

EE-DA-HOW NEWS

March 2010

Ee-Da-How Long Rifles Gun Club

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CALENDAR

March 6	
9:00 AM	CLAS .22 Rifle 40 round match
12:00 PM	CLAS Pistol Cartridge 40 round match
March 10	
7:00 PM	Club Meeting – Idaho Fish & Game Building
March 13	
9:00 AM	.22 Silhouette (100 yd)
March 20	
9:00 AM	.22 Silhouette (200 yd)
March 21	
1:00 PM	Muzzle Loader Shoot
March 27	
9:00 AM	BPCRS
March 28	
11:00 AM	Bench Rest Match
April 3	
9:00 AM	CLAS .22 Rifle 40 round match
12:00 PM	CLAS Centerfire Rifle 40 round match
April 5	
7:00 PM	Club Board Meeting
April 6	
6:00 PM	CMP Match
April 8-9	
	Gun Show Setup (check website for times)

REMINDERS:

- Starting 3/xx, the range is open to range members only on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.
- On Tuesdays, priority is given to BPCRS shooters.
- The lower ranges cannot be used when the upper 500 yd range is in use – even on member-only shooting days
- The latest schedules for the month are available at the club web site:

<http://blackscreekrange.com/club>

Message from the Club Board

Help Save the Buckskin Bill Rendezvous!! The 30th Annual Buckskin Bill Rendezvous sponsored by Ee-Da-How Long Rifles **is in jeopardy of being cancelled** this year! We need a booshway or we will not be able to offer this event. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Arnie Burr at 870-0551.

New Range Hours: Starting March 15th, we will be shifting to daylight saving time hours. The range will be open from 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM. We will also be opening Thursdays to the public. Range usage on Tuesdays and Wednesdays will be reserved for key holding club members.

Reminder: Be sure to turn in your work hours. Not only do they count towards your hours for the year, but many of them will count towards the hours we need as part of the grant conditions for the range improvements.

Coming Up! The **Fort Boise Gun Show**, sponsored by Ee-da-how Long Rifles, will be held April 10th and 11th at the Idaho Expo Center. Gun show hours will be Saturday from 9:00 to 5:00 and Sunday from 10:00 to 4:00. We will be setting up on Thursday, April 8th, and Friday, April 9th. We will also be taking down on Sunday starting at 4:00 PM. Mark your calendars now for this club fund raising event. If you are able to help with set up, take down, or anything else, please contact Arnie Burr at 870-0551 or Doug Mohn at 855-0628.

The R.V. show went well, however we did not have the number of volunteers we had expected. One way for you to earn you key time is to volunteer and work at club sponsored events. In April we have the gun show and will be scheduling a work party at the range. You can earn your time by participating in these events.

We will be having a key accounting in April. If you have not already sent in your money for your key please do so!

Cabin Fever!

February 27th and 28th were the match days for the annual Cabin Fever matches. Each daily match was a 40 round match and the aggregate of the two days determined the overall winner.

The weather was better than last year – thank heaven! It was still a bit cold, but at least the wind wasn't blowing 50 miles per hour!

We had a total of thirty-one participants this year, with several brand new BPCRS shooters. The match was put together by Kenny Durham with assistance from Frank Cornell. Dede Cornell was the range master who called the match. Tracy Balkovic kept scores and statistics. Kurt Balkovic cooked and fed us all and warmed us up with his great chili. We also had three target setters that did an awesome job to keep the game moving.

This year we saw a change in the landscape of our shooters. We had almost as many scoped shooters as we did iron sights. It might be a reflection of our age creeping up, but we'll just ignore that!

At the end of day one shooting, Butch Ulsher, from Montana, was in the lead for iron sights with a 33 and Beth Morris, from Washington, was slightly behind him with a 30. Kenny Durham was in the lead in the scope division with a 31.

Day two brought some surprises and kept the match interesting! Gene Davids and Joey Balkovic, both from Idaho, tied for high score with iron sights, with Gene taking it by a chicken! Kerry Kegel, from Oregon, had sewed up the day's high score for scope with a 33.

The overall match winner with iron sights was Butch Ulsher, who completed the event with a total score of 60. The scope match winner was Kerry Kegel with a total score of 60. He edged out Dennis Wiley by 3 chickens!

A good time was had by all and we can't wait until next year!

2010 Cabin Fever BPCRS Match Results

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Iron Sights		
Match Winner	Butch Ulsher	60
1 st Master	Steve Morris	54
2 nd Master	Darrell Tonn	52
1 st AAA	Beth Morris	56
2 nd AAA	Gene Davids	51
3 rd AAA	Clyde Quigley	46
1 st AA	Jim Darby	44
2 nd AA	Dennis Mitchell	34
1 st A/B	Cary Thorogood	40
Scope		
Match Winner	Kerry Kegel	60
Second Scope		
Special Classes		
High Senior	Butch Ulsher	60
High Lady	Beth Morris	56
High Junior	Joey Balkovic	33 (one day score)
High Super Senior	Keith Britton	52

Ee-Da-How History

By Jerry King

Jerry recently sent a letter to the board pertaining to another matter. As part of that letter, he included an account of how Ee-Da-How came to be. I thought it was wonderful and have taken the liberty of including it here and attributing it to Jerry. I hope you enjoy it as much as I did. Tracy.

In 1977 the then Ee-Da-How club president began negotiations with Idaho Fish and Game officials. This led to an agreement that provided funds for range construction through their hunter education program to provide training for hunter education students and public use. The agreement called for participation by three groups, the sponsoring and controlling group Idaho Fish and Game, their hunter education program and a sponsoring organization Ee-Da-How Long Rifles.

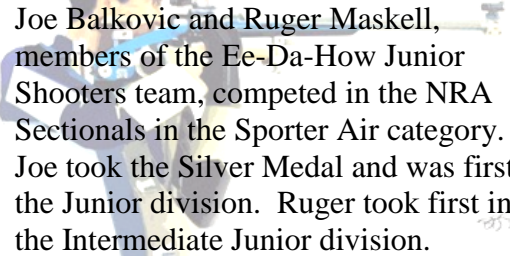
To get the effort started, Ee-Da-How provided \$5,000 which was used by Fish and Game to get triple matching funds. With these funds in hand, Fish and Game applied for another triple matching grant and with these funds purchased the 60 acres on which the range is located.

From 1977 to 1980, Ee-Da-How held its monthly matches on the range property while range cover and improvements were constructed. In 1980 the range was opened to public shooters with a daily range fee of \$2, club members paid \$1 during club shoots.

Ee-Da-How purchased a used mobile home for a caretaker's use. The caretaker was required to live there, collect fees and supervise public users in exchange for a place to live. For about the first 12 years the range income did not pay the expenses and Ee-Da-How subsidized the range about \$3000 per year. A second gun show was started to meet increasing expenses. In 1992 we embarked on a more business-like approach to manage the range, user fees were increased, range caretaker was compensated, 501C exempt status was obtained, taxes returns were filed and taxes paid, adequate insurance was obtained and improvements constructed. The first improvement was a hunter education range, made necessary because of conflicts between public, club and hunter education classes. Next a pistol range which has evolved into the lever action silhouette range. We then obtained help from the 321st Engineering Army Reserve Unit to construct the BPCR silhouette range.

With the efforts of Ee-Da-How over the years in providing commitment of organization, funds, labor, management, blood sweat and tears if you will, we have a range to be proud of.

Ee-Da-How Junior Shooters

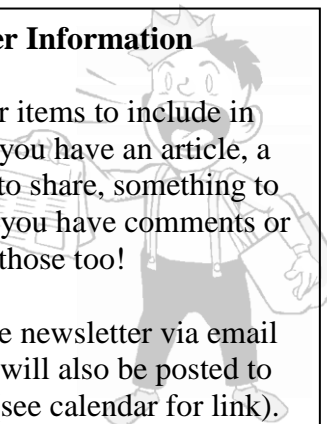


Joe Balkovic and Ruger Maskell, members of the Ee-Da-How Junior Shooters team, competed in the NRA Sectionals in the Sporter Air category. Joe took the Silver Medal and was first in the Junior division. Ruger took first in the Intermediate Junior division.

Joe and Ruger, along with team mate Shay Miner, will be shooting in the NRA Sectional for smallbore three-position rifle on 3/13 at the Boise Rifle and Pistol Club. If you want to come and see what this sport is all about, feel free to join us at 6961 Supply Way. Shooting will start at 8:30. Our boys are currently scheduled to shoot at 10:00.

Congratulations to Joe and Ruger and good luck to all three boys with smallbore!

Newsletter Information



We are looking for items to include in the newsletter. If you have an article, a note, information to share, something to sell, send it in! If you have comments or suggestions, send those too!

We are sending the newsletter via email and snail-mail. It will also be posted to the club web site (see calendar for link). If you prefer to receive the newsletter only via email, send us a note.

April Edition Submission Deadline:
March 29, 2010

Send To:

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2010 IAWCA Civilian Marksmanship Program Match Dates

By Don Bledsoe

IAWCA match dates for 2010 are on the following Tuesday evenings:

April 6th
May 4th
June 1st
July 13th
August 3rd
September 7th

Registration begins at 5:30PM and the matches will start at 6:00PM.

All matches will be held at Blacks Creek Public Shooting Range

IAWCA is a Civilian Marksmanship Program registered club. The Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP) is a national organization dedicated to training and educating U. S. citizens in responsible uses of firearms. The CMP is a federally chartered 501 (c) (3) corporation that encourages personal growth and building life skills.

IAWCA CMP matches are shot at 200 yards in three positions that include slow fire standing (off-hand), rapid fire sitting, rapid fire prone, and slow fire prone positions. Traditional CMP matches are shot at 200, 300, & 600 yards. Because Blacks Creek Range is restricted to shooting at 200 yards we use reduced size targets to simulate shooting at 300 yards, and 600 yards

from the 200 yard line.

Rifles required for shooting CMP competition should be the M1 Garand, M1A (M14), or AR 15 in their "As issued" USGI original appearance configuration i.e., no aluminum free-float hand guard tubes on AR 15 rifles, no optical sights, etc. in order to qualify the shooter as a CMP match winner. Provisions are made for other rifles provided they are magazine fed and capable of holding 10 rounds in the magazine, the latter is necessary because there are two rapid fire stages that require mandatory magazine changes

We encourage you to introduce new shooters to the CMP program. To help in that respect IAWCA has two match grade CMP legal AR15 service rifles that new (or old) shooters can use. These are true national match quality CMP service rifles with match quality triggers. From my experience with them they will shoot better than the person behind the rifle. Please let me or Steve Markel know in advance if you need the use of a club AR15.

If you have any questions or need additional information feel free to contact Don Bledsoe at dbledsoe@isp.com or 336-3321. If you would like to use a club rifle, contact Don Bledsoe or Steve Markel at stevemarkel@hotmail.com or 362-2390

We look forward to seeing you for another year of great CMP match shooting.

Ee-Da-How to Host Upcoming State Matches

Ee-Da-How will play host to several State shooting matches this year.

The Cowboy Lever Action Silhouette State Matches for Small Bore and Pistol Cartridge will be held May 1st with the Rifle Caliber being held on May 2nd. Sign up deadline is 4/25. Contact Gary Woods (garywoods4065@msn.com) for registration and match information.

BPCRS State matches are scheduled for June 11th – June 13th. For more information or to register, contact Kenny Durham (KIDurham@aol.com or 208-939-2190) or John Hinman (jhinman@cableone.net or 208-841-3834)

Muzzle Loader State matches are scheduled for June 15th – June 20th. For further information or to register, contact Arnie Burr (870-0551).

Match Results

Cowboy Lever Action Silhouette – February 6, 2010 by Gary Woods

February 2009 “I’m thinking about this year’s St. Valentine’s Day. The day for romancing your lady with roses, candy, flowers; maybe a nice atomizer of expensive perfume . . . Well it didn’t happen that way for 18 shooters on the 14th! We had a 60 round pistol caliber lever action rifle shoot instead.” **That was last year** and this year we have the opportunity to change that because our lever action match was held on the 5th. Again we had 18 shooters show up for our 60 round rifle caliber match and Arnie Burr shot 12 rams, 10 consecutive ones to complete his Grand Slam. But finishing the day was Ed Green, an A Class shooter and he had 15 chickens in the regular match. He decided to see how many he could knock down before missing and what a show Ed put on. With Jerry Newby’s excellent spotting skills, Ed proceeded to tip over another 21 chickens to beat the national senior record of 35 by 1 chicken for a total of 36!! He did this with a Marlin lever action in .35 Remington. Nice work, Ed!!

This year be kind to the lady in your life and let her know she’s special! After all, she lets us go shooting and have a good time at the range. The results for the match are listed below.

CLAS Rifle Caliber (60 shot match)

Arnie Burr	50/60	Match Winner
Charlie Strasser	43/60	1 st AAA
Steve Nielsen	41/60	2 nd AAA
Doug Mohn	43/60	1 st AA
Dave Crandall	40/60	2 nd AA
Ed Green	40/60	1 st A/B
John Hinman	35/60	2 nd A/B

February Muzzle Loader

Thanks to the wonderful weather, we had a great turn out for our monthly shoot. Thanks to the 12 men and 2 ladies and one small fry!

ladies	men's AA	men's A
1st Tricia R	1st Jim L	1st JR B
2nd Bobby H	2nd Ray G	2nd JR S
	3rd Ak B	3rd John R

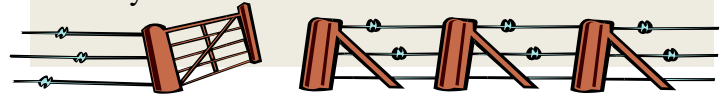
The dollar shoot was a tie, so the winnings were split.

We are asking that all muzzle loaders try and set up on the west end of the shooting range if possible.

All shooters beware; the March shoot will have some "Shane's a butt head" surprises....come join the fun!

April match will be ALL Silhouettes, will be a fun match!

We look forward to seeing you all on the 3rd Sunday in March



FOR SALE

Arnie Burr is selling the items below. If you are interested, give him a call at 870-0551.

Lead: 0.85/lb.

Powder: Swiss \$24.00/lb., Goex \$14.00/lb

Cap: \$4.50

.22 200 Yard Match – 2/20/2010

Joey Balkovic	35	Match Winner
Dan Golden	34	1 st Master
Keith Britton	31	2 nd Master
Ed Green	31	1 st AAA
Tom Hinman	23	2 nd AAA
Ray Rollins	31	1 st AA
Mike Broughton	23	2 nd AA
Ruger Maskell	29	1 st Jr

.22 100 Yard Match – 2/13/2010

Doug Mohn	37	Match Winner
Max Slade	34	1 st Master
John Hinman	33	2 nd Master
Bob Benbough	34	1 st AAA
Jim Lawrence	32	2 nd AAA
Tracy Balkovic	32	1 st AA
Shelby Lawrence	22	1 st Jr
James Quicke	31	1 st UNC