

MID-CAROLINA RIFLE CLUB 3435 FISH HATCHERY ROAD GASTON SC 29053-9033

<u>NEXT MEETING</u>: Monday, September 11, 2023, 6:30 PM at Murray's in Edenwood Plaza.

Reminder #1: Membership renewals are due <u>30 days</u> before your membership expires.

Reminder #2: Get your STEEL Targets approved for use at the range. All steel targets must be approved by the club President Roy Mullis.

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	2 nd 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

Matches and Upcoming Events Schedule

SPECIAL EVENTS:

MID-CAROLINA RIFLE CLUB

3435 Fish Hatchery Road, Gaston, SC 29053-9033 Roy Mullis, President, 803-360-1490, <u>roym788@gmail.com</u> Linda Chico, Vice President, 803-629-7095, <u>lchico@sc.rr.com</u> Patten Watson, Treasurer, 803-463-6533, <u>duck.tail@yahoo.com</u> Jane Sharpe, Acting Secretary: <u>actingsec@midcarolinarifleclub.com</u> Website: <u>http://www.midcarolinarifleclub.com/</u> Dues payments may be made at the meetings, at the range office or mailed to 3435 Fish Hatchery Rd, Gaston SC 29053-9033. Please send the renewal in the first 15 days of the month in which your membership expires. For fastest processing, bring your completed form and payment to the office at the range. If you have questions about dues, please contact Vice President Linda Chico at 803-629-7095 or email <u>vp@midcarolinarifleclub.com</u>.

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 – August 2023

There were thirty-nine (39) members and guests in attendance:

Roy Mullis	Linda Chico	Ben Moore	Erick Wright
Scott Johnson	Robert Johnson	Julie Holling	Lewis Hoover
Linda Headley	Michael Terry	Katharine Presty	Robert Marcotolli
Robert Shaffner	Lee Rouse	Steve Tuel	Thomas Carapezza
Laura Terry	Chuck Schenck	Henry Schlein	Charles Fortner
John Rumschik	Russell Eubanks	Duane Sharpe	Jane Sharpe
Phillip English	Kim Wales	Aaron Banks	Bobby Franklin
Daphne DeGaetano	Michael Wingard	Sid Langley	Jennifer Langley
Kyle Collins	Glenn Engle	Jerry Wilson	Jason Combs
John Thompson	Cecil Jackson	Kent McWater	

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, <u>roym788@gmail.com</u>, 803-360-1490 Roy Mullis reported.

If you picked up the newsletter from last month when you signed the attendance sheet or read the newsletter online, just remember what was said or reread the newsletter and you will mostly have this month's report. Same you know what, different month. Very concerning. There is another item I want to talk about. It has been amazing to me for the time I have been a member of MCRC how hard it is to find people to volunteer to help the club. In a few months it will be a year without a secretary. Thank goodness for Jane Sharpe helping Linda get the newsletter out monthly. I understand everybody is so busy trying to keep their heads above water right now with Bidenomics destroying the country. Linda and I talked the other day about other ranges having the same problem. One range regularly cancels matches because of lack of help for setups. They actually have a waiting list of people wanting to get into that range but can't get help. The saying that in most organizations, 20% of the members do 100% of the work, is correct. I occasionally am told by members, "if you need any help, let me know". But on the occasion that I do ask, everybody is busy with something else. The state of the club does not require things like work days where the

membership is required to put in time on the range. There is currently just the cleaning of the bathrooms and the maintenance of the grounds that is required. Working the berms is an almost weekly thing because of the erosion and can't be put off till a quarterly date. There are no structures to be built, ditches to be cleared, or plants to be maintained. What the club really needs is members to get involved and promote the club. Getting MCRC'sname to the public is so important to the club's health. Member count is important. The Disciplines only provide a small amount of income to the club. It's the members that keep the club operating. Most of you regularly deal with social media. How hard would it be for you post that you were at MCRC for a match or spent a couple of hours target shooting with friends at the MCRC. Talk to your friends or coworkers. Encourage them to join. You are allowed 4 visitors at any time with no restrictions. Encourage them to get their own membership so they won't have to,wait for you to invite them. Match directors need to post their results on the website more often. People looking at the website need to know what's happening at the range. It doesn't have to be some long drawn out message, just how much fun or how many competitors you had.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Linda Chico, <u>lchico@sc.rr.com</u>, 803-629-7095 Linda Chico reported.

Looking for a deal on reloading supplies? Have a firearm to sell or want to browse what fellow club members want to sell? See that & more in the classified area of the website that is "for members only" to sell or trade items. It uses the same password the newsletter. That means you will still get ONE new password every month. The rules for the classified portion of the website are posted on the first page that you linked to before you continue to the classified section. Please read over the rules before you submit an advertisement for the classifieds.

We have added some supplies for a cooling station in the Cooper Bays. In the USPSA/IDPA Conex the supplies are midway on the right side. There are 5 fans (with individually adjustable angle and 3 speeds), 6 mist spray bottles, a basket of small towels & a small laundry bag for used towels. We used it at the recent USPSA match, creating a cooling area around one of the picnic tables. The supplies are available for all disciplines that use the Cooper Bays. If you have used towels, drop the small laundry bag in the office & Linda will wash them before the next weekend.

We continue to work at ways to make the renewal process quicker and less painful. There is no reason to send in a renewal 60 days in advance. Send it in during the same month as the expiration date listed on your card. We do ask that you send it in during the first two weeks of the month. That gives us time to process and get the new card to you. If you are having any difficulties with the gate please call Linda Chico 803-629-7095. We have the ability to open the gate remotely using our phones if you are trapped inside or cannot get a gate card or keypad code to work.

REMEMBER * *Please submit renewals early in the month when your membership expires. If your ID indicates your membership expires on 09/23 (last day of September 2023), please send the renewal in the first 15 days of the month. For fastest processing, bring your completed form and payment to the office at the range. Or mail to the range address instead of the PO Box. 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: <u>ActingSec@midcarolianrifleclub.com</u>

Roy Mullis reported.

Please remember to sign in. All visitors should sign in as well.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Patten Watson, <u>duck.tail@yahoo.com</u>, 803-463-6533 No report.

Patten is a CPA in SC. If you would like to have more information regarding our finances, please contact him.

CRO/RANGE MAINTENANCE REPORT: CRO: Kim Wales <u>walesk3@gmail.com</u> 803-760-3670 Range Maintenance: Julie Holling, <u>jwholling@bellsouth.net</u>, 803-755-7397 No report.

COWBOY ACTION SHOOTING - Palmetto Posse: Charles Fortner <u>cffortner@yahoo.com</u> 803-622-2537 Charles Fortner reported.

The Palmetto Posse held our August match on Saturday August 5th. We has 23 shooters come out representing 17 categories. Our only clean shooter for the day was Kid Ray.

Our top 3 shooters were: #3 Smokey Bandit with a total time of 125.60 #2 Kid Ray with a total time of 125.30 #1 Groundhog with an incredible total time of 109.30

Our next match is Saturday, September 2nd and visitors are always welcome. Registration begins at 8:30. Safety meeting at 9:30 with first rounds downrange immediately following.

SMALLBORE PRONE RIFLE Richard Byers, <u>mcrcsmallbore@gmail.com</u>, 803-240-9678 Roy Mullis reported.

They had three shooters turn out for the match Richard Byers, Mike Garrett and William Smith.

NRA LIGHT RIFLE: Robert Shaffner, <u>Robert_shaffner@yahoo.com</u>, 330-409-3799 Robert Shaffner reported.

Light rifle is 40 rounds, 4 targets with 10 rounds in each target. Two of them are standing or offhand, one is sitting and kneeling and one is prone for a total of 400 points. We had a fun match with a great group of eight shooters. We shoot on the first Sunday of each month at 9 AM and it usually takes about two hours.

USPSA-IPSC PISTOL: Mike Wingard, <u>mhw_uspsa@yahoo.com</u>, 803-521-0886; Derrick Hernandez, <u>rangeraa45@gmail.com</u>, 910-580-8343 Linda Chico reported.

We had a great turnout for the USPSA match at MCRC today. 71 shooters braved the record heat and humidity to check out our match. Big thanks to Derrick Hernandez, Aaron Banks, John Edens, and Matt Hopkins for all the hard work at setup on Friday. Those 4 people were willing to come out in the heat and oppressive humidity to set up our stages.

Scores are posted on Practiscore at <u>https://practiscore.com/results/new/214398</u>. They are also posted on USPSA.org, Club code for USPSA is SC02.

Congratulations to our division winners: Robert Bradley came out on top of a tight race in Carry Optics, with Chase Farkas and Daniel McAlister right behind him. Bob Bailey was the winner in Limited & Wally Burbage topped a group of 16 shooters in the provisional Limited Optics division. Jason Karstedt won in Open division, and Matt Hopkins topped the Production field. Mike Wilkerson and Aaron Banks were nearly even in PCC. Less than half a percentage point gave Mike the win.

Much thanks to everyone for keeping it moving and for all the help with teardown.

Our next match will be the second Saturday in September (September 9) & we will still be on summer hours: shooting will start at 9:00 AM.

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 8:00 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.

NRA HIGH POWER RIFLE: Clay Marshall, Scott Johnson, <u>scottjohnson641@gmail.com</u> Scott Johnson reported.

Last match was held on August 13th. We had 7 shooters with clear, warm and humid weather. Match winner was James Wells firing a 487-17X with Sam Jones was hot on his heels with a 484-16X. We shoot the second Sunday of every month. Juniors shoot for free and the first time they come we provide the rifle and ammunition.

NATIONAL CONGRESS OF OLD WEST SHOOTISTS (NCOWS): Henry Schlein, henryschlein@yahoo.com, 843-821-9999 or Richard Boyd, Assistant Match Director, okbuckshot@comporium.net, 405-206-3314 – <u>SC OldWestShootists@yahoo.com</u> Henry Schlein reported.

The South Carolina Old West Shootists (SCOWS) held two matches during July; our regularly scheduled, Second Sunday match on July 9; and our *irregularly* scheduled, fifth Saturday match on July 29. We are

basically a small *rawhide* outfit, most of our matches are held in one, and occasionally in two bays, we gladly share the rest of the Cooper Pistol Bays with other club members just wanting to shoot; and anyone is always welcome to stop by our camp, during any of our matches, for Cowboy coffee and breakfast rolls, whether or not they are participating in the match.

JULY 9, 2023 SECOND SUNDAY MATCH:

We had 7 posse members come out to shoot 4 main stages based on gunfights from the Old West, plus a timed bonus stage that tested long-range pistol skills. There were no clean shooters for the match. Here are the **match results**, by category:

Lawman Sgt. R. Henry, 1st Place Moonshine, 2nd Place	117.10 118.47			
Elder 4 Gun Smokeless Duelist (Outlaw)				
Doc WHO, 1st Place	485.36			
Elder 4 Gun Black Shootist Manassas, 1st Place	282.20			
Working Cowboy				
Youghiogheny Kid, 1st Place	201.04			
Rowdy McCabe, 2nd Place	262.20			
3 Gun Smokeless Shootist				
Cheyenne Jim, 1st Place	168.00			

JULY 29, 2023 FIFTH SATURDAY MATCH:

We had 9 shooters drive through rain and brave a threatening sky, to come out and shoot 4 stages based on actual gunfights from the Old West. This group included a new shooter who goes by the moniker "James", pending the adoption of a new cowboy alias, and who, even without a cowboy alter ego, shot very well -- we hope he will continue to come out and shoot with us.

The threatened rain held off, except for some *sprinkles* near the 3rd stage that didn't last long, and we were able to get all 4 stages in. We then retreated to our regular chuck wagon substitute, Carolina Wings, to, as Sarge always says, "re-shoot the match in our heads, with better results."

There was 1 clean shooter for the match -- Congrats to Sgt Henry for some accurate pistol work with his six-shooter. Here are the **match results**, by category:

3 Gun Black Powder Shootist

Cheyenne Jim, 1st Place

Town Marshal (2 P, 1 SG)	
Parker Palomino, 1st Place	298.72
2 Gun Shootist Working Cowboy	
Rowdy McCabe, 1st Place	288.66
Lawman (1 R, 1 P, 1 SG)	
James, 1st Place	155.55
Moonshine, 2nd Place	180.42
2 Gun Duelist Working Cowboy	
Youghiogheny Kid, 1st Place	203.61
Town Constable (1 Pistol)	
Sgt. R. Henry, 1st Place	47.73 (clean)
4 Gun Black Powder Shootist	
Manassas, 1st Place	465.72
4 Gun Smokeless Duelist Outlaw	
Doc WHO, 1st Place	577.44

Congratulations to all, and thanks to everyone for a couple of great matches.

REMINDERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next NCOWS/SCOWS match will be our August "2nd Sunday" match on Sunday, August 13, 2023. Hope to see you there!

The foregoing was prepared by our posse secretary, Youghiogheny Kid, aka, Kevin Krist.

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 <u>not</u> to go out and buy any cowboy guns or accoutrements until 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.**

For further information, please contact Henry Schlein, Match Director (aka, *Sgt. Rick Henry*) (843) 821-9999, email henryschlein@yahoo.com, or Richard Boyd, Jr., (aka, *MoonShine*) Asst. Match Director, okbuckshot@comporium.net, (405) 206-3314. See also, <u>www.ncows.org</u>.

PRECISION PISTOL: Mike Carr, <u>afvet53@netzero.net</u>, 803-408-0024 Roy Mullis reported.

No match for July. The next match is August 19th.

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

On July 15th, we had 39 shooters come out with 53 firearms to participate. The shooters included 3 juniors, 5 ladies and 1 new shooter. Tim Burke won Carry Optics in 96.92 seconds and Rimfire Rifle Iron in 59.37. Tim Fritz led Pistol Caliber Carbine Open with 52.69. Charlie Earp won Rimfire Pistol Open in 53.78. Jay Shebuski led Rimfire Pistol Iron in 65.21. Tyler Floyd led Rimfire Rifle Open in 49.71. The rest of the divisions only had 1 shooter each, and included Open, Limited, Single Stack, Optic sight Revolver, and Pistol Caliber Carbine Iron.

Our next match will be on August 19th. We will be starting at 9:00. Ww will be running 5 stages. 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 a match and getting a \$15 discount on your match fee, you can

help with set-up on Friday, the 18th starting at 8:30. On Saturday, registration will start at the range at 8:15, ends at 8:50, and the match starts at 9:00.

Official Steel Challenge states consists of 4-5 runs on 5 pieces of steel at set distances. Misses may be made up if 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 <u>https://scsa.org/</u>. Contact Dennis, Julie, or Lewis if you have questions about our match.

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

Roy Mullis read the report.

The monthly smallbore rifle silhouette match was held on Saturday the 15th of July. Results are not currently available.

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.

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.

COWBOY ACTION SHOOTING - Savannah River Rangers: Joe Metz, jrmetz45@gmail.com

803-960-3907 and Matthew Haulbrooks Roy Mullis read the report.

- No Match in July
- Next match is August 20th.
- 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, <u>1949jwb@gmail.com</u>, 803-356-9504 or Sam Jones, <u>samandsandy@yahoo.com</u>, 803-794-5476 Roy Mullis reported.

Sam Jones 1st, Wayne Robinson 2nd, Jethro Currie 3rd.

IDPA: Mike Phillips <u>IDPAatMCRC@gmail.com</u>, 803-530-9135 or Don Rawls <u>dcrawls@live.com</u> Linda Chico read the report.

We had 37 shooters come to our July 22nd match at MCRC. Temp in the bays was 90 degrees. 4 scenario stages; 1 standards stage. *Winners of each class and their division (from Practiscore):*

High Master: Tim Fritz (Concealed Carry Pistol);

High Expert: Gerald Douglas (Carry Optics Pistol); (High Pistol and Match Winner);

High Sharpshooter: Frank Price (Pistol Caliber Carbine, High PCC and Second Place overall);

High Marksman: Jonathan Riggins (COP);

High Novice: Geraldo Cruzado (PCC);

High Unclassified: Jason Karstedt (COP, Third Place overall);

Most Accurate: Geraldo Cruzado, down 4 for the match, excellent. 24 shooters made the Most Accurate list (they did not hit a non-threat target on any stage).

Honorable Mention: Hmmmhh...let's see, how about Jonathan Riggins, Marksman, for putting up a very nice video production with both first and third person views and for promoting our sport and our club...many thanks.

Setup Crew, Many Many Thanks: Mike Phillips, Geraldo Cruzado, Bob Bailey, Don Rawls, Stevie Phillips, Jim Kornilieff and Marc Richman. Without help setting up our matches, we wouldn't be able to continue to hold them. Come out and give us a hand with construction, as an added benefit you get to preview the stages and you get to shoot for free on Saturday.

No matter what gun you shoot, we have a place for you at MCRC IDPA. The August match will be a lower-round-count-less-movement match due to expected heat in the bays. Any shooter is welcome to submit a stage design, or even just some rough ideas for a stage design.

Next match will be Saturday August 26, 2023. We will provide ice cold sports drinks for all in attendance. Come join us!

JUNIORS: Charley Francis, <u>cfrancis@ftc-i.net</u>, 803-469-4584 No report.

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

CIVILIAN MARKSMANSHIP PROGRAM: William Caskey

Roy Mullis reported.

Grants are still available.

LEGISLATIVE LIAISON: Kevin Krist, kevin_krist@yahoo.com

Roy Mullis read the report.

As anticipated, there hasn't been any notable Legislative activity, either at the state or federal level, since the last Report. However, there has been some activity in the Courts, as has been reported on the Legislative Liaison page on the MCRC website.

The most prominent of these is related to the ATF Regulation that determined that gun parts and components should be treated as firearms, subject to the National Firearms Act (NFA). This regulation was overturned by a U.S. District Court, which determined that ATF had exceeded its authority in effectively changing the definition of the term "firearm" in the NFA. The District Court also issued an injunction against enforcement of the regulation pending an appeal by the U.S. Government. DOJ, on behalf of the U.S. government, appealed that decision to the U.S. Supreme Court, which, last week in a 5-4 vote, overturned the injunction, and determined that the regulation should remain in force pending the appeal. The case will now be heard, on appeal, by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit in New Orleans.

For more details, please visit the "Legislative Liaison" page of the MCRC website.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Appleseed Rifle Clinic will be October 7 - 8, 2023.

Always remember there is water in the big building, in the refrigerator and on the floor. Don't let yourself get dehydrated.

You have up to a half hour past sunset or until 9 PM whichever is earlier to shoot. Right now, the sun sets at 8:15 so that gives you until 8:45.

Please let us know if a restroom needs to be attended to.

NEW BUSINESS:

A mandatory safety briefing will be scheduled for new members. Eye and ear protection are required. Plan to spend three hours, and that includes a portion of time walking around on the range. So, dress appropriately for the weather.

NEW MEMBERS:

Bobby Franklin, Kent McWater, Preston Atkinson, Douglas Greenbaum, Robert Vogt, Daniel Martin, Shaun Harris, and Joe Norris

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 <u>president@midcarolinarifleclub.com</u>.

Information on CWP Classes, Shooting Instruction, and Services:

APPLESEED RIFLE CLINIC: Duane Hogue <u>SC@appleseedinfo.org</u> or <u>duane.fnp@outlook.com</u> Next event is October 7 - 8, 2023. Information and registration for upcoming events can be found at: <u>https://appleseedinfo.org</u>.

Project Appleseed is a non-profit organization that continues to have clinics at MCRC and elsewhere in SC. Our 25 yard clinics are designed to teach shooters the fundamentals of rifle marksmanship and the fundamentals of Revolutionary War history. They are designed for shooters of all skill levels with the goal being able to shoot an expert score on the Appleseed Qualification Test and earning a Rifleman patch which prepares the shooter for one of our full distance clinics out to 500 yards.

Our upcoming events are April 15-16 at MCRC and OCT 7-8 at MCRC.

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).

<u>NRA Pistol Instructor special course package</u>: NRA Basic Instructor Training, NRA Pistol Instructor and CWP Instructor special course package on March 25-26, June 24-25, and on September 23-24, 2023. 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.

<u>NRA Rifle Instructor Training</u> class offered May 20, 2023, for NRA instructors who have completed NRA Basic Rifle Shooting student class, NRA Basic Instructor Training and been certified in another discipline.

<u>NRA Chief Range Safety Officer Training</u> offered for NRA Certified Instructors who are also NRA Range Safety Officers Saturday, July 22, 2023. Upcoming <u>Range Safety Officer</u> classes will be held on Saturday, March 4, April 22, July 8, and October 21, 2023.

<u>NRA Personal Protection in the Home Instructor</u> training will be offered October 28, 2023, for NRA Instructors who are certified NRA Pistol Instructors and have completed NRA Personal Protection in the Home student class.

<u>NRA Personal Protection Outside the Home Instructor</u> training will be offered November 25-26, 2023, 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 Basic and Advanced level student classes.

<u>Defensive Shotgun</u> course will help you learn how to protect your home and family using a basic shotgun and will be offered May 13, and December 9, 2023.

<u>Home Defense</u> (NRA Personal Protection in the Home) class September 9, 2023, takes you beyond the CWP and handgun basics to help you develop strategies so you can protect yourself and your family from home invasion.

<u>Defensive Handgun 1</u> (NRA Personal Protection Outside the Home-Basic Level) on March 11, and October 14, and <u>Defensive Handgun 2</u> (NRA Personal Protection Outside the Home-Advanced Level) on April 15, and November 11, 2023, 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.

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

Go to the Paladin Services LLC website **http://paladin.busman.com** for detailed training information for advanced classes and personal training.

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