



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

NEXT MEETING: Monday, April 12, 2021, 6:30 PM at Murray's in Edenwood Plaza.

Reminder #1: Membership renewals are due 60 days before your membership expires. 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 schedule

Cowboy Action – Palmetto Posse	1 st Saturday	9:00am
Small bore Rifle	1 st Saturday	9:00am
NRA Light Rifle	1 st Sunday	9:00am
USPSA (IPSC) Practical Pistol	2 nd Saturday	9:00am
NRA High Power Rifle	2 nd Sunday	9:00am
NCOWS (no match 2 nd Sunday in November)	2 nd Sunday & 5 th Saturday	9:45am
MCRC Meeting at Murray's	2nd Monday	6:30pm
Precision Pistol (Feb – Nov)	3 rd Saturday	9:00am
Steel Challenge	3 rd Saturday	10:00am
Metallic Rifle Silhouette	3 rd Saturday	12:00pm
Cowboy Action – Savannah River Rangers	3 rd Sunday	9:30am
Black Powder	4 th Saturday	9:00am
IDPA Defensive (Carry) pistol	4 th Saturday	10:00am

SPECIAL EVENTS:

Appleseed clinic – April 17-18

Appleseed clinic – October 2-3

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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 duck.tail@yahoo.com.

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

Minutes – March, 2021

There were thirty-one (31) members and guests in attendance:

Roy Mullis	Linda Chico	Rhonda Metz	Joe Metz
?	Kim Wales	Richard Boyd	Eric Wright
Nelson Thompson	Chuck Schenck	Julie Hollilng	Robert Johnson
Tom Glynn	Lee Rouse	Rick Massimo	Allen Kinard
Charles Hedgpath	Robert Marcotulli	Ruth Marcotulli	Roy Mefford
Regena Sellers	Ralph Sellers	George Henderson	Joe Shahoud
Mike Mancari	Derrick Hernandez	Kody Hernandez	Leanne Shannon
Patten Watson	Stephen Jones	Matt Hintz	

Roy Mullis 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 from the last meeting were approved by voice vote.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT: Roy Mullis, roym788@gmail.com, 803-360-1490
Roy Mullis reported.

Major changes to the gate system are coming. There will be a new computer system that will require a change to everyone’s code. Your code itself will be the same but how you enter it will be different. When this takes place, all members will be notified. A sign will also be placed at the gate with instructions. There will be new keypads that will also be a card scanner, so we will eliminate the PVC pipe posts.

Guns America has a list of companies/CEO’s who are anti gun. Check out the list, if you are interested.

There is another change to the rules that will help with identifying which targets can be shot where. The regular listed targets were paper, cardboard, fruit, vegetables, clay pigeons, and wood block 4” on a side. These were allowed in most bays. Plastic bottles and tin cans were only allowed in the plinking bay and the Cooper bays. All these will now be allowed in all bays except 2700 and the Plate bay. They are now described as “Basic” targets for simplicity. All the posted rules are being replaced in the bays.

VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT: Linda Chico, lchico@sc.rr.com, 803-629-7095.
Linda Chico reported.

Over the last 2 months there has been a sharp increase in the number of attempts to log in to the

administrative area of the MCRC website. The frequency of the failed attempts (up to 24 attempts from a unique IP address - resulting in lockdowns after every 3rd failed attempt) and the location of the IP addresses (Afghanistan, Russia, China, etc) indicate the use of bots and malicious intent. similar attacks occur for nearly every website, for businesses and group both large & small. I am thankful our website no longer stores membership lists and databases on the website.

Please remember to contact me by phone, email or text message if you have questions about your membership (renewals, credits, forms needed, etc). If you cannot get the renewal to print, contact me. And Roy always has hard copies available at the range. We both bring extra copies to the meeting.

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. You will know you have successfully completed renewal once you get a new membership card. Please do not call or email Patten asking about the status of your renewal if you only sent it a week or two earlier. If you are using an Apple mobile device to complete a renewal form, you may need to install an Adobe Forms App (available free in the App Store).

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Rhonda Metz, secretary@midcarolinarifleclub.com, 803-315-5576.
Rhonda Metz reported.

If there are any changes or corrections to the newsletter, please bring them to my attention. The sign in sheets by the door are for everyone in attendance. This does include those wanting to join the club tonight. PLEASE print your name so that I can read it. Thank you!

TREASURER'S REPORT: Patten Watson, duck.tail@yahoo.com, 803-463-6533.
Patten reported.

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: Kim Wales walesk3@gmail.com 803-760-3670
Range Maintenance: Julie Holling, jwholling@bellsouth.net, 803-755-7397.
No report.

COWBOY ACTION SHOOTING - Palmetto Posse: Charles Fortner cfortner@yahoo.com 803-603-2278.
No report.

The Palmetto Posse is a Cowboy Action club that shoots every first Saturday in the Jeff Cooper bays matches start with a safety meeting at 9:30 am. Then we'll start shooting around 10:00 am. And finish around 1:30 pm. After the match we head to Murray's for lunch.

SMALLBORE PRONE RIFLE Richard Byers, mrcrsmallbore@gmail.com, 803-240-9678.
Roy Mullis read the report.

We had a good match today. We started with 11 competitors and ended with 10.

We ended with 7 Sling and 3 F-class competitors.

Sling

1st - Richard Byars 1196-082X

2nd - Mike Garrett 1194-070X

3rd - Bob Clark 1191-067X

F-Class

1st - Tony Herstine 1171-053X

2nd - Josh Aycock 1147-039X

3rd - Ken Aycock 1119-023X

NRA LIGHT RIFLE: Robert Shaffner, Robert_shaffner@yahoo.com, 330-409-3799.

No report.

Match Description: The Light Rifle competition is a club level event based on the NRA Light Rifle series. .22 LR rifles are fired from 3 different positions; 10 shots prone, 10 shots sitting or kneeling, and 20 shots offhand. Held the 1st Sunday of each month, starting at 9AM, we shoot twice. Any and all are welcome. There is a wealth of experience available to assist with the match as well as a variety of equipment used (just about any .22 rifle will work!) We hope you'll come out and enjoy the comradery & competition.

USPSA-IPSC PISTOL: Mike Wingard, mhw_uspsa@yahoo.com, 803-521-0886; Derrick Hernandez, rangeraa45@gmail.com, 910-580-8343; or Joe Magagnoli, jcm331@gmail.com, 610-509-7627.

Derrick Hernandez reported.

We had near freezing rain for both setup on Friday & at the match on Saturday. We had 7 dedicated people show up for setup: Derrick Hernandez, Mike Wingard, Joe Magagnoli, Aaron Banks, Brittany Frohnhoefer, Seth Feaster, and Linden Burnstein. We had 8 shooters at the competition on Saturday. Mike Wilkerson from Charleston was the overall winner. Our next USPSA match is Saturday and will be a special classifier match. All 6 stages will be a national classifier course, so that competitors can earn or upgrade a classification.

No USPSA local match in April at MCRC The Area 6 regional championship match is being held just north of Charlotte NC & nearly all our shooters are shooting or working the 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 LChico@sc.rr.com to add your name to the notification list. Sign in at the range starts at 9:30 am. Shooting starts at 10:00 am. Juniors are free. New shooters are half price (\$11). 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.

NRA HIGH POWER RIFLE: Clay Marshall, marshallc@bellsouth.net, 803-695-0300 or Scott Johnson, scottjohnson641@gmail.com.

February match was rained out. Next match is March 14th.

NATIONAL CONGRESS OF OLD WEST SHOOTISTS (NCOWS): Henry Schlein, henryschlein@yahoo.com, 843-821-9999 or Dave Graley, Assistant Match Director, dlgraley@aol.com 803-403-4792.– **South Carolina Old West Shootists Association of NCOWS.**

The South Carolina Old West Shootists' regularly scheduled match for Sunday, February 14, 2021 St. Valentine's Day, was postponed due to bad weather. Our posse normally does not hold matches in the rain for safety concerns (the range gets muddy and someone could slip with a loaded gun) and because most of our members just prefer not to get wet. Our next match will instead be held this coming Sunday, March 14, 2021. This will be a 5-stage match, including an bonus stage, all based on historical events of the *Old West*. Participants have the option of shooting in 2-gun, 3-gun, or 4-gun categories using firearms consistent with those available during the period of 1866-1899. If shooting 4 guns, you will need approximately 2 boxes of cartridges for your rifle and pistols, and up to 25 shotshell cartridges for your shotgun; adjust downward if shooting less guns. New shooters are welcome and are encouraged to come watch a match and meet other shooters, before going out and buying anything.

Our matches are normally held on the second Sunday of each month (except November) and on the 5th Saturday of such months in which they occur. Match fees are \$15.00, \$10.00 for accompanying family members, no charge for age 12 and under. Please come and check us out; or better yet, come join in the fun. We are a very friendly, family oriented group. New shooters and beginners are welcome. Coffee, donuts, sweet rolls, bottled water and Gatorade are provided at most matches.

The National Congress of Old West Shootists (NCOWS) was founded in 1994 to promote safe Western Action Shooting including the re-enactment and promotion of the historical Old West heritage of the United States during the period 1865 to 1899. NCOWS members enjoy Western Action Shoots which are timed shooting matches in which shooters compete in a series of different shooting scenarios, called stages. Participants are attired in period correct, Old West style clothing and use firearms typical of the guns used in the Old West.

The South Carolina Old West Shootists is a charter posse (club) of NCOWS and the Mid-Carolina Rifle Club. NCOWS is comprised of many such posses throughout the United States, which hold their own matches and events using NCOWS guidelines. There are also periodic, national and regional matches and events. Safety is emphasized during all NCOWS events, both on and off the range. Loading, shooting, and unloading of guns, is closely structured in accordance with NCOWS and local safety rules. Typically, only one participant at a time will shoot during a match. Juniors and new shooters may be coached or supervised by a guardian or other experienced member, as the case may be.

NCOWS uses rules similar to SASS Cowboy matches, although NCOWS pays greater attention to historical accuracy concerning our guns, clothing and equipment, and more emphasis is placed on marksmanship. New participants are given generous allowances of leniency with the former, since it may take a long time to acquire the proper guns, clothing and accoutrements. Gun carts are optional, rifle racks are provided. We shoot in 2, 3 and 4-gun classes. Generally, any pre-1900 pistol, rifle in pistol caliber,

and/or shotgun may be used, either originals in serviceable condition or reproductions. We shoot smokeless and black powder categories. There is no overall winner in NCOWS matches; each category is judged independently. **Prospective members are advised to not go out and buy any cowboy guns or accoutrements without first coming to a match and meeting with more experienced members, in order to avoid spending good money on things that may not be NCOWS-legal.**

PRECISION PISTOL: Mike Carr, afvet53@netzero.net, 803-408-0024.

No report.

STEEL CHALLENGE: Dennis Coggins, damocles1234@hotmail.com, 803-732-0663, Julie Holling, jwholling@bellsouth.net, 803-755-7397, or Lewis Hoover, nomad_777@netzero.net, 803-568-2976.

Julie Holling reported.

On February 20th, we had 28 shooters come out with 42 firearms to participate in Steel Challenge. The shooters included 1 new junior lady and 2 other ladies. Chad Wylie won Open in 76.12 and Pistol Caliber Carbine Open in 44.26. Rod Goforth led Carry Optics with a time of 72.53. Dave Slovenec led Rimfire Pistol Open in 60.55. Alan Coleman won Rimfire Rifle Open in 46.80. Jared Malvos led Rimfire Rifle Iron in 64.51. There were two shooters in Limited division. There was one shooter in the Production and Rimfire Pistol Iron divisions.

Our next match will be on March 20th. Preregistration thru Practiscore.com is required. If you have problems with registering, please contact me. 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 \$15 discount on your match fee, you can help with set-up on Friday, the 15th starting at 4:00pm. On Saturday, registration will start at the range by 9:15 and the match starts at 10:00.

Official Steel Challenge stages consists of 4-5 runs on 5 pieces of steel at set distances. Misses may be made up as long as it is done before hitting the “stop” plate, indicated by a red post. The longest string is tossed out and the remaining times are added together to get your stage time. Stage times are added together to get your match time. Occasionally, we run one unofficial stage during matches. Additional general information and stage diagrams may be found at <https://scsa.org/>. Contact Dennis, Julie or Lewis if you have questions about our match.

METALLIC RIFLE SILHOUETTE: Mical Bowling mical@blackwolfconsulting.com (803-546-4742)

Roy Mullis read the report.

This discipline consists of shooting offhand at chickens, pigs, turkeys and rams made of steel at 40, 60, 77 and 100 yards respectively. If you would like to try it, we permit the use of any 22 LR rifle but require the use of standard velocity 22LR ammunition so as to limit any damage to the targets.

Because of the non contact nature of this sport we expect no interruptions in our match schedule. However participants should wear loose fitting gloves for handling of targets, spray cans, and rails. The next smallbore rifle silhouette match will start at **11:00 am** on Saturday February 20th.

On the third Saturday of each month, the smallbore rifle silhouette match begins promptly at **11:00 am**. Set up starts around **9** with sight in and practice after set up is complete. The smallbore hunting rifle match usually begins at **12:30** after a short lunch break.

COWBOY ACTION SHOOTING - Savannah River Rangers: Joe Metz, jrmetz45@gmail.com, 803-960-3907 and Matthew Haulbrooks
Joe Metz reported.

In Cowboy Action we shoot steel targets of various shapes, sizes and distances, it does not matter where on the target the bullet hits, it is ruled either a hit or miss. A miss adds 5 seconds to the shooters time, obviously we want to hit them "All" as quickly as possible! We typically shoot 6 stages with each stage having a different scenario consisting of differing number of targets, differing target arrangement, differing shooting locations and differing gun order. We shoot 4 guns on each stage, 2 revolvers, 1 lever action rifle and 1 shotgun. Usually 5 rounds from each revolver, 10 rounds from the rifle and 4 rounds from the shotgun for 24 rounds per stage for a total of 144 rounds per match. When we give the monthly report and list the number of clean shooters we had, that means each clean shooter shot all 144 rounds and hit each target in the correct order.

Last match was February 21st. Weather was cool and sunny. 28 shooters came out. Our top five finishers were: 5th – Trail Bandit, 4th – Sue Render, 3rd – Smokey Bandit, 2nd – Lighthorse Pete, 1st – Stone Ground. We had 4 clean shooters.

No match in March. Next match is April 18th. Registration begins at 8:30, Shooters Meeting at 9:30, shoot shortly after – we would love to have you come out and see what Cowboy Action is all about!

BLACK POWDER MUZZLELOADING: Jim Boyd, 1949jwb@gmail.com, 803-356-9504 or Sam Jones, JonesiiiS@yahoo.com, 803-794-5476.
Roy Mullis read the report.

The results of our match were as follows: Jim Boyd 1st, Ken Dilley 2nd, Dave Graley 3rd.

Here are some facts about our matches:

Match fee is \$5.00 New shooters shoot for free. NMLRA rules prevail. Match Director Controls the line and match. Any Muzzleloading rifle or musket with OPEN SIGHTS may be used. Ammo is a Patched round ball. Loading takes place behind the firing line at the benches. The firearm is not primed until the shooter is on the firing line (percussion cap or priming powder). Misfires are placed in a safe box if the shooter cannot clear the issue at the line. Ranges are typically 25, 40, 50, 75 and 100 yards. Scoring is indicated by the numerical values shown on the target. A ball must be at least 1/2 into a ring to receive that score. Novelty matches are scored by the number of targets hit.

IDPA: Mike Phillips IDPAatMCRC@gmail.com, 803-530-9135 or Don Rawls dcrawls@live.com
Roy Mullis read the report.

Our monthly match was held February 27, 2021. This was our annual Classifier match. We had 22 shooters come out.

Unofficially (the official and final call regarding classification is made by IDPA) I counted 5 shooters that moved up in Classification. James Elks moved into ESP Sharpshooter; Jonathan Oliver moved into ESP Expert; Match Director Mike Phillips moved into REV Sharpshooter; Jim Kornileff and Bill Kilgore both moved into SSP Marksman. If I left anyone out that moved up (or gave any false hopes out) please forgive me.

Next match is scheduled for March 27, 2021 and we are planning a low round count with a lot of movement. Setup will be Friday the 26th at 2 pm.

We are going to do another Introduction to IDPA class on Sunday March 21st at 2 pm. We will be meeting in the Juniors Building for an hour and then moving to the Cooper Bays to shoot a stage. This will be the last intro class offered until October. Please help us get the word out!

Also, a quick report on our first "Introduction to IDPA" class we offered on January 17, 2021. We had 6 attendees. I think they got a lot out of it. Of the 6, 4 signed up for the match and 3 came out on Saturday, including 2 new shooters. Many, many thanks to MCRC members Jamie Elks and Joe Magagnoli for helping build the stage we shot and helping run some shooters. We hope to hold another class in March. Details to follow.

JUNIORS: Charley Francis, cfrancis@ftc-i.net, 803-469-4584
Roy Mullis read the report.

Adding the Boy Scouts to the groups I am working with.

The Juniors program is for those 8 to 18 and is designed to teach safety, responsibility, and basic marksmanship. The program uses air rifles for training and provides an entry into the rifle and pistol disciplines.

The basic orientation course consists of ten hours of instruction, both classroom and shooting. Instructors work with the participants through the course, teaching the basics and offering help and advice as the participant progresses. There is no set "score" to pass the orientation course. Safety is the primary focus, along with basic marksmanship skills. There is no cost for the orientation program: MCRC provides the rifles, ammunition, eye and ear protection, targets, and training materials.

CIVILIAN MARKSMANSHIP PROGRAM: Allen Kinard, alan@anvilartistry.com 704-301-2110
CMP has started Round 2 of the 1911 sales. See the web site for details: <https://thecmp.org/sales-and-service/1911-information/>

No report.

LEGISLATIVE LIAISON: Patrick Nolan, pnolan747@gmail.com, 803-318-1400.
No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

APPLESEED RIFLE CLINIC: Duane Hogue SC@appleseedinfo.org

2 dates for Appleseed Clinics this year: April 17-18 and October 2-3. Information and registration for upcoming events can be found at: <https://appleseedinfo.org>.

NEW BUSINESS:

No new business.

NEW MEMBERS:

After a brief introduction & voice vote, MCRC accepted four new member applications: Albert Esposito, Terry Coleman, Johnny King, and Amerigo Massimo

There was no further business & the club adjourned the monthly meeting.

VOLUNTEERS are needed to help set up the Friday before the USPSA, IDPA, and Steel Challenge matches. The match directors would welcome any assistance. You do not have to be a participant in the match to help. Contact one of the match directors in this newsletter and volunteer to help.

METAL TARGET STANDS can be ordered from Roy Mullis. Contact Roy at 803-360-1490 or by email at president@midcarolinarifclub.com.

Information on CWP Classes, Shooting Instruction, and Services:

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 special course package on March 29-29, 2020. The course qualifies instructors to teach the NRA Basics of Pistol Shooting and to apply to SLED for certification as SC CWP instructors. Instructor candidates must complete NRA Basics of Pistol Shooting student class before taking the NRA Pistol Instructor course.

NRA Rifle Instructor Training class will be offered May 30, 2020, for NRA instructors who have completed NRA Basic Rifle Shooting student class, NRA Basic Instructor Training and been certified in another discipline.

NRA Range Safety Officer Training, an essential course for all trainers and support staff, will be offered on Saturday, February 22, 2020.

NRA Chief Range Safety Officer Training will be offered for NRA Certified Instructors who are also NRA Range Safety Officers July 25, 2020.

NRA Personal Protection in the Home Instructor training will be offered September 26, 2020, for NRA Instructors who are certified NRA Pistol Instructors and have completed NRA Personal Protection in the Home student class.

NRA Personal Protection Outside the Home Instructor training will be offered November 21, 2020, for NRA Instructors who are certified NRA Pistol Instructors who have completed NRA Personal Protection in the Home Instructor training and the NRA Personal Protection Outside the Home student class.

Defensive Shotgun course will help you learn how to protect your home and family using a basic shotgun and will be offered May 16, 2020.

Home Defense (NRA Personal Protection in the Home) class, September 19, 2020, 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 March 14, and Defensive Handgun 2 on April 18, 2020, 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 <http://paladin.busman.com> for detailed training information and schedule for advanced classes and personal training.

BULLETS BY SCARLETT, a locally owned business, specializes in reloading components: hard cast lead and Hi-Tek polymer coated bullets (projectiles) in dozens of calibers, weights and profiles; Shooters World Powder (www.shootersworldsc.com); Federal Primers- Pistol (large and small), Shotshell and Large Rifle. Scarlett is a representative for Rugged Gear Guncarts (use code BU0770 for 10% discount on carts and accessories - online purchases only). www.bulletsbyscarlett.com

Scarlett's husband, Tommy, does custom molded ear protection - silicone ear plugs made on the spot (\$75), lab made silicone (\$110 and up), as well as a full line of digital ear plugs.

If you would like for Scarlett and Tommy to vend at your match, please contact her at bulletsbyscarlett@gmail.com or by phone 843-833-0770.

SC CWP and Personal Firearm Training – MCRC members family and friends are in invited to take classes for SC CWP and Firearms (Handgun & AR Style Rifles) Training from M-W Tactical during the time of September 16-20 and September 22-27. Please email info@M-Wtactical.com or call 803-250-1256 to get registered. Visit www.M-Wtactical.com for more information.