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CLYDE VALLEY PISTOL CLUB NEWSLETTER

Secretary's Welcome

Well what do you know, we actually managed a second issue!

This month we have included a short summary of the clubs financial position prepared by our Treasurer. Hopefully all committee members (or at least office bearers) will prepare a short summary for future issues.

As you will see the clubs finances are solid. We are not a overly rich club but neither are we struggling. Most members fees are coming in as required but I would ask those that have forgotten to pay, do so as soon as they receive this News Letter. Remember you can spread the cost by paying by Standing Order. If anyone is experiencing difficulties in these financially challenging times, please let the committee know and we will do what we can to assist.

Anyway, enough from me!

Up and Coming Club Courses and Events

Courses

Practical/Tactical Training
Saturday 3rd September
9.30am Start / Finish about 4.00pm



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Probationers Courses:- 11th and 25th September (See Sam Gebbie for details)

Full Bore Shoots

Blair Adam:-

The club has 1 remaining date booked for Blair Adam:-
15th of October
Kick off is about 9.00am for shooting starting at 10.00am until 3.00pm/4.00pm.
Shooting will start at 200 yards, moving back to 500 yards at about 12.30pm

Faslane:

17 th Sept.	8 th October
13 th Nov.	10 th Dec.

Shooting starts at 12.00noon and continues until 3.00pm or 4.00pm weather and light permitting

There are no fees to either of the above for CVPC members. Non CVPC members pay £10 at Blair Adam and £5 at Faslane.

Treasurer's report

We are now 3 months into our new year and member's fees are coming in. Many members are now taking advantage of the Standing Order system which makes life easier all round. However, as of the end of June there were still some 40% of members whose fees were not up to date. If that's you can I please ask that you make arrangements to bring your fees up to date. Once you get them up to date why not set up a Standing Order to pay the remainder of the year's fees monthly.

Our income for June was £2581.00. Expenditure for that period was £3739 (which included the purchase of ammunition and new Linatex at £1200 per roll). Our bank account, however remains well in the black and considering its only August (and the large expense of Linatex out of the way for another 4 or 5 years (Hopefully)) we should see our balance grow this year.



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Club Membership

The clubs current membership list is at its highest in at least 12 years with over 100 members. While that number varies as some drop off the list a regular stream of probationers coming to the club bring the numbers back up. Currently we are receiving enquiries weekly sometimes daily from prospective new members.

If anyone has any ideas that they think would help recruit new members, please feel free to let the secretary or other committee members know.

Range Report

Blairadam Saturday 27/8/2011

Another great was had by members of CVPC at Blairadam 500m range in Kinross, in attendance were the usual suspects, David Mair RCO, 12 members of CVPC, 2 from Claymore and 2 CVPC probationary members doing there full bore range training.

The day as usual started at 10am, at the all new 200 meter covered firing point (pictures attached) this is a great addition to an already fantastic range, insuring shooters stay dry and comfortable even in the typical Scottish summer weather, midday all shooters moved back to the 500m and we finished off at 1500 with our shoulders sore, our kit much lighter and a whole load of lead sent down range.

The day started overcast but stayed dry all day, wind was 5/10mph left to right as usual and temperature was mild great day for shooting.

Thank's to all who attended for the assistance in setting up the range for the days shoot and for staying to put it all away at the end, a special thanks to Wee Bobby, young Mr Roy and young Mr Hill for there assistance with top flag.

Hope to see you all again at the next full bore shoot. David Mair



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Marlin Jam - Take 2

A thanks goes to Robin Holms for this tip:

I inserted a thin strip of Stainless Steel shaped to the contour of the carrier (taken from a Jubilee Clip) on to the surface that suffers the wear. I attached this with a couple of 8BA screws. My Marlin has been cycling reliably for over fifteen years now with never a jam. I have attached a photo (not a very good one) to show where the Stainless Steel strip is fitted.





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Shooters Odd Box

When reloading it is sometimes necessary to full length re-size cases. This process usually involves lubricating the case before inserting in the die otherwise the case will stick. Various lubricants are available such as Lee Sizing Lube and the Lyman Qwik Spray Case Lube and others.

Of the two the Lyman product is cleaner to use. Just put the cases in to a poly bag, spray in a little Lyman Qwik Spray Case Lube, lay the bag flat on the bench and roll the cases. Keep the bag for re-use.

Cleaning cases can be done using a tumbler with a dry media. It usually takes some time to clean cases this way. The alternative is to use an ultra sonic cleaner. Ultra sonic cleaners supplied through the gun trade can be quite expensive typically £100 or more. Maplin Electronics do one for £30. Just remember to dry the cases before re-loading.

A thanks to John Milner for the above.

If you have any handy hints or tips, things that work for you that you would like to share, please email it and it will be included in a future issue of the news letter.



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Website Time

If anyone has a useful or favourite website this is the place to share it with other members

For the AR15/M16 lovers amongst us have a look at these:-

www.Ar15.com
www.M4carbine.net
www.lannertactical.com

For the accuracy nuts amongst us, try these:-

www accurateshooter.com
www.6mabr.com

Handy Suppliers:-

www.rimfiremagic.co.uk
www.voodootactical.com (or .net)

The others:-

www.sportingservices.co.uk/aics.asp
www.silencertalk.com

I will try and update this list each month with useful websites. If you have a favourite site, let me have the details and I will add it to the list.



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Footnotes

Club Inspections

As all members should now be aware of, we now get six monthly inspections our local Forearms Liaison Officer (FLO).

Over the past few years we have been able to develop our systems and practice such that these inspections seldom raise any issues.

As part of this inspection our FLO goes through the Shooters Register, with a fine tooth comb, and makes a note of any shooter who was not shot in the previous rolling 12 months. Each shooters record is checked to see how many times in any given year each gun has been used.

If for any reason Clyde Valley is not your principle club please ensure that you inform the secretary of this fact and who your principle club is. The secretary can then advise the FLO of this fact.

Please make sure you enter your visit on in the Shooters Register on every visit you make to the club – its in your interest to do so.

Bisley August 2011

Hot off the press is the news that 2 of our clubs members who were shooting with the Scottish Team over the weekend of the 27th August picked up an impressive haul of medals.

I think all members will join me in congratulating Alan Convery and Iain McFayden who picked up 7 positions between them including 3 1st, 2 Seconds and 2 thirds.

Congratulations lads and well done keeping up the name of the club and the Scottish Team.

Anyone wishing to join Alan and Iain, have a word with them and find out what its all about.



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Picture Spot

If anyone has shooting related pictures that they would like to share with other members then this is the place to do that.

Blair Adam, August 2011.



The new covered 200yd point (more covered points to come)



No More raining days spoiling your shooting



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Captions on a post card to.....



One of a number of M16's



The "Old and the Young" but is that the guns or shooters?



Even the brass cant escape the "Sansbury Sniper"



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Sadly no nice covered point at 500yd but at least it's a challenge.

If you have never tried long range shooting come along to Blair Adam in October. It's a good way to have a try in a controlled environment. Or if you only want to zero your gun it couldn't be easier on this range, even at 500 yards! With its large, visible, sand backstop anyone can zero a rifle on this range. So get your guns out and come along and have some fun.

That's it for issue 2. If anyone would like something included in the next issue please send me the details (wb.4570gov@blueyonder.co.uk) (please note last month I gave the wrong Email address. This IS the correct one to send me anything you would like included in the newsletter)

Until next time, keep yer powder dry!