



ARPC Saddle Butte Press May 2016 Edition

ARPC President's Corner West and Southwest Range Construction

As was brought out in last month's newsletter, we are moving ahead with projects on the West and Southwest portions of the range. These are not construction projects, per se, but rather regrading and redistributing material already on site. A sizable portion of this material is sitting on the Main Range (MR) between the 100 yard and 200 yard target lines. There is also quite a bit at the far East end of the Shotgun Range (SR). This "fill" was pushed into place after being blasted from the face of Saddle Butte to create our 200 yard target line many years ago. That blasting project also created an undesirable, unforeseen effect, which is to amplify via an "echo-horn" effect all of the sounds associated with firearms discharges directed downrange from the MR. These sounds literally bounce off the face of the rock backstop we created, with the result being increased sound levels all along our Western property edge and to the neighbor's property to the Southwest.

This issue was brought to the forefront during our most recent (ultimately withdrawn) Conditional Use Permit (CUP) application in 2014. All of the planned regrading projects are aimed at mitigating those effects and in creating a safer overall environment for the entire Western part of ARPC, including the MR & SR areas.

There will be a safety berm formed just to the South of the MR and a sound deflection berm at the South edge of the property, which will also be a new home for a large planting of fast-growing "buffer" vegetation. The existing MR berm will have additional height added (safety issue) and both MR berms will have an "overburden" of soft, bullet absorbent material covering the sides facing the MR. There will be a minor regrade to the extreme northeast corner of the SR as well (safety issue). The sharp angles and faces of the 200 yard "backstop" will also be regraded, to soften and mitigate the direct echo effect. There may be enough material on sight to add another berm between the two already discussed, creating yet another safety and sound barrier. All of this work will be paid for with existing ARPC funds and will NOT draw on any of the Long Range Shooting Facility funds we have saved.

The downside of this will be approximately 9-10 weeks of activity that will force SR & MR range closures during the 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM time frames, from Monday thru Friday. Our plans are to have portable targets and stands ready for use whenever the excavating crews stand down, so we will have availability to shoot part of the time, and on weekends. Our target start date is the last week in June. Why do it in the "busy time" during the summer months? Easy answer, we have a lot of really soft, mucky, swampy terrain to deal with and big machinery cannot be effective there until it's dry. An 8 foot deep test hole was dug on 4/21 (many of them were dug, actually) and the water level at the bottom refilled faster than the operator could bail it out with a large tracked backhoe.

You've seen the signs before: "Excuse Our Mess" and that's what it will be. But when it's completed, we'll have a quieter, safer and more expansive facility to be proud of. Please check the club website frequently during that time for range use updates. Thank you in advance for your patience!

Marc Rocque, ARPC Club President

Best Time to Use the North & East Ranges

During weekends, the North and East Ranges can be very busy. However, here are a few ways that you can find a shooting bay.

First - Check the club calendar to see if there is a shooting event scheduled.

Second - Try to come out in the afternoon after shooting events end. The magic time on Saturdays to get an open shooting bay is 3pm.

Third - Work Bond on the first Saturday of the month only lasts until 9AM. These bays are open after that time.

Fourth - Ask if you can share a bay with someone. 8518 If you share, then it is a good idea to talk about safety.

ARPC is not scheduling any additional activities on the North and East Ranges than have been scheduled over the last year or two. The long range construction project includes adding more shooting bays. Please contact the club office if you have questions.



Saddle Butte Machine Gun Shoot

Probably the largest machine gun shoot on the west coast!

Saturday, May 21st

and

Sunday, May 22nd

Gates open at 8:00am. Shooting begins at 9:00am and ends at 4:00pm. ARPC members and youngsters under age 12 get in free. Non-member entry fee is \$10.

ARPC members and the general public are allowed to shoot vendor owned full auto guns after purchasing the ammunition from the vendor. Last year there were over 200 firearms available to shoot ranging in sizes from .22 caliber to 20mm. A variety of targets are available including automobiles donated by B&R Auto Wrecking, Towing and Auto Body of Corvallis. We also have various vendors in our parking area selling t-shirts, safety equipment, ammunition and other products.

Come on out and shoot machine guns with us...you'll have a BLAST!!!

Range Closures

The North, East and Archery Ranges will be closed to all shooting during the Saddle Butte Machine Gun Shoot on Saturday, May 21st and Sunday, May 22nd.





Shotgun Events

ARPC offers three shotgun disciplines - Trap, Junior Trap and Five Stand.

Trap is offered every Wednesday starting at 2PM and also on the third Saturday of each month starting at 1PM. We offer straight trap but also provide a lot of fun games as well. We are a friendly group that would like to see more members participate. Please contact Chip Cover at 541-990-3321 or cover12@comcast.net if you have any questions about this fun sport.

Five Stand is a fun and challenging event involving five shooting stations and five different bird throwing spots; watch out for those surprise birds that are thrown straight up in the air! This sport provides an excellent way to keep your bird hunting skills in shape. Like Trap, we would like to see more members participate. Please contact Tom Smith at 503-474-7579 if you have any questions about this challenging sport.

Junior Trap is provided for all of those young people who are either curious about getting started and need one-on-one instruction or have shot trap before and want to come out and have fun with people their own age. This discipline is offered every Wednesday at 5PM. If you are interested, please contact Don Arnold at 541-619-3238 or doncon125@yahoo.com.

New ARPC Range Rules

New ARPC Range Rules are posted on all shooting ranges. How much do you know or remember about the ARPC Range Rules? As a member of ARPC, you are required to know and follow these rules. Take some time to download and read the rules provided in the link below. Call the club officer or contact the Chief Instructor if you have any questions. Remember that it is everyone's responsibility to practice safety at the range.

[Click here to read a copy of these rules.](#)

RANGE SAFETY



Spotlight on Shooting Sports - Junior Blackpowder Rifle Shooters Wanted

ARPC is starting a junior Blackpowder rifle group. It is open to all (member or non-member) juniors 17 years of age and under. Rifles, ammunition and equipment to shoot this sport are provided by the club or juniors can bring their own. Contact Carl Engstrom at 541-990-1747 or cjr@peak.org for further information.



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About Us

Albany Rifle and Pistol Club is centrally located in Linn County, Oregon and consists of six ranges. We are a membership club, however we feature a wide variety of shooting disciplines and educational classes that are open to the public. Contact us to schedule a range tour. You'll like what you see.

Office and Pro Shop Hours, Monday through Saturday, 10AM-5PM

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