

Northern California Practical Shooters

Membership Meeting Minutes

Sunday - June 26, 2005

Better Bases for the Full Size Pepper Poppers

The full size pepper poppers are way too heavy and hard to move. There are full size poppers that have the popper and the base as two units so they can be carried separately. There is a need for someone to help with the construction (welding and cutting) of a prototype base. Contact Steve McCormick for information on the design of the base if you are interested in taking on this project.

Reduction in Fees for Officers and Score Keeper

A motion was made, seconded and passed so that the club officers and the score keeper did not have to pay match fees on their first gun at the regular NCPS pistol matches.

USP Popper Repair

There is a need to straighten many of the USP poppers that are hanging in the racks in the NCPS trailer. All of these are bolted to the bases and need to be unbolted and straightened.

Falling Plate Repair

There was a discussion of the state of the falling plates at NCPS (not the plate rack). There are two types of bases on the plates that are currently in use at NCPS. The first has a U shaped base so it is the same no matter which side faces the shooter. The second has a base that extends to only one side of the plate. This type must be set up so the foot is to the back of the plate. Any other direction makes this plate unsafe. Plates where the foot is flat and extends on both sides of the plate should NOT be used and need to be repaired.

Clay Bird Stands

With the interest in 3-Gun shooting growing we have a need for more stands to hold clay birds for shotgun courses. A prototype of a better design than the current one is currently being put together and when a design is finalized there is a need for people to help cut and assemble the steel parts.

Target Stick Repair

It is getting harder and harder to find a descent stick for a target and it has been suggested that we go through all the sticks and toss out all the unusable ones so we can get an idea of what we need in the way of new sticks. This is an easy job that if everyone contributes just a little time and effort, can be done in short order.

Doors

NCPS does not currently have a working door that can easily be set up and used. There is a need for someone that is a handy carpenter to take one of the pre-hung doors that NCPS has and revitalize it so it can be used in matches.

Qualifying for Year End Awards

Because of the small number of shooters that have qualified for year end awards in the past years it was decided by the membership to drop the number of matches required to qualify for year end awards to 6 matches.

New Walls

NCPS has been building walls the same way for many years. There is nothing really wrong with them however many of us have traveled to other ranges and have seen better ways of constructing walls, that are basically the same weight as one of our 4x6 walls and cover twice the area, 6x8. For those of you that set up stages this means less effort when setting up walls as you need on half as many walls. Contact Steve McCormick for information on the design of these walls if you are interested in taking on this project.