President's Report – Spring 2023

Good Day to all.

With the spring closure of the range for cattle grazing behind us, I think it time for an update on what was accomplished on range improvements during the closure.

With the cooperation of 9 member volunteers we now have a new roof on the pistol shed; re-location of 6 storage containers; painting of 4 containers; clean up of old metal scrap that was carried away with 2 dump trailer loads; re-configuring target backstops for 25, 50, and 100 yard target stands; re-locating shower shack, water tanks, and Wikkiup to the bench above previous locations.

The club has contracted Devick Ranch for the building of earth berms for the proposed 1,000 yard rifle range and various other side jobs. They have got a lot done in the past few weeks! One of the side jobs was to build a new road from the gate to the Black Powder Trails site. This was required to get around the new rifle range area. They also moved the 6 storage containers to new locations; and moved the Wikkiup to its new position. Plans are in place to build an earth berm along the edge of the bench, which will protect the new Wikkiup and 3 of the containers, as well as the shower shack/water storage tanks.

Eventually we will have all 6 containers painted, which helps them blend in with the surroundings.

Quotes are coming in for the building of the new rifle shed. As you can appreciate, all these upgrades cost money, so we will be phasing in the improvements as we can afford to do so.

I think you will be pleased with the visual improvements, after the shock of first seeing the logging results.

The club is hosting another Family Day Shoot Sunday, June 25 from 10am to 2pm. Come out for an enjoyable day and see for yourself the range improvements. Cost to try some different firearms will be by donation, to help off-set the cost of ammunition. All firearms will be supplied by the club.

Our regular annual shoots of Black Powder Cartridge/Palmer Gulch Cowboy Action Shoot/Rendezvous are scheduled at this point to carry on as usual.

PRS shooters have decided to not put on matches this year. The PRS props have been set aside for future use.

As usual, I encourage you to bring a friend to our facility to introduce them to our world of shooting fun this summer.

Have a fun filled summer, take care and be safe!



Cheers, Jim Sloper, President



