



El Dorado Rod & Gun Club

The Powder Keg

November 2001



President's Message

Dear Members:

Our Annual buck stew will be held Saturday December 1, at the Veterans Memorial Building located next to the County Fairgrounds. We are in need of donations of game meat and volunteers to help. If you have game meat that you are willing to donate or are willing to help, please contact Keith Murray at 642-0564.

Along with this letter we have sent a sheet of tickets for the main prizes to be awarded at the buck stew. 1ST Place prize is a wonderful donation from Arnold Jones of a Winchester .338 model 70 with two stocks (custom and factory stock), Leopold scope, reloading dies & bullets, over a \$1,000.00 value. 2ND Place is a Winchester .270 Ranger, 3RD Place is a 400 yard range finder. These prizes are available for viewing at Big Horn Gun Shop. You are welcome to mail in these tickets, you need not be present to win, however we are looking forward to having you join us for a fun evening. We also will have a number of other prizes that we sell tickets for at the dinner and you can purchase additional tickets for the main prizes at the dinner as well. The Bar opens at 6:00 p.m. and Dinner starts at 7:00 p.m. Look forward to seeing you there.

Attention all Range Safety Officers, we would like to add your e-mail address to our web site. Please send me an e-mail (rob@hangtown.com) with your e-mail address and permission to put your address on our web site (<http://www.hangtown.com/rodandgun>). Also if you have not had your picture taken for the RSO identification card please try to make the next general meeting November 5 so that we can take your picture. We would also like RSO's to

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General Meeting Update: October 1, 2001

Meeting was called to order by Rob at 7:10 p.m.

New member introduction: *Jim Peebles* and *Jeff Madeira*.

Bills or money call requested. Monies collected by the Treasurer.

Motion to forgo reading of the minutes passed.

Announcements

- BLM planning is going on for 700 acres on the South Fork of the American River, the plan is to prohibit shooting on the land.
- The cable in the Pistol/Riffle range has been repaired. Thanks to the volunteers who did the repairs.

President's Report

- Range condition by law enforcement status was given.
- ID cards are being issued for RSO's and Officers of the Club.
- The lime issue is being addressed, a more permanent solution needs to be worked.
- RSO class is being organized by Skip Worsham, has seven people interested, needs at least three more people. Please contact Skip if you are interested in becoming a range safety officer.
- Status on grant proposal was requested, only one grant proposal for this year. No other proposals were received.

Financial Report

The checking account has a present balance of \$8,241.12 and the savings account has a present balance of \$26,406.56.

Committee reports

None given.

Old Business

Nominations are open for the board of director positions and the officers of the club (3 board of director positions, President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary). A motion was made to nominate Bob Pomeroy for Director, motion passed. A motion was made to nominate all existing directors (Bob Howard, Bob Pomeroy, and David Drum) and officers. Motion passed.

New Business

Steve Morgan is heading up a care package for our armed forces members currently on their way to the Middle East, and is looking for donations.

Rob requested a newsletter editor to gather inputs and stories of interest from RSO's and others. Those inputs would then be provided to Letty for publication. Inputs for newsletter need to be received by COB of the board meeting (third Monday of the Month).

John Lustig made a last minute announcement regarding the defensive pistol shoot. It's the fourth Saturday of the month, the walk through begins at 9:00 a.m. His description of the event sounds like a lot of fun, please contact John regarding more information on the event.

Meeting adjourned 7:45 p.m.

2001 Officers & Directors

President:	Rob Charny
Vice President:	Steve Morgan
Secretary:	Jim Bowls
Treasurer:	Bob Conover

Directors

Doug Becker	Keith Murray
David Drum	Bob Pomeroy
Bob Hancock	Scottie Southerland
Bob Howard	Skip Worsham
Arnold Jones	



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President's Message (*Continued*)

submit articles about their events for the newsletter, so if you could please write a short article about your shooting event. We feel that would make the newsletter more informative and enjoyable to read.

The Rod & Gun Club Needs You! At the last board of directors meeting our current secretary Jim Bowls announced that he would not be able to continue as secretary. As I'm sure you know this is without question the most important officer in the club. If you are able or have the desire to help the club and have time to be secretary please let one of the directors or officers know. Our club election will be held the first Monday in December and we seriously need a secretary by election time. We are also looking for a Newsletter editor, so if you would like to help put the newsletter together please let us know.

As of this writing we are getting continued reports of people being tested positive for exposure to anthrax and much of the U.S. Capitol is temporarily shutdown due to this exposure. These terrorists need to understand that attacks on our great country will only make us stronger and more resolved. As time goes on I am sure these terrorists will attempt other acts of aggression and again they will underestimate our determination to rid the world of terrorism.

*Stand strong, stay vigilant and
God Bless America!*

Board Meeting Update: October 15, 2001

Meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Rob Charny.

There was no reading of the previous minutes.

Housekeeping: Bob Hancock brought up the issue of AB 35 and SB 52 which was signed into law by the governor.

President's Report

- Range Condition Report / Law Enforcement usage / Clean-up was discussed. The range has been cleaned up and will be cleaned up on a monthly basis by law enforcement.
- Skip Worsham will be responsible for interfacing with law enforcement on all ranges usage and issues/concerns.
- Lime pile and storage issue was put off until Steve Morgan is present to address the issue.
- Discussion of the new club logo was addressed. A motion was made and passed to adopt the new logo.
- A discussion was made in regards to awards for those who have volunteered (RSO's, Officers, Directors, and others) this past year. The awards will be presented at the Buck Stew.

Financial Report

Given by Bob Conover. The checking account balance is \$9,556 and the savings account balance is \$26,407. Motion to increase the trap target fund by \$4,943 was made and passed to cover the cost of the recent purchase.

Committee Reports

- PA system for the trap range was discussed, a CB radio was donated that has PA capability.
- Advertising was discussed for upcoming shoots. A motion was made to go with a larger than business card sized ad in the Gold Panner since the ad stands out more. Motion passed.

Old Business

- List of persons interested in RSO training was addressed. Skip Worsham mentioned number of people who responded to date has been seven.
- Grant Proposal—Still being worked. A discussion was held as to how to obtain proposal forms, and criteria.
- Locker for RSO's to deposit range fees and forms was discussed. Bob Conover to select locker and notify which locker to be used.

New Business

- Buck stew is scheduled for Dec 1st. Need to get volunteers to help cook. Have one volunteer to help cook so far and one volunteer to help clean up. Keith Murray volunteered to head up the Buck Stew. Donations of meat for the buck stew is required, please contact Keith at 642-0564.
- Jim Bowls withdrew his nomination for 2002 Secretary. Rob Charny has stated he will withdraw his nomination if there is no secretary and urged the board to help find a new secretary for next year.
- Flag poles for the ranges were discussed to identify whether or not the range was hot. Flag poles will be bought.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

**Join us for our
Annual Turkey Shoot
November 17th & 18th,
9.a.m. - ?**

***Come on out and
have some fun!***



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Announcements

Buck Stew

As mentioned, our annual buck will be Saturday, December 1. Keith Murray is taking on the task of organizing this event. Laura Filsinger has volunteered to help prepare the food as well as purchase ingredients and paper goods (which she has done for the past 2 years). We still need other volunteers to help out, as well as meat donations, please contact Keith at 642-0564. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

Again thanks to Mr. Arnold Jones for his generous donation to the Buck Stew. The rifle, scope, reloading equipment, and ammunition is estimated at over \$1000.

Defensive Pistol — November 24, 2001 (Fourth Saturday of the Month)

This is a cold range! No loaded firearms on the range! Firearms will only be loaded when the Range Safety Officer tells the shooter to "load and make ready".

Shooters should arrive at the range with their unloaded gun, holster and magazine holders in one container. Ammunition should be in another separate container. Once at the range the only place that the firearm can be handled is at the designated 'safe table' or when the Range Safety Officer tells the shooter to do so. No ammunition is allowed to be handled at the 'safe table.'

Walk through is at 9 a.m. This includes safety issues, range rules and gun handling. IDPA (International Defensive Pistol Association) rules will be the guidelines for the courses of fire.

The courses of fire will be 18 round maximum, revolver friendly and concealed carry. Shooting (engaging targets) will be done from in the open, behind cover and on the move. Shooting from behind cover/barricades will be done from both right and left sides. Strong hand only and weak hand only shooting will be utilized.

IDPA paper targets along with metal and metal knock down (Pepper Poppers) targets will be used.

The shoot will typically start with a warm up activity.

Revolver shooters, bring at least three speed loaders.

Semi-auto shooters bring at least three magazines. Shooters should bring at least 100 rounds of ammunition.

Reminder—Membership Dues

Membership dues for the year 2002 are due January 1, 2002, if you can please send in your dues early and please completely fill out the application so we can update our records.

Secretary Needed

The secretary has withdrawn his nomination for next year's term due to personal reasons. A secretary is desperately needed. Mr. Charny says he will withdraw his nomination if there is no secretary, so please help your club out and volunteer.

Notice to RSO's

Please plug in the cell phone upon arrival so we have **two way communication** to and from the range. And that it is ready to go in case of an emergency. Thank you.

Do you have concerns/comments/appreciation's with the way Law Enforcement is utilizing the range? If so, please address those concerns/comments/appreciation's to Skip at 620-4252, we are trying to build our public relations with Law Enforcement and want to provide a single point of contact.

Letter to the Editor

(Note: this letter was received after print deadline for October Newsletter, however it is still very worthy of mention.)

Dear Editor,

The day after the terrorists attacked, I was irritated to see all the flags at half mast because I was rushing home to fly mine high and defiant. I already had it bolted on to a ten foot length of pipe. I had to undo it all, and drill another hole in the pipe to lower it to half mast. As I carried it at port arms to the street where I placed it between some Mount Surabachi Iwo Jima type rocks, two kids walking home from school stopped on the yellow line, stood at attention, and began the Pledge of Allegiance. This choked me up so much, all I could do was to join them with my hand over my heart, but I could not speak properly. They stumbled over some words, started over in unison, and repeated the Pledge perfectly. I seldom say much to children as I do not want to contribute to any bad habit of them conversing with strangers against their parents wishes. I finally managed to say "how was school?" One of them that I now know to be Jake Butts, said "Great, I like the fourth grade!". The other boy who has been on two work parties to clean up trash in our National Forest is B.J. Clawson. I was amazed, having figured our schools spend more time on sensitivity training than on Americanism. Young Americans like B.J. Clawson and Jake Butts make me feel much better about our future.

Steve Morgan



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FACILITIES AND MONTHLY EVENTS INCLUDE:

9 am until noon unless noted (member/nonmember range fee)

RIFLE

50 and 100 yard rifle range with 13 position covered bench and chronograph stand

- **Open Rifle Range:** (\$3.00/\$5.00)
1st Saturday of the month (Bill: 622-7478)
3rd Friday: 1-4pm (Roy: 333-9029)
Every Thursday (Kirby: 745-9588/Bill: 622-7478)
- **Informal Benchrest w/Rimfire and Centerfire Rifle:** (\$3.00/\$5.00)
2nd Saturday of the month (Bill: 622-7478)
- **DCM (CMP):** Quarterly Qualifications (CALL!)
(\$5.00, or \$25.00 w/M-1 gun & ammo); or open rifle
(\$2.00/\$4.00)
4th Sunday of the month (Bob: 622-8584)
- **Sight-In Days:** All August & September rifle events

PISTOL

25 yard pistol range with 10 covered positions

- **Open Pistol Range:** (\$3.00/\$5.00)
Every Monday (Gary: 620-3946)
2nd Friday (Mark: 621-5795/622-5994, *call first!*)
1st Friday (Dick: 672-2044)
1st & 3rd Thursday (Kirby: 745-9588)
2nd Sun (Ken: 647-2456) *Call ahead to confirm.*
- **Defensive Pistol:** International Defensive Pistol Assn. (\$5.00/\$10.00) Self-Defense Practice
4th Saturday of the month (John: 676-1199)

TRAP

16-27 yard trap

- Every Sunday: 9-12; Wednesday: 5pm - Dark (daylight savings) (Trap: \$3.50/\$4.50)
- **Thanksgiving, Christmas & Spring Turkey Shoots:** (\$3.50/event) (Bob: 677-8826; Floyd: 676-9567)
- **Novice Trap:**
Last Sunday of the Month: 9am-noon (Bob: 677-8826)

YOUTH SHOOTING SPORTS

- **4-H:** Oct.-May (June-Sept., all kids) (Free to 4-H, \$2.00 for walk-ins)
2nd Sunday: 1-4pm (Ken: 647-2456)
- **Junior Rifle Training:** (\$2.00 for 100 rds ammo + target gun)
4th Saturday of the Month: 1pm
(Scottie: 644-6163)

OTHER EVENTS

- **"Practical" rifle, pistol and/or shotgun:** (Most often, "Handgun Familiarization" for novices):
(\$3.00/\$5.00 if practice, \$5.00/\$10.00 if formal match)
Call ahead to confirm event.
2nd Sunday of the Month (Ken: 647-2456)
- **Muzzle Loaders/Black Powder:** Fun Shoots
(\$3.00/\$5.00)
3rd Saturday of the month (Scott: 621-2442)
- **Hunter Safety:** Conservation and safety
All year (Bob Hancock: 295-9385)
- **Annual Picnic and "Buck Stew":**
Good food and prizes
August and December

