The Crack Shot



Newsletter of the Four Corners Rifle and Pistol Club (4CRP)

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"A well regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed"

~2nd Amendment to the U.S. Constitution

Monthly Club Meetings

- Aug. 29, 2023 @ 5:30 pm at the Outdoor Range (Annual Club Picnic)
- Sep 26, 2023 @ 6:30 pm at the Indoor Range

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President	Mike l	Jpchurch !	970-560-8343		Vice-President	Ron Serabia	619-549-4787		
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Club Director	John I	McHenry !	970-739-4572		Indoor Range Officer	Charles Thompson	970-739-0518		
Club Director	Roger	Lawrence	970-560-5070		Club Director	James McConnel	661-644-0105		
	ACTIVITES, EVENTS & CLUB COORDINATORS								
Centerfire Benchrest L		Larry Percell	970-739-3580		Pistol League	Roger Lawrence	970-560-5070		
Rimfire Benchrest		Gary Kyle	970-560-5090		Gun Show	Gayel Alexander	970-529-3747		
3 Gun Shoot		Tim Hunter	970-749-3665		Club Historian	Roger Lawrence	970-560-5070		
Plink Off/.22 Sucker Shoot		Chuck Wark	970-749-3665		4C Women @ the Range	Anita Mayhew	970-903-5120		
Cowboy Shoot		Mike Kelso	970-560-6849		Newsletter	Jason Morgan	970-560-0602		
Hunter Site-In		Ron Serabia	619-549-4787		Website	Jason Morgan	970-560-0602		
Communications		John McHenry	970-739-4572		Advertising	Anita Mayhew	970-903-5120		

4CRP Mission Statement

- To be a non-profit community organization in the promotion and preservation of the gun ownership and usage rights of the U.S. Constitution and Section 13 of Article II of the Colorado Constitution.
- To always emphasize safety first
- To provide and maintain range facilities for shooting members of the Club and their guests
- To support all legal activities—hunting, practice and competitive shooting, and defense of self, home and community
- To provide facilities, certified firearm education, and charitable contributions to Club members, the local community, youth organizations, and law enforcement.

President's Message

Is the nostalgic lever-action rifle dead? Not by a long shot; everything old is new again as classic lever guns find popularity among thoughtful hunters. The lever action is one of America's most significant contributions to modern firearms. Yet, despite today's hunger for long-range performance, only some American hunters want to reach out that far, and many of us don't need to. The lever action does not have a reputation for extreme accuracy, but it depends on how far the hunter wants to shoot or how close the hunter wants to close on their game.

I once read a story of a freight Company in Cortez that traded food and hardware with the American Indians on their reservations for blankets, beads, pelts, and jewelry around the turn of the 19th century. These rough and determined men had to hunt deer and elk as they traveled from northern Arizona to Durango, Colorado. These trips often took up to two weeks depending upon the weather. Thus these lean hard men shot game along the way to survive. Their Rifles of choice were often single-shot or lever action guns equipped with only open sights, which fired the old 44-40 or 30-30 bullets. The author mentioned that they tried to get as close as possible, often under 50 yards or less, with stealth and a steady trigger pull.

Were these nostalgic hunters great shots? Yes, but they were great stalkers, patient, and knew the abilities of their weapons, often on an empty stomach. In the past, I have mentioned a lot about safety, and I have concluded that these attributes of our forefathers and Mothers who hunted with patience and keys their shots in the closest possible range were aware that a safe discharge was often a success and fed their families too.

Mike Upchurch, President

Vice President's Message

Congrats the 4CRPC will celebrate 60 years since establishment 1963.

Great article from the Second Amendment Foundation

BELLEVUE, WA —The Second Amendment Foundation is celebrating a ruling by a federal judge in Texas against Joe Biden's ATF by vacating the agency's "final rule" which treated unfinished frames and receivers the same as if they are functional firearms.

Second Amendment Foundation was allowed to intervene in the case last December. The case is known as VanDerStok v. Garland. U.S. District Judge Reed O'Connor handed down the decision Friday June 30th, noting in his 38-page ruling that, "A part that has yet to be completed or converted to function as frame or receiver is not a frame or receiver. ATF's declaration that a component is a 'frame or receiver' does not make it so if, at the time of evaluation, the component does not yet accord with the ordinary public meaning of those terms."

Ron Serabia, Vice President

Membership News

- Current Member count is 438
- **NEW!!** Memberships run 12 months from time of enrollment. Dues are \$55 for a regular member and \$10 for Associate members. Associate members can use a regular member's key and membership card without the regular member being present.
- Active *NRA Membership is required for all levels of membership in 4CRP; NRA membership number and expiration date are required on the 4CRP application.
- Every applicant is required to complete the revised membership application, read and agree that you will comply with the Outdoor Range Use and Safety Rules by signing the application certification.
- You can purchase a membership at the following locations:
 - RDF Guns—Cash or check only
 - Goods for the Woods—Cash or Check only
 - 4CRP Website—Debit/Credit card only
 - 4CRP monthly meeting—Cash, Check or Debit/Credit Card (through website) accepted

*So why does 4CRP require 100% of its members to be current NRA members? Here are just some of the reasons:

- As a 100% NRA Club, our Jr. Shooting Team can participate in official tournaments
- Our Club is eligible for thousands of dollars in NRA grants for our Junior Shooters, Women's activities and to help develop and improve our ranges.
- NRA provides affordable insurance for our Club including coverage for special events



Membership Renewal Reminder:



To avoid interruption in your Outdoor Range access, remember to renew at least 2 weeks in advance of your expiration date!!!

Kill two birds with one stone!! Jennifer Reynolds will be at the Monthly meeting at 5:30 to allow people to renew memberships early. She will also be giving the Safety orientation at that time as well, so if you have not been able to make it to one of the safety orientations at the Outdoor Range, this is the perfect time to do so.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMINDERS

- 1. <u>Volunteer Opportunities</u>: The Gun Club has many opportunities for you to contribute to the success of the club by helping out. If you are able, please mark where you are willing to help on the club application. If you forgot, or your availability has changed, please email Secretary Jenn Reynolds at bassgoddess1@gmail.com to be placed on the volunteer list. Our club runs better when members selflessly lend a hand.
- 2. <u>Advertising</u> on our website helps our Club. If you know of someone who is interested, ads can be purchased for six months and range from \$50—\$200 (depending on the size). Contact Anita Mayhew at 970-903-5120
- 3. <u>Email Updates</u>: John McHenry maintains a 4CRP Club email list. From time to time he sends out important announcements, news and event/ activity updates, reminders and the Crack Shot Newsletter. If you would like to be on his email distribution list, email him at: 4cornersrifleandpistol@gmail.com or text/call him at 970-739-4572
- 4. Electronic Gate is LIVE!!!: Go to calendly.com/4CRPtraining to schedule your Gate and Safety Orientation

ELECTRONIC GATE FAQ

The new electronic gate has gone live and aside from working out small kinks in the system, is working as intended. In an attempt to get ahead of any confusion or possible issues caused by user error we offer the following simple step-by-step guide for operation of the electronic gate and proper use of your access cards. Please, remember that this system has been put in place to make the outdoor range a safer place for the members, and not with any intention of making things difficult for anyone.

Entering the Range: Upon arrival at the outdoor range, stop and scan your card at the reader even if the gate is currently locked in the open position. Make certain that when you scan the card you get a green light, and the readout indicates "Access Granted".

Exiting the Range: Scan your card at the exit reader, wait for the gate to open, then drive out. DO NOT follow another member out without scanning your card.

FAQ:

Why do I need to scan my card when the gate is already open?

The system is set to track each card when it enters or exits the range and save that information. A card is identified as either logged into the system (Entered the range) or logged out of the system (Exited the range) and will not allow a duplicate entry which will prevent your card from working the next time used. What that means electronically is that if you have either gone into or exited the range without swiping your card your personal ID number will remain in the last scanned state in the system.

I scanned my card to enter the range and it displayed the message "Passback Violation" and won't work.

As previously said, the system is tracking the status of your card. This message is displayed when you are trying to scan into the system a second time, meaning the last time you left the range you did not scan your card out.

I made a mistake, and didn't scan my card to get into the range, or it's after open hours on the range, and I'm locked in.

You will need to contact one of the executive members of the club with the contact information provided in the Crack Shot.

I am bringing some guests to the range to shoot, and we are bringing multiple vehicles, how can we get in and out without the gate closing on us or getting someone locked in?

Make sure that all vehicles are lined up and ready to go, there is a sensor on the gate itself that triggers the countdown timer for the gate to close. Any time that it is triggered it will reset the closing timer. After the gate opens there is a generous window of time for each vehicle to make it through before the gate will begin to close.

We are leaving the range, but the gate is just sitting open.

The gate has a roughly 40 second timer before it starts to close after a vehicle has passed through the gate. It can feel like forever, but it will close on its own. Do not go back and scan your card repeatedly, that will just reset the timer over and over, as well as put your card into a logged in state, keeping it from working the next time you come to enjoy the range.

OUTDOOR RANGE NEWS

If you would like to reserve the Outdoor Range, please email Mike @ marinevet66@hotmail.com with your dates and times or submit a written request at any 4CRP meeting.

Make note of the installed orange safety line at the <u>300-yard range and the intermediate Cowboy range</u>. **Do not shoot this orange line or anything above it.** Keep all bullets well below the range area.

Reminders:

- **Members must be present if their key is used at the outdoor range**, with the exception of Associate Members. Be prepared to show your 4CRP Membership card upon request.
- There are extra trash bags in the Target Shed; if the trash is full, please take it to the dumpster. Little things like this will help keep the Outdoor Range tidy and clean so all of us can enjoy it.
 - Shooters in the field need to be aware of their target and what is behind that target, i.e., can the bullet potentially ricochet into one of the other ranges or over the berm? You are responsible for the bullet once it leaves the muzzle of your gun until it stops. This includes ricochets!
 - Please, be aware of the cylinder and muzzle blasts on the sandbags which can cause holes to be burnt in the denim covering.

Chuck Wark, Outdoor Range Officer, 970-759-1614

Reminder:

Summer is the Outdoor Range's busy time—check the calendar to make sure your favorite range is going to be available before heading out to shoot—or even better—join in on the fun!!! Some great events you can take part in during the summer are:

- Centerfire Benchrest—rifles .308-caliber or less without muzzle brakes. The Target class has few other restrictions typically heavy-barreled precision rifles with any optic supported by a mechanical rest. Sporter rifles must have a muzzle diameter less than the size of a dime and use a bipod front rest. There will be matches at 100, 200, and 300 yards. The entry fee is \$3. This event takes place the 2nd Sunday of the month.
- Rimfire Benchrest—22 Long Rifle and 22-caliber air rifles, using standard velocity ammunition only. There are matches for rifles with scope and unmagnified sight. Target class is essentially unrestricted typically heavy rifles, any scope or aperture sight, mechanical rests, and premium ammunition. Sporter class is restricted to equipment with definite sporting character and has a long-range shooting component. Sporter rifles must have repeater action, scope magnification is limited, and the front rest must be a bipod or simple bag. Sporter class will shoot a spec ammunition provided at the event. Target Class matches are at 50 and 100 yards, and Sporter Class matches at 50, 100, and 150 yards. The entry fee is \$3 for Target Class and \$15 for Sporter Class (which includes the ammunition). This event takes place the 3rd Sunday of the month.
- Plink Off/Sucker Shoot— uses 3 22 Caliber Rifles. Each must have the following sights: 4x Scope, aperture, and iron sights. Shooters will compete at various stations with a variety of targets from precision targets to suckers. The entry fee is \$5. This event takes place the last Saturday of the month.

INDOOR RANGE NEWS

INDOOR RANGE REMINDER

Please help to keep the facility clean and well maintained. After you finish shooting, check for trash and casings. Let me know when bathroom (or other supplies) are running low, and if you observe any problems/issues in the building. When you leave, be sure the door is secured and locked.

Charles Thompson, Indoor Range Officer, 970-739-0518

Score #293

Upcoming Training Opportunities

Please visit coloradohighmark.com for class and clinic information or email highmark44@gmail.com.

1st Place Beginner

Four Corners Women at the Range—Monthly Shoots

This monthly shoot is for experienced to expert shooters. For information, contact Anita Mayhew at mayhewanita@gmail.com

<u>Grand Valley Marksmen</u> <u>Western Slope Invitational</u> <u>Junior Smallbore Rifle Prone & Team Matches</u> <u>2023</u>

Dominic Wilson	13t Flace Degimiei		3001E #233	
Eli Bowman	1st Place Team	Kneeling	Score #99-8X	
Rayanne McClure	Match Winner 1st Place Team	Off Hand	Score #495-30X Score #88-2X	
Alana Coley	2nd Place Junior Division 1st Place Team	Prone	Score #494-28X Score #100-9X	
Korissa Coley	1st Place Intermediate Ju 1st Place Team	inior Sitting	Score #495-29X Score #98-1X	
Tierzah Coley	2nd Place Sub Junior		Score #485-21X	

HELP 4CRP SAVE SOME MONEY AND RECEIVE EACH ISSUE OF THE CRACK SHOT SOONER!

Consider receiving your issues of the Crack Shot via email by contacting John McHenry at 4cornersrifleandpistol@gmail.com.

Has your mailing address changed recently or are you receiving more than one copy of the Crack Shot?

Contact: Jenn Reynolds, Secretary: Text - 509-592-7675 or email: bassgoddess1@gmail.com

Want your Indoor Range event listed in the Crack Shot?

Submit your Indoor Range Event to the Crack Shot Editor at 4CRPCrackshot@gmail.com

Dominic Wilson

Women at the Range Instructional Shooting Clinic

On June 3rd, the Four Corners Rifle and Pistol Club hosted a successful Instructional Shooting Clinic at the Outdoor Range, attracting several dozen participants of various skill levels and backgrounds. This event aims to teach the basics of firearm safety, handling, and marksmanship and provide an opportunity for practice and feedback.

Our Range Safety Officers volunteered their time and expertise to share their passion for shooting sports. The instructors covered range rules, firearm types, and functions, sight alignment and trigger control, shooting positions, and stances. They also demonstrated various techniques to help the participants improve their accuracy and confidence.

The Range Safety Officers provided individual guidance and tips to each participant, as well as constructive criticism and encouragement. The shooting clinic was a great success, not only in terms of learning outcomes but also in terms of community building and enjoyment. The participants had a chance to meet new people who shared their interest in shooting sports, exchange tips, and stories, and make new friends.

The Four Corners Rifle and Pistol Club thanks all the participants and Range Safety Officers for making this event possible and look forward to hosting more instructional clinics in the future.



4CRP requires eye and ear protection at the Indoor and Outdoor Range

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6 2pm Women at the Range Monthly Shoot	7	8 3pm Pistol League / Open Shooting	9	10	11	12
13 7:30am Centerfire Shoot	14	15	16	17	18	19 8am Brandi CCW Class
20 7:30am Rimfire Shoot 9am Brandi CCW Class	21	22 3pm Pistol League / Open Shooting	23	24	25	26 7:30am Plink off/ Sucker Shoot
27	28	5:30pm Gun Club Meeting / BBQ	30	31		hot Issue Page7

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Four Corners Rifle & Pistol Club Application for New/Renewal Membership (4CRP)

Check Your Preference for New or Renewal Membership:

Regular Member: Any person who meets the above requirements and is age 18+. An Active Regular Member								NEW	Renewal
shall be entitled to hold office, vote, and enjoy all benefits & privileges									
Associate Member (Non-Voting): A spouse and/or family member(s) of a Regular Member who meets the above criteria. Can use range key. One fee includes spouse and all junior family members.							\$10.00		
Lost Key Charge: Replacing personal key access to Outdoor Range							\$25.00		
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CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE

Classified Ads will appear in the printed/emailed Crack Shot Newsletters as well as on the 4CRP website under the Classified Ads tab. To submit an ad, go to the 4CRP website at: 4cornersrifleandpistol.com to the classified Ad drop-down tab, click on "to submit a new ad, click here" and fill out the form. Use this same procedure to inform the Club to remove your ad when your items have sold or you no longer want your ad(s) published go to "Additional Information or Message" and type in "remove ad" for what items you want removed.

Note: All Ads are reviewed for content prior to distribution

Sparc AR red dot

Bought it but it's a bit tough to use with old welder eyes. \$175 OBO. Richard Hunter (970) 317-5422

Bullet Casting Equipment

Bullet Casting Equipment:

Lyman Lubramatic Bullet Sizer (heated); LEE Lead Pot 4 (electric); Lee Bullet Molds: 365 125 gr RN; 358 158 gr SWC; 452 228 gr RN LymanSize & Lube Dies: 356, 357, 430, 451; Lyman Top Punch: 357 SWC; 430 WC; 100 lb of lead ingots: \$3 each or two for \$5

12 sets of RCBS reloading dies: \$20 each call Call or text: William (Dale) Foote at 970-570-9705

Books by Mic (M.L.) McPherson

Accurizing the Factory Rifle: The home-tinkers guide to gunsmithing; A Compilation of Handloading, Shooting, and Related Articles; A Short Primer on the Primer; McPherson on Leverguns; Memoirs of Superstition Mountain Prospecting; Metallic Cartridge Handloading; The Modern Bible on handloading; Recollections of the Impossible; Zigzag Canyon (Zane Grey Society book of the year)

Titles available in different formats on Amazon.com—also available for direct purchase from the Author

Sig Sauer 238 for Sale

New in the box, never fired. .380 Comes with one mag, factory holster, and 100 rounds of ammo. \$650

Bill_Talley@hotmail.com 972.989.3725

Lead for Casting

In ingots from a Lyman mold. \$2 a pound. Plenty available. Doug Galinsky (970) 882-1531 dgalinsky 2014@yahoo.com

Wanted to Buy

Clean, once fired 7mm Remington Magnum brass. Leave a text message. I get lots of spam and don't answer calls I don't know, so leave a phone number and I will get back to you. Thanks.

Mark Jones (970) 238-1979 mark.jones807@gmail.com

650 primed LC 223/5.56 cases

The provenance is unknown as I received these as inheritance from an experienced hand loader. I have not sized, cleaned, or primed any of these myself. The only defect to the cases I have seen are dings at the case mouth from either dropping them on the floor or in a bucket. Looking to trade for unopened rifle powder: IMR 4064 or IMR 4350. I would also accept \$120 cash firm. Call or text. If I don't answer because of the insane amount of spam, please leave a voicemail.

Sean Clason (970) 560-4561 sclason@yahoo.com

460 S&W for sale

8 3/8" barrel, also includes 51 unfired starline brass, 46 twice fired starline brass, about 20 twice fired hornady brass, and RCBS dies. Asking \$1000 for all of it.

please call or text Mike at 520.827.9195. If I don't answer please leave a message and ill get back to you

Reloading Supplies:

82 boxes Nosler HPBT 77 gr. (250 pcs./box)

1 open box Speer 9mm HP 88 gr. (25 pcs.)

1 open box Nosler 9mm 90 gr. (70 pcs.)

2 boxes (1 open) Sierra Game King 30 cal .308 180 gr, Boat-Tail (100 pcs., 35 pcs.)

516 pcs. .223 Brass (clean)

237 pcs. .327 Brass, Nickel Plate (clean)

453 pcs. .38 Super Brass (clean)

2320 pcs. .38 Super Brass, Nickel Plate (clean)

190 pcs. .380 ACP Brass (clean) 4150 pcs. .40 S&W Brass (clean)

259 pcs. .40 S&W Brass, Nickel Plate (clean)

82 ncs 45 ACP Brass Nickel Plate (clean)

Make an offer! No reasonable offer refused. Prefer to sell as a lot; but, will sell individually

<u>S&W M&P 4</u>0

Full size 15+1 Original case 3 mags Like new 350\$ or b.o. text 802-299-6344

Notes from the Crack Shot Editor:

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Primers:

3000 Federal Large Rifle Match Primers(GM210M) - \$120/1000 5000 CCI #400 Small Rifle Primers on APS Strips - \$100/1000 5000 CCI #500 Small Pistol Primers of APS Strips -\$100/1000

Gary Grantham phdg1948@gmail.com (970) 749-1092





JOIN US for a PICNIC AT THE RANGE!!

Annual 4CRP Picnic will be

Tuesday, August 29th

5:30pm – Outdoor Range Pavilion

Members and Guests \$10.00 each

Pulled Pork or Beef Dinner catered by End of the Trail!!

Reservations REQUIRED – so we know how much food to order mayhewanita@gmail.com or 970-903-5120 to reserve your place.

We look forward to seeing everyone again.

We appreciate seeing friends, getting suggestions and new ideas for the Club, hearing about current gun legislation from elected officials, and recognizing those who have volunteered and helped the Club to thrive!

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