

**Safe Gun Handling Tips**

- Approach ALL firearms as if they are ALWAYS loaded at ALL times
- ALWAYS point the muzzle in a safe direction
- ALWAYS keep your finger out of the trigger guard until your sights are on a recognized target AND you are ready to shoot
- ALWAYS keep your firearms unloaded and properly stored until you are ready to use them

## Club Member Benefits KRRC

We greatly appreciate the way our members go out of their way to help the KRRC. The following story shows the generosity of just one of our members.

Brian Kilroy wrote:

Dave, I am contacting you about this because you are the President. I have had a bit of GOOD LUCK lately and would like to share it with the club..... Here is the story (in brief): As you can see from my E-mail address, I use the services of Outdoors.net Internet Service (Outdrs.net). Aside from providing good basic service at a reasonable price, they also support the NRA. Last July (16 July 2002), I was notified by the manager of Outdoors.net that I had won the monthly prize. The prize turned out to be a 50 cal. in-line BigHorn model black powder rifle manufactured by Knight Rifles (this is the exposed primer type that, I believe is legal to hunt with in Washington). I received the rifle (via UPS) in early September. Marcus had already seen it when I took it to the club one Wednesday to try it out. So far, I am the only one to benefit in this..... However, due to a misspelling in my name (Kilray vs Kilroy), Knight Rifles sent me a second rifle (same description as the first). I received it last week. Not wanting to cheat anybody I fired off a letter to Customer Service explaining

the problem and offering to do one of two things:  
 - First, I offered to return the rifle as it was obviously sent in error. As an alternative to the first option, I offered to donate it to my gun club (KRRC) with the expectation that the club would use it to the benefit of the club. My suggestion, as stated in the letter (copy available) was that the club could raffle it off at the next Annual Meeting. Tonight (Wednesday 6 November 2002) I was contacted via E-mail by Traci Macke (Accounting Manager for Knight Rifles (641) 856-2626 ext. 102). Knight Rifles has agreed to my alternate proposition to donate the gun to the club. Be aware, that this gun is "New-in-Box" and that it's retail value is given as \$350 (via the packing slip). Please advise as I am interested in your input or that of any of the other officers (such as Marcus). I can bring the gun to the next meeting (14 November 2002) if you wish.....

Hi Brian! Wow! This sure says much for your integrity and Knight Rifles! My suggestion would be to use the rifle for the Hunter Education program, (and any other appropriate educational program that requests its use), and send a letter on Club letterhead to Knight Rifles with a write-up in the club newsletter and perhaps a "letter to the

editor" of the local papers and a gun magazine or two. This happened a few years ago when PMC donated approximately 15,000 rounds of 22 ammo to our junior program. Thanks for your efforts and congratulations once again.  
 Regards, Marcus Carter

The Friends of NRA Committee would like to thank Brian Kilroy for donating a Knight In-Line Muzzle Loading Rifle to the KRRC who in turn donated it to the Friends of NRA. The Friends of NRA supports the NRA Foundation by holding fund raising events. You can help by attending our next event. on May 17, 2003. At the Sons of Norway Lodge in Bremerton.

### What is the NRA Foundation?

The NRA Foundation, Inc. ("NRA Foundation") Established in 1990, is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization that raises tax-deductible contributions in support of a wide range of firearm-related public interest activities of the National Rifle Association of America and other organizations that defend and foster the Second Amendment rights of all law-abiding Americans. These activities are designed to promote firearms and hunting safety, to enhance marksmanship skills of those participating in the shooting sports, and to educate the general public about firearms in their historic, technological and artistic context. Funds granted by The NRA Foundation benefit a variety of constituencies throughout the United States including children, youth, women, individuals with physical disabilities, gun collectors, law enforcement officers, and hunters.

To donate to the Friends of NRA contact Ed Lyons, All donations are tax deductible.

## A Turning Point

By Lee Swoboda

Last year, the Club voted to form an ad hoc committee to investigate the feasibility of expanding the range to include additional shooting facilities, as well as other outdoor sports, such as paint ball and sporting clays. Although the idea of a "World Class" facility has been discussed for several years, the impetus for this effort was renewal of the Club's lease with the Washington Department of Natural Resources (DNR), which significantly increases our future lease costs. The Club's goal for this alternative is to increase paid public use of the range to provide "outside" funds to supplement Club membership dues, which would need to rise significantly over the next five years to pay for the lease.

The Committee prepared a business plan for expanding the range in phases over a period of several years. The proposed plan would begin with a reorientation of the current rifle range and adding more pistol bays. The ultimate plan is to expand the rifle line to 1000 yards, add dedicated handgun sports areas, an indoor pistol range and pro shop and other "amenities."

As proposed in the business plan, KRRC will expand the capabilities of the existing range and add capabilities in order to generate additional revenues to offset a substantial increase in lease costs so that the entire burden of financing the lease will not be borne by Club members. The first phase of development will be based on the following criteria:

- Leverage KRRC core competencies, especially in handgun and rifle shooting sports and instruction.
- Maximize the current "active use" area, with expansion first into the current "passive use" area, then into currently un-leased areas.
- Focus on those activities most likely to produce revenues.

The first phase of development, with a target completion by December 2004, will include the following:

- Re-orient rifle range to North-South axis and extend the range to 300 yards
- Construct second rifle range line
- Expand pistol range to 5 lines
- Establish a Limited Liability Company (LLC) or Corporation to develop and manage the Range

- Construct IPSC/Law enforcement pistol range bays
- Install manufactured building as a Community/Training Center
- Establish a concession
- Establish a training center
- Hire full-time Range Safety Officer/"Park Ranger" and trainer
- Negotiate law enforcement training contracts

The Sports Park committee has completed its work and has disbanded. If the expansion is approved by the Club, the next step is to form an implementation committee to begin fund-raising for construction and to begin the process of applying for use and construction permits. The business plan anticipates limited "seed money" from Club coffers, which would be used primarily to develop materials to apply for grants and donations to fund initial construction of additional range capability. Cash flow from public use would be used to finance additional sports areas, which might eventually include -- in addition to paint ball and sporting clays -- radio control vehicles, black powder/rendezvous and archery.

The Executive Board has approved Executive Officer Marcus Carter to represent the Club in lease negotiations with DNR. A more flexible lease is the first step in developing a "World Class" sports park. Contact Marcus at [info@gunsafety.org](mailto:info@gunsafety.org).

### Don't Forget!

Our Annual Elections  
will be held on  
Thursday, January 9th  
at the Bremerton Trap  
and Skeet Club across  
from the Bremerton  
Airport at 7:30pm.  
ALL members are  
encouraged to attend!

Find us on the web!

[www.GunSafety.org](http://www.GunSafety.org)

## Range Report

By Marcus Carter

Want the new gate combination? With the growth of the club, and finding that common sense is not too common these days, new standard operating procedures are being implemented at KRRC. New for 2003 will be the issuance of photo membership badges and an orientation prior to receiving the 2003 gate combination. The orientation will cover topics including safety commandments, how to open the gate, safe gun handling, where to park, beginning firearms safety, acceptable targets and their placement, fundamental firearms safety, member responsibilities, SAFETY and etc.

To obtain your orientation, membership badge and combination, you can come to the range January 1st from 7am until 2pm and then regularly on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 7am till 3pm, Wednesdays from noon till 7pm, Saturdays from 9am till 3pm and Sundays from 1pm till 5pm. If these times are not compatible with your schedule, just call 373-1007 to make other arrangements. After January, you'll have to make it to the range when there is a KRRC Range Officer on duty or make it to club meetings. This should be a one-time event for each member unless there is a significant change in our range

configuration or practices.

Last Shot! Important!! Must Read!!!

How would you like to one day have your grandchild ask you something like, "What was it like to belong to a gun club and go to a gun range?" or worse yet "Were you really able to own guns?" Most of you are aware that there are those working tirelessly to make the latter come to pass, however, the former may be closer to reality than we would like to think.

It's our watch, and it may be our last shot! Lee Swoboda and the Kitsap Outdoor Sportspark Committee have labored very hard to develop a good plan to get us into the future and now it is the time to implement that plan. We have a lot going for us; our 76+ year history, a new county commissioner, our relationship with law enforcement, the Navy, and the community. You must realize it is NOT the Sports Park Committee, nor the KRRC Executive Committee, that can implement this plan, it is YOU and I, together. The plan is viable IF we each do our part.

You have my commitment and the commitment of the club leadership, now it's up to YOU! Your voice IS important and it DOES

count! We need to gear up to create a very "squeaky wheel", for the squeaky wheel gets the grease (or the lease agreement we must have from the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) - if KRRC is to survive). What we need you to do today is prepare a list of at least 10 other friends, (not KRRC members), which will be willing to sign their name in support of KRRC. Don't put this off, for when the time comes and the word goes out, this must be done within a few days.

With lease negotiations currently pending, we are going to need you to remind the DNR that WE are the State. This is our land and part of the heritage we want to leave our children. DNR, is simply the trustee of the property KRRC has occupied since 1926. The raising of our lease beyond anything reasonable is being done in YOUR name. You will be asked to make 10 copies, or more, of a letter that will be forthcoming, then address and stamp envelopes for each and get your list of family members, friends, your dog and cat, whatever, to sign it AND fax it AND email it AND snail mail it to the numbers and addresses that will be provided.

You will be heard! Together, we can secure the future of Kitsap Rifle & Revolver Club. We will win... We MUST win!

### January/February Range Calendar

January 9th (Thursday) Annual elections at the Bremerton Trap and Skeet Club by the Bremerton airport. 7:30pm

January 11th (Saturday) No Fun Steel Match today; range is open to everyone.

January 24th (Friday) Range will be closed noon-dusk for USPSA tournament set-up.

January 25th (Saturday) IPSC/USPSA Pistol Match; range is closed for the match but spectators are welcome to watch.

February 8th (Saturday) No Fun Steel Match today; range is open to everyone.

February 13th (Thursday) Club Meeting at the range. 7:30pm ALL club members are invited to attend.

February 22nd (Saturday) No USPSA Match today; range is open to everyone.

## The President's Corner

By Dave Tipton

I want to wish everyone a **Merry Christmas** and a **Happy New Year** OR, **Happy Holidays** if Christmas is not your thing. 'Tis the season to be jolly so keep a smile on your face, tolerate the crowds in the malls and make sure to contribute food, clothes, toys &/or money to those who are not as fortunate as us.

There is a scheduling change for 2003 that you need to be aware of. As most of you know, the Practical Pistol shooters conduct a match on the fourth Saturday of each month, except for December and February. Beginning in March, this will change to the *third* Saturday of each month. Because their matches involve lots of props and fancy target arrangements, a lot of time is involved in setting up a match. This has caused a lot of frustration for this group of shooters because our range facilities are not separated like other clubs. Trying to set up a match on Friday for a Saturday shoot while the rifle line is open to club members is not working out for the Practical Shooters (several times this year the props and steel targets were

shot up by club members on Friday evening before the match). Therefore, the Executive Committee has authorized a rifle line closure on the Friday afternoon prior to the monthly match. This closure is for the rifle line only and only on the afternoon of the third Friday of each month, except for December and February. There are no pistol matches in December and February so the rifle line will remain open on the third Fridays and Saturdays of those months. As always, please check the calendar in the club newsletter or on the website ([gunsafety.org](http://gunsafety.org)) before coming to the range for weekends and Fridays.

The lease with the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) comes due again in March, 2003. The Executive Committee has decided to appoint Marcus Carter, the KRRC Executive Officer, as the negotiator for a new lease. Let's wish him the best of luck with DNR and hope he can negotiate favorable terms for the club.

Also, the Executive Committee did not approve the recommendations from

the Kitsap Sports Park (development) Committee to hire an attorney to lead us through the approval and permitting process in order to expand the facilities. See elsewhere in this newsletter for more information on this turn of events. I am disappointed that the club decided not to take a professional approach to the process needed for any development in Kitsap County but the club officers have spoken and I will abide by their decisions.

Finally, with sadness and a heavy heart, I am announcing my resignation as club President. There are too many issues in my life at this time. I must "fall back 10 and punt," as they say. It has been a privilege and an honor to serve as KRRC President and I will always have fond memories of my term. My resignation is effective Thursday, December 12, 2002 at midnight. Per KRRC bylaws, the Vice President, Dennis Moreland, will assume the duties of President.

*Dave Tipton*

## Practical Shooting Wrap-up

By Earl Jull

Kitsap Practical Shooters has seen some success this year. The one day 3-gun match experiment worked well and we will continue it next year. We almost tripled the number of revolver participants from last year by making all stages 6 round neutral. Marcus Carter did safety checks for more new shooters than I ever would have imagined. The Courage Classic went well and the Kitsap 440 was a hoot.

The only regret I have from running Kitsap's program is I wish I had more time to go on the road and visit other club's to shoot their matches – weekends should be extended to 3 days.

The core group of members that make up our Match

Production Staff has grown considerably and next year will see individuals tasked with responsibilities to further enhance the club's program.

Kitsap will start IPSC again on the third Saturday of March but since most of us can't go that long without some meaningful trigger time we are having a match in January. While it won't be strictly IPSC it will be fun and you will, for the most part, stay warm and dry.

I want to thank you all for your support throughout the year and pray you keep family and friends close to your heart this holiday season.

Stay safe and see ya at the range, Earl

## Did You Renew Your Membership?

It's time for membership renewals. Please check the label on this newsletter to see if your membership expires this year. If you have already sent your renewal, you will only need to show up at the range at the times listed in the Range Report and you'll be given your orientation, membership badge and the new gate combination. If you haven't sent in your renewal yet, now is the time to do so if you want to keep using the KRRC facility. The gate combination will be changed on January 1. Please remember that your membership fees not only allow you access to the range, but they are also used for the continual improvements we make to insure you have a safe and enjoyable shooting experience.

### KRRC MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM 2003

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Renewals are \$60 per year. Associate members (such as spouses or children) can renew their membership for \$30. Please make checks payable to the "Kitsap Rifle and Revolver Club" or "KRRC". Mail renewals to the following address: KRRC; PO Box 134; Bremerton, WA 98337

\*Note: This form is for renewals only. New members must use a membership application form containing a rules of conduct and liability statement which must be completed prior to use of the range. Those forms are available at Boerner's Gun Shop, the club website ([www.GunSafety.org](http://www.GunSafety.org)), or at the outdoor range (on the gate).\*



## The BULLETin Board

Club members are welcome to post notices or ads to buy, sell or trade club-related things (like gun, ammo, targets, reloading equipment, etc.) in this space. Ads will be posted on a first-come, first-served basis. Please send your ad copy, via email, to [info@gunsafety.org](mailto:info@gunsafety.org).

- ◆ Rossi model M72044 Special 5 shot, stainless steel in new condition (less than one box of shells fired through it). Asking price \$200 Firm Taurus PT94545 Automatic 10+1 Black, good shape and fires well, Blue Book \$350 but asking \$325 Firm. Buyer must have current Concealed Permit with proper ID. For more information contact Gaylen Beardsley; PO Box 1875; Silverdale, WA 98383; or call 360-308-9756. Email: [koinnia@koinchurch.com](mailto:koinnia@koinchurch.com)
- ◆ The National Rifle Association is looking for volunteers to help out at the NRA membership booth at the Western Washington Sportsman Show at the Puyallup fairgrounds, January 22-26. Any club members interested in helping out at the booth please contact Ken Houghton at [khoughton@jps.net](mailto:khoughton@jps.net), or call (360) 874-6946.
- ◆ CZ-75 9mm nickel finish w/ 2-10 round mags, 3-15 round mags, Fobus holster, Kramer leather holster, 2 mag pouches. \$500 obo. Call Bruce at 792-0393.

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