



El Dorado Rod & Gun Club NEWSLETTER

June 2005

PRESIDENTS REPORT

**Reminder there is NO General Meeting
in the Month of JUNE.**

SPEED LIMIT!

Reminder; In order to keep the roads in good condition we need to enforce the speed limit of 10mph throughout the entire range facility. Not only do we need to keep our speed down to maintain the road in good condition we need to keep the dust down as well. There isn't any reason that you have to be in such a hurry to shoot so please slow down.

ANNUAL PICNIC COMING SOON

Mark your calendars for our upcoming annual club picnic to be held on August 7. We will be raffling a 17mm Mag., rifle as our main prize and many other fine prizes will be offered as well. See a Club Officer or Director for more information about the tickets. Details will follow in the July newsletter as well as on our club web site. www.eldoradorodandgun.com.

.50 BMG

The Board of Directors has taken the action of banning the firing of .50 BMG calibers due to the concern of concussion created on the firing line as well as the noise generated from this caliber. This ban also effects the Sheriffs department as well.

NO .50 BMG
Allowed on the range



UP COMING SHOOTS OF NOTE FOR JUNE:

The Cowboys have shoots this month on June 10 and 26. Trap has a Meat Shoot on June 12 and a 150 Target Trophy Shoot on June 26. Defensive Pistol is slated for their shoot on June 25, and 22LR ARA Benchrest will hold a shoot on June 26. Remember our entire regular shoots are listed on the calendar and please check the calendar for any updates or changes.

ANNIVERSARY OF D-DAY, JUNE 6, 1944.

Operation Overlord took place on the beaches of Normandy in the early morning hours as the Allied forces invaded Europe to defeat Germany, leading to the end of World War II.

2005 OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

PRESIDENT:	DIRECTORS
ROB CHARNY	DOUG BECKER ('05)
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CURRENT MEMBERSHIP:
324 MEMBERS

SUMMER

Summer officially begins in the Northern Hemisphere with the summer solstice on June 21 at 10:03 a.m., EDT. The first day of summer marks the longest day of the year, meaning that in the area between the equator and the Arctic Circle, the sun rises and sets farthest north on the horizon for the year. Daylight hours last from 12 hours, eight minutes at the equator to 24 hours at the Arctic Circle. The summer season lasts until 1:37 a.m. on Sept. 23.

FLAG DAY — JUNE 14

Honor the flag and the country this Flag Day by participating in the Pause for the Pledge. This annual event takes place at 7 pm (Eastern Daylight Saving Time). Many public and private organizations, businesses, and individuals across the country take part by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance at that time. Official ceremonies are held at the Fort McHenry National Monument and Historic Shrine in Baltimore, Md.

The Star-Spangled Banner Flag House in Baltimore, the historic home once owned by Mary Pickersgill, who sewed the flag that inspired Francis Scott Key to write the national anthem, first proposed this practice in 1980 as a way for Americans to share a patriotic moment. In 1985, Congress recognized the Pause for the Pledge of Allegiance as part of National Flag Day activities.

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HAPPY FATHER'S DAY — JUNE 19

Father's Day is observed annually on the third Sunday in June. This year June 19 is the day for fathers. The idea for the celebration dates back to the early 1900s, when Louise Smart Dodd of Spokane, Wash., set out to find some way to pay tribute to her dad. William Smart raised Dodd and her six siblings single-handedly after their mother died in childbirth. The first documented "Father's Day" was celebrated in Spokane on June 19, 1910, on Dodd's father's birthday. The idea soon spread across the country and into Canada. Vancouver set aside a special day for fathers in 1912. Four years later, President Woodrow Wilson officially recognized the holiday in the U.S., but it wasn't until 1966 that President Lyndon Johnson signed a presidential proclamation which established a permanent national observance.

AND THE REST...

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES NEEDED

Articles can be submitted to me by Email: president@eldoradorodandgun.com or by mailing to the club at P.O. Box 99, Placerville, CA. 95667.

Have you visited our club web site? <http://www.eldoradorodandgun.com> you can see everything printed in the newsletter plus more information at the club web site 7 to 10 days before you receive it in the mail.

*Stay Strong,
Stay Vigilant,
God Bless America.*



Far better it is to dare mighty things, to win glorious triumphs even though checkered by failure, than to rank with those poor spirits who neither enjoy nor suffer much because they live in the gray twilight that knows neither victory nor defeat.

— Theodore Roosevelt (1858 – 1919)

WOBBLES TRAP SHOOT RESULTS MAY 23, 2005

Photo of winners not available.

3/4 WOBBLES:

A Class	B Class
Tom McDearmid 98	John Huntsman 96
C Class	D Class
Randy Shelton 99	Andy Veerkamp 89

FULL WOBBLES:

A Class	B Class	C Class
Bob Conover 99	David Duncan Jr. 92	Bob Howard 94

HI LADIES:

Laura Filsinger
183



Trophy awarded all winners in the wobbles competition. Beautiful wood clock engraved with EDR&GC logo as well as classes each competitor won.

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DEFENSIVE PISTOL SHOOT MAY 28, 2005

EL DORADO ROD and GUN CLUB, lower range (pistol / rifle).

Web site for the club is www.eldoradorodandgun.com
Check out the newsletter for upcoming activities.

John L. Lustig: Home (530) 676-1199
Cell (530) 306-4432

The weather should be warm, bring liquids! I normally leave my house about 6:00 am Saturday morning so it is best to call me on my cell phone (530) 306-4432.

NOTE: Stage #5 will be concealed! You have been attacked from afar and have been hit in the strong arm rendering it useless. You must draw your pistol with your support hand and engage the attacker with pistol in support hand with a minimum of five rounds. **PRACTICE THIS WITH AN EMPTY FIREARM AT HOME!!!**

DEFENSIVE PISTOL SHOOTS ARE ON THE FOURTH SATURDAY OF THE MONTH CALENDAR for the year 2005

May 28; June 25; July 23; August 27; September 24; October 22; November 26; December 24 (yes, we will shoot CHRISTmas eve day if people want to).

The conex container is in place at the range so when we finish shooting we will put our supplies and support items in the conex box. **NOTE:** Shot up targets and shirts will go into the back of my white truck. The wood target stands still go into the red conex container.

EL DORADO ROD AND GUN CLUB LOWER RANGE (PISTOL AND RIFLE) IS A COLD RANGE!!!!!!! No loaded firearms allowed except as directed by the Range Safety Office. The **ONLY** time that the firearm is to be handled is at the 'Safe Table' or under the Safety Officer's direction. No ammunition is to be handled at the 'Safe Table'. You should arrive at the range with two bags. One bag to contain your unloaded firearm, holster, magazine pouches and any other support equipment. The other bag containing your ammunition.

IDPA (International Defensive Pistol Association) www.idpa.com rules are used as guidelines for the match and the Courses of Fire. We deviate from IDPA rules in that semi-automatics are charged with ten rounds in the magazine and one in the chamber including 45acp. We will allow more hostages - no shoots that IDPA specifies.

The Courses of Fire are typically 18 rounds or less. They are typically but not always revolver (six shot) friendly and are concealed carry unless otherwise specified.

Please go to the IDPA web site www.idpa.com and read "THE 4 LAWS OF GUN SAFETY" and "THE IDPA RULE BOOK". **NOTE:** The rule book has changed and we will be using the new rules as guidelines effective APRIL 2005. This is some very important and useful information and all shooters will be expected to adhere to and follow these rules and guidelines!! Please pay attention when reading these articles!!!

Shooters of all levels (beginners to street proven experienced) are invited and encouraged to participate. Emphasis is on safety, gun handling, gun and support equipment usage.

BRING AMMO!!! Bring a fellow shooter.

- We will be enjoying interesting and challenging scenarios again this Saturday.
- Early arrival is okay as assistance in setting up stages is always appreciated.
- A good idea is to be at the range by 8:30 am to get yourself ready to start at 9:00 am.
- Sign up starts when you get there; sign in on the **LIABILITY RELEASE** form, please print legible.
- Defensive Pistol range fees: this is an honor system.
EDR&GC members; \$5.00
Non Club members \$10.00
- Fill out your score sheet (name on both sides) and keep it with you until asked for it.
- Sign up for a squad.
- Membership applications are available.
- e-mail sign up sheet is available. Write so that I can read it!!!!
- Announcements, general information, safety briefing and walk through at 9:00 am.
- Would like to be shooting by 9:30 am at the latest.
- Bring comfortable clothing; it can be cool down there before the sun comes over the hill and then it can warm up.
- Bring liquids and a snack.
- We plan on having six scenarios / stages to enjoy.
Covered pistol range will be stages one and two.
Open pistol range will be stages three and four.
Covered Rifle range will be stages five and six.
- The are scheduled for 1:00 pm so we will need to be off the rifle range by then.



ARA 22LR RIMFIRE BENCHREST

ARA 22LR Rimfire Benchrest matches have come to the El Dorado Rod & Gun Club and have been growing each month. We have a solid core of 'regulars' and new groups of new shooters to the benchrest game at each match. At our first two matches, we had a junior shooter but I think the strict discipline of benchrest did not have as much appeal as the Cowboy Shoots going on at the Pistol Range next door.

Our 'regulars' group includes Jerry and Tom from the Jackson area and last month Bob from Salinas came by to show us how they do it in that area. We welcome all shooters at all skill levels. We have our ARA Match pin awards of the 'Match Pin' for the winner and Target Stars for the best score at each target. We are shooting 3 targets at our monthly matches and will have a 6 target match for the Club Championship on Oct 23, 2005. The California State Match will be held in San Diego on Nov. 27. We also have club categories for best score at the 1100, 1400 and 1700 levels so that there is something for all. Laura, one of our regulars, has held up the ladies honors and has given several of shooters a run for their money.

ARA is a National Organization for 22LR Rimfire shooters. Information on this organization can be gotten by going to www.benchrest.com and clicking on the ARA Symbol link. There you can see national match results, rules, and how you are doing compared to other shooters. One of the nice things about ARA is that you can bring any type of 22LR rimfire rifle with any type of scope and use nearly any type of rest (no rail guns or return to battery setups allowed, however). We shoot 25 bulls for score (one shot per bull) at 50 yards in a 20 minute period (this is NOT group BR). Our scoring is 'worst edge' and a perfect score is 2500. So far only one shooter has made a perfect score in the history of ARA. So look in that gun closet or safe and bring whatever 22LR that meets you're fancy.

Here are the results of our first four monthly matches which are held on the 4th Sunday of each month, Feb. through November. Sign up starts at 8:30 AM with a warm-up round at 9 AM and then on to the matches.

February Match:

John Cory	1803.33
Dave Culver	1550.00
Laura Filsinger	1443.33
Perry Weidman	964.33
David Duncan	375.00

March Match:

John Cory	1648.33
Dave Culver	1233.33
Rich Leaman	1076.67
Laura Filsinger	1008.33
Jerry Willis	978.33
Tom Falconer	956.67
David Duncan	303.33

April Match:

Bob Craddock	1723.33
Jerry Willis	1703.33
John Cory	1648.33
Dave Culver	1551.67
Laura Filsinger	1453.33
Tom Falconer	1236.37

May Match:

John Cory	1575.00
Dave Culver	1411.37
Jerry Willis	1330.00
Mike Rupley	1250.00
Laura Filsinger	1123.33
Tom Falconer	1015.00
Rick Spitaleri	953.33
Armin Filsinger	771.67

Shooting 22LR is an exacting sport that requires a good ability to read the wind since these small bullets powered by standard velocity ammunition (sub-sonic) can be deflected as much as an inch with the winds and if you call it the wrong direction then you may even miss the bull. The use of wind flags is strongly suggested or try to sit next to someone who has a set and then see how much to hold off in the different wind conditions.

There are many tips on how to tune your rifle, choose your ammo, choose your rests, etc. and most can be found on www.benchrest.com on the rimfire forum. Check this out and do 'searches' for the information that you need. We look forward to seeing you at the next match and good luck.

*John Cory
ARA Match Director
530-626-5248*



COWBOY ACTION COMPETITION EL DORADO ROD AND GUN CLUB RANGE, 5/13/05

Dear Club members and lovers of fiction,

The morning of Friday the 13th of May, under a baby blue sky, heads bobbed and lead flew at the Longshot Mine Co. just a spit and holler from El Dorado. Rumor has it Skunk Head started all the fuss when he invited the Bowlegged Brothers from Hangtown over for a few frosty ones. Three ladies, Anita Margarita, Rebecca Mae and Star E. Sky, (who looked like they just stepped out of a 40's western matinee) came down to see what all the ruckus was about and ended up joining the fracas. When word reached Badlands Bud and his guiding light, Black Jack Tavern, they raced over from Rescue, Bud cranking his lever gun so fast five empties were in the air before the first one hit the ground.

With all the gun thunder and smoke it was hard to be sure who was who. Was that Jacklope Jasper or Slim Holt trying to load .45s into his .38-40? That sure looked like Badwater Boz limping up the hill. Where was K.W., El Suavé and The Other Guy when they were needed most? Thank God for Kent Aim Straight. He dusted off the Bowlegged crew shooting through the mine clerk's window without hitting the ghostly looking clerk whose head kept popping up into Aim Straight's line of fire. What was Oklahoma Red trying to prove? Dry firing don't cut it, dude.

When the gunfire stopped and the dust finally cleared, you could have heard tobacco juice hit spittoon a cow pasture away. Then there was back slapping, laughter and a lot of bragging which one is prone to after surviving a lead hail storm. Miraculously, no one suffered a scratch, although Wildroot had at least a dozen bullet holes in his hat, (turns out they were self inflicted so prairie breezes would cool his thoughts) and one of the ladies looked like she had a touch of sunburn, but she's the shy type and some of those south of the border swear words might have caused her to blush...El Suavé?

*Yours truly,
Phil (Wordslinger) Weidman*

P.S. Kudos to Si and Mike for organizing a safe, entertaining match, Ernie for his set design and other volunteers for lugging steel targets, setting them up and lugging them back to the con-x after the match.

Some of us worried Badlands Bud's sixgun rig might slip down around his ankles it was hung so precariously low, which probably wouldn't have cost him more than a heart beat he's so doggone fast. I learned later that everything was held up by a wallet in his hip pocket.

Congratulations, Bud, for winning the Cowboy Action World Championship at End of Trail last month!

MOTHER'S DAY PISTOL SHOOT RAINED-ON!

The Mother's Day shoot had 10 signed up, but a pretty good rain kept all but two away. There was a make up day on May 21. Thanks to all the participants. Will do it again next year. For more info, call Ken Greenwood 530-647-2456 or krg@d-web.com

DEFENSIVE SHOTGUN SEMINAR JUNE 5, 9-NOON

Learn the limitations and application for these defensive tools. Bring a box of Birdshot and 5 slugs and 5 Buckshot. For more info, call Ken Greenwood 530-647-2456 or krg@d-web.com

The "Freedom Rifle" Shoot will be on July 10. Reactive targets will include milk jugs, steel plates, clay birds and our favorite terrorists and film makers. For more info, call Ken Greenwood 530-647-2456 or krg@d-web.com
Tactical Situations will continue in August.

Bring a kid out to shoot! For info on the Youth Program, contact Ken Greenwood at 530-647-2456 or Scottie Southerland at 530-644-6163 The future of our sport is in the hands of our youth!

YOUTH PROGRAM STILL NEEDS EQUIPMENT!

The Youth Three Position Smallbore Team practices on the second Saturday of the month 9-Noon at the pistol range. We are still in need of shooting mats, spotting scope stands (and extension rods), ammo blocks, as well as mic stands and (camera) tripods to serve as offhand rifle rests. If you have any equipment of this sort, donations will be gladly accepted to further this effort. Of course, any donation of .22 rifles with peep and globe sights are welcomed, as are donations of .22 ammo. Contact Ken Greenwood at 647-2456 or krg@d-web.com for more information.

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