2, 3, and 4 gun classes.

**USPSA-IPSC PISTOL:** Donnie BRYSON [wdbryson2@windstream.net](mailto:wdbryson2@windstream.net) (803-794-4506)

Linda Chico reported:

We have had two matches since the last meeting. There were 70 shooters at our match in May. Wilbert Spruell from Charleston was the top Open division shooter and Douglas Wilton from Charleston was the high Limited division shooter. Stan Johnson from Graniteville was the only Limited 10 division shooter. MCRC member Bob Bailey topped Production division. Robby Hewitt was the top competitor in Single Stack division. Michael Wingard was the only shooter in Revolver division.

Our June match was this past Saturday with 74 shooters competing. We had our first taste of summer weather, with a high temperature of 92 degrees, but it felt like over 100 in the Cooper bays. Scott Thompson from MCRC was the top Open division shooter and Dewey Hutson from Augusta

was the Limited division winner. Stan Johnson from Graniteville was the only Limited 10 division shooter. Junior shooter Wallace Parker from the Charleston area was the high Production division shooter. In Single Stack division, Mark Sullivan from Augusta was the top competitor. Larry Huey was the only shooter in Revolver division, and Linda Dische was the only competitor in Carry Optics division.

Our next match will be July 9, 2016 and we have started “summer hours” with registration at 8:30 am & shooting starting at 9:00am.

The usual USPSA - IPSC matches are held the second Saturday of each month. We are using online registration which starts the Monday prior to the match. Contact Linda Chico at [LChico@sc.rr.com](mailto:LChico@sc.rr.com) to add your name to the notification list. Sign in at the range starts at 8:30 am. Juniors are free. New shooters are half price (\$8). Set-up for the match is on the preceding day on Friday afternoon. If you are interested in coming out and trying a shooting sport that involves running and gunning, you can start with very nearly any centerfire pistol if you have enough magazines for it.

We are pleading for help in match setup. We need a new Assistant Match Director for USPSA. Donnie has been doing this for twenty years, and is getting a bit tired. We need help.

**2700 PISTOL:** Mike CARR [afvet53@netzero.net](mailto:afvet53@netzero.net) (803-408-0024)  
Mike Carr reported:

We had another full house 12 shooters on May 21st. The match was equally spaced between 3 categories which makes for some close scores and good competition. Our top shooter was Larry McCorkle with a 2407-31x. Top master was Dave Salyer 2276-28x. High Expert was Rick Robison 2391-48x second Randy Earnest 2338-40x. First Sharpshooter was John Patton 2361-43x second Archer Gravely 2303-27x next Isaac McCaskill 2295-23x and Steve Berman 2298-39x. First Marksman was Chance Smith 2156-11x, second was Adam Wysocki 1937-11x next Brett Taylor 1730-8x and Kevin Burns who had gun problems 1453-10x. Next match June 18th.

We shoot at 25 and 50 yards, one handed, and accuracy is the main thing that is stressed – speed will come along. We shoot .22 caliber, center fire (.32 caliber or larger), and .45 caliber so you would need about 100 rounds of each caliber. 2700 Pistol matches, an NRA approved aggregate pistol match, are held the third Saturday of each month from February through November, with registration starting at 8:30 AM, and shooting starting at 9:00 AM. The match fee for a regular match is \$25. You do not have to shoot all 3 parts (.22LR, centerfire, and .45) of the 2700 course in order to compete with the group (\$10 fee for each part).

**METALLIC SILHOUETTE - RIFLE:** Mical BOWLING [mical@blackwolfconsulting.com](mailto:mical@blackwolfconsulting.com)  
(803-359-0058)

Linda Chico reported:

The monthly smallbore rifle silhouette match was held at noon on Saturday the 21st of May. The sky was clear with some clouds and with little wind. Temperatures were initially cool but became quite warm by the end of the day. The sun is now up high enough that there were no shadows and the black targets were clearly visible against the sandy berms.



This was the best turnout this year. Mical won both standard and the hunter rifle matches. First A in both matches went to David Harris from the Savannah River Club. Dennis Eidson gave chase to Mical in the hunter match but could not catch him.

A number of individuals went up the weekend of May 16th to the North Carolina State Silhouette championship held in Asheville. For that match, Mical Bowling had a really good outing. On both days Mical placed 3rd in the entire field which earned him 1st place in the master class on both days. On Sunday Mical missed taking the open championship by 1 point. Also on Sunday, Ed Sharp had the highest score as a super senior in the hunter match.

The next smallbore rifle silhouette match will be held at noon this coming Saturday June 18th.

On the third Saturday of each month, the smallbore rifle silhouette match begins at noon. Set up starts at 10 with sight in and practice after set up is complete. The smallbore hunting rifle match usually begins at 1:30 after a short lunch break.

**METALLIC SILHOUETTE - PISTOL:** Jethro CURRIE, Jr. [CurrieCS2@aol.com](mailto:CurrieCS2@aol.com) (803-731-1284)

Jethro Currie Jr. reported:

We had a very good day. The weather was great, about 75 degrees. As usual, Larry won both matches. As Rick said, we don't seem to be able to beat Larry even in his injured conditions. Rick's second comment, and I'm inclined to agree with him, we're just going to have to help him with his scope adjustments. Good shooting Larry,

I'd like to welcome the Stabergs back. They've been away for a while. We really missed the young members of the family; the old guys, not so much. This time Hayden (12 years old) came with them. As was the case with the other grandsons, Hayden is pleasant, helpful, and fun; the old guys not so much. Hayden helped with resetting targets and painting. He was also very entertaining. He challenged me to several 40 yard foot races. That's when his mean streak showed up. He gave me, in his words, a "5 second" head start. He know all too well I needed at least 30 minutes. Needless to say, he won the races. Michael J. wasn't any better, as he joined Hayden in punishing me. They should learn to let the old men race each other. As Rick said (yeah he was full of wisdom today), if you're going to be stupid, i.e. racing kids, you need to be tough. I'm going to pay for those races tomorrow.

Anyway the shooting match results are attached. Hope to see everyone, especially Hayden and Michael,

**BLACK POWDER MUZZLELOADING:** Jim BOYD [Highlander49@windstream.net](mailto:Highlander49@windstream.net) (803-356-9504) or Sam JONES [JonesiiiS@yahoo.com](mailto:JonesiiiS@yahoo.com) (803-794-5476).

Jim Boyd reported:

We had our impossible shot match: Q-tips, cards, nails into wood, charcoal briquettes, etc. I was lucky to win the match.

Next match will be on June 25<sup>th</sup> and will be a regular paper match.

We shoot 25 to 100 yards using a variety of targets. We welcome anyone who wants to give this discipline a try.

Winning is not nearly as important as getting your gun to shoot properly and having FUN!!!! Come by and watch a match and we will let you shoot a muzzleloader and see if we can get you hooked on black powder!!!!

Black Powder Muzzleloaders shoot the 4th Saturday of the month, from 9:00 AM until about 12:00 noon, except during Deer season when we turn Southern and head for the woods!! The group usually uses paper targets, and follows muzzleloader rules, but they have a lot of fun elements in every match and also host a few novelty matches each year. Round ball with any type of black powder is acceptable, and you can shoot in-lines. They use the silhouette range primarily, and shoot at distances of 25 - 50 - 75 - 100 yards.

**IDPA (INTERNATIONAL DEFENSIVE PISTOL ASSOCIATION):** Match Director: Phil FOLKERS [mercidpa@earthlink.net](mailto:mercidpa@earthlink.net) or [pkfolkers@earthlink.net](mailto:pkfolkers@earthlink.net). (803-414-1324)  
Phil Folkers reported:

We had 41 shooters for our match on May 28.

Tim Fritz was the only Expert in CCP and Andy Newell was the only Marksman. Michael Dawson was the only Novice. Nick Sporinsky shot as an unclassified shooter in CCP.

Colt Driver beat Mike Fowke for first Sharpshooter in CDP. Ken Collins was first Marksman and Don Rawls was second.

Patrick Nolan was first Sharpshooter in ESP. Tom Stidom was second. Len Taylor was first Marksman in ESP and Chris Senn was second. Bill Wahl was the only Novice.

Mike Phillips was the only Revolver shooter.

Bob Bailey was the only Master in SSP. Kevin Ackim was first Expert and had the best overall score. Andrew Metze was second and Greg Flerx was third. Wayne Troutman was first Sharpshooter. Paul Gentner was second and Michael Hayes was third. Joe Magagnoli was first Marksman. Don Lattimore was second and his daughter, Junior shooter Emilie Lattimore was third. Toni Hayes was first Novice. We had 6 unclassified shooters in SSP.

Our next match will be on June 25, 2016. It will be a regular IDPA match. The link to sign up for the match can be found at: <https://practiscore.com> and searching upcoming matches for MCRC IDPA.

Setup will be on Friday afternoon. Setup crew members, Safety Officers and Score Keepers assigned to a squad shoot for free.

IDPA is designed to help you with concealed carry. IDPA gear should be consistent with "carry gear." Please contact Match Director Phil Folkers with questions.

**STEEL CHALLENGE PISTOL:** Jack SUBER [lightningjack@bellsouth.net](mailto:lightningjack@bellsouth.net) (803-790-0825), Dennis COGGINS [damocles1234@hotmail.com](mailto:damocles1234@hotmail.com) (803-732-0663) or Julie HOLLING [jwholling@bellsouth.net](mailto:jwholling@bellsouth.net) (803-755-7397).

Linda Chico reported:

On May 21, we had 27 shooters with 43 firearms. The shooters included six ladies and one new shooter. Travis Brodie led Open with 77.51 seconds. Kevin Ackim won Production in 84.36 seconds. Corey Hayes won Rimfire Pistol Open in 64.12 seconds. He also won Rimfire Rifle Open in 58.81. Scott Deluce won Rimfire Pistol Iron in 71.69 seconds. The Limited, Single Stack and Rimfire Rifle Iron divisions did not have enough competitors to have an official winner.

Our next match is Saturday, June 18. Preregistration thru Practiscore.com is required. Anyone who is not a new shooter will be charged an extra \$5 to register at the range on match day. If you are interested in helping set up for the match and getting a \$10 discount on your match fee, Dennis will be doing set-up on Friday, starting at 5:00 pm. All assistance is appreciated. Registration at the range Saturday starts by 8:30. The match starts when set up is complete, but no earlier than 9:00.

**JUNIORS:** John BUTLER (803-356-6534).

Linda Chico reported:

John Butler has run the junior program for several years. Unfortunately, John is having severe healthy issues and can no longer run the program. We need a replacement.

The director of the Junior program gets a free club membership, must be a club member, and must be an NRA member. Anyone interested please reach out to Linda.

**CIVILIAN MARKSMANSHIP PROGRAM:** Frank HEADLEY [fheadley@onemain.com](mailto:fheadley@onemain.com) (Home 803-776-1226, Cell 803-920-2673)

No report.

**LEGISLATIVE LIAISON:** Rob BUTLER [dawgbutler@gmail.com](mailto:dawgbutler@gmail.com) (803-957-3959)

Rob Butler reported:

The 2015/2016 two year legislative session is now over with respect to any and all gun related bills. There were a total of 61 such bills. Two bills were enacted into law, both pro gun rights.

H. 3799 changes the SC concealed weapon permit (CWP) law to recognize both NC and GA CWPs without regard to background checks or gun safety classes. What this law does as a practical matter is honor GA CWPs, since NC CWPs were already good due to a reciprocity agreement. GA has already decided to honor SC CWPs, which is something GA has been willing to do for years as long as SC honored GA CWPs.

What this law - H. 3799 - also does as a practical matter is weaken support for changing the SC CWP law into one that recognizes all CWPs. Human nature shows people are motivated by selfish desires. So, most people who wanted to carry in GA could be counted upon to support efforts to

make SC a CWP recognition state. Since GA does not require a gun safety class in order to get a CWP, it was not possible to get CWP reciprocity with GA due to SC law. But now, with GA being made a special exception to the SC CWP law, people who only want to carry in GA have no selfish motivation to push for CWP recognition for all states' CWPs. The good old "divide and conquer" strategy lives on in SC. There was an effort made to amend this bill to recognize all CWPs, but there was not enough support even amongst so called pro gun politicians to do so. So, given the choice between fighting for recognition for all CWPs or risking defeat of GA CWP recognition, the choice was made to get GA CWP recognition now.

Personally, I would have pushed to expose the so called pro gun politicians who would have been forced to go on the record as being against CWP recognition for all states. The only way to get a pro gun legislature is to know which politicians are truly pro gun when it counts - when voting on pro gun legislation. Sometimes you need to lose a battle to win the war. But, there are valid pro gun arguments to support both sides.

H. 3545 provides for an innocent owner of a firearm or ammunition (hereafter firearm) found in possession of a felon to get the firearm returned. The law states the law enforcement agency in possession of the firearm must administratively return the firearm and not wait for a court order. Although, that does not mean the law enforcement agency will do so before a court order is issued. All legal proceedings related to the firearm must be finally determined prior to return of the firearm. So, considering how long some legal proceedings take before being finally determined, the firearm might actually become an antique while in law enforcement's custody. There is no provision that the firearm be properly maintained while in law enforcement's custody. So, you might just get back something that resembles a rusted boat anchor more than a firearm (lets hear it for Glocks). An innocent owner will have up to 30 days to retrieve the firearm after being notified to do so. The innocent owner will need to provide proof of ownership in order to take possession of the firearm.

There are reports going around that Sen. Katrina Shealy is not pro gun because she failed to vote in favor of the so called Constitutional Carry bill being pushed by Palmetto Gun Rights (PGR). But, as I have reported before, the so called Constitutional Carry bill pushed by PGR contains UNCONSTITUTIONAL gun control! The SC Supreme Court ruled in 2008 it was unconstitutional to deny 18 to 20 year old adults the same rights and privileges as older adults with respect to being able to possess handguns, and therefore threw out a criminal conviction of an 18 to 20 year old thug for being in possession of a handgun. This is because the SC Constitution prohibits age discrimination amongst adults except for the sale of alcoholic beverages. But, since PGR uses out of state people to draft their proposed legislation, they were not aware of the SC constitutional ruling. Then, after PGR was informed by me of the SC constitutional ruling, PGR decided not to amend their bill. You might want to ask PGR why PGR would include unconstitutional gun control in a so called "constitutional carry" bill. The only answer I was able to get is that they were afraid the bill would not get support if it recognized the SC Constitution's age discrimination provision.

Any time we turn against other gun owners, we weaken the forces needed to fight to protect all of our gun rights. I am old enough to remember when the fight against plastic guns was first started. Some traditional gun owners turned against those gun owners who wanted to possess Glocks. Eventually, plastic guns became mainstream and are currently produced by most major gun manufacturers. Then, we had the fight against those awful black rifles and 30 round magazines, and we lost that fight for ten years. And while we eventually restored our right to possess black rifles

and 30 round magazines, that fight is still being waged again and again in state after state and nationally. So, unless gun owners stick together, we will eventually lose all our rights to keep and bear arms - which means we will lose our right to effective self defense.

I would have voted against PGR's so called Constitutional Carry bill! It contained unconstitutional gun control and needed to be defeated! I will not turn my back on other gun owners just because I am not immediately affected. Just because the bill has a nice name is no excuse for supporting unconstitutional gun control. Remember Pastor Martin Niemöller's famous words "first they came for the ... " with reference to the Nazi efforts to single out one small group after another until there was no one left to help the last group. I refuse to be part of the problem by supporting unconstitutional gun control just because it is a small group being denied their rights. Once you start supporting unconstitutional gun control, where does it end? What principle do you use to decide? Whose ox is gored is not a good "principle" to live by.

What we need to remember is that Sen. Katrina Shealy is the reason we have restaurant carry in SC today. Sen. Shane Massey stated at the senate's public hearing on restaurant carry that the restaurant carry bill was only able to progress because Katrina Shealy replaced Jakie Knotts. Knotts opposed restaurant carry and Shealy supported it. It is the law now only because Sen. Katrina Shealy replaced Knotts and voted for restaurant carry.

So, how should Sen. Katrina Shealy be judged - by her opposition to an unconstitutional gun control bill misnamed as "constitutional carry," or by her support of restaurant carry? Me, I think she voted the right way on both bills. And I think gun owners should reward politicians who actually vote our way, not just fill out a survey the way "right" way.

You might also want to remember that Mike Sturkie was a Jakie Knotts supporter, and is now running against Katrina Shealy - again.

Now, before I turn to a new topic, are there any questions about what has been discussed so far?

I want to say thank you to MCRC for allowing me to be the club's legislative liaison since the position was created many years ago. It has been an honor. I have never known so many good people. But, unfortunately, it is time for me to step down. I have a number of health issues that are causing me too many problems. There are health problems with other family members, too. Due to my personal problems, I have not been able to focus on legislative issues. I no longer read the local newspapers or watch local news. My focus has turned towards self and family. I no longer have that "fire in the belly" to lead the war on those who want to take our right to keep and bear arms away from us. It is time for me to step down and for someone else to step up. I will be happy to teach and help someone else to do this job. I will be willing to draft legislation and analyze legislation for others to lead the push for or against. But, it will need to be others who take the lead. I have loved what I have done, but my time is up. Thank you.

#### **GRASSROOTS UPDATE:**

Patten is the treasurer for Grassroots. A membership drive is underway. See Patten for details.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Rhonda Metz announced that Gerald Dunn has stepped down as Match Director for the Palmetto Posse. Roger Horton has volunteered to be the new Match Director.

Rhonda requested that the membership approve Roger. A motion was made, seconded and carried on a voice vote. The change in Match Directors is effective immediately.

**Information on CWP Classes and Shooting Instruction:**

Details on available CWP Classes and other shooting instruction availability is below.

**NEW MEMBERS:**

Seven (7) new members were voted into the club:

Doris E. Barker, Jonathan Lewis Barker, Joshua R. Kenny, Andrius Benediktas Knasas, Zachary Allen Tice, David Keith White and Susan Marie White.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

**VOLUNTEERS:**

Volunteers are needed to help set up the Friday before the USPSA IDPA and Steel Challenge matches. Most of the match directors would welcome any assistance. You do not have to be a participant in the match the next day to help. Please get involved in the operation of the club. Contact one of the match directors in this newsletter and volunteer to help.

**TARGET STANDS**

Order metal target stands from Roy Mullis. Contact Roy at 803-360-1490 or by email at [cro@midcarolinarifleclub.com](mailto:cro@midcarolinarifleclub.com).

**CWP & SHOOTING INSTRUCTION&SERVICES**

**DISCOUNT CWP CLASSES:** Paul PETERS (803-356-1728 home and 803-665-5241 cell).

Currently scheduled classes: Dec. 12, Jan. 16, Feb. 13. Time, location: 8AM to 5:30 in the MCRC classroom with about an hour in the Qualification Bay. MCRC members, their spouses, and their dependent children 18 to 23 years of age, living in the same household may take the class at a \$20 discount each. Class fee is \$60. There is also a range fee of \$5, imposed by MCRC. Bring ear protection, eye protection, a handgun that functions well, 50 rounds of factory ammunition (NO homemade reloads), a strong-side belt holster, and a sturdy belt. Wear jeans or pants with belt loops that accommodate the belt. Bring a lunch, snacks, and something to drink. Bring proof of current MCRC membership [i.e., a current membership card or (for new members) your range briefing form or your copy of the range rules signed and dated by your range briefer]. If you know anyone who is not an MCRC member but wants to take the CWP class, he or she is welcome. A nonmember's cost is \$80. For additional information, contact Paul.

**NRA INSTRUCTOR & ADVANCED SHOOTER CLASSES:** Frank HEADLEY, NRA Senior Training Counselor, GLOCK Firearms Instructor, [fheadley@onemain.com](mailto:fheadley@onemain.com) (803-920-2673); P.E. MORRIS, NRA Training Counselor, [pmorris2@sc.rr.com](mailto:pmorris2@sc.rr.com) (803-446-5504); Linda HEADLEY, NRA Training Counselor, [fheadley@onemain.com](mailto:fheadley@onemain.com) (803-776-1226); Debbie MORRIS, NRA Certified Instructor/Refuse To Be A Victim Instructor, [pmorris2@sc.rr.com](mailto:pmorris2@sc.rr.com) (803-776-2984)

UTAH (30 state) Concealed Carry Permit Adds 8 states to your SC permit for 36 states!

NRA Basic Instructor & NRA Basic Pistol Instructor Course – This course will prepare you to teach an NRA Basic Pistol course, using the NRA method, focusing on safe use, cleaning, and storage of a revolver or semi-auto pistol. Class is open to anyone who has a working knowledge of handguns. Completion will allow you to apply to SLED to become a CWP Instructor.

NRA Rifle or NRA Basic Pistol Instructor Class – Dates to be announced. Call for details.

NRA Advanced Shooter/Instructor Classes:

NRA Personal Protection Inside The Home – Course designed to teach advanced shooting techniques to stay safe at home. You will learn techniques that there is no time to teach in a CWP class. Open to CWP holders and non-CWP holders who are proficient in basic handgun skills. One day class.

NRA Personal Protection Outside The Home – The Basic and Advanced Personal Protection Outside The Home courses are designed to teach advanced concealed carry and shooting techniques to stay safe in public. You will learn techniques that there is no time to teach in a CWP class. Basic (one day). Advanced (5 hours minimum).

NRA Personal Protection Outside The Home will be offered to NRA Instructors and advanced shooters. Prerequisites for NRA Instructors are NRA Basic Pistol and NRA Personal Protection In The Home. Non-instructors who are proficient in handgun skills must take NRA Personal Protection In The Home. Instructors must take the prerequisites. NRA Instructors and Training Counselors must take the student version of NRA Personal Protection Outside the Home before taking the Instructor course.

**NRA INSTRUCTOR, ADVANCED CLASSES, & CWP:** Paladin Services LLC is Joseph KATZ (NRA Training Counselor, SLED Certified CWP Instructor, and NRA Certified Advanced Pistol Instructor and Training Counselor) and Janet KATZ (NRA Training Counselor, SLED Certified CWP Instructor, and NRA Certified Advanced Pistol Instructor and Training Counselor), [paladin@busman.com](mailto:paladin@busman.com) (803-783-0590).

NRA Pistol Instructor special course package: NRA Basic Instructor Training, NRA Pistol Instructor, and NRA Home Firearm Safety Instructor course package on June 25-26, 2016. The course qualifies instructors to teach the NRA Basic Pistol and Home Firearm Safety classes, and to apply to SLED for certification as SC CWP instructors.

NRA Personal Protection in the Home Instructor training class will be offered May 28, 2016, for current NRA Pistol Instructors who wish to add the NRA Personal Protection instructor series courses. Call Joseph KATZ (803-783-0590) or email [paladin@busman.com](mailto:paladin@busman.com) with your phone number(s) so we can prequalify you for the class, determine your needs, and answer your questions.

NRA Range Safety Officer Training, an essential course for all trainers and support staff, will be offered on Saturday, July 23, 2016.

SC CWP, Florida CWP, and SC CWP Legal Update. MCRC members, family and friends who already have a CWP and would like to be certified in the new law are invited to take an update “Legal Aspects of the SC CWP” from Paladin Services on June 4 or August 6, 2016. Members may also want to take a refresher on “Firearms Safety and Operations” and get certified for the SC CWP and Florida CWP on the same dates. Please contact Joseph KATZ (803-783-0590) or email [paladin@busman.com](mailto:paladin@busman.com) with your phone number(s) so we can answer your questions.

Defensive Shotgun course on October 15, 2016, will help you learn how to protect your home and family using a basic shotgun.

Home Defense class, July 16, 2016, takes you beyond the CWP and handgun basics to help you develop strategies so you can protect yourself and your family from home invasion.

Defensive Handgun 1 is offered May 21, 2016, and Defensive Handgun 2 on June 18, 2016, to enhance your shooting skills and your ability to defend yourself while carrying concealed because the real world outside your home is infinitely more complex.

Personal Training is useful for both new shooters and experienced shooters to overcome fear of firearms or to hone your marksmanship skills. Scheduled by appointment on weekday afternoons from 1-3 or 3-5 p.m.

Go to the Paladin Services LLC website [www.paladin.busman.com](http://www.paladin.busman.com) for detailed training information and schedule for CWP, advanced classes, and personal training.

**PALMETTO DEFENSE FIRE ARMS TRAINING:** Dennis J. RYBICKI Sr. – South Carolina Concealed Weapons Permit Instructor. NRA Certified Pistol, Rifle Instructor, and NRA Range Safety Officer with over 33 years Firearms Instructor experience. Palmetto Defense will be conducting SC CWP and Florida CCW Classes – call 803-315-2456.

We also offer one on one and groups firearms training. Palmetto Defense offers a \$20.00 discount to MCRC members. For information please contact Dennis by phone at 803-315-2456 or at e-mail [drybicki@palmettodefense.com](mailto:drybicki@palmettodefense.com). You can also visit our website [www.palmettodefense.com](http://www.palmettodefense.com) for additional information and application.

### **DEFENDER FIREARMS TRAINING**

Defender Firearms Training is Tommy and E'Lane Tipton. Located in the Redbank Crossing Shopping Center, Lexington, they offer firearms training for all levels: Introduction to pistol shooting, CWP and post-CWP defensive shooting instruction. They are authorized providers of EAR, Inc. custom molded hearing protection. Match directors: Want to offer hearing protection made on-site? Call to discuss. Hours are Tues-Fri 10am – 4pm and by appointment. 803-807-0087. Web site is [www.tegotactical.com](http://www.tegotactical.com).

### **CLARK'S BULLETS BY SCARLETT**

Clark's Bullets by Scarlett is owned by E'Lane Tipton, aka Scarlett Darlin' and manufactures 13 sizes/calibers of hard cast bullets. Perhaps you saw the display of her bullets on the MCRC table at the April gun show? While most of her customers are cowboy action shooters, she does have bullets (9mm, .40 & .45 ACP) for the 3-Gun or other competitive shooter. The shop is located at 1070 G South Lake Drive, in the Redbank Crossing Shopping Center. Sample packs of bullets are available for sale. For more information, please visit [www.clarksbullets.com](http://www.clarksbullets.com) or call/email E'Lane at 843-833-0770 or [clarksbullets@gmail.com](mailto:clarksbullets@gmail.com),

Yes, SHE makes the bullets!

### **SUAREZ INTERNATIONAL CLASSES**

JD Lester ([jdlester@live.com](mailto:jdlester@live.com))

MCRC member J.D. Lester ([jdlester@live.com](mailto:jdlester@live.com)) teaches classes for Suarez International ([www.suarezinternational.com](http://www.suarezinternational.com)).

### **SELF DEFENSE (CWP) CONCEALED CARRY TRAINING CENTER**

We have a group of NRA and SLED Certified Instructors who have either retired from the Armed Forces or are currently serving. Our principal Instructor James D."Jim" Jones served more than 20 years in the active Army Infantry branch, having taught thousands of combat soldiers and civilians small arms training and tactics since 1967.



Our training center is conveniently located in West Columbia. We specialize in South Carolina, Utah and Florida CWP and CFP training. We also offer abbreviated Military and Law Enforcement Officer (MIL/LEO) "South Carolina Legals Only Training" each scheduled CWP class.

Our class teaches the safe operation and use of the personal firearm for the Law Abiding Citizen with a emphasis on "reality scenarios" about real life situations and proper interaction with law enforcement, designed to give YOU the legal advantage if ever involved in a Self Defense shooting. We believe and teach that knowing "when to shoot is at least as important as how to shoot". Furthermore, we complete your fingerprints and paperwork and deliver your completed CWP application to SLED for processing.

Come JOIN US for CWP training designed to SAVE YOUR LIFE!

Call Jim at 803-361-3742 or visit our website with complete calendar of scheduled classes and information. [www.selfdefensecwp.com](http://www.selfdefensecwp.com)

### **OTHER STUFF:**

#### **For those interested in Leathercraft:**

Tandy Leather has relocated to Parkland Shopping Center near Bi-Lo and Tru Value Hardware.

**THE GREAT UN GUN DEBATE:** President Tom Thompson has two copies of the NRA's "The Great UN Gun Debate" available for loan. It is the debate between the NRA's Wayne LaPierre and the International Action Network on Small Arms' Rebecca Peters. If you are interested, please contact one of us at 803-755-7397. If no one has borrowed them at the time of the meeting, we will have them available.