



Laredo Rifle & Pistol Club Newsletter

P.O. Box 1771, Laredo, TX 78044-1771

February 2010

Letter from the LRPC President

My fellow shooters...

First, I would like to thank all of the club members that voted for me to become the next Laredo Rifle and Pistol Club President. My mission, along with the rest of the Executive Committee, is to make the Laredo Rifle and Pistol Club range a safe and enjoyable place to practice the shooting sports. We believe that the club members, however diversified in background, all want one thing, to have a place to go and enjoy their recreation without fear injury or unnecessary hassles. That one rule will be what governs most of our decisions.

As with any organization, we anticipate a reduced membership due to the tough economic times that our country is facing. We project that our funds will be limited, but what we spend will be spent on accomplishing our goal.

Finally, I would encourage members to get involved with the club. Laredo Rifle & Pistol Club is more than just a place to shoot. Shooting sports and the camaraderie of the fellow shooters can make this club like a mini-vacation every time you visit the range. If you don't enjoy what we are sponsoring now, come up with a new competition and we'll see if we can make it happen. Remember we all have one thing in common, we like shooting. Come join us at the meeting, at the clubhouse or at the matches.

Your LRPC president

Steve Garner



*2010's First Monthly Meeting.
(Center) Steve Garner, LRPC Club
President addresses members; (Right)
Rey Cuz, Club Secretary; (Left) Gui-
llermo Walls, Vice President*

LRPC Match Descriptions

Sporting Clays - Steve Garner, Coordinator

Our clays match is a 25 round event using a 5 stand format. Any shotgun action and gauge may be used. The clubs provides the clays and donation of clays is always welcomed.

IDPA - Roberto Frade, Coordinator

International Defensive Pistol Association is a shooting sport geared toward defensive shooting. Our matches normally require 60-80rds in 4-5 stages. Please visit www.idpa.com where more information is available. You may also download the rulebook there. Any semi-automatic pistol or revolver may be used. A holster is a requirement. Magazines pouches are helpful, but a pocket will do for your first match.

Bullseye Pistol - Lonnie Gomez, Coordinator

Bullseye pistol or conventional pistol is fired using two handguns; a .22 rimfire and any centerfire pistol. In both cases, revolvers or semi-autos can be used. 30rds will be fired from each gun at distances of 25 and 50 yards. All firing is done using one hand.

www.bullseyepistol.com

Benchrest 100/200 - Freddy Pena, Coordinator

The Benchrest match is held monthly, alternating the 100 and 200 yard matches. The match consists of a total of 25 scored rounds, however sighter rounds are allowed. Most shooters fire from a benchrest. Any caliber may be used. www.benchrest.com

F-Class - Jose Luis Niera, Coordinator

F-class is a rifle shooting sport similar to Benchrest. A total of 30rds are fired for score with unlimited sighters. All shooting is done

from the prone position and may be fired using a benchrest, although not necessary. Targets are placed at 300 and 500 meters. Any caliber and action may be used. Shooters may shoot rifles without a scope. www.usfclass.com

Highpower Rifle/DCM/CMP- Reymundo Cruz, Coordinator

NRA High Power is divided in two categories, service rifle and match rifles. Service rifles are the M1, M-14/M1A and AR-15 type rifles. Anything else is a match rifle. Targets are at 200,300 and 500 meters or at 200 yards with reduced targets simulating other distances. 50rds are fired for score. Shooting is done from the standing, sitting and prone position. Slings may be used for support.

Smallbore Silhouette - Rudy Lozano, Coordinator

Smallbore silhouette is fired with .22lr rifles with scopes. Targets are metallic silhouettes of chickens, pigs, turkeys and rams. Distances are 20, 40, 77 and 100 meters. Only .22lr rifles are allowed. The use of hyper velocity rimfire cartridges is not allowed as it will damage the metal targets. 40rds are fired for score. All targets are fired from the offhand (standing) position. www.steelchickens.com

Please visit

www.laredorifleandpistolclub.org for more information on club events and when they take place.

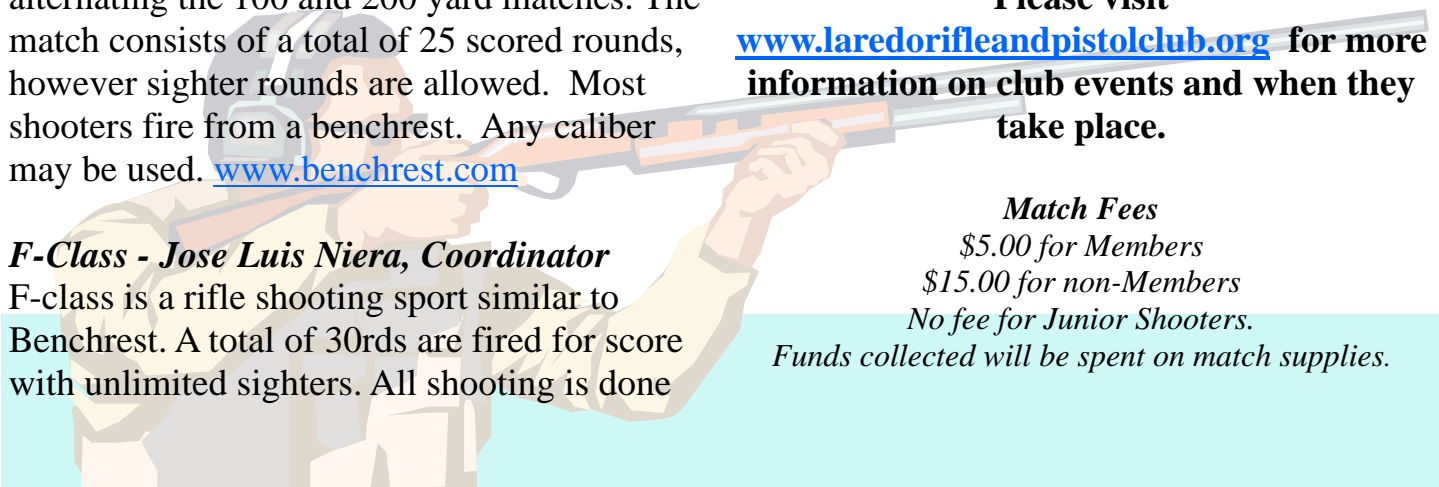
Match Fees

\$5.00 for Members

\$15.00 for non-Members

No fee for Junior Shooters.

Funds collected will be spent on match supplies.



LRPC Calendar of Events

February 2010

- F - Class - February 14, 2010 10:00am
- IDPA Classifier - February 20, 2010 9:00am
- Small Bore Silhouette - February 21, 2010 10:00am
- Benchrest - February 28, 2010 10:00am

March 2010

- Club Meeting - March 5, 2010 7:00pm
- Sporting Clays Match - March 6, 2010 9:00am
- Bullseye Match - March 7, 2010 10:00am
- F - Class - March 14, 2010 10:00am
- IDPA Match - March 20, 2010 9:00am
- Small Bore Silhouette - March 21, 2010 10:00am
- Benchrest - March 28, 2010 10:00am



Participants from a 2009 Sporting Clays Match

April 2010

- Club Meeting - April 2, 2010 7:00pm
- Sporting Clays Match - April 3, 2010 9:00am
- Bullseye Match - April 4, 2010 10:00am
- F - Class - April 11, 2010 10:00am
- Invitational Law Enforcement Charity Pistol Match - April 17, 2010
- Small Bore Silhouette - April 18, 2010 10:00am
- IDPA Match - April 24, 2010 9:00am
- Benchrest - April 25, 2010 10:00am

NRA Gun Safety Rules

Three Fundamental Rules For Safe Gun Handling

1. Always keep the gun pointed in a safe direction.

This is the primary rule of gun safety. A "safe direction" means that the gun is pointed so that even if it were to go off it would not cause injury or damage. The key to this rule is to control where the muzzle or front end of the barrel is pointed at all times. Common sense dictates the safest direction, depending on different circumstances.

2. Always keep your finger off the trigger until ready to shoot.

When holding a gun, people have a natural tendency to place their finger on the trigger. Don't do it! Rest your finger on the trigger guard or along the side of the gun. Until you are actually ready to fire, do not touch the trigger.

3. Always keep the gun unloaded until ready to use.

Whenever you pick up a gun, immediately open the action and look into the chamber(s) which should be clear of ammunition. (If the gun has a magazine, remove it before opening the action and make sure it is empty.) If you do not know how to open the action or inspect the chamber(s), leave the gun alone and get help from someone who does.

Keeping the Range Clean

Members are reminded that it is everyone's individual responsibility to keep the range clean.

All members should bring their own targets and target frames. Please do not bring non-traditional shooting targets to the range (tv's, phone books, plastic boxes, wooden pallets, ect.)

When finished shooting, members should take their target frames home and dispose of targets in trash cans. No trash should be left in the individual shooting bays.

Please do not drive vehicles into low lying areas that appear to be muddy. We have had several vehicles get stuck in these areas. As a result, the tire marks that have are left in the range are an eyesore for visitors.

PLEASE HELP US KEEP THE RANGE CLEAN AND PRESENTABLE.

New Membership Sales Procedures

The Laredo Rifle and Pistol Club has new membership sales procedures for anyone interested in becoming a club member. Interested persons must visit the clubhouse during posted membership sales hours.

One of the new benefits of the new membership sales procedures is that all members will be issued a plastic LRPC ID Card with their picture on the card.

Prices for new membership are as follows:

- Regular Membership - \$75.00

- Law Enforcement - \$50.00
- Senior (65 and up) - \$50.00
- Jr. Membership (14-21) - \$30.00

Memberships are sold on the first Saturday of the month from 9:00am - 1:00 pm by club volunteers. As such we will try to maintain these hours for membership sales.

If you are interested in helping sell club memberships, please contact any club officer.

LRPC Officers

- President - Steve Garner
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- Vice President - Guillermo Walls
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- Executive Officer - Rudy Lozano
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Laredo Rifle and Pistol Club Specific Rules

- Membership ID card must be **VISIBLE** at **ALL** times.
- Keep the gate locked at all times. Trespassers, act of vandalism and/or any terroristic threats will be **PROSECUTED**.
- On all ranges, other than the "Plinking", only targets in target frames will be used. **NO** glass targets on **ANY** range!
- All bullets **MUST** impact the berms!
- Actions are to be **OPEN** and muzzles pointed in a **SAFE** direction at all times.
- Keep all guns unloaded until you are ready to shoot and are **AT** the firing line.
- If you need to go down range, make sure **EVERYONE** on the firing line has heard you and has made their weapon safe.
- Step away from the firing line and **NEVER** handle a firearm for any reason when anyone is going downrange.
- **NO** alcoholic beverages of any kind are allowed on range property.
- **NO** hunting is allowed on range property.