



# The Firing Line

*Cherry Creek Gun Club News for DECEMBER 2010*

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## **A Reflection Before Election**

### Disrespect For The Board

Our Board has a thankless job running the club and enforcing the rules. Every one of us wants the Board to enforce all the rules, except the rule we think is stupid. But the rule we think is stupid a lot of other members think is reasonable. So now we think the Board is stupid.

The Board can't possible please everyone. Sometimes it seem like the Board can't please anyone. We all want a nice facility. We all want something added to the club. We all want lower dues. We can't have it both ways. The Board has to balance our collective wants.

The Board is elected to take care of our facility. The Board is expected to work for the best interest of the club. Not the best interest of a very small number of members.

### Personal Attacks

Personal attacks cannot be tolerated!! These things run in cycles. We go for years with everything reasonable calm. Some people grumble about something, but nothing much goes on. Then something happens. The country gets into a recession, the political situation get muddled up, or people get nervous about the future. A very small number of members get agitated. Someone gets and yells obscenities at another member. At the least this is bad manners and unsportsmanlike conduct. However, it may not take much for the situation to escalate into fisticuffs or worse. We don't let our children act this way. There is no reason for the club to let members act this way. When a member is unwilling to treat other members the way that she or he wants to be treated, the Board must step in. When people cannot control their own conduct, the Board must step in to protect the best interests of most of the members.

### Things Change

We are no longer a small club with about a hundred members, shooting in the bottom of an old reservoir. We are no longer in the 1950s. Back then a lot of things were more relaxed. Back then everyone was at least acquainted with each other.

Now we are nearing the start of 2011. We have about 600 members. We have a building in an area which is becoming part of a big city. There are liability laws. There are health regulations. There are people in society who want to outlaw guns. With more members, more laws and regulations affecting the club property, our need for rules to protect the club's property increase.

## Grumblers

In every organization there are three groups of people. The majority – they pay their dues, use the facility some, and go about their daily life. The doers – when something needs doing, they do it; they participate in work parties; they serve on the Board and give several hours of their time each month to keep the club running. The grumblers – they cluster in little groups and complain about stuff, the lights are too bright, the building is too cold, the snow wasn't plowed by 7:00 this morning, the air blowing on our neck is uncomfortable, or whatever strikes their fancy. The grumblers complain about stuff. They do not have a way to solve the problem. They just know there is a problem. They want things to be the way they used to be, except they grumbled about that too. Which of these groups are you in?

## Let's Have Our Election

Let's look ahead and elect a Board of Directors to be active and run our club. All members of the Board must share the work load and attend the meetings. All members of the Board must be able to devote several hours each week to guiding the club in these turbulent, changing times.

Sincerely, Howard Glasier

## **NEEDED: CCGC JANITOR for 2011**

**The CCGC needs someone to do janitorial work for the club in the upcoming year. It would require approximately one hour a week and it would take care of your Work Bond. Anyone that is interested, please contact Don Eyser at 303-770-6949.**

## **GUEST FEES:**

Members are reminded to pay the guest fee and complete the waiver form when entering the facility.

If the waiver form is not completed and the guest fee is not paid, the guest is a trespasser and the member is stealing from the other club members.

## **SAFETY FIRST:**

When someone needs to go forward of the firing line on the pistol range, it is important that everyone follow basic safety rules.

- 1) Call a, "Cease Fire," FIRST!!!!
- 2) All guns should be unloaded, and magazines removed/cylinders opened.
- 3) No one should handle any gun on the line while anyone is forward of the firing line.
- 4) In addition, Open Chamber Indicators (OCIs) are highly recommended. This is a device that is inserted into the chamber to show that there is not a round in the chamber. These are required at most competitions in this country. Soon, we will begin supplying simple OCIs and recommend their use. This is an added precaution against accidental discharge of a gun that someone "thought" was unloaded.

NOTE: The rules for the tube are unchanged. Rifles must be unloaded and racked before anyone goes forward of the door. OCIs are also recommended for the racked rifles.

### **NRA Memberships:**

Did you know that you can renew your NRA membership through the club, or join if you are not already a member? Currently, the NRA is offering \$10 off the one-year membership price for anyone joining through the CCGC website link. The link to the NRA membership site is on the CCGC home page, <http://www.cherrycreekgunclub.org>

*-Mike Hopkins*

### **Reminders**

1. Firing center fire rifles, such as 9mm Luger rounds, is not permitted on the pistol ranges. Center fire rifles are to be fired in the rifle tube.
2. When using the rifle tube it is only necessary to sign the log book when either you bring a guest into the tube or you are logging the location of damage to the tube.
3. Memberships are for an individual. If you bring a non-member to the club, no matter what her/his relationship is to you, a guest fee must be paid and a waiver must be signed by both you and your guest.

### **Changes to the CCGC Rules in the Members Book since Publication in July 2009**

1. No multiple projectile, shot loads, or shot shells are to be fired in any firearm at the Cherry Creek Gun Club, Inc. facility.
2. Guest fee changed to \$5.00 per guest.
3. Membership re-instatement fee changed to one-half of the membership fee due. For example, if membership renewal fee is \$150 dollars and membership is not renewed by December 31, then the total of the membership renewal fee and the membership re-instatement fee paid in January or later is  $\$150 + \$75 = \$225$ .
4. Safety in the tube: All shots should be located one at a time. The gun must be used as a single shot. (a) Rim fire rifles may have a MAXIMUM of 5 rounds loaded at any one time.

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION:**

The Board of Directors election will be held at the Annual Meeting in December, which is Friday, December 10th, 2010. Candidates are: Chuck Towne, Don Eyser, Lee Ormiston, Lee Eihausen, Nevin Seeger, Gary Trisdale, Denise Henry, Warren Johnston, Curt Lackey, Doyne Hathaway, Bob Fulcomer, John Cash, Steve Le Duc and Mike Hopkins.

Additional candidates for Board of Directors are welcome. If you would like to run, or know of someone that you would like to elect, please contact Don Eyser at 303-770-6949 as soon as possible.

Remember you must have been a member in good standing for at least three years to serve on the Board. This is a working Board and your attendance is expected at the monthly General Meeting and the Board Meeting.

The following General Meeting Minutes of January were inadvertently missed being added to the February Newsletter. The Secretary apologizes for the error.

### CHERRY CREEK GUN CLUB GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

January 8, 2010

1. The meeting was called to order by Lee Ormiston at 7:00 PM followed by the pledge to the flag.
2. Gary Trisdale and Mike Hopkins were excused from the meeting.
3. There were no comments addressed to the Board from the members present.
4. The secretary read a correction to the minutes to the last general meeting submitted by Mike Hopkins. Item 4 should read as follows:

"The Secretary of Cherry Creek Gun Club (CCGC) made a motion to waive the By-Laws of CCGC so a member would be eligible to run for the Board of Directors (BOD), seconded by the Vice-President. Discussion followed in regard to member being ineligible to be elected or serve on the BOD of CCGC. Comments were made by CCGC members on the importance of the By-Laws of CCGC. After much discussion on the motion made it was decided that the By-Laws could not be waived. Then the Secretary made the motion to convene a Special Board meeting to discuss the requirement in the By-Laws which states: "This committee shall select not less than thirteen (13) members with not less than three years of membership in the Club and having been members in good standing for election to the Board of Directors." The Special Board meeting was adjourned after coming to the conclusion the By-Laws of CCGC out weighed the accomplishments and service of any member. The regular membership meeting was then reconvened."

5. Chuck Towne reported that there were 475 members who have renewed their membership.

6. The Secretary read an e-mail from Mike Hopkins that the NRA-ILA accomplishments for the year on issues of concern to firearms owners may be viewed at [nra.org](http://nra.org).
7. The secretary read an e-mail from Mike Hopkins concerning the progress of the HVAC renovation. Progress includes: the curbs for the MAU's were shipped on January 4 and will be installed on arrival. The MAU's are scheduled to ship on January 20. Prefabrication of the gas piping is in process. Prefabrication of all ducting that can be done in advance is in process. The contractor has guaranteed that the Junior shoot on February 6 will be honored. The roof work should be the only major work left to be done at that time.
8. Clark Calve reported that he is holding eight membership cards pending the members taking the safety course. Clark said that the pop machine is full and the phone answering service is empty. Clark said that there have been only a few range closures and then for only one side each time.
9. Don Shearer reported that there are sixteen video recording cameras in the facility which are being monitored by Calve and Shearer. The recording system holds sixteen days of continuous recordings. The purpose of the system is to observe safety and/or damage infractions. Damage observed has been shooters looking only at the front sight which means that the firearm is tilted upward so shots go into the over head. Other safety infractions are rifles left on the bench and pointing downrange while shooters go down to change their target in the rifle tube. The system is able to burn a CD of sections of the recordings for future reference.
10. Denise Henry reported that the newsletter is on schedule.
11. Don Eyser reported that the newsletter was mailed last Sunday. The next work party will be on January 16 with a work effort to try to clean up the meeting room chair upholstery. Don said that target carrier 14 is down due to a bad cable system.
12. Nevin Seeger stated the purpose of the rewritten waiver is for protection of the Club.
13. Bill Bierbach reported that there are two prospective new members to be inducted and that there were two members signed up to take the rifle tube qualification session.
14. Lee Eihausen reported that all bills are paid and that some IRS information has been received. Lee suggested that Clark Calve be compensated for the time spent monitoring the HVAC project for the Club. Clark said that he would not take any compensation.
15. Prospective new member's applications were read to the members present. Each applicant acknowledged his/her presence. The applicants are: Michael Gray, Scott Wagner, Samuel Johnston (Junior) and Charles Johnston (Junior). The applicants were accepted into the club by unanimous vote.
16. The general meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM

## CHERRY CREEK GUN CLUB GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

November 12, 2010

1. The meeting was called to order by Lee Ormiston at 7:03 PM followed by the pledge to the flag. Seeger was excused from the meeting.
2. The meeting was opened for comments from the members present. A complaint from a member who received verbal abuse from another member was filed with the Board. A question from a member asked why was access denied to the subject of the complaint without a hearing with the Board. A lengthy discussion followed. The complaint will be addressed during a closed special session of the Board per the bylaws and Robert's Rules of Order.
3. The Secretary reported receiving no significant correspondence.
4. The Secretary reported receiving 211 renewal notices for 2011.
5. Don Shearer said that the most often safety violation is leaving a rifle on the bench with the muzzle through the firing port and walking down range to change targets with the rifle pointing at their back.
6. Mike Hopkins reported that the Republicans gained eight seats in the U.S. Senate and 34 seats in the U.S. House. There are still some undecided Colorado seats, so results are not known. The three pending bills concerning firearms have been tabled.
7. Don Eyser said that there will be a work party tomorrow and that the December work party will be the second Saturday of the month, December 11. Don read the list of candidates for the 2011 Board of Directors. There are fourteen members on the list. Nominations will be received from the floor during the election process.
8. Denise Henry reported that the newsletter is on schedule.
9. Gary Tridale reported that the Juniors have eight new kids and that the Juniors are very busy.
10. Bill Bierbach reported qualifying seven members for use of the rifle tube and that there are six applicants for membership to be inducted tonight. Bill said that each new member must go through a safety orientation for use of the pistol range and that the rifle tube orientation is separate from the pistol class.
11. A member asked whether a 38 pistol cartridge fired from a rifle is allowed in the pistol range. No rifle cartridges larger than 22 Long Rifle is allowed in the pistol range.
12. A question was asked concerning the air flow in the pistol range. The system is still being adjusted for optimum air flow.
13. A question was asked whether the club's financial position is available to members. That information will be available during the December General Meeting.
14. A question was asked about fixing the roof water leak in the pistol range. The place where the leak is found needs to be identified to any member of the Board.

15. A member asked whether the target lighting can be intensified. The light bulbs will be checked but it has been found that different manufacturers of bulbs have different intensities.
16. Prospective new member's applications were read to the members present. Each applicant acknowledged his/her presence. The applicants are: Ralph Brooks, Gregory Drumm, Eric Freund, William Hovey, Shannon Tracy (Assoc.), and Timothy Young. The applicants were accepted into the club by unanimous vote. The president said that the new member orientation class will follow the meeting.
17. A member said that his daughter is an expert on toxic substances in buildings and suggested that she be called if questions arise.
18. New member may shoot in the Monday night Pistol Winter League after they pass the safety orientation.
19. A member asked that members need to turn out for the December General Meeting and vote for the 2011 Board members.
20. The general meeting was adjourned at 7:58 PM.

## **CHERRY CREEK GUN CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

November 26, 2010

Attendees: Towne, Bierbach, Hopkins, Eihausen, Ormiston, Henry, Trisdale, and Johnston. Shearer, Seeger, and Eyser were excused.

1. The meeting was called to order by Lee Ormiston at 7:02 PM followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
2. The President asked whether there were any comment to the Board from general members present. Several members commented on the issue concerning verbal abuse of one member to another resulting in a formal complaint to the Board. Per the bylaws, the Board will convene an Executive Session, hear both sides of the issue and render a decision on any action warranted. The concerns of the general membership present seem to be that the good that the respondent has done for the Club over the years outweighs his verbal attack on another. Further, the general membership present feels that the Board action to turn off the respondent's access was not warranted until both sides had been heard.
3. Chuck Towne reported that only 249 members have renewed their membership for 2011 at this time.

4. Mike Hopkins reported that the new HVAC system has resulted in a 38% increase in electricity usage and a 2.13% increase in natural gas usage resulting in a 52% increase in expenses.
5. Mike Hopkins said that all members should read the Special Report "Surrendering Our Sovereignty" article in the December issue of the NRA magazine and let your opinion be heard by Congress.
6. Denise Henry said that the newsletter is on schedule.
7. Warren Johnston said that the next work party would be on December 11.
8. Bill Bierbach reported that he qualified three members for use of the tube. Because the next Board meeting has been moved to December 17 due to the holidays, the next tube qualification will start at 4 PM on December 17.
9. Gary Trisdale reported that the Juniors are doing well and that two have been selected to military academies.
10. Lee Eihausen reported that he has moved some funds from the checking account to the savings account.
11. Lee Ormiston opened a discussion concerning the proposal from a CPA firm. The Secretary suggested some minor changes which were discussed with the head of the CPA firm. A motion was passed unanimously to except the CPA firm's proposal as amended.
12. Gary Trisdale requested range usage dates for the Juniors of Saturday, January 8 from 6 AM until 6 PM, and March 12 and 13 from 7 AM until 6 PM. The Board approved the request.
13. Mike Hopkins thanked Tom DeHerrera, Don Eyser and John Orischak for there effort in finding the roof leaks.
14. The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 PM.



# **WORK PARTY:**

**DEC. 11th, 8:00AM – 12:00PM**

**General maintenance is on the  
schedule.**

**For Information Contact: Don Eyser 303-770-6949.**

BOTH RANGES WILL BE SHUT DOWN FOR  
SHOOTING FROM 8am TIL 12noon, on the day of the work  
party.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

DECEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup>

LAST CHANCE

\*YOU MAY COME TO ANY WORK PARTY. PROJECTS ARE AVAILABLE  
THAT CAN BE DONE ON YOUR OWN TIME.

CHECK CLUB ROOM BULLETIN BOARD OR NEWSLETTER FOR ANY  
CHANGES TO THE SCHEDULE.

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### **Ongoing Events:**

Mondays, 4:00PM-10:00PM  
Tuesdays, 6:30 PM-9:30PM  
Wednesdays, 5:00 PM –9:00 PM  
3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday, 6:00 PM- 9:00 PM  
Thursdays, 5:00 PM- 10:00 PM  
2<sup>nd</sup> Friday, 7:00PM-9:00 PM  
3<sup>rd</sup> Friday, 6:30 PM  
Last Friday, 7:00-9:00PM  
Last Saturday of month 7AM-7PM  
3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of month 7AM-12noon  
**Sunday after BOD meeting, 5:00 PM**

Winter Bullseye League, BOTH RANGES  
Action Shooting (Pins), Handgun (West Range) (All Year round)  
Winter Smallbore Practice, (East Range)  
Action Shooting (Pins), Handgun MATCHES  
Juniors Rifle Practice (both ranges)  
CCGC General Meeting (meeting room)  
Tube Qualification  
CCGC BOD Meeting (meeting room)  
2700 SHOOT (East Range)  
Work Party. East & West Ranges closed till party is done.  
**Newsletter publication deadline**

Contact Brent Cain, [b.cain@me.com](mailto:b.cain@me.com) for information regarding Winter Pistol League.

Contact Steve Locatelli, [slocat@aol.com](mailto:slocat@aol.com) for information regarding 2700 Match competition.

Contact Gary Trisdale, [juniors@cherrycreekgunclub.org](mailto:juniors@cherrycreekgunclub.org) for information regarding Junior Program.

DECEMBER 2010

Sun	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri	Sat
DECEMBER 2010	Nov. 29 WINTER BULLSEYE 4-10PM BOTH RANGES	Nov. 30 Action Handgun Pin Shooting 6:30PM-9:30PM West Range	DECEMBER 1 Juniors Practice 5:00PM-9:00PM East Range	2 Juniors Practice 5:00PM-10:00PM Both Ranges	3	4
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12	13 WINTER BULLSEYE 4-10PM BOTH RANGES	14 Action Handgun Pin Shooting 6:30PM-9:30PM West Range	15 Juniors Practice 5:00PM-9:00PM East Range	16 Juniors Practice 5:00PM-10:00PM Both Ranges	17 Tube Qualification 6:30PM	18 2700 MATCH EAST RANGE 7:00AM-7:00PM  Casual shooters please enter on West range!!!!.
19	20 WINTER BULLSEYE 4-10PM BOTH RANGES	21 Action Handgun Pin Shooting 6:30PM-9:30PM West Range MATCH	22 Juniors Practice 5:00PM-9:00PM East Range	23 THANKSGIVING	24 BOARD MEETING Meeting Room 7:00PM-9:00PM	25 CHRISTMAS DAY
26	27 WINTER BULLSEYE 4-10PM BOTH RANGES	28 Action Handgun Pin Shooting 6:30PM-9:30PM West Range	29 Juniors Practice 5:00PM-9:00PM East Range	30 Juniors Practice 5:00PM-10:00PM Both Ranges	31	JANUARY 1, 2011 NEW YEAR'S DAY!!!!!!!!!!!!

JANUARY 2011

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
JANUARY 2011	Dec. 27 WINTER BULLSEYE 4-10PM BOTH RANGES	Dec.28 Action – Handgun Pin Shooting 6:30PM-9:30PM West Range	Dec. 29 Juniors Practice 5:00PM- 9:00PM East Range.	Dec.30 Juniors Practice 5:00PM-10:00PM Both Ranges	Dec. 31 New Year's Eve	1 NEW YEAR'S DAY!
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**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**

# **CHERRY Creek Club News**

General Members Meeting:

Friday, DEC. 10th, 2010

7:00 PM