



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

NEXT MEETING: Monday, October 11, 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	11:00am
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 – 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 – September, 2021

There were forty (40) members and guests in attendance:

Roy Mullis	Linda Chico	Rhonda Metz	Joe Metz
Henry Schlein	Richard Boyd	Eric Wright	Scott Johnson
Charles Hedgepath	Kim Wales	Wesley Bommer	Mary Rapel
Lynn ?	Nelson Thompson	Charley Francis	Regena Sellers
Ralph Sellers	Jeff Howell	Richard Byers	Steve Wichmann
Kevin Coulson	Philip English	Dave Andersen	Linda Anderson
Robert Marcotulli	Aaron Barks	Michael Carr	Derrick Hernandez
Steve Tuel	Katherine Presly	William Richardson	Deborah Richardson
Charles Fortner	Robert Shaffner	Steven Degerick	Jim Boyd
Mical Bowling	Jason Andersen	Dennis ?	Robert Garfield

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.

The Gate continues to be a minor problem. At this point we cannot upload any information. This means any renewals and new member information cannot be added. I have a temporary solution which will allow any renewing member and new member to access the range.

The existing gate controller is a year 2000 model and is well beyond its life expectancy. We do have another unit which was purchased as a back up that I'm looking into the possibility of installing and loading all information on it. This will get us temporarily back in service. We will still have to move to a new access controller.

When a new access controller is installed, we do not know if all the information on the current unit can be transferred to the new unit which means all information may have to be reentered.

If the controller fails completely before we can get a new system installed. The main gate will have to be opened manually every morning and closed every evening. This may result in closing the range earlier in the evening for a while. When the gate is opened the backup gate will be locked and members entering the range will have to unlock the gate, pull through and then lock the gate behind themselves.

Then the next member will have to go through the same procedure. Let's hope things don't get to that point.

I am going to send out an email to everybody. Current and expired. It is very important to respond to this email to get all information in the new controller correct. Currently there are 135 members listed as expired in the database. I know there are not actually that many because we can't upload information. I also know that there are members who have not received a current membership card. They are active in the gate controller but not the database. The accuracy of the database is important because that's where Linda and Rhonda get the mailing list for the newsletter.

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

Linda Chico reported.

Linda passed on the complaints from prospective members that the website had little to no information about our numerous shooting competitions. Roy has had people call to ask if the range was still open, since the last post under "Disciplines" on our website was from January 2020. Linda was going to distribute updated information to all the match directors and assistant match directors, about how to post about matches.

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 should 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.

No report.

Renewals are not processed overnight. The process of going into 4 club programs and the mailing just takes time. It is done in batches to avoid errors and to be less time consuming. When renewals are received, the gate program is opened and your renewal in that program is processed. Then deposits are taken to the bank. We ask that renewals be sent in early. The start of the month when the membership expires would be timely.

When your actual time comes up for renewal, the renewals received and previously processed through the gate program are processed in the membership program and the gate card program. The renewed card is not sent out until about the time of your expiration of the current card.

All this allows time for the checks to process and bad checks to drop out. Things do happen and we have an un-ordinarily low number of bad checks. And those we receive are always cleared up almost immediately.

DO NOT SEND CASH for renewals unless hand delivered to a meeting or to Roy at the range or to me personally. A stack of \$20s is suspicious and someone else may decide they need it.

PLEASE DO NOT SEND CERTIFIED MAIL TO BE SIGNED FOR. That is usually an hour wait at the Post Office.

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.
Charles Fortner reported.

Our match was on October 4th with 21 shooters. There were three clean shooters; Bulls Head Bill, Smokin K Hook, and Captain Cowan. Top three finishers were; Jesamy Kid 3rd, Smokin K Hook 2nd, and Bulls Head Bill 1st. Next match is November 1st.

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, mrcrcsmallbore@gmail.com, 803-240-9678.
Richard Byers reported.

The monthly smallbore rifle silhouette match was cancelled by the match director a couple of days before the match so as to attend to a medical condition. This should not affect the September match.

This discipline consists of shooting offhand at steel chickens, pigs, turkeys and rams 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 September 18th.

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

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

No report.

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 45 shooters at the USPSA match this past weekend. Decrease is due to the NC State match the same weekend held near Charlotte, NC. Loved that we finally had decent weather. Thanks to those who set up the match on Friday: Joe Magagnoli, Derrick Hernandez, Bruce Peterson, & Aaron Banks, Seth Feaster, Brittany Frohnhoefer, and Bill Killgore. Remember, setup help will get a \$20 credit. All the help with tear down afterwards was also appreciated.

1st place Open: Chance Werner

1st place Limited: Bob Bailey

1st place Carry optics: Tyler Bartlett

1st Place Production: Mark Sullivan

1st Place PCC: Jon Davis

Results are posted at <https://practicore.com/results/new/ebfac0c5-0d32-49bd-b065-344d194770e7>. The results will also be available at www.USPSA.org (for those of you who are USPSA members - club code SC02).

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 8:30 am. Shooting starts at 9:00 am. (Summer Hours) 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.

Our Next Match will be 09 OCT 2021.

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

Scott Johnson reported.

Match was held on September 12th with 12 shooters. James Wells won the match with a 489-15X.

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.**
Henry Schlein reported.

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 friendly 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.
Mike Carr reported.

No recent matches because of lack of participants. Hoping things will pick up this month.

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.
Roy Mullis read the report.

On August 21st, we had 28 shooters come out with 44 firearms to participate in Steel Challenge. The shooters included 2 juniors, 2 new shooters and 3 ladies. Match day was hot with some clouds and rain rolling in at the end. Rick Turcotte won Pistol Caliber Carbine Open in 47.30. Wilbert Spruell led Rimfire Pistol Open in 58.60. Julie Holling won Rimfire Pistol Iron with 94.44. Jeff Johnston won Rimfire Rifle Open in 38.89 and Rimfire Rifle Iron in 42.76. There were 2 shooters in the Carry Optics, Limited, and Iron Sight Revolver divisions and 1 shooter in the Open, Pistol Caliber Carbine, and Single Stack divisions.

Our next match will be on September 18th. 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 20th starting at 4:30 pm. 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)

Mical Bowling reported.

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

Last match was on August 15th with 21 shooters. There were 3 clean shooters. Top five for the match were: Lighthouse Pete 5th, Doc Kemm 4th, Sue Render 3rd, Kid Ray 2nd, and Stone Ground 1st. Next match is September 19th. Registration begins at 8:30, shooters meeting at 9:30, shoot shortly after. Come on out and see what Cowboy Action is all about!

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.

BLACK POWDER MUZZLELOADING: Jim Boyd, 1949jwb@gmail.com, 803-356-9504 or Sam Jones, samandsandy@yahoo.com, 803-794-5476.
Jim Boyd reported.

Our match results were: Sam Jones 1st, Ken Dilly 2nd, and Jim Boyd 3rd. Next match is September 25th.

IDPA: Mike Phillips IDPAatMCRC@gmail.com, 803-530-9135 or Don Rawls dcrawls@live.com
No report.

JUNIORS: Charley Francis, cfrancis@ftc-i.net, 803-469-4584
Charley Francis reported.

The program is on hold for now until youth groups relax their restrictions.

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
No report.

LEGISLATIVE LIAISON: This position needs to be filled.
No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

APPLESEED RIFLE CLINIC: Duane Hogue SC@appleseedinfo.org

Next date for Appleseed Clinics this year: 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 the following new member applications:
Robert Garfield.

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@midcarolinarifleclub.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 Gun carts (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.