



COSSA Bulletin

April 2016

GREAT BASIN PRECISION RIFLE and TACTICAL MATCH

March 5th was our first match for this year. I felt lucky the rain stopped just as we were starting the long range match. 1,020 - 1,760 yards. We had 10 - 15 mile per hour winds that changed direction two to four times a minute and more. Besides enduring the short burst and gust of winds. You pull the trigger and the wind direction would change. Shooting over 1,000 yards makes an immense difference. These are very low scores, compared to what we usually get. These conditions make you think more and become a better shooter.

The shooters definitely earned their hits.

- ❖ Scott P. 2 hits 1,020 yards
- ❖ Keith 2 hits 1,020 yards
- ❖ Tom A. 1 hit 1,600 yards
- ❖ Geoff 1 hit 1,020 yards

The 200 - 900 yards

- ❖ Scott P. 30 hits 1st Place
- ❖ Steve 24 hits 2nd Place
- ❖ Geoff 19 hits 3rd Place
- ❖ Tom 16 hits 4th Place
- ❖ Keith 15 hits 5th Place
- ❖ Mike 14 hits 6th Place

Our 1st Tactical Match, that Will at Double Tap Firearms and his crew arranged, was outstanding. This Tactical shoot is setup for new shooters and experienced shooters to improve and keep up their skills.

[Double Tap Firearms](#) Next shoot is scheduled for April 17th! Come down to Double Tap and sign up!

Check out Double Tap's Face Book page with videos and pictures.

<https://www.facebook.com/Double-Tap-Firearms-172875112799114/>

Rod Campuzano, Match Director

HIGH POWER RIFLE CLINIC

Come out and join us this spring and learn to shoot your rifle in a safe and fun environment at distances up to 600 yards.

Targets from 200 to 600 yards

Rifles .223/5.56 to 30 cal.

April 16-17, 2016

Sat. Apr. 16, Clinic on Offhand, Sitting Rapid Fire, Prone Rapid Fire and Prone Slow Fire. Students will zero and fire at 200 yards.

Sun. Apr. 17, Review positions fire 50 shot National Match Course.

Both days \$75, single day \$40.

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RANGE REMINDERS - MEMBERSHIP AND RANGE FEES

COSSA's membership fees and range use fees have been kept very low considering what we are able to offer our members. Many shooting clubs charge a membership fee and then charge the members a day use fee on top of that. Many clubs also do not allow non-members to use their facilities. COSSA members are allowed to bring in as many as four guests at a time. The adult guests are required to pay a fee of \$5.00 per person per visit when they sign in. This fee gives the guests insurance coverage for that day besides the use of the facilities. This day use fee for visitors and guests is minimal and is below what some ranges are charging without the facilities COSSA offers. This income allows us to keep the membership fee as low as possible and still provide income for range improvement and upkeep. From the sign in records, the non-members have not been paying the fees. The percentage of visitors that have been paying has dropped to about 30% in the last several months. This is below what we have historically been getting for non-member visits. Any member that brings in guests should make sure the fee is paid. We have a lot on our construction schedule this year and the improvements will make this range the pride of Central Oregon.

MARCH WORK PARTY

We had a whale of a turn out for the March work party. The weather cooperated and we got a lot done. We are trying to clean up the range and we got a lot done and it looks good. We also put up some new signs and started digging the holes for the new gate. With this kind of help, I am going to have to get more things ready and we can finish projects that have been waiting for years to complete. If any members see things that need attention, let me know. Those that attended were; David Sweet, Ron Glover, Michael Brodie, Travis Wise, Larry Confer, Doug Lowndes, Paul Hodges, Roger Metzger, Eric Brown, Fred Newton, Rich Fleming, Marsha Fleming, Mike Brady, Roy Shirakata, Tom Thompson, Dennis Jones, Jeremy Lewis, Don Thomas, Jim Mooers and Bill Lewis. Next work party is April 13 at 9 AM.

APRIL SPEAKER

At our April 14 General Meeting, Ryan Fraker will speak on the Drug Problem in Central Oregon.

AT THE SAFETY BENCH

Firearms and Ammunition

At COSSA Park, restrictions on firearms and ammunition are minimal. Shooters may use any firearm they are legally allowed to possess that is serviceable and safe. Persons shooting fully automatic firearms must have the required legal documentation in their possession and notify other range users that auto fire is in use. Ammunition is restricted to that commonly used in hunting and target shooting. Incendiary, exploding or tracer ammunition are not allowed due to BLM restrictions as well as fire danger. Minimum distance to steel targets is 50 yds. for rifles and 25 ft. for handguns. Armor piercing, painted tip or steel or tungsten core ammunition is not allowed due to potential target damage and ricochet danger. .223 Green Tips are not allowed.

Targets

COSSA provides steel targets at some ranges open to casual shooting. Buffalo Range targets are mild steel so jacketed bullets are not allowed. Shooters are welcome to provide their own paper targets using the wood target backing and target stands provided by COSSA. Biodegradable clay targets are permitted only at the Shotgun Range. Objects, such as old TV's, propane tanks, glass bottles, or any material that may result in sharp-edged fragments, are NOT targets and are prohibited. Explosive and incendiary (Tannerite©) materials are also prohibited. Used targets are a housekeeping issue so please clean up after shooting!

SIGN UP FOR 1-DAY SAGE RAT HUNT

If you are looking forward to hunting sage rats this spring, sign up for this COSSA-powered hunt on May 4. We will travel to Crane on May 3 and check in with Diamond A Guides in the evening. The next morning we will eat the best breakfast you have had all year, then we will head out to the fields. Lunch is provided. We have dinner that evening (provided), stay overnight and head for home May 5.

A 50% deposit is required. I need to get that deposit money to **Diamond A Guides**. That means I want a check for \$200 each (made out to Diamond A Guides). Please hand the check to Bill Lewis or Gary Lewis at a COSSA meeting.

Hunts are conducted from raised platforms, which give the shooter an elevated position for shots that will range from 10 yards out to 400 yards. Most shooters bring a scoped 17HMR and 22 centerfires. Plan to bring at least 500 rounds of ammunition for the one day in the field. You could use that amount of ammo if the weather is good.



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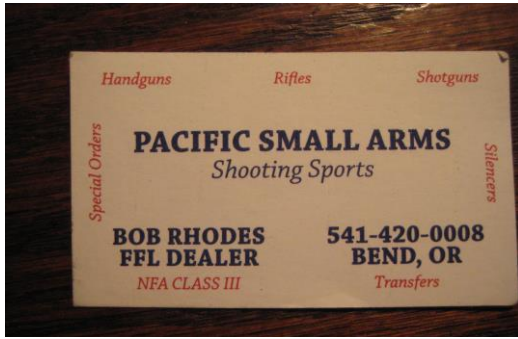
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COSSA Disciplines

COSSA GENERAL MEETING

General Meetings are held at the VRW Hall on 4th Street and Olney on the 2nd Thursday of each month. There is no meeting in October

COSSA Kids

Regular Shoots: 3rd Saturday of the month all year. Small bore; Contact: Don Thomas 541-389-8284

COSSA Practical Shooters (CPS)

Regular monthly shoots: Bays 2-8
USPSA-First Saturday of Month
3 GUN-Third Saturday of Month April thru October, Bays 1-8
IDPA- Second Saturday of Month, April thru Nov. Mixed Steel, Third Saturday of Month November thru Feb. Check COSSA Practical Shooters Website.
Contact: Dave Webb deployed_dave@hotmail.com

Cowboy Action: Horse Ridge Pistoleros

Regular shoots: 1st & 3rd Weekends of the month all year; and 5th Saturday, Bays 9-14
Contact: Big Casino 541-848-7260

Cowboy Action: Pine Mountain Posse

Regular shoots: 2nd and 4th Sundays, year round, Bays 9-14. Check our website or Facebook page for more info.
Contact: Rick Weatherson 541-350-5027

Lady Hawks: Women's Defensive Shooting Bays 15, 16

Regular Shoots: April thru October, Monthly on 2nd Saturday
Contact: Sharon Preston 541-788-5858

Central Oregon Precision Rifleman (COPR)

Hi Power Contact: Walt Angle 541-239-1786
Website: www.oregonshooting.com/copr/

Gong Range- The gong range is open to members and guests only. It can be used when none of the other ranges west of the Handgun Silhouette are being used. Check the monthly calendar.

The range is located ¼ mile east of Mile Post 24 on Highway 20 East. GPS location of turnoff road is N43.88846, W120.95222

Riflemen

Regular shoots: 4th weekend of the month, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, April-October. Friday 8:00 am – Lever Action Rifle Caliber, Military Bolt Action, Military Breech Loading, Single Shot (Friday p.m. range open for sighting in.)
Saturday 8:00 am – 22 Match, Buffalo match out to 1,200 yards
Sunday 8:00 am – Quarter Bore Match, Lever Action Pistol Caliber
Contact: Brownie – brownienash@centurylink.net, Butch – Butcheast2020@gmail.com, or Rod – rj_camp@msn.com

Great Basin Precision Rifle

Long range match on Saturdays 7:30 am. 200-1,760 yards. Two rifles ok. Match fee \$15. 2nd Match on Saturday semi-auto or bolt rifle. Around 850 yards. Match fee \$15 or \$25 for both. March 5, April 30, June 4, September 3, October 29.
Contact: Rod Campuzano, Match Director 541-550-9570, rj_camp@msn.com

Tactical Match Sundays 9:00 am. Tactical match fee \$25. March 6, May 1, June 5, September 4, October 30.
Contact: Will Smith, Tactical Match 541-977-0202, doubletap@bendbroadband.com

Handgun Silhouette

Regular shoots: Year round, Shooting everything, 1st Sunday of each month, Matches begin at 9 am year round.
Contact: Dave Semich 541-382-1969

High Power Rifle

Regular shoots: To be announced
Contact: Walt Angle 541-239-1786
Website: www.oregonshooting.com/copr/

Guns of the Greasy Grass

On the morning of June 25, 1876, General Custer led his men against a combined force of Sioux, Northern Cheyenne and Arapaho. Some of these Indians had recently fought General Crook's soldiers to a standstill at the Battle Where the Girl Saved Her Brother (Battle of the Rosebud), little more than a week before.

This was an interesting time in firearms history with many different types of weapons represented. On the Indians' side, the bow and arrow, the lance, the tomahawk and war club were employed alongside warriors armed with flintlock, percussion rifles, "Trapdoor" carbines, Winchester repeaters and Colt single-actions. Soldiers were armed with the latest Trapdoors, Colts and their own guns.

A total of 2,361 cartridges, cases and bullets have been recovered from the fight. Archaeologists have identified 45 different firearms types on the battlefield and 371 individual guns.

On July 14, at the COSSA membership meeting, we will hold a display of the guns used at the Battle of the Little Bighorn, at a place the Indians called the Greasy Grass. Plan to be at this meeting and please bring guns that are representative of the guns used in the historic battle. Both replicas and originals guns are welcome.

GOODBYE LEAP YEAR—HELLO THE IDES OF MARCH

By Palaver Pete and Diamond Willow

The Pine Mountain Posse said “goodbye Leap Year and hello the Ides of March”! Ah, yes, March brings us closer to spring and spring is what we long for here in the high desert. BUT NO, the Ides of March proved as deadly to our plan to shoot cowboy as did the Roman Senate’s treatment of Emperor Caesar—it killed us! The rain and high winds hit before we could even put up a stage. The wind was so violent it drove the rain sideways, and sideways is only good for John Wayne who often walked sideways through doorways. Alright Pilgrims, listen up.

When we say “rain,” we mean LOTS of rain! Didn't even set up any stages and when we got to the range we all dashed inside the club house, lit the pot belly stove, and we ended up having a nice long meeting about the upcoming State Shoot in June. Fortunately we had visitors from our catering group that the posse hired for the state match. Whisperin’ Wade, Arctic Annie, Tex, Sunrise Bill and Ms. Sunrise took the catering group around the range, and showed them where they will be setting up. Diamond Willow with keen foresight, brought chili and hot dogs, but since it was so fierce outside, only the chili was served and the dogs escaped the outdoor BBQ. Arctic Annie brought cheese and onions and when the chili was hot, the posse dug in. We certainly missed shooting them bad guys, but the good food made up for it! We were done with our meeting and ready to go home around noon. The Ides won this time, but you never know what the next year may bring. For additional information about the state shoot and the Pine Mountain Posse in general, be sure to visit our website at: www.pinemountainposse.com/ you’re a Daisy of ya do. PP.

APRIL 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27 PMP BAYS 9-14	28	29	30	31	1 COPR-GONG,RIFLE SIL & BUFFALO RANGES FIREARMS INSTR- HRP BAYS 9-14 USPSA BAY 2-8	2
3 HRP BAYS 9-14 HGSIL	4	5	6	7	8 GBSS	9 CPS CLINIC BAYS 2-8 LH BAY 16 OPF BAY 18 PMP BAYS 9-14
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