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Please be very careful when at the ranges. FIRE DANGER is extremely high. Remember to always have a shovel and water with you; always stay on the main roads or parking areas; and absolutely NO SMOKING outside of your vehicle.

Malheur County Hunter Education (MCHE) was able to purchase an enclosed cargo trailer for conversion to an air rifle shooting range. Snake River Sportsmen, along with other great MCHE partners, helped with the purchase and modification of the trailer. Gary McClellan helped with the design and building of the moving target carriers for the trailer. I hope all of you had (or will have) the opportunity to stop by the trailer at the Malheur County Fair. Thanks to all the club members that helped operate the trailer at the fair and thanks again to Gary for all his work and time.

We have received \$5000.00 in grant money from the Friends of the NRA. These funds will be used for the development of a new access road to the shotgun complex from NW 4th Ave. We hope to begin this project in the fall. We will need a HUGE amount of help from club members to remove a few trees and build fence. "Many hands make light work." (John Heywood)

Please contact me if you can help with this project so we can schedule some work days. I can be reached at (541) 881-1209 work or (541) 216-1616 cell.

High Power Rifle

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We held our first Long Range High Power Rifle Match of the season July 9th. Conditions weren't too bad for Eastern Oregon in July. All competitors shot

in F Class. Match Winner was a new shooter to the Vale Range, but definitely not a beginner, Casey McDonald who shot a nice 617-16. Steve Simons was first in Sharpshooter/ Expert Class with a 613-9. Jeff Williamson was first Master with a 602-15 and first Unclassified was Kevin Muir with a 594-10.

The following day we shot our regular 800 Aggregate across the Course Match under equally favorable conditions. Greg Lewis was Match Winner with a 763-13. First Expert was Ethan Davis with a 725-9 and first Sharpshooter was a new shooter to the Vale Range, Shane Parker, with a 759-12.

Our next scheduled High Power Rifle Matches will be Saturday August 13, 2011. That Match will be an NRA Approved 600 yard Mid Range and a Palma (800.900.1000 Yard) the following day, Sunday the 14th, we will shoot our usual 800 Aggregate across the Course HP Rifle Match. This match is also NRA Approved. Start up time is 9:00 AM and registration starts at 8:30 AM. Match fees for both are \$20.00 We continue to shoot Friday night practice at 6:00 PM.

There was a Match Program for both Matches in earlier newsletters. If you need additional information contact me at 208 642-3556 or e-mail me at djbrown1@srvinet.com.

Personal Protection in the Home

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We are about half way through the current PP in the Home Class and I should be ready to start a new class about the end of August. This is the standard NRA Personal Protection in the Home class.

It is about twelve hours in length and consists of about half lecture and about half shooting. The fee for the Course is \$75.00 for non SRS members and \$65 for SRS members. I can supply handguns for the shooting portion or you can use your own if they are in a safe condition. You will need about three boxes

of 22 long rifle ammunition and one box of center fire ammunition I will go over all that the first night I try to run a pretty relaxed class and cater to shooters with little or no experience I have written in considerable detail in earlier newsletters so I am just putting the bare bones description in this newsletter. You can refer to those newsletters or contact me at 208 642-3556 or e-mail me at djbrown1@srvinet.com.

This class fulfills one of the requirements for obtaining a Concealed Carry Permit in Idaho or Oregon

YHEC

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The YHEC group has not been meeting since the state event. We held a small course on Orienteering (thanks again Herb Futter) and Shotgun for a few of the youth from Baker and Prineville that participated at nationals. The national events were held the week of July 24-30. I hope the teams from Oregon did well and represented our state proudly.

I would like to again thank all of our club members, friends and families who have helped with the YHEC program this last year. They are too numerous to name, but I would like to express my gratitude for your continuous dedication to this program and acknowledge the huge amount of volunteer time you have given. Each and every one of you has made an impact on our youth in a positive manner, all during the process of shooting and hunting education. THANK YOU!

PRACTICAL PISTOL

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We held a match on July 23rd with six (6) shooters attending. I am emailing the match results to them individually as I haven't completed the scoring to date.

The next match will be on Saturday, August 27th at 10 a.m. As always, come prepared to shoot "a few" rounds and bring plenty of water to stay hydrated in the heat.

Please contact me if you have any questions at (541) 881-1209, work or (541) 216-1616 cell.

Bench Rest

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We had a good turnout of shooters 10 showed up.

The conditions were fairly good with mirage.

1st Kerry Kegel .2874 with small group .180
2nd Jack Christensen .3250
3rd Josh Christensen .3264

The next match will be August 6th, 2011 8 AM set up and sign in at 9 AM with a 10 AM start time.

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