Picacho Gun Club Newsletter April 2016

Next meeting April 14th at the Game and Fish office 6:00 pm, note the time change during the summer!

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Todd may have a speaker and presentation for the meeting.

This year's Patio Party will be held at the Game & Fish on Thursday May 12th starting at 6:00 pm. Please put this on your calendars and plan to bring you family and friends. We will be setting up in the patio. Please bring lawn chairs for you and your guests. If you don't have enough chairs, don't worry there will be some available. PGC will furnish the drinks, paper goods etc. Since we can't be sure how many people will come we are asking our members to bring appetizers and desserts. Hopefully more people will bring appetizers since many of our members can't eat sweets. The patio party is a great time to enjoy just being together. The weather is usually good, but if it isn't we can always move inside.

Minutes from last meeting:

Minutes of the Picacho Gun Club meeting 3/10/16

Meeting was open at 7:00 by President Craig Tharp with the Pledge of Allegiance

We had no guests attend the meeting.

Minutes: Minutes from the February meeting were not read, Secretary Gary Bales forgot to bring the minutes.

Treasurer's report: Treasurer Bill Story gave the report and was approved as read.

Range report: Bays will be closed March 25th and 26th for the annual Cowboys vs. Law Enforcement charity match.

Silhouette: Match was held but only had 4 competitors.

Coyboys: Match was held but most of the group was in Phoenix at the National's, Craig Tharp took 10th in his division and Mark Aguirre took 4th in his division.

USPSA: Match was held but most of the group was also in Phoenix at the Area 2 match. At this time we are still going to have a 3-gun at the end of April.

Bullseye: Match was held in the wind, 9 shooters showed up.

IDPA: Matches moved to the 3rd Sunday, 6 challenging stages.

Gun Show report: Special thanks to Cindy for set up and tear down, and thanks to Charles Beard and Bill Haynes for manning the table.

Old Business:

1) It was motioned, seconded and passed to accept the By-Laws as presented with the addition of Section 5 to the "Purposes and Objectives" in Article II which reads:

Through availability and maintenance of the Butterfield Range facilities, invitation to membership in the participating shooting sports clubs, and opportunities to interact positively with Las Cruces residents, promote understanding and appreciation of community contributions by members of law enforcement, military and civilian youth organizations.

2) Steel rail for the long range price was \$250 per section, so Tim Martin is working a deal with the mine at Silver City, we may have to haul it. Cindy will check with the City as to where they want it for cutting. There was some discussion on how the steel could be set to minimize maintenance.

New Business:

- 1) We received a letter of thanks from John Wax for our support of the 4H purchase of targets. They are asking for more support from us.
- 2) It was motioned, seconded and passed to give the 4H \$500 from the general account to purchase and build more targets.
- 3) It was motioned, seconded and passed to hold our meetings at 6:00 PM during the summer, starting in April.

Motion to adjourn was accepted around 8:00.

Range Report: Range Report for April (Work that needs to be done):

*The new berms are low and need to be built up!!

*Rail at the Small Bore Silhouette Range needs to be replaced. Thank you Todd and the Sil. shooters for cleaning up the Silhouette Range.

*Entrance cattle guard needs some repair. *Work on the signs: This is ongoing-- funding was not available last year. *Finish the long distance range. This is still a work in progress *Finish paving the road at the Silhouette range

New Suggestions for Improving the Range:

*Need a solution to all the bays taken up by conceal carry classes. *Cans to put live ammo in (mostly dropped 22 ammo).

> If you have more suggestions please let Cindy know (644-1579 or e-mail <u>rteach25@comcast.net</u>

Workday April 21th (Thursday)

Work done (Type of work will depend on the weather:

*Clean up around and in the building (This can be done any day) *Finish painting the Sil. poles etc.

Please call Cindy 644-1579 or e-mail <u>rteach25@comcast.net</u> if you want to help. The gate is latched not locked. If you are not there by nine just come in and find where we are working.

***Thank You Notes:** If you appreciated the work done at the range, please send your Thank you to: Tim Fulton, <u>tfulton@las-cruces.org</u> 1501 Fast Hadley St. Dvilding 2

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Ralph Martinez, ralmartinez@las-cruces.org 1501 East. Hadley St. Building 3 Las Cruces, NM 88001

The Silhouette report:

Results of the April PGC Silhouette Match are as follows:SBRMS1. G. Bensley26 Match Winner2. T. Richardson25 2nd

3.K. Bensley 23 3rd.

SB Plinking Rifle

1. K. Van Wart28 Match Winner2. T. MassingaleDNF

The weather was outstanding however turn out was light due to the Sr. Olympics air-gun match being scheduled on top of our match.

The next PGC Silhouette match will be on May 1st. Range setup 0830, Site-in period begins 0900, Match start 1000hrs. Thank you, Todd Bensley Silhouette Match Director

USPSA:

Monthly match was held on the 2^{nd} , a large turnout with several IDPA members. Results on Practiscore.

SASS:

The SASS results will be given at the next meeting.

We did have the annual Cowboys vs. Law Enforcement charity match, the wind came up just as we finished lunch. Jose Aleman was first (LE), Bill Miller was first (Mil) and Travis Boggus was first (CB).

Bull's eye:

Match results for April 5th Bullseye Match.

Benchrest

1^{st}	Wade Hedgecote	878
2^{nd}	Harry Lucker	868

Standing

1^{st}	Bill Madden	847
2 nd	Jon Kahler	842
3 rd	John Dowalgo	840
4 th	Bill Story	811
5 th	Todd Bensley	802
6^{th}	Dale Barry	781
7 th	Mike O'Hara	773
8^{th}	Bob Distlehorst	751
9 th	Wm. Thompson	733

Nice warm day with little to no wind. Until we finished and then it blew.

IDPA

We had our monthly match on 3/20, here is the link <u>http://lc-idpa.com/</u> to see match scores.

KC and Dena are holding training on the 1st Sunday.

Contact Bill Weed (575) 644-4286 or Tim Martin (575) 644-7145, if you have any questions.

If you have any firearms or firearms-related items to sell, submit the information to the PGC Newsletter editor.

I've got a Ruger Bisley single six 22 caliber handgun for sale. It has 2 cylinders, one for 22 long and short and one for 22 magnum. This is a single action revolver. It is a blue finish with a 5 1/2" barrel. It is in good shape, but it is not brand new. Don't have the box, but I do have the owners manual. It also comes with a tan leather holster and 300 rounds of 22LR ammo. Price is \$525. If anyone is interested, they can contact me with contact info below. Thanks, Bill

Bill Parshall

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*Ma*tches

1st Saturday:

USPSA 8:00 am setup. Match starts after setup, 4 stages. Bring 150 rounds. Robert Mullan, 575-649-8109, mullanman2@yahoo.com

1st Sunday:

Smallbore/NRA, Cowboy Rifle, and Hunter Pistol, Silhouette 9:00 am Todd Bensley, 575-524-7911

IDPA

Third Sundays of the month. Match starts around 8:00 AM, come early and help set up.

2nd Sunday:

Black Powder Cartridge Silhouette 8:00 am Dave Teague, 915-857-1325, pdt5397@aol.com

3rd Sunday:

Big Bore Silhouette 9:00 am Todd Bensley, 575-524-7911

4th Saturday:

SASS Cowboy Match Set up at 7:30 am. Registration at 8:30 am. Safety meeting at 9:15 am. Shooting time at 9:30 am. Mark Aguirre, 575-647-3434

Steel Challenge 3rd Saturday of the month Set up at 8am and shoot at around 9am. 4 stages. Bring 150 rounds of ammunition. \$15 match fee. (No charge for first-time shooters.) (www.mvpistoleros.com) Robert Mullan, 575-649-8109, mullanman2@yahoo.com

Multi-Gun Match

Usually the 5th Saturday of the month. Set up at 8am and shoot after setup is complete. 4 stages of rifle, pistol and shotgun. Rifle rounds must be copper jacket, no steel core or armor piercing. No shot larger than #6. Slugs may be required. IMGA rules used. \$15 match fee. (No charge for first-time shooters.) Check website for updates. (www.mvpistoleros.com) Robert Mullan, 575-649-8109, mullanman2@yahoo.com

Newcomers: please feel free to join any of the shooting events. They are open to all, and are a good way to get to know our members and our way of doing things.