



ARPC Saddle Butte Press July 2025 Newsletter

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INDEPENDENCE DAY

EDITORIAL

Independence Day has always been a special day for me. It helps me realize what a special Country we live in. A small group of people envisioned a society of free thinking, free speaking, independent citizens living in a Constitutional Republic. It took a bloody war and more than 30 years to accomplish, but they did it. A quote attributed to Voltaire "I disapprove of what you say, but I will defend to the death your right to say it" was an illustration of Voltaire's beliefs and not an actual quote. But it is representative of his thought process and the principle of freedom of speech. Freedom of Speech is being attacked worldwide as a form of submission. Our Country is very polarized. I think we can start the healing process if we all agree that free speech is the foundation this Country was built on and must be defended at any cost if we have any chance to survive. It is difficult since we all

believe our thoughts are right and it isn't easy to be bombarded by concepts that are against our own. But if your positions are well researched and defensible, why not sit down and calmly discuss them? What about the ones who only want to scream you down and quash your right to Free Speech? At that point, they are no longer worthy of citizenship in this Country. I'm not saying they should be deported but, they need to be called out as destroyers of our Federal Republic and treated as such. Some of you will remember a show called "All in the Family". In one episode Archie bought a plastic AR-15 toy for his grandson. Of course, his daughter and son in law were adamantly opposed to it. Archie said it was his grandsons first amendment right to have one. They pointed out the second amendment covered firearms, not free speech. He held it up and said "when you have one of these, you say what you want". There's definitely something to that statement. I think our Founders would agree.

Brian Boesch

Executive Director

Retirement Announcement

I am retiring from the Executive Director position this Fall. I have enjoyed steering ARPC to its present condition over the last nine years. We have developed a cleaner, safer and more professional Range over those years. I have made many friends and unfortunately, a few have passed as well. Our New Member, Range Safety, and Instruction Programs have all contributed to member firearm safety knowledge and training skills. I want to especially thank every volunteer that has helped with all our events, projects and training. ARPC cannot do what we do without you! Two things I am also proud of are the professionalism of our Board Members and the quality of our employees. Their dedication and ethics are impressive. These three groups are what keep us in business and allow us to have a great place to shoot. I have complete faith that ARPC will only improve under their guidance and commitment. Please support the new Executive Director, the Executive Board and our great staff as we transition and move forward.

The Executive Board is actively recruiting for my replacement. Here is the job description:

Job Overview

We are seeking a dynamic and experienced Gun Club Executive Director to join our team at Albany Rifle and Pistol Club. The successful candidate will be responsible for overseeing all aspects of the club's daily operations, ensuring a safe and enjoyable experience for our members, and driving growth and sustainability for the organization. As the face of the club, the Executive Director must be a confident and professional leader with a passion for the shooting sports and a commitment to providing exceptional customer service.

Executive Director Responsibilities & Duties

Develop and implement policies and procedures to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for club members and guests

Oversee the daily operations of the club, including staffing, scheduling, maintenance, and inventory management

Create and follow an Annual Budget with the Treasurer

Develop and maintain relationships with members and other stakeholders, including local businesses and community organizations

Develop and implement marketing and promotional strategies to drive membership growth and increase revenue
Collaborate with the club's Board of Directors to review and implement the strategic plan
Ensure compliance with all local, state, and federal regulations related to the operation of the club

Executive Director Qualifications & Skills

- Previous management experience in a sports or recreational facility
- Extensive knowledge of shooting sports and related safety practices
- Experience in event planning and coordination
- Strong leadership and interpersonal skills
- Ability to develop and implement effective marketing strategies
- Proficiency in budgeting and financial management
- Formal training or certification in firearms instruction
- Bachelor's degree in business administration, sports management, or a related field
- Minimum of 3 years of experience managing a gun club or related organization
- Demonstrated leadership and interpersonal skills, with the ability to effectively communicate with a wide range of stakeholders
- Knowledge of firearms and shooting sports, as well as a commitment to promoting firearms safety and responsible gun ownership
- Knowledge of equipment safety training and the ability to lead this training for employees and volunteers
- Strong organizational, problem-solving, and decision-making skills, with the ability to work effectively under pressure
- Proficient in Microsoft Office and other relevant software programs
- Salary commensurate with experience

If you, or someone you know, is qualified to fill this position, please email a resume and salary expectations to our President, Travis Mason at president@arpc.info. Thank you for helping me make ARPC the best range in Oregon and I'll see you on the Range!

Sincerely,
Brian Boesch

GSSF MATCH JULY 19th & 20th

It's time for another fun weekend with the great people from Glock! We will host this unique competition in July. You may choose to shoot on either Saturday, Sunday or both days. Matches consist of three "stages of fire" with both paper and steel targets.

Competitors can usually complete all stages of the match in one day. Registration opens at about 9:00 AM each day and closes at 2:00 PM. Shooting continues until all registered entries have completed their stages or we run out of daylight, whichever happens first. Stage signup books are closed ½ hour after registration closes.

GSSF membership is required of all competitors. You can create a GSSF account at GSSF.pro, or at the match.

Members are eligible to purchase firearms through our affiliation with the Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP) and GLOCK firearms may also be available to members at better than normal retail prices through GLOCK's Discount Pistol

Purchase Program. GSSF members are also eligible to attend the GLOCK Armorer, Advanced Armorer, Operator, GLOCK Fundamentals Course and Low Profile Carry classes through GLOCK Training. These matches are lots of fun and a low stress way to experience competition.

We still need 10 volunteers on Saturday and 5 on Sunday. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Brian @ xd@arpc.info No experience needed, and we will provide you with lunch each day. We also draw for a pistol or two to our volunteers

Saddle Butte Rendezvous

ARPC and Bi-Mart are collaborating on an exciting event on August 2nd and 3rd. We will host an open house with Bi-Mart firearm vendors and invite the public to test a variety of pistols, shotguns and rifles. ARPC will be closed to normal member use on Saturday and Sunday from 8 AM to 5 PM. Just like the gun shows, ARPC members **with member gate cards**, will get into this Event free! Non-members will be charged \$20 and receive 3 Cartridge Coupons. All parking will be in the grass seed field to the North of the range and the parking entrance will be about 200 yards North of our North Gate. Bi-Mart will be offering special sales over the weekend and will be giving away several firearms. Other Bi-Mart outdoor related vendors will be demonstrating their products as well. There will be a shuttle bus to whisk attendees from the main range to the North Range and back. With two great food trucks to choose from, you won't go hungry. We will be selling Cartridge Coupons for a modest fee to test the various firearms. This will be a great opportunity to get a feel for how these firearms fit you and get a good deal to boot! **Bi-Mart has given us some cool swag to give to our volunteers working this Event. We have some backpacks, holsters, cleaning kits, pistol bags, ammo cans, and much more. We will do random draws at the end of each day to distribute the swag. They are also giving away a Ruger LCP in .380 to one lucky volunteer! Each volunteer will get one ticket for the drawing for each day they work. If you are interested in volunteering, send an email to xd@arpc.info. We can still use some cashiers and a few other positions.**

Range Safety Officers Needed

The mission of the RSO program is to provide trained volunteer RSOs to monitor members and guests using the ARPC facilities. We are in need of a few more to cover scheduled range patrols, which cover the weekends. The benefit of volunteering as an RSO is individual member dues coverage with a minimum of four, six hour tours.

The requirements of becoming an RSO include being a member in good standing with at least one year of membership, an interview, pass the online RSO test, and complete a training session with the RSO Manager.

If you are interested or wish to know more about the requirements, contact me at rso.mgr@arpc.info or text me at 541-760-1792.

Thank you

Give Back to Oregon as an ODFW Volunteer



Most of us have benefitted from Hunter Safety Programs. For me it was 60 years ago and allowed me to hunt for the first time. These programs depend on volunteers for their core trainers. The covid lockdowns really damaged volunteerism and it hasn't gotten better. If you have some spare time and would like to donate back to the hunting traditions we have enjoyed, please consider helping out. Many classes are held at ARPC so you can do some shooting after the classes! Donating even one day a year is all it takes to be helpful. ODFW can be as flexible as possible to find the right opportunity to fit your schedule.

If you would like to volunteer with ODFW. Please visit myodfw.com/volunteer

Bowling Pins Subcompact and Novice Nights

Our Bowling Pins season continues this month, with matches on Thursday, July 10 (open class handgun), Thursday, July 17 (9mm Novice), and July 24 (centerfire long gun), at 6 pm in Bay 6.

Next month, on August 28, we will have our subcompact night, when we shoot 'mouse guns' at 10 yards. The qualification for 'subcompact' is that the gun—including sights, grip, accessories, etc.—fits into a box 7 inches x 6 inches x 1 ½ inches. We will have the box at our matches between now and August 28, if you want to check out your subcompact against this standard. We have two more '9mm Novice' nights, this season, on July 17 and August 24. '9mm' means 9mm Luger. 'Novice' means someone who has never won a centerfire handgun pin shoot. The pins are set further back on the table, to make clearing pins with a 9mm easier. If you haven't shot pins before, give one of these meets a try.

We have a mandatory safety briefing at 6 pm before each shoot—please be on time!

Check out our web page at

<https://www.arpc.info/sports/handgun/bowlingpins/> , and especially our FAQ at https://www.arpc.info/docs/Bowling_Pins_FAQ.pdf , for all the

If you have any questions, please contact Jim Baglien at jbaglien@gmail.com



Due to the cost of the system, RO wages, and to cover the consumables, we will charge a nominal fee for use. We will run it for a month or so at no charge so everyone can try it out. Whether shooting moving targets or running drills, LFX will soon be your favorite adventure at ARPC!

Handgun Fundamentals: 7-6-25
Basic Firearm Safety: 7-7-25
Safety and Basic Skills Evaluation: 7-9-25
Skills Evaluation: 7-10-25

Concealed Carry: 7-12-25 (FULL)

Indoor Range class: 7-12-25

Handgun Level 1: 7-23 & 24-25 (Split evening class)

Trauma First Aid: 7-26-25

Coming in August!!!

Gun Cleaning: 8-19-25

Private Instruction: Times to be determined on an individual basis.

Please check out our calendar for more information regarding our classes.

To register for a class please fill out the registration form found on the Training page of our website ([Here](#)), or from the second page from the link on our calendar. If you have questions, please email classes@arpc.info

Basic Firearms Safety

This class introduces new shooters, or those wanting a refresher, on basic concepts and principles related to firearms safety. Topics will include universal safety rules and concepts, firearms safety at home, firearms safety in vehicles, and firearms safety at the range. The class will consist of classroom lecture, dry-fire exercises, and live-fire exercises. Rifles, handguns, and shotguns are all welcome.

Safety & Basic Skills Evaluation

This is a Skills Evaluation Test to demonstrate that you possess the necessary skill level to bypass our basic classes and advance into Level 1 Handgun or AR Level 1. THIS IS NOT AN INSTRUCTIONAL OR A TEACHING CLASS!!

Handgun Fundamentals

Our Basic Handgun class at ARPC focuses on handgun familiarity and safety. There are no prerequisites for this class. The intent is to provide basic training for those with little or no shooting experience and for those who want a refresher on the basics. We have had experienced shooters with no formal training benefit from taking this class. Basic Handgun is 5 hours and participants will need a semi-auto handgun, and 50 rounds of new ammo (.380 to .45)

Concealed Carry

In this class you will receive the training qualifying you to apply for both the Oregon Concealed Handgun License and the Utah Concealed Firearm Permit. We teach both because the Oregon permit is limited to Oregon only, so travel out of state is problematic. The Utah concealed permit covers 32+ states. What makes this course unique is that we also provide the photo, the two sets of fingerprints, the application, and an addressed and stamped envelope for the Utah license, so after class you can just drop it in the mailbox. ARPC is a non-profit organization and

provides this service to the community by helping to subsidize the cost of this class.

Skills Clinic

The purpose of ARPC Classes is to ensure that you get the training you need to use your firearm safely and proficiently. With this in mind, we are now offering a free clinic that allows you to get additional training on one skill that was covered in the ARPC classes that you passed. One Clinic per class please.

Modern Sporting Rifle Fundamentals (AR Fundamentals)

The Modern Sporting Rifle Fundamentals class is intended to familiarize students with Modern Sporting Rifles (MSR's), as well as basic firearms safety principles. There are no prerequisites for this class, as the intent is to provide a basic level of training for those with little or no shooting experience with their rifle, or for those who may have some experience but who want a refresher on the basics. Students may bring any Modern Sporting Rifle (including both AR and AK style firearms), but please be aware that an AR-15 platform firearm (either .223 or 5.56) will be required to advance to the AR Level I and AR Level 2 classes.

Trauma First Aid

This is a First Aid Class that will cover common injuries but includes more on the type of injuries you might see while participating in shooting sports. This is a hands-on class and may use a pig's shoulder as a teaching aid. As an added bonus, you will receive a CPR, AED, and Basic First Aid Certificate Card at no extra charge.

Cleaning Class

Shooting is fun, cleaning generally is not! But it is a necessary part of firearms knowledge and safety. This class is intended for any firearm owner to better learn how to clean their specific gun, whether it be a handgun, rifle, or shotgun. There is no one correct way to clean, as individual preferences abound. The purpose of this class is to expose the student to different methods of cleaning, from the use of solvents, lubricants, gun oils, CLP, ultrasonic cleaners, air compressors, and don't forget your old toothbrush! Bring your gun(s) and learn from experienced instructors. Bring whatever supplies you ordinarily use. If you have never cleaned a gun before or have no supplies, no worry, this class will help you decide what you do need to clean your gun. We will have supplies to borrow and use for students without their own.

Level 1 Classes

AR Level 1

This class is the next level above our MSR Fundamentals class and will build on the skills and knowledge covered in that class. The prerequisite is either ARPC's MSR Fundamentals (with an AR-15) or our Safety & Basic Skill Evaluation. AR Level 1

will be 6 hours and participants will need to bring an AR-15 (.223 or 5.56), 100 rounds of new ammo, and at least 2 Mags holding 10 or more rounds.

Handgun Level 1

This is the next level above our Basic Handgun class and will build on the skills and knowledge covered in that class. The prerequisite is either Basic Handgun Class or our Safety & Basic Skill Evaluation. Level 1 Handgun will be 6 hours and participants will need to bring a semi-auto handgun (.380 to .45), 100 rounds of new ammo, and an outside the waist holster.

Defensive Shotgun

Defensive shotgun focuses on using the shotgun for home defense which is very different from clay games or hunting. This class is good for new shotgun shooters and established shooters who want to brush up and practice their skills. Students will bring their own shotgun (12 or 20 gauge, pump or semi-automatic, full shoulderable stock) which will be inspected by the instructor prior to class. Students should also bring ammunition appropriate for their shotgun (10 slugs, 10 buckshot, and 100 birdshot), eye and ear protection, and a way to carry ammunition on their person – such as a nail bag, apron, big pockets, or fannypack. The prerequisite for this class is successfully completing Basic Pistol, AR Fundamentals, or passing the Safety and Basic Skills Evaluation. This class is 6 hours and will be mostly hands on.

Level 2 Classes

AR Level 2

This is the 3rd class in the ARPC AR sequence. The prerequisite is successful completion of AR Level 1. We will build on the skills and the knowledge covered in the previous classes. AR Level 2 will be 6 hours and participants will need to bring a AR-15, 200 rounds of new ammo either .223 or 5.56 (no reloads, armor piercing, or green tip), at least 2 mags holding 10 or more rounds, and a mag pouches are required.

Level 2 Handgun

Level 2 handgun is the 3rd class in the ARPC handgun sequence. We will build on the skills and the knowledge covered in the previous classes. The prerequisite is successful completion of Level 1 Handgun. Level 2 Handgun will be 6 hours and participants will need to bring a semi-auto handgun (.380 to .45) or a revolver, 200 rounds of new ammo (no reloads), and outside the waist holster, and a speed reloader if using a revolver.

Low Light Handgun Level 1

Our low light classes are intended for primarily home defenders or anyone out at night and armed. Our lead instructor will provide both classroom as well as range experience. We have chosen a night with little moonlight. The demonstration and practice drills will be both dry fire and live fire. The first night is classroom and the second night is range. Different hand held techniques and weapon mounted lights

will be covered. This next class will be the level 1 class.

Remember, never shoot at something that you can not identify; never shoot at shadows, sounds, or shapes! When there is a bump in the night at zero dark 30, what should you do? Come to class and find out!

Please note that Handgun Level 1 is a prerequisite of this class.

Level 3 Classes

Low Light Handgun Level 2

Our Low Light II Course builds on the skills and concepts of our first Low Light Course . This course will be taught in a two-night format. The first night will consist of a review of the skills and concepts of the first course along with live fire range work. The second night will be all live fire with drills stressing target identification and flashlight handling. As before, weapon mounted lights will be allowed and may be used but the focus will remain on flashlight deployment.

Handgun Level 3

Classroom instruction will include Ethical Responsibilities of CCW, dealing with violent encounters, considerations of holding attackers at gunpoint, contacting law enforcement and dealing with their arrival, the aftermath of a defensive shooting and more. Practical techniques for concealed carry such as a discussion of holsters, carry location and clothing will be discussed and demonstrated in greater depth than prior classes.

New skills will include drawing and shooting using appropriately concealed firearms. No “range rigs” or “war belts” will be allowed. Range appropriate concealed holsters such as 3 o’clock OWB or IWB appendix holsters, preferably Kydex or leather, will be used for this course.

Range work will consist of line drills and advance to scenario-based shooting sessions with shoot/no shoot targets and reactive targets designed to enhance student reactions to situations and assist with their thought process during defensive encounters.

Newsletter Classifieds Policy

All Sale/Wanted Items are on a monthly basis. If you wish to place an ad or have your ad continue to run , you will have to inform us by email (frontoffice@arpc.info) no later than the **25th** of each month. **NO PICTURES.**

For Sale

62" Cabela's aluminum gun case. **\$250.00 or best offer**

Jim Kelley
541-829-0683

For Sale

1. Lee Perfect Powder Measure (new-used once) **\$60**
2. Lee Deluxe Auto-Drum Powder Measure (new- used once) **\$40**
3. Lee Short Charging Die New \$17
4. Strikeman AR-15 .223/5.56 Magazines New 32+ round **10 at \$10 each** smoke color
5. Lancer Hybrid Steel Polymer Magazines 30 rd. Translucent Dark Earth .223/5.56 5 mags-**\$15 each**
Once Fired 5.56 brass prepped, ready for primer, power and bullets 700 pcs at **\$15 per 100 count**
.223 Once fired- decamped 1400 pcs at **\$7 per 100 count**
5.56 once fired-2500 at **\$6 per 100 count**
Anthony Ottombrino 619-600-8136
mottombrino@gmail.com

For Sale

New in box Vortex Ranger rangefinder 1800. Lifetime warranty. Was a gift but no longer hunt. **\$275.**
Contact Jim @ 503-339-6255

For Sale

Leupold Mark 5HD 7-35x56 M1C3 35MM FF Impact-60 MOA 174548. Like new condition with Original Box, Sun Shade, Scope Caps, Rings & Level. **\$1,600.00 OBO**

Vortex Golden Eagle TCS-1503 15-60x52 ECR-1 MOA. In Original Box with Sunshade & Rings. **\$1,400.00 OBO**

Contact info is Kai LaPlante
kai.laplante@gmail.com
503-932-1128

For Sale

Timber Creek AR-15 build (color blue). Great looker.
Very low round count and is an excellent shooter
PSA Lower
Ballistic Advantage 16-inch barrel 5.56 NATO with 1:7 twist
Sharps Rifle Company BCG
Diamondhead BUIS with Blitzkrieg Components chevron front sight post
Rise Armament drop-in flat trigger
Holosun 515 Red Dot (co-witnesses with BUIS)
Blue Force Vickers sling
Matching metallic blue 30 round magazine
Magpul AFG
\$900
Can travel and meet to sell at any established FFL between Eugene and

Portland. Coast and Bend considered as well.

Call/text Rick (503) 329-5769

For Sale

Commemorative WWII dagger

Victory in the Pacific #1250 of 2500 made. Engraved and embossed in 24k gold.

Authentication Certificate and Velvet case. **\$190 OBO**

Call Jim. 503-339-6255

Membership Account Access

We are utilizing QuickBooks Online to simplify the renewal and New Member process. This is a simple and safe system to use. We will email you an invoice. With a few simple clicks and your credit card information your dues will be paid. You will receive an emailed receipt showing your dues are paid. You can also mail us a check or pay in person. As an ARPC member you have access to your own section of the website. In that section you can update your mailing address and email address. Forgotten your login information? No problem. Just **email the office** and we'll send a reminder to your email address that we have on file.

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ARPC Website

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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