

4 Commandments of Firearms Safety

- Treat all firearms as though they are loaded.
- Never allow the muzzle to cover (point at) anything you are not willing to destroy.
- Keep your finger off the trigger and out of the trigger guard until your sights are on target and you are ready to fire.
- Be sure you have an acceptable target, know its surroundings, and what is beyond.

Join Us For Family Fun Day on September 2nd

The Kitsap Rifle and Revolver Club will be hosting our Annual Family Fun Day on Saturday, September 2nd. This is a wonderful event that always draws a crowd.

Family Fun Day is open to everyone. You do not need to be a member, you do not need to own a gun and you do not have to bring any money—it's free! You *will* need to listen to a short safety briefing, wear eye and hearing protection (provided by the Club) and be prepared to have a great time!

This is a GREAT event to introduce those who have considered trying the shooting activities to our Club and to the fun and enjoyment that can be had, whether you are plinking at the plate racks or firing off the big guns.

As a special bonus, those who have never been a member before can sign up during the Family Fun Day and get a membership good through the end of 2007 for our regular price of only \$60. Bring the kids, bring the neighbors, bring your co-workers...bring everyone! This is one of our biggest events of the year.

We encourage our members to come out and help with this event. If you would like to volunteer, call Sharon at the Range.

KRRC Goes to the Fair

The Kitsap Rifle and Revolver club enjoyed another great year at the Kitsap County Fair. Our booth was staffed by a cadre of dedicated volunteers from opening day of the Fair on August 23rd to closing day on August 27th.

Thousands of Fair-goers showed interest in our Club and the many programs we offer. Kids particularly liked the free "Gun Safety is Cool" stickers and the Eddie Eagle cartoon while the adults picked up information on our upcoming Family Fun Day. Over 30 new members joined the Club at the Fair and, for people who didn't want to become full-fledged members, information on our public shooting program was provided.

Special thanks for the success of our booth goes to Sharon and Marcus Carter who organized the volunteers to staff the booth, gathered all of the handouts for the booth as well as set up and took down the booth at the beginning and ending of the Fair's run.



A big "thank you" also goes to our many Club members who volunteered to staff the booth and encouraged participation in our Club and in the shooting sports by virtue of their interest in the sport and knowledge of our Range—they answered many questions from the public and clearly got across our message of the importance of having a safe, legal place for everyone in our community to enjoy the shooting sports.

Gun Bronson, Shirley DeFord, Al Berlat man the KRRC fair booth.

September/October 2006 Range Calendar

September 2 (Saturday) Family Fun Day. All day; public welcome.
September 5, 12, 19, 26 (Tuesdays) USPSA practice. 11am-10pm.
September 6, 13, 20, 27 (Wednesdays) Bulls-eye Summer League practice. 5:30pm-8pm.
September 9 (Saturday) Fun Steel Match; 9am
September 9 & 10 (Saturday & Sunday) State Bullseye Championship Match. 9am
September 14 (Thursday) Club meeting; 7:30pm at the range
September 15 (Friday) Rifle line closed at noon to set up for Courage Classic event.
September 16 & 17 (Saturday & Sunday) Annual Courage Classic; 9am**
September 21 (Thursday) New Member Orientation course. 5pm-9pm.
September 23 (Saturday) New Member Orientation course. 9pm-noon.
September 30 (Saturday) Hunter's Sight-in. Call for times and to sign up.

October 1 (Sunday) Hunter's Sight-in. Call for times and to sign up.
October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 (Tuesdays) USPSA practice. 11am-10pm.
October 4, 11, 18, 25 (Wednesdays) Bulls-eye Summer League. 5pm-8pm.
October 7 & 8 (Saturday & Sunday) Hunter's Sight-in. Call for times and to sign up.
October 12 (Thursday) Club meeting; 7:30pm at the range
October 14 (Saturday) Fun Steel Match; 9am
October 20 (Friday) Rifle line closed at noon to set up for USPSA match. Pistol range open.
October 21 (Saturday) USPSA Multi-gun Match; 9am
October 26 (Thursday) New Member Orientation course. 5pm-9pm.
October 28 (Saturday) New Member Orientation course. 9pm-noon
August 26 & 27 (Saturday & Sunday) Work Party

For more information on the classes and events listed in this calendar, please check out our website at www.gunsafety.org or call the range any time a Range Officer is on duty at 360-373-1007.

* Please note: ALL events listed in this calendar are open to ALL of our members. We encourage your participation and support! USPSA (Action Shooting) is open to all members regardless of ability; basic safety training and some loaner equipment is available upon request for this program.

*Also note: Some courses require pre-registration as there are usually a limited number of spaces available; additional fees may apply. Pre-register by calling the Range at 360-373-1007 any time a Range Officer is on duty. Additionally, a limited number of scholarships are available for some of the listed courses on a case-by-case basis.

**Applications and information about our Annual Courage Classic match can be found online at www.GunSafety.org.

Action Shooting Corner

By Earl Jull

With the Courage Classic coming in September I thought I'd go over some Rifle techniques you may not have practiced all that often.

The courses of fire in 3 gun rifle shooting involve various obstacles to force the shooter to different shooting positions. Practicing these positions ahead of time will help you get on target quicker with better target scores.

Let's first talk about the standing position.

The standing position is the fastest to get on target, but also your least stable. When you move the gun to the target you'll need to transfer weight forward to help absorb the recoil. When transitioning between targets turn low at the ankles and knees keeping your upper body stable, this will keep the rifle on target.

The next position we'll to discuss is kneeling and shooting through a barrel or from behind a barricade. There are several key points to this position...

- The heel of the left hand is on the barricade, the left thumb and forefinger grasp the rifle's forend.
- The left knee and the left heel support your body when the right elbow and the right knee come together to support the rifle with the right heel solidly against the ground.

Now when you add weight into the rifle, the whole position becomes very steady.

Let's discuss the prone position next. If you have an Open Division rifle you probably have added a bi-pod, but one thing you may not have done is tie the legs together. This allows you to, in one motion, deploy both legs. Very small bungee cord or parachute cord will work but the deplorer Marc has is really cool. Also think about mounting the bi-pod on the rear of your hand guard – it allows for better balance and more elevation.

Let's walk through the sequence of getting

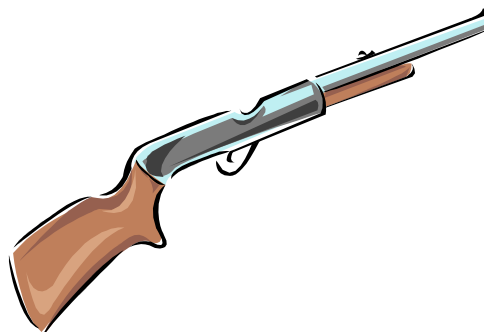
into the prone position.

- The bi-pod's deployed while the left hand goes down.
- The right hand lets the rifle sit on the ground.
- The left hand grabs the bi-pod while the shoulder comes in behind the gun.
- Now you can pull the bi-pod from target to target to transition.

The bi-pod is only allowed in the Open Division, so if you are shooting in the Limited Division, we're going to reconfigure the gun a little bit for prone shooting. The first change to make is to the magazine. Use a base pad which is rounded on the bottom allowing for small elevation changes. Arredondo makes these along with a slick yoke and funnel set-up for lightning fast reloads.

The other option you'll want to consider is called a Readymag, this is a spare magazine holder allowing quick access to a second magazine, but, the big advantage in prone is that it holds the 2 magazines parallel to each other. This wider base of two magazines creates more stability while we're in that position. The rest of the position is very similar to how we did it with the bi-pod.

Practice these positions to get ready for the Courage Classic and I'll see you at the range.
Earl



Range Report

I want to personally thank all who have helped out at the Range over the past couple of weeks. The Fair was a huge success, due in great part to all of the Volunteers who helped staff the booth and spread the word about our great organization.

The Club is also deeply indebted to all who come out on August 25-27 to participate in the Work Party. Many things got done at the Range...our lead recycling process was completed along the back of the Rifle line, old berms were maintained, painting, weed whacking, mowing...the list of accomplishments was huge. We are very fortunate to have so many members who give freely of their time and abilities to the Range; you can see the difference all of this effort makes as soon as you come through the gate!

Here's an update on our other on-going projects:

- ◆ The Gate. The gate has been ordered and should be on its way as I write this. We are still looking for a gate opening system (either a keycode or card swipe system) as the last estimate we got, just for the opening system, cost almost three times more than the gate itself. We are continuing to work on this project and hope to have it installed soon. Again, thanks to all who contributed funds for this project.
- ◆ The Rifle Line Reorientation. Unfortunately, we have been at a stand-still with the County for over a year on this project. They will not OK the project unless we sign a Conditional Use Permit and we won't sign the Conditional Use Permit because we refuse to change the way our Range has been run over the past 80 years. We have a stellar safety record and decades of experience running a safe, legal shooting range so we do not feel that having the county dictate when and what we can shoot would be beneficial to our membership. The Executive Board has decided to go ahead with the grant but use the funds to make many needed improvements to our current rifle line. We will be repairing our rifle line cover and improving our IPSC bays among other projects.
- ◆ Camp Wesley Harris Project. We were very disappointed that after many discussions with the Navy and demolition contractors that we were unable to secure the use of the Camp Wesley Harris facility. In fact, we asked to take anything that they were just going to demolish and throw away and recycle it for use at our range but that didn't happen either. One day we drove past the facility and it looked the same as it had for 70 years, and the next day most parts had been flattened and hauled away.
- ◆ Education and Programs. On a brighter note, we have had great participation in our classes, leagues and competitions this summer. The Youth Small-bore league had a new format and a whole new group of participants but the kids did an excellent job of learning new skills. They had a great time and many turned out to be pretty good shots! Our Orientation classes continue to evolve and improve; they are always full and we have noticed that since the classes have been offered, basic safety skills have really improved. Participation in Practical Shooting continues to grow. Every week we have new shooters trying out this exciting sport. Come out to the Range during our Courage Classic Match and see how well our shooters do.

KRRC Gearing Up For Major Fall Events

The Kitsap Rifle and Revolver club is gearing up for some major events this fall.

- ◆ Family Fun Day on September 2nd. See article on page 1.
- ◆ The 2700 Bullseye Pistol State Championship Match will be held at our Range on September 9th and 10th. The best precision pistol shooters in the state will be at the range, all vying to win the title of 2700 Bullseye Pistol State Champion. Come on out and support our KRRC shooters who will compete in this prestigious match and help us welcome those who are coming from all over the state.
- ◆ Our 13th Annual Courage Classic Three-Gun Championship will be held on September 16th and 17th. Will Kitsap County be able to retain the title?? Last year our civilian team took the Overall Civillian Team Champion Title and Derrick Smith of the Kitsap County Sheriff's Office took the Overall Top Rookie and Overall Top Cop titles. Once again, the best law enforcement, military and civilian speed action shooters from around the state and elsewhere will be attempting to take the title while at the same time, raising money to benefit the Peninsula Community Health Services Children's Fund. Applications for this event can be found on our website at www.GunSafety.org.
- ◆ Hunter's Sight-In will take place on September 30th and October 1st at the Range. This is always a popular event. Sign-up early and get ready for a great hunting season. The cost is \$5 per gun to shoot for everyone (including members) all four days.

Of course with these events come a lot of work. Since everything at our Club is done by volunteers, we will be asking for a lot of our members to pitch in and help with these events. Any time you can spare to make our Club the best that it can be would be greatly appreciated! Help is needed with all phases of these events from organizing and planning to Range clean-up and beautification to assistance on the days of the event.

The Family Fun Day will require many "eyes" to help supervise the many non-Club members who come out to try shooting for the first time. We also appreciate our members who bring their own weapons to loan for this event.

The Bullseye Pistol State Championship and the Courage Classic will require a lot of assistance with set up and break down of the targets and stages for these events. These are labor intensive events and the targets and stages need to be set up, positioned, changed, then broke down at the end of the event.

The Hunter Sight-in will need people to help with set up, supervision and take down. We also can use people familiar with this process to assist the attendees with getting their firearms sighted in.

If you can help with any of these events, please call the Range and sign-up with a Range Officer.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to the extensive nature of the set up for these events and the huge turn out expected, the Range will be closed (both rifle and pistol lines) the day before and the days during all of these events. Sorry for any inconvenience!

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