



# EL DORADO *Rod & Gun Club*

## The Powder Keg (October 2003)



### Presidents Report

The guest speaker for our general meeting October 6 will be Bill George, candidate for EID district 3. This will be a good opportunity to find out more about our water and where it's going. Please make sure to attend this meeting.

Sometimes it feels as if summer will never end and then before you know it a change of season is upon us. This has been one of the most active summers for the club that I can remember. There was hardly a day in the week where there wasn't some sort of range activity. Our junior and 4H programs were well attended as were our action pistol events. Our Trap range had outstanding turnouts for different events every week. Not only have we had great attendance for prize events (our meat and turkey shoots) but for competitions as well. When we have over 30 people showing up just for Wednesday afternoon practice events at the trap range we must be doing something right.

We have done a number of range improvements during the summer; we upgraded the road (a never ending battle), did some work on the pistol and rifle range and also repaired some of the problems with the club house at the Trap range. However we can't rest, we must continue to improve our facility. We are the only shooting facility in El Dorado County, and we have to keep upgrading the facility so that we have a place to shoot safely and to have a place that we are proud of and feel a part of, home away for home.

Your support of our club is of utmost importance to the future of the club. Without you our members, we wouldn't have a range facility. Every now and then I hear from people "what do I get out of membership?" You get a discount on range fees, but more importantly you get to be part of "The El Dorado Rod & Gun Club." Surprisingly enough we are one of the largest organizations in the County. Can you imagine how important our club would be if we were politically active in our County? As with most groups, only about 10% of the members are active and do 100% of the work. If we doubled that number and 20% of the members were active we could have a voice in county government. If we had 33% of our members active we would be a force to reckon with in the county. Just think about that for a moment. I have heard just about every reason that a person can think of for not wanting to be active in the club. However if it wasn't for those few dedicated members none of us would have a place to shoot. So you have very good reason why you should be active in the club. Let's face it, in California shooters and firearm owners are a declining group. We have to get off our collective back-sides and volunteer to help the club in whatever manner we can. We need to show the community that we have an outstanding place for families to come and learn about firearms and to be able to shoot in a safe environment. Where seasoned veterans and novices alike can shoot and enjoy the company of like minded people.

I want to thank each and every one of you, our members for supporting our club by sending in your memberships every year. This is where I begin to sound like every other non profit, volunteer group. The truth is we need money; we have a vision of where we would like to see the club facility in the next year, next 5 years and the next 10 years. We need you to be part of that vision. If you're an annual member why not consider becoming a life member. If you're a life member why not consider donating \$50, \$100 or more every year to help the club. Also please attend all of our fundraisers, the annual picnic and awards dinner/buck stew. In short without your help we'll not be able to continue to add improvements.

Our short term goal is to raise \$50,000 or more. Now this isn't an easy task, and I know that many of you contribute too many different causes. So please consider donating to the El Dorado Rod & Gun Club as well.

### ROAD CONDITION

We still have problems with people cutting the corner at the tight turn into the range. You will see that we placed **BIG** white barrels along the corner to keep people off of the inside portion of the turn. So please make sure that you make a wide turn. The other problem is that we are getting "wash-boards" due to excessive speed. Please remember that the speed limit is 10 MPH.

### ELECTIONS

Would you like to be an officer or director of the El Dorado Rod & Gun Club? Nominations are now open for the upcoming election in December. Anyone wishing to run may write up a 75 word statement that will be published in the next 3 newsletters. You may send me your statement at: [president@eldoradorodandgun.com](mailto:president@eldoradorodandgun.com)

### NEWSLETTER ARTICLES NEEDED

Articles can be submitted to me by Email to [president@eldoradorodandgun.com](mailto: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.**



The Chinese use two brush strokes to write "crisis." One stands for danger, the other for opportunity. In a crisis, be aware of the danger, but recognize the opportunity.

— Richard Nixon



### 2003 Officers & Directors

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### ULTIMATE HUNT

Looking for the ultimate hunt, on a California working mans budget (after taxes and utility fees, that means close to nothing!). Catalina Island, which is part of LA County, has a deer hunt which runs from September 3rd through December 30th. If you are not a resident (or know one) you need to get a guided hunt—which is what you'd want anyway as this Island is steep canyons and you need a vehicle to get around. You are not allowed to bring vehicles, nor are rent-a-cars available so having a guide is the way to go. The guided hunt periods are from September 3rd through September 17th and then again from December 17th through December 30th. This is one of the few places in the world where you can harvest a deer in the morning, and reel in a Marlin in the afternoon! If you go in the December period that is the low season on the Island so rates for hotels are considerably less. If you've not been to the Island, it is about a 6 hour drive down to San Pedro (LA Harbor), grab a ferry to the Island (1 hour ride), and you are in a paradise with 100' visibility in the water, water temperatures in the low to mid 70's during the summer, and diving and fishing within walking distance from your hotel. Anyone who might be interested can call 310-510-2595, Ext 122 for general hunting information or Wildlife West for guided hunt information at 530-519-4902.

While the deer on the Island are not trophy size (it is a desert island with few trees), there are not many places you can go hunting, diving in crystal clear water, go fishing for White Sea bass, Marlin (September period only), drink a Margarita on the dock looking over the Pacific, and dine on fresh caught local lobster, sea bass, sword fish, etc., on the same day! And, in LA County no less!

Bet no one has considered this in the club! I'll be down there next week for the Marlin Tournament, talk to you soon.

*Robert Deitz*

### WORK PARTY INVITE

For a change of pace try coming on out to the range at 9 AM on Friday October 10, get dirty helping fix the road, chain sawing old picnic tables for Turkey Shoot firewood, preparing

the Trap Shack for the drywall artisans, hauling trash, and other miserable tasks. *Bad back?* We have meaningful chores to do despite your limitations, you may end up being the **COOK FOR OUR FREE LUNCH**. This is the same day as the OLD WEST Practice Shoot. When they are done Simon Russell will be our RSO so that the Work Party can shoot for free. You do NOT have to be a member to sweat with us. This is a good day to show your guests around, get to know some great Members, and learn why you should let me nominate you to be an Officer or Director of our Club.

Please let me know how many to buy food, and drinks for. (530) 620-3900, or 620-3946, or email <steve.morgan-plink@worldnet.att.net>

### PLINK UPDATE

#### LESS LITTER IN THE SIX PLACES PLINK CLEANED UP SAT. AUG. 23, 2003

For the second month in a row we only got one heaping pickup load. The responsible shooters using these places are taking trash home themselves. Today's Please Leave It NRA Klean dirty dozen only had to pick up after the jerks who got away. Ray Engler and Phil Weideman had everything scouted out for us in advance. The new Forest Service directional signs are great. Jim Holtzman joined us all the way from Sacramento. Marion L. Smith from Mt. Aukum even though he target shoots in his back yard, just "wanted to do something for his community."

Tim Leahy from Latrobe, Paul Lockyer, Craig Whitten, Gary Stone, Bob Maerdian, Ed Dunn who brought our lunches, Randy, Carol and Dane Kolbo were all repeat offenders. I spilled two coolers of iced drinks. Our ice bill was the highest ever. Then came home filthy to a "Do not drink the water message from EID."

Please RSVP (530) 620-3900, or email<steve.morgan-plink@worldnet.att.net>

**NEXT FREE PLINK** cleanup tour of shooting areas in Your Eldorado National Forest will meet **9 am Saturday October 25** at the former U.S. Forest Service Information Center, five miles east of Placerville, on the south side of Hwy. 50, at Camino Heights Drive. Just bring your gloves, and guns. We will guide you to several places where you can shoot targets, *not trees, or bottles*, and clean them up. We are usually done around 3 pm. A couple of trucks are always needed to go to the dump, you can leave at any time, or stay to PLINK in the shade. Tools, bags, drinks and lunches will be provided. This may be our last PLINK before the wet season. Please Leave It NRA Klean is a cooperative program of the NRA Members Council, the El Dorado Rod & Gun Club, and the U.S. Forest Service.

Questions ? phone (530)-620-3900, or 620-3946, or email <steve.morgan-plink@worldnet.att.net>





### BIG YOUTH PROGRAM TURNOUT!

Ken Greenwood was overwhelmed when two vans and three cars pulled up for the "Advanced Rifle" shoot on September 13. There were 18 kids there to shoot!! Due to scheduling issues, the October 11 and November 8 shoots will be canceled, but we will meet again on December 13 (and perhaps on October 18 and November 15). Contact Ken at 530-647-2456 or krg@StraightShotConsulting.com so he can gage interest.

### TRAIN AT FRONT SIGHT?

Ken Greenwood wonders if any members want to join him in late October or early November at Front Sight Firearms training resort <www.frontsight.com/FirearmsTraining/> for a four-day (or TWO people for a two-day) practical rifle, pistol or shotgun class for only \$600. This is a great opportunity to really get good with your gun for a bargain price, and not do it alone. Or, the certificates are good any time if you can't make those dates. Give him a call at 530-647-2456.

### BLOOD DONATIONS

All eligible Gun Club members are encouraged to donate blood to the Mother Lode Blood center in Placerville (or anywhere else for that matter!). Call 800-995-4420 for an appointment. It's virtually painless, and your blood donation saves lives!!

### GUNS FOR SALE – PRICE REDUCED

M-94 Winchester in 30-30. Pre-64 (1956). \$225.00

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M-96 Swedish Mauser: 6.5 X 55mm (with \$100 of accessories). \$225.00

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Ithaca 12 ga. Camo Turkeyslayer: New, In Box with factory papers and \$50 discount certificate (good for lifetime repair warranty or towards another barrel or accessories). \$425.00

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Romanian 22 LR Trainer rifle: w/extra magazine. \$99.00

Trades for a Glock 19 or S&W .357 stainless or blue revolver with a 4" or shorter barrel considered.

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## DEFENSIVE PISTOL SHOOT RESULTS

(August 23, 2003–El Dorado Rod and Gun Club) John L. Lustig Range Safety Officer/Match Director

This is a COLD range. No loaded pistols allowed except as directed by the Range Safety Office. The ONLY time that the pistol 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 pistol, holster, magazine pouches and any other support equipment. The other bag to contain your ammunition.

IDPA (International Defensive Pistol Association) rules are used as guidelines for the Courses of Fire. The Courses of Fire are typically 18 rounds or less. They are typically (but not always) revolver (six shot) friendly and concealed carry unless otherwise specified.

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

### STAGE #1: CRACK HOUSE BUST GONE BAD

STAGE DESIGNER: John Karlovich

SCENARIO: You are a new DEA agent going down a dark hallway in a crack house. Your partner is covering the front door with a shotgun. There are many suspected dealers in the house. You need to defend yourself as if your life depends on it – it does! During the activities your partner is shot and your pistol is knocked out of your hand.

PROCEDURE: At audible sound advance down the hallway, as you reach the end of the hallway a suspected dealer steps out of the room in front of you. You grab him to use as an informant. Draw your pistol and start backing down the hallway using the bad guy as a shield. While backing down the hallway engage the mini pepper popper bad guy until he goes down which activates the swing out target. While still backing down hallway and holding bad guy hostage engage the suddenly appearing paper bad guy target with two rounds. At the end of the hallway and in a room to the left engage the three bad guys in tactical order with two rounds each while holding the bad guy shield. The hostage – shield takes a hit, drop the hostage (which activates the moving target) in the room on the right side of the hallway and engage the moving target with two rounds. Then engage the bad guy target in the room with ALL of the ammunition remaining in your pistol. Unload and show clear (magazine out, slide locked back) and place your pistol on the ground (simulating it being knocked out of your hand). Retreat to the where your partner is down and retrieve her shotgun, chamber a round and engage the mini pepper popper bad guy with two rounds if necessary. Unload and show clear (slide back, action open and gun empty) and set shotgun down. Advance to where you left your pistol, insert a fresh magazine and engage the paper bad guy in the room on the right side of the hallway with one round to the head.

### STAGE #2: THE ELECTRICITY GOES OFF, NEED TO FIND THE CIRCUIT BREAKER AND DEFEND THE HOUSE.

STAGE DESIGNER: Randy Bates

SCENARIO: You are at home asleep in your easy chair in your underwear. You are awakened by a sound coming from the garage and also notice that the lights are out. The circuit breaker is in the garage. As you are returning from the garage to the house you also hear a commotion from your sons room.

PROCEDURE: At the audible sound you retrieve your pistol and magazine from the end table and head towards the garage where the circuit breaker is. When you enter the garage you notice that the garage door has been opened and that there are three bad guys standing in the driveway. From behind cover you engage the three bad guys in tactical order with two rounds each and then reset the circuit breaker. You hear sounds from your son's room and head towards the house. The three bad guys are down but not out so from behind cover you reengage them in tactical order with one round each. Upon reaching your sons room you find that the door is open and that there are bad guys in it. You engage the first visible bad guy (large Pepper popper) until he falls down and then discover that there is another smaller bad guy behind him. You engage the smaller bad guy (mini-pepper popper) until he goes down which activates two appearing targets, one is your son and the other is a bad guy. You need to determine which is which and engage the appropriate one with two rounds each.

### STAGE #3: ON A CASUAL WALK

SCENARIO: You are on a casual walk when confronted by two bad guys in front of you; one has a hostage. There are another two bad guys farther down the walk also with a hostage. They must be on some kind of stimulant because even after they are shot and on the ground they are still not out and continue to pose a threat.

PROCEDURE: At audible sound and while walking draw pistol and engage the bad guys (upper) in tactical order with two rounds each, making sure not to hit the hostages. The bad guys are down but not out. While still moving reengage the two lower bad guys with two rounds each and head to cover. From behind cover reload. There are two more bad guys in front of you, one with a hostage. Engage the bad guys (upper) in tactical order with two rounds each, making sure not to hit the hostage. The bad guys are own but not out. From behind cover and shooting over cover reengage the two lower bad guys with two rounds each.

### STAGE #4 INVASION OF THE ROUND FACED

SCENARIO: The round-faced invaders are back again. After their unsuccessful attempt to capture the EDR&GC president Rob Charny and secretary George Bill they are searching the universe for slaves to help

them run their gun club. Vice President Steve Morgan was out with the PLINK group and they did not want to mess with them. They heard that there were two dignitaries from the Sacramento Defensive Pistol Association (President Wayne K. Johnson and Director/Range Safety Chairman Alec Libante) and attempted to take them hostage.

PROCEDURE: At audible sound the shooter will turn, and while approaching the barricade draw their pistol. Engage the eighteen metal targets. The six metal targets on the left side are to be engaged in tactical order from the left side of the barricade. The six metal targets in the middle are to be engaged from the opening in the middle of the barricade. The six metal targets on the right side are to be engaged in tactical order from the right side of the barricade. It is the shooters option in which order to engage the sets targets.

NOTES: It is up to the shooter to determine when a non non-knock down target has been hit.

### STAGE #5: HOME INVASION, CHECK OUT THE BEDROOMS DOWN THE HALLWAY.

SCENARIO: You are asleep in your bedroom when you hear commotion outside your room, the door is kicked open and you are confronted with three bad guys holding your wife hostage. You also hear screams from your children's bedrooms down the hallways to the left and right.

PROCEDURE: At the audible sound in any order retrieve your pistol, store your extra magazines on your person, pick up and turn on the flashlight. While sitting and pointing the flashlight at the targets engage three bad guy targets through the open doorway making sure not to hit the hostage. Stand and move towards the open doorway and in any order and from behind cover engage the two bad guys in the hallway to the left and the three bad guys in the hallway to the right making sure not to hit the hostages.

### STAGE #6: GANG-BANGERS STEALING TOOLS FROM A CONSTRUCTION SITE

SCENARIO: You are sitting at the bus stop when you hear shouts from the construction project behind you. Eight gang-bangers are trying to steel equipment from the construction site and the construction workers are trying to stop them.

PROCEDURE: At the audible sound, stand, turn and while approaching the wall draw your pistol and from the left opening in the wall engage the three bad guy paper targets making sure not to hit the hostages. Move to the right opening in the wall and engage the four bad guy paper targets making sure not to hit the hostages.



**DEFENSIVE PISTOL SHOOT RESULTS**

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**OVERALL MATCH RESULTS AUGUST 23, 2003 (NOTE: TIME IS IN SECONDS)**

NAME	STAGE #1	STAGE #2	STAGE #3	STAGE #4	STAGE #5	STAGE #6	TOTAL
Wayne K. Johnson	35.62	31.51	19.34	41.98	22.90	15.61	165.96
John L. Lustig	51.99	33.78	34.34	52.15	39.92	20.14	223.32
Bob Hodges	50.10	44.58	33.11	60.77	29.82	48.29	266.67
Alec Libante	52.02	38.30	26.58	86.30	46.08	18.85	268.13
Randy Bates	58.59	40.45	41.22	80.16	40.69	25.44	286.55
Mike Beeby	73.08	50.24	32.03	61.67	52.21	28.43	297.66
John Karlovich	62.62	44.17	30.53	84.74	60.44	23.23	305.73
Ken Greenwood	73.48	42.72	35.96	72.26	61.43	28.08	313.93
Stan Dodge	78.88	49.49	53.67	127.39	58.45	35.61	403.49
Joanne Dodge	133.84	107.13	134.18	199.90	129.25	102.43	806.73

*NOTE: Joanne was using a snub nose wheel gun and for being a first time shooter did an exceptional job and also had a lot of fun.*

**The Hangtown Vigilance Committee****September "Practice" Match Results (Next practice match – Friday, October 10th)**

We shot 5 stages at the El Dorado Rod and Gun Club pistol range.

In addition to our 6 shooters we had 3 "guests." Miss Ada Belle (Sauerkraut's custodian) took care of sign-in operations and score keeping. She has all her guns and we hope she will shoot with us at our next match. Barn Sour Si's wife Pam was an enthusiastic observer. Ruff Justice came from the Stockton area to observe, provide useful information to the shooters, and take photographs of the proceedings. (Check out the photos on the web site at: <<http://www.CowtownShooters.com>> under Hangtown Vigilance Committee, 12 Sept. Match Results.

Renegade Rider, a veteran SASS shooter, came from afar (Herald) to shoot with us and to assist in advising the shooters. Thanks Renegade Rider.

Barn Sour Si and Joaquin Miguel Dorado took care of setting up the targets and getting the range ready.

Four of our six shooters were new to CAS. So Sauerkraut and Renegade Rider gave the "newbies" some pointers about safety practices and how to avoid some of the common errors made by shooters – including arriving at the firing line with no ammunition in one or more guns. Well, I (Sauerkraut) got so carried away with talking

while I was loading my guns I forgot to load my six-shooters. When I arrived at the firing line and drew my first pistol all I got was a loud "click" and then another "click." Embarrassing it was.

Match results are posted below. Since this was a practice match, customary SASS shooter class designations are not used. Also, the only results posted are raw times, number of missed, and procedural errors for each stage. Comparison of shooter's performances is not appropriate because of the wide range of shooting equipment used during the match.

Alias	Class	RT1	P1	M1	RT2	P2	M2	RT3	P3	M3	RT4	P4	M4	RT5	P5	M5
Barn Sour Si	Unc	73.44	1	4	77.25	0	1	82.60	0	1	60.38	0	1	53.54	0	2
Hangtown Husker	Unc	54.67	0	2	60.88	0	1	58.90	1	0	50.43	0	0	DNS	0	0
Joaquin Miguel Dorado	Unc	72.66	0	2	77.39	0	2	63.52	0	0	66.75	0	1	50.42	1	2
Pit River Phil	Unc	86.97	0	3	94.32	1	2	75.57	1	3	75.33	1	1	DNS	0	0
Renegade Rider	Unc	30.21	0	3	37.79	0	2	33.44	0	0	28.30	0	4	35.77	0	0
Sauerkraut	Unc	56.91	0	1	59.70	1	1	70.28	0	0	53.71	0	0	48.78	0	2

RT = Raw Time (time from the start buzzer to the last shot fired)

P = Procedural errors (Under SASS rules no matter how many errors are made the shooters can be charged with no more than 1. The time penalty for a procedural error is 10 seconds)

M = Number of targets missed. The time penalty for a missed target is 5 seconds.

DNS = Did not shoot

Unc = Unclassified



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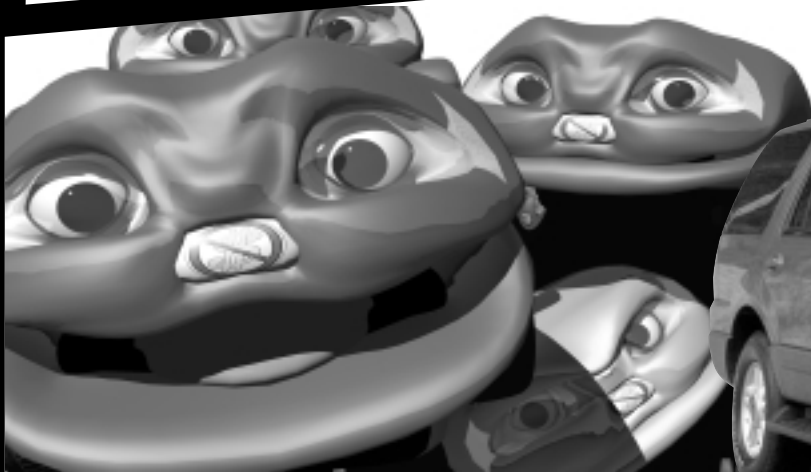
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