



Millcreek Practical Shooting League

January, 2006

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Next Match – Saturday, January 14 – Gates Open at 7 AM

January ROs

25 Yd North	Bob Luisignan
25 Yd South	OPEN
50 Yd Range	Scott Bishop
LE Range	Tommy Herken
Rifle 1	Clint Anker
Rifle 2	OPEN
Shotgun	Tommy Herken

- The pistol stages need to be ready for a 9:00 walkthrough. If you are responsible for setting up a stage, please make every effort to show up as soon as the gates open at 7 AM. If you have not started setting up by 7:30 it may be assumed that you're a no show and alternate plans will be made.
 - Note that there are couple open slots for January match. If you have not signed up, this is your opportunity to fulfill one or both of your membership obligations.
 - As the RO, come prepared with a course design in mind. The Match Director will work with you to create a challenging but safe course of fire but come with some ideas.
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December Results

Division	Class	Winner	Division	Class	Winner
Open	HOA	Rick Byfield	Limited-10	HOA	Scott Ross
Limited	HOA	Scott Bishop	Production	HOA	John Hartman
	1 st B	Clint Anker		1 st B	Jesse Wood
	2 nd B	Randy Atherton		1 st C	Riichiro Suzuki

At the December match, while there were some limitations (engaging targets from shooting boxes) due to the slick snow covered conditions, 33 shooters – 11 of which shot in Production Division – shot the four field courses. The courses included:

- Fast 20 round course on 25 Yard South Range
- 25 round steel and paper course on 25 Yard North Range
- 28 round field course on the 50 Yard Range
- 28 round field course on the LE Range

Congratulations to all the Division and Class winners!

2006 Election

- **2006 Board of Directors**
The following persons were elected to serve on the 2006 Board of Directors.
Bernie Haldiman
John Hartman
Scott Hattrup
Brad Pederson
Jeff Shelley
JD Smith
Riichiro Suzuki
 - **Amendments to the Club Bylaws**
Elimination of the requirement to issue certificates of membership of the club members from the bylaws passed unanimously. All 374 share votes voted yes to this change.
Addition of membership requirements to the bylaws also passed 357 to 26.
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End of Year Celebration

Winners of the gun drawings were:

- Mike Eastin – Beretta 390
- Jim Hewins – CZ-USA 22LR American
- Jens Simpson – CZ85

The club would like to thank CZ USA (2 CZ guns), Denny's Guns (Beretta 390 along with numerous bags of .40 cal. brass and other assortment of prizes), David Kovac (CRKT knives plus Wolf 12 Ga Slugs) and JD Smith for their generous contribution to the prize tables.

2005 Shooter Data

Here is a summary of what we shot in 2005

Pistol Shooters	Open	Limited	L-10	Prod	Revolver	Total
Total Number of Shooters	98	144	151	80	19	492
Percent Distribution	20%	29%	31%	16%	4%	100%
Average Number of Shooters per Match	8	12	13	7	2	41
High	12	17	18	13	4	59
Low	4	8	8	3	0	27

Pistol Round Count Pistols (Club Matches)	25 Yd North	25 Yd South	50 Yard	LE Range	Additional Ranges	Total
Average Round Count	17	25	27	28	7*	103
High	24	36	38	32	57	139
Low	0**	14	15	20	0	73

*Average based on full year. However, additional ranges were used only on January, February and June matches.

** Range flooded out – alternate ranges were used

Long Guns -- Shooter Count	Rifle	Shotgun	Long Guns -- Round Count	Rifle	Shotgun
Total Number of Shooters	147	110	Average Round Count	63	16
Avg No. of Shooters per Match	14	13	High	106	21
High	21	18	Low	14	0***
Low	7	0***			

*** There were NO Shotgun courses in February and August due to lack of RO.

NRA Membership

As part of shooting at the Millcreek Rifle Club range, it is required that all MPSL members also belong to the NRA. Please bring a copy of your NRA publication with the address label or a NRA membership card as a proof of current membership when you renew MPSL membership for 2005.

You can renew your NRA membership at a special pricing through the club.

The New Single Stack Division

Starting with the January Match, the club will begin recognizing the Single Stack Division. Briefly, this is a provisional division restricted to single stack 1911s. The gun with magazine must fit inside a box of specified dimensions. All the equipment must be carried/worn behind the center line (similar to production). The rules for the provisional division is available on the USPSA site (www.uspsa.org).

2006 Calendar

- The 2006 dates have been set with the Millcreek Rifle Club. With exception of November, they are 2nd Saturdays of the month. Please look to see what ranges will be available for us on the match dates.
- The signup for 2006 has started. When you renew your membership, please also select two regular match dates that you can work as RO or ARO. Please note that all RO slots must be filled first. This will ensure there is a responsible person for each course throughout the year.

Jan. 14	25, 50, LE ranges 7:00 am to 5:00 pm, HP range 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm
Feb. 11	25, 50, LE ranges 7:00 am to 5:00 pm, HP range 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm
Mar. 11	25, 50, LE ranges 7:00 am to 5:00 pm, HP range 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm
Apr. 2	New shooter orientation, LE range 7:00 am to 2:00 pm
Apr. 8	25, 50, LE ranges 7:00 am to 5:00 pm, HP range 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm
May 7	New shooter orientation, LE range 7:00 am to 2:00 pm
May 13	25, 50, LE ranges 7:00 am to 5:00 pm, HP range 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm
June 4	New shooter orientation, LE range 7:00 am to 2:00 pm
June 10	25, 50, LE ranges 7:00 am to 5:00 pm, HP range 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm
June 11-14	Area III set up
June 15-18	Area III match
June 19	Area III tear down
July 2	New shooter orientation, LE range 7:00 am to 2:00 pm
July 8	25, 50, HP ranges 7:00 am to 5:00 pm (benchrest match using 50)
Aug. 6	New shooter orientation, LE range 7:00 am to 2:00 pm
Aug. 12	25, 50, LE ranges 7:00 am to 5:00 pm, HP range 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm
Sept. 3	New shooter orientation, LE range 7:00 am to 2:00 pm
Sept. 9	25, 50, LE ranges 7:00 am to 5:00 pm, HP range 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm
Oct. 1	New shooter orientation, LE range 7:00 am to 2:00 pm (not Sun. before match)
Oct. 14	25, 50, LE ranges 7:00 am to 5:00 pm, HP range 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm
Nov. 18	25, 50, LE ranges 7:00 am to 5:00 pm, HP range 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm (3 rd weekend due to conflict with range)
Dec. 9	25, 50, LE ranges 7:00 am to 5:00 pm, HP range 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm

RO Signup

2006 Range Officers								
		25 Yard South	25 Yard North	50 YD	LE Range	Rifle 1	Rifle 2	Shotgun
14-Jan	RO	Bob Luisignan	OPEN	Scott Bishop	Tommy Herken	Clint Ancker	OPEN	Tommy Herken
	ARO							
11-Feb	RO	Bob Luisignan	Cory Treichel	Shannon Royle	OPEN	Tom Champion	OPEN	Mike Widebrook
	ARO			Scott Bishop*				
11-Mar	RO	CD	Jesse Wood	OPEN	Craig Cigard	OPEN	OPEN	Mike Widbrook
	ARO							
8-Apr	RO	Robert Davis	Jens Simpson	Jesse Wood	Fred Noble	Tom Champion	OPEN	Scott Ross
	ARO		Rick Byfield*					
13-May	RO	Fred Noble	Jon Espy	CD	OPEN	Terry Ladage	OPEN	Paul Lavine
	ARO	Rick Byfield*	Ray Rise*					
10-Jun	RO	OPEN	John Murphy	OPEN	OPEN	Scott Ross	OPEN	OPEN
	ARO							
8-Jul	RO	Jon Espy	Cory Treichel	OPEN	OPEN	Bill Kinsey	OPEN	OPEN
	ARO	Ray Rise*						
12-Aug	RO	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	Bill Kinsey	OPEN	OPEN
	ARO							
9-Sep	RO	Mike Eastin	John Murphy	OPEN	Craig Cigard	Terry Ladage	OPEN	Mike Eastin
	ARO							
14-Oct	RO	Robert Davis	Jens Simpson	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
	ARO							
18-Nov	RO	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
	ARO							
9-Dec	RO	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	No Long Gun Courses – End of Year Celebration		
	ARO							

* These individuals need to look and see if there is an RO slot that they can fill. To ensure that we have all stages covered throughout the year, the ARO slots cannot be opened up until the RO slots are all full.

First time setting up?

Concerned about setting up a field course as a RO? Afraid that you can't design a course of fire that will meet the expectations of the more experienced shooters? If this is your first time, let the Match Director know and he will help you create a quality course of fire.

What the club needs to fill the RO slots are persons taking responsibility for getting the work done. If you can follow instructions of the Match Director and have the physical ability to haul targets and props, you have all the basic qualifications. If it is your first time, you will not be left on your own to design and build a course.

MILLCREEK SQUADDING

This has not been sent out for some time. Some newer members may have not seen it printed and it is a good reminder for all of us.

The pistol stages need to be ready for a 9:00 walkthrough! The RO's setting up the stage need to make sure to give themselves a few minutes to get ready, and join their squad for the walkthrough of the other stages.

If the RO does not plan to be on site by 7:30 because he/she is planning on a simpler style stage that does not require a full two hours to set up, it is the RO's responsibility to contact the club secretary in advance. At some point in the morning, we have to assume that late arrivals are indeed no shows, and seek out suitable substitutes.

Stage Set Up (recommended)

1. Stage set up will start at 7:00 AM and complete by 9:00 AM for pistol stages.
2. It is recommended that no stages should be over 32 rounds required in length. Stages set up on the 25 yd. range (when two stages are set up on the same range) should be no more than 24 rounds required in length.
3. Steel should be set within 5 yards. of the side or back berms on all ranges for safety reasons.
4. No shots on steel less than 7 meters (if there is a physical barrier preventing the shooter from advancing any closer to the steel, otherwise the closest allowed distance is 8 meters). Steel should also not be set greater than 25 yards. Shooter may take shots at their option greater than 25 yards. Any shots forced to be taken longer than 25 yards. should be on full size paper targets. It's no fun being a new shooter trying to hit steel at long range.
5. IPSC competition is freestyle. With the exception of Standard Exercises, a course of fire may not specify a shooting position or stance (standing, sitting, kneeling, etc.). However, conditions may be created and constructed to compel a competitor into positions or stances required by stage design.
6. Ports, windows, doors, shooting boxes, etc. may be used to direct shooter movement at our club instead of constructing hard walls to meet the intent of Item #5 (IPSC competition is freestyle).
7. Courses of fire shall not require more than nine (9) rounds to be fired from any one position, however, course designers may allow other targets to be shot from any one position with the nine (9) rounds, providing that the shot challenges the competitor and that the added targets are also available from another position.
8. Remember - when setting up courses of fire that this is a shooting competition - not a track meet.

Shooter Meeting

1. Sign up for all shooters for pistol stages will be complete by 9:00 AM and the sign up table closed.
2. Shooters meeting will begin at 9:00 AM in the club house.
3. New shooters will be introduced to the membership.
4. Any special announcements will be made.
5. A short safety talk will be conducted.
6. Classifier for that match will be read in detail - this is the "walk through" for the classifier stage.
7. Assembled shooters will be divided into four (4) squads of equal size based on sign in sequence. Exceptions will be made for those wishing to squad together.
8. Each squad will be given their "range box" with timer, pasters, pins, clip board, etc. that will stay with that squad. These boxes will be returned to "shed" by that squad at the end of the match or turned over to the long gun squads.
9. A board member or board appointee will be assigned to each squad to ensure that he start position and "intent" of the stage is the same for all shooters.

Walk Through

1. At approximately 9:15 AM, a verbal walk through of what to expect on the LE Range will be given.
 2. All squads will then move to the 50 yd. course of fire for the walk through. The walk throughs will be conducted by the design set up crews for each stage. After the walk through is complete on the 50 yd. course then the walk throughs will be given for the North 25 yd. and South 25 yd. courses of fire.
 3. The "pistol director" will assist the design set up crews in course clarification and any safety issues that may be present on the stage.
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Shooting Begins

1. All squads should move to their designated range and start shooting by 9:30 AM.
2. Each squad will RO's itself.
3. It is expected that all members of the squad work - running timer, picking up brass, scoring targets, pasting targets, set/paint steel, etc.
4. The person running the timer is the RO in charge and is responsible for range safety and scoring of the shooter. This position should be rotated among members of the squad that have range officer experience. Being a "certified" RO is not required.
5. If there are two squads using the same range, each squad should shoot and then both squads score and paste targets at the same time. The squad RO's must work together to make these stages run as efficient as possible.
6. Shooters arriving after the table has closed should seek out the Club Secretary to obtain score sheets, get assigned to a squad, and additional instructions.

Shooting Ends

1. All members of the squad should stay together until all members of the squad have completed shooting the stage. If it is the last stage, then the squad should stay together until the stage is torn down and put away all props.
 2. Range set up crew should give the last squad any special instructions as to storage of props.
 3. Set up crews for the rifle and shot gun should also notify the last squad on stages that will be utilized for rifle and shot gun any special instructions (steel left out, targets left, etc.)
 4. The entire squad is expected to assist in tear down and return of all props to the shed or trailer. Those members that are signed up to set up a stage for rifle and shot gun may go ahead and start setting up their stage as soon as the range is available.
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Other Issues

1. Long gun stages will run with the same squadding requirements as the pistol stages.