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Official Monthly Newsletter of the NRS

By the NRS

for the NRS

From the Section Coordinator

Welcome to the second edition of the official NRS newsletter designed to provide YOU, the local shooter with News, Schedules, Tech Notes and a Member Feedback section specifically created by the NRS and for the NRS members.

This edition will familiarize you, the local shooters who makeup the NRS, with our plan of keeping you informed about the NRS and the member club activities and areas of interest. In addition to this area specifically from the SC, we your representatives will provide information about the member clubs schedules for the month and information specifically from your clubs about your clubs.

Please get out and support your local clubs. Your help is what makes this sport possible. Like Mike Voight said "If you aren't out there helping--Who Is?"

Lastly we have a member feedback section where I will try to address 1 or 2 specific concerns that you, the local shooters, want addressed by your section. You can Email me at gene@computerbrothersinc.com with any of your concerns. I will collate and try to respond as best as possible those that are a majority concern. The remainder I will get back to you individually.

Welcome to your NRS newsletter –Gene R. Pipinich/SC

Calendar

Bozeman

April 2, 2005 – Special Classifier

May 7, 2005 3-Gun Match

Billings

April 16th - Special Classifier

May 21st - 3-Gun

June 18th - Slot Match

July 16th - Big Sky State Games

August 20th - SECTION CHAMPIONSHIP

Bigfork

Off Circuit at this time due to lack of participation

Missoula

April 10, 2005 – Special Classifier

April 24 & 24th RO Clinic

May 8, 2005 NRS Slot Match

Club

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Advisory

GAS - Bozeman

Our March match was very well attended with 36 competitors. We are seeing a lot of new faces which is a really good thing and many of our former competitors are attending as well. We want to invite everyone to our fun and challenging matches and hope you all bring a friend. Please remember that it takes all of us, every match to design stages, setup stages and to run the matches. Volunteers are a very important part of our sport, all volunteering time to setup these e-mail newsletters, sending out reminders, scoring, posting stages, the most important part is your assistance in helping us setting up and tearing down the matches. We want to thank all of you that have helped us in the past the encourage all of you that haven't to come out and give us a hand. Thank You

BFGC- Bigfork

It is with sadness that I have to report that for the time being, the Big Fork club does not have any matches scheduled due to lack of participation.

I want to thank all those who have helped keep things active last year and a special thanks to Jodie Coston for all her efforts.

It is my hope that members located in and around Big Fork can regenerate themselves and the USPSA sport in the near future. We wish them all the best luck

Remember this could happen to any of us, support your local club and local shooters!!!!

MCAS - Billings

Our New Competitor Clinic was a great success - 15 new shooters showed up for a rainy day of instruction.

We held our first match on March 19th - and had 30 shooters! This was a great turnout for a poor weather day.

We are making plans to divide one of our bays in half, so that we would have 6 shooting bays! We hope to have this completed this Spring.

BSPSC - Missoula

The BSPSC held their first event of the 2005 season on March 20, the annual new competitor clinic. We had 20 students that took the class and we picked up 12 new club members out of that group.

There was a total of 38 that shot the three-stage match. Results are posted on the BSPSC website. This was one of the better starts to our year in recent memory. Our next event will be on April 10th, a special classifier match, details are on the website.

Don't forget the RO class April 23-24, if you are interested in attending contact Paul Miner at pminer@bspssc.org. Work on the Area 1 match continues with our next major task, building walls! We will begin doing that in mid-April. Everything is on schedule and the match is well over half full at this point. Remember that all information pertaining to the match is available here: http://www.bspssc.org/a105_info.htm

See you next month at the matches!

Tech Notes

There are a number of rule changes that are in the new rule book this year, that affect us all. In this section of our newsletter, we would like to mention some of them, so that you are more educated when you compete.

Rule 8.3.7 - After the "If Clear, Hammer Down, Holster" command is given, the competitor **MUST NOT RESUME SHOOTING. Penalty = MATCH DQ!**

Rule 8.7.4 - When you are doing your walkthrough of a stage - you are **PROHIBITED** from having anything in your hands as a 'sighting aid'. Bare hands only! **Penalty = One Procedural Penalty**

Rule 9.4.2 - CHANGE - There is now a MAXIMUM of 2 penalties on a No-Shoot Target - regardless of how many times you hit it. - See? Not all changes are bad!

Member Feedback

One of our main goals at the NRS is to make the shooting sport we all share FUN, competitive and enjoyable.

We want to hear your concerns and will do our best to address them. Just remember, we are all shooters just like you and cannot solve every problem.

But we will do our best and will work towards a fun and competitive environment.—

Gene R. Pipinich NRS SC/05