



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

MEETING LOCATION: Monday, March 14, 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 March 2016

March 5 9:30 AM Cowboy Action (Palmetto Posse) – First (1st) Saturday
March 6 9:00 AM NRA Light Rifle - First (1st) Sunday
March 12 9:00 AM Buffalo Rifle Match Second (2nd) Saturday
March 12 10:00 AM USPSA (IPSC) Practical Pistol Second (2nd) Saturday
March 13 9:00 AM NRA High Power Rifle – Second (2nd) Sunday
March 14 6:30 PM Meeting at Murray's (2nd) Monday
March 19 10:30 AM Metallic Rifle Silhouette – Third (3rd) Sunday
March 19 9:30 AM Cowboy Action (Savannah River Rangers) – Third (3rd) Sunday
March 19 9:00 AM Bullseye 2700 – Third (3rd) Saturday
March 20 12:00 PM Metallic Pistol Silhouette – Third (3rd) Saturday
March 20 10:00 AM Steel Challenge – Third (3rd) Saturday
March 26 9:00 AM Black Powder – Fourth (4th) Saturday
March 26 10:00 AM IDPA Defensive (Carry) pistol – Fourth (4th) Saturday

Matches and upcoming events for April 2016

April 2 9:30 AM Cowboy Action (Palmetto Posse) – First (1st) Saturday
April 3 9:00 AM NRA Light Rifle - First (1st) Sunday
April 9 9:00 AM Buffalo Rifle Match Second (2nd) Saturday
April 9 10:00 AM USPSA (IPSC) Practical Pistol Second (2nd) Saturday
April 10 9:00 AM NRA High Power Rifle – Second (2nd) Sunday
April 11 6:30 PM Meeting at Murray's (2nd) Monday
April 16 9:00 AM Bullseye 2700 – Third (3rd) Saturday
April 16 12:00 PM Metallic Rifle Silhouette – Third (3rd) Saturday
April 16 10:00 AM Steel Challenge – Third (3rd) Saturday
April 17 10:30 AM Metallic Pistol Silhouette – Third (3rd) Sunday
April 17 9:30 AM Cowboy Action (Savannah River Rangers) – Third (3rd) Sunday
April 23 9:00 AM Black Powder – Fourth (4th) Saturday
April 23 10:00 AM IDPA Defensive (Carry) pistol – Fourth (4th) Saturday
April 30 10:00 AM NCOWS

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Tom Thompson, President, 803-755-7397, president@midcarolinarifleclub.com

Stephen Smith, Vice President, 803-993-8118, vp@midcarolinarifleclub.com (membership issues)

Gary Gage, Secretary, 803-622-2111, secretary@midcarolinarifleclub.com (newsletter issues)

Website: <http://www.midcarolinarifleclub.com/>

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 Vice President Stephen Smith at 803-993-8118 or vp@midcarolinarifleclub.com

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 3/14/2016. 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.

Minutes – February 8, 2016

The meeting was called to order around 6:45 PM, by Vice President Stephen Smith. There were forty three members and guests in attendance: Stephen Smith, Gary Gage, Jay Anderson, Nancy Anderson, Dave Graley, Charles R. Schenck, Kyle Collins, Bret Mealing, Dave Messner, Jack Regus, Roy Johnson, Carolyn Freeman, Carl Freeman, William Richardson, Deborah Easterling, Roy Mullis, Larry Dodson, Jethro Currie Jr., Tina Fiorey, Bob Fiorey, A Ferraro, April Nguyen, James Adkins, Dave Pittman, Jim Boyd, Alex Adkins, Rick Hurst, Carley Francis, Brad Armstrong, Eric Kaufman, Michael Carr, Ben Mayberry, Jimmy Armstrong, Tony Herrera, Steven Harris, Robert Molehan and six illegible names.

Stephen Smith called the meeting to order and led the club in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. He also led the club in a prayer.

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

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

Stephen Smith reported:

Tom is unable to attend the meeting this evening, but sent the following:

Sorry everyone, but I am unable to attend this month's meeting. I may not be able to attend next month either.

Good News, no suspensions or disciplinary actions for range rule violations were necessary since last meeting.

So that everyone knows what is going on with me I will give you the story.

It appears that sometime before last month's meeting I experienced what is called a "Silent" heart attack. No pain, just some discomfort that I attributed to back pain. A few days later when I was preparing to come to the range for the USPSA match setup, I passed out at home. I didn't hit anything and just damaged my pride. I got up went to the range and prepared the range boxes before being run off by the other folks setting up the match. I began experiencing shortness of breath and went to the doctor (because my wife is smarter than I). The doctor performed some tests and I went home. A few days later I went back to the doctor and after more tests he called a cardiologist who said I was to meet him at the emergency room at Providence hospital. I was admitted and immediately placed in ICU. After a few days, they transferred me to a room on the cardiac care floor of the hospital. I remained in the hospital for 12 days. The surgeons did not want to perform surgery until my heart has had some time to heal and get stronger.

At this time I am scheduled to have triple bypass surgery on Feb 24th, at this time they will also attempt to repair a hole that developed between two of the chambers of my heart.

I am at home, but wearing a defibrillator strapped to my chest and back. I also cannot drive, lift, or do much of anything except walk, and perform breathing exercises. The rest of my time is spent on the computer and sitting in front of the idiot box. I am learning way more than I ever wanted to know about the various candidates for president.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Stephen SMITH vp@midcarolinarifleclub.com (803-993-8118)

Stephen Smith reported:

- Renewals are current.
- Upgrade to the new website is nearing completion.
- 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. You must use Adobe Reader.
- Mobile devices do not work for filling out renewal forms. You must use a PC or a Mac. Mac users MUST use the actual Adobe Reader.
- The Safety Brief for new members will be on 2/27/16 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.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT: Gary GAGE 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 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.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Patten WATSON 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 (803-360-1490). Range Maintenance: Julie HOLLING jwholling@bellsouth.net (803-755-7397)

Roy Mullis reported:

- Cooper Bay #6 is ready for use.
- Going to start work on Cooper Bay #5 to try to cut down on the water issues.
- Been working on the entrance to the Range.
- Trying to get a table for the March Gun Show.
- Match Directors: If you dig a hole in the Cooper Bays, FILL IT IN.
- Took a trip to Fort Bragg to visit my son. When I returned, found bullet tracks on the Hathcock Range. DO NOT FIRE INTO THE GROUND!!!!
- The official Range Cat enjoys chasing clay pigeons. She doesn't like fifteen at once.

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

No report.

Our Next Match is scheduled for Sunday February 14th Bring your Valentine!!!!

LIGHT RIFLE: Larry DODSON partsshooter@yahoo.com (803-760-0543)

Larry Dodson reported.

The February Light Rifle Match was Held on the 7th, at 9am with 13 shooters. We had 4 new shooters: Murray Hoskins; Doug Bazil; Kelvin Staley; and Carter Linderman (junior), welcome all!!

There were 4 shooters using Iron/Peep sights; 1 in the Hi-Power class and 8 used scoped rifles. For being in the low 40's with a light wind and cloudy, we had a good turnout.

In the regular match Larry Dodson was the winner with a 378 score, Clay Marshall was 2nd with 376; both scoped rifles. Scott Johnson was the high Iron/Peep shooter with a 360. Some notable scores: Lucas Erwin shot in the Hi-Power class, 1st target all standing was a 361, then 2nd was all prone with a 394. Scott Johnson shot all prone in his 2nd target with a 388, and Clay Marshall shot a perfect 400 prone. I ordered the 50yd Prone Only A-51 targets, we should have them for next month.

We shoot Light Rifle Matches on the first Sunday of each month at 9am. Any .22lr rifle can be used, and the course of fire is 40 shots for score. Twenty are shot standing; 10-prone; and 10 sitting/kneeling; with all the sighter shots you need in 55 minutes. Slings are allowed in the prone and sitting/kneeling positions.

Next match is on Sunday, March 6, 2016

Contact Larry Dodson: partsshooter@yahoo.com for any questions.

APPLESEED RIFLE CLINIC: Tyler SCOTT appleseedsc@gmail.com

No report.

Dates for 2016 are June 4, 5 and October 1,2.

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, the South Carolina Appleseed Facebook page or by e-mailing me at 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 (803-422-5587) or Roger HORTON roger@adluh.com (803-447-0853).
Stephen Smith reported:

Our February match took place on February 6th in the Cooper bays at MCRC. As we had previously announced, this match was set up as a cowboy action match with no Wild Bunch. Anyone with additional feedback on the subject of our holding Wild Bunch and cowboy action matches on alternating months, we invite your input. We will continue this with a Wild Bunch match in March. As in January the March match will be a combination WB/Cowboy action with the set up being a Wild Bunch set up and separate stages written for the cowboys.

The overall top five finishers in the Feb. match were: 1st Kid Ray, 2nd Shamrock Sadie, 3rd Bulls Head Bill, 4th Cowboy Junky, 5th Stone Ground.

Clean shooters were: Rim Shot and Gray Dawg

Please keep in mind that MCRC/Palmetto Posse will host a Wild Bunch match on March 5th. Please come out and try it out or just watch. For questions, please feel free to call or email me. I have it on good authority that Sgt. Dork will be at the match and will be shooting it. (Ladies, please try and control yourselves)

Those cowpokes and cowgirls interested in Wild Bunch matches, please remember we will have Wild Bunch on the First Saturday in January, March, and May. .38 cal. Rifles will be allowed. If attendance is good, that will continue on the same odd month scheduling. Cowboys are welcome to come and shoot with us. There will be cowboy scenarios written for them

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 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 (803-960-3907)
Match Director.

Stephen Smith reported:

- No match, cancelled due to rain.
- Next Match is February 21st.
- 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.

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

No report.

Next match is on March 12, 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 (803-419-2772) – Saluda Saddle Tramps is the South Carolina posse of the National Congress of Old West Shootists.
Dave Graley reported.

Our next match is on February 14, 2016. Come on out and watch us try to rescue the wrongly convicted hanging man.

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.

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.

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 (803-794-4506)
Stephen Smith reported:

There have been no matches since the last meeting. We will have a match this upcoming Saturday (February 13) and it will be a special classifier match.

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 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.

2700 PISTOL: Mike CARR afvet53@netzero.net (803-408-0024)

Mike Carr reported:

No report. Our 2016 season starts on February 20th.

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
(803-359-0058)

Stephen Smith reported:

The monthly smallbore rifle silhouette match was held at noon on Saturday the 16th of January. Skies were clear with little wind. For a January day in winter the temperatures warmed up nicely.

The berms were a bit dark from the rain the day before and spots on the range were still muddy. Mical won both matches but Dennis nearly caught Mical in the hunter match. First A in both the Standard match and the Hunter match went to Jason Hall from the Savannah River club. Because of guests from the Savannah River club we had the best turn out in quite some time.

The next smallbore rifle silhouette match will be at noon on Saturday February 20th.

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 (803-731-1284)

Stephen Smith reported:

It was a cold rainy day. The only idiot, I mean dedicated shooter, to show up was me. I had a perfect match, didn't miss a single target. You'll have to take my word for it. Sure you will. The other possibility is the match was canceled due to the weather. You decide which story, or lie, to believe.

Hope to see all of you in February.

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

Jim Boyd reported:

A very frigid match with only three shooters. No official scores were kept, but a good time was had by all.

Next match is on February 27.

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 mrcidpa@earthlink.net or pkfolkers@earthlink.net. (803-414-1324)
Stephen Smith reported:

My report is I have no report other than the January match was cancelled due to heavy rain on the Friday before the match, muddy conditions on the Cooper Bays and the threat of more bad weather on Saturday. Our next match is on February 27th.

If any IDPA member would like to design a stage please email it to me, and if it is feasible, we'll add it to an upcoming match. I welcome your comments and suggestions.

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 (803-790-0825), Dennis COGGINS damocles1234@hotmail.com (803-732-0663) or Julie HOLLING jwholling@bellsouth.net (803-755-7397).
Stephen Smith reported:

On January 16, we had 30 shooters with 51 firearms. The shooters included four ladies and two new shooters. Nick McAllister won Open with 74.54 seconds. He also won Rimfire Pistol Iron in 71.88 seconds. Jack Gassaway led Limited in 89.62 seconds. Andrew Metze won Production in 86.71 seconds. Corey Hayes won Rimfire Pistol Open in 63.97 seconds. He also won Rimfire Rifle Open in 63.56. The Single Stack and Rimfire Rifle Iron divisions did not have enough competitors to have an official winner.

Our next match is Saturday, February 20. 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, Donnie will be doing set-up on Friday, February 19, the time to be determined later. Registration at the range Saturday starts by 9:30, and the match starts at 10:00.

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

No Report. John's health continues to deteriorate, so we will need someone to take over the Junior

program. John is working with someone that will perhaps step into the role.

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

No Report.

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

No Report.

GRASSROOTS UPDATE:

No Report.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

Information on CWP Classes and Shooting Instruction:

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

NEW MEMBERS:

There were twenty three (23) new members voted into the club:

Alex Chong Adkins, Tierney (Kirstien) Adkins, Bradford Neal (Brad) Armstrong, Christopher David (Chris) Carter, James William (Jim) Carter, Halie H. Gardner, Robert Michael (Rob) Gardner, Steven Wayne Harris, Gretchen E. Herrera, Tony U. Herrera, John (Eric) Kaufmann, Benjamin (Andy) Mayberry, Kimberly D. (Kim) Mayberry, Angie W. Mealing, Bret Mitchell Mealing, David Edward (Dave) Messmer, Arthur C. (Chet) Mittendorf, Robert Molchan, Lamvien T. (April) Nguyen, John David (Dave) Pittman, Cynthia M. (Cindy) Remington, William L. (Bill) Remington, and William Olen (Bill) Richardson.

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.

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 (803-920-2673); P.E. MORRIS, NRA Training Counselor, pmorris2@sc.rr.com (803-446-5504); Linda HEADLEY, NRA Training Counselor, lheadley@onemain.com (803-776-1226); Debbie MORRIS, NRA Certified Instructor/Refuse To Be A Victim Instructor, 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 (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 March 26-27, 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 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, April 16, 2016. NRA Chief Range Safety Officer training will be offered to NRA certified instructors and RSOs on April 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 March 5 or April 2, 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 with your phone number(s) so we can answer your questions.

Defensive Shotgun course on April 30, 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 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. You can also visit our website 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.

Clark’s Bullets is now “Clark’s Bullets by Scarlett” owned by Tego Tactical, LLC. The email address for information on availability and pricing is clarksbullets@gmail.com.

SUAREZ INTERNATIONAL CLASSES

JD Lester (jdlester@live.com)

MCRC member J.D. Lester (jdlester@live.com) teaches classes for Suarez International (www.suarezinternational.com). On February 26-28, 2016 there will be an Advanced Rifle Gunfighting class at MCRC. Contact JD for details.

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

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.