

MEMBER

January 2024 MDRC Newsletter

All,

Happy New Year to all.

The start of another shooting season is beginning. We at MDRC hope you all have a safe and productive year. This season All Work details will be held on the last Saturday of each month, March through October. This season we will also again be offering the normal shooting events as last year; IDPA, Sporting Clays, Steel and Smallbore Metallic Silhouette. But we also will be adding Trap into the equation. So, we don't take any more weekend time from everyone, we are thinking of running Trap on a weeknight, perhaps Wednesday evening. Since we haven't completed work on the Trap Field yet, we are seeking your thoughts. These event schedules will be added to the site soon.

Range safety is as always, the biggest concern. Remember the NRA's 4 Basic range safety rules. You, your family and guests must always keep safety in mind. Should you see something, call their attention to it immediately. The same goes for anyone else using the range. Unsafe gun handling is the greatest cause of accidents.

Annual Membership renewal this year will be 2 meetings at the range. The first renewal date is Sunday, March 3rd from 12 noon until 3 pm. The second renewal is Saturday, March 9th from 9 am until 1 pm. We are planning to end at these times; however, should there be members on site to in line to pay we will continue past these times. Also attached is information from Treasurer, Andy Laskody on membership renewal.

The Annual Stockholders meeting is also set at the range on Saturday, March 16th from 3 pm to 5 pm. As usual we will be accepting nominations for 3 of the Board members. One of the current Directors (Secretary Dan Hill) has decided to step down creating one vacant seat. Anyone interested in applying for this position with computer skills; working with spreadsheets, word and photos ID's, please contact myself or any Board member as early as possible. We also would like that person or persons be present at least one of the renewal meetings to review this process.

The partial list of duties of the secretary include:

1. Conduct, or cause to be conducted, all official correspondence of the Club, and see that such correspondence is properly preserved, and filed.

2. Notify each new applicant of the process: Completion of Background Check form and check to cover the cost of the check, completion of the Application Form including NRA membership number. Then when elected to membership, shall transmit to each new member a membership card (with photo) and copy of rules and regulations as approved by the Board of Directors.

3. Collect fees and dues from current members.

4. Shall by letter, or otherwise, regularly advise members of their indebtedness and shall turn over all money collected to the Treasurer of the Club.

5. Properly take, record, and file all minutes of Board of Directors and Stockholders meetings, and other special meetings as called by the President.

Vacant membership positions will be offered to new applicants on April 6th. Any current member knowing someone interested in joining should urge them to get their application in by the first week of March so there is adequate time to complete the background check by April 6th. They will need to attend this meeting to meet the Directors, give a short introduction of themselves and reason for seeking membership, review of the range rules and a walk around the range showing the facilities and safety concerns. We will answer any questions you may have.

In November the WV Department of Environmental Protection met with Tom and myself concerning the long-abandoned mine on the range's property. We discussed their plan and I signed the agreement. The Federal monies were obtained and the project was started and completed the second week of January by filling the void with concrete. We were also given contact information should we discover any other problem areas in the future.

Stay safe,

Bob Cheslock, President MDRC, Inc.

2024 DUES NOTICE

Dear Mason Dixon Rifle Club (MDRC, Inc.) member,

This is your notice of our annual dues meeting. The dues for 2024 remain at \$120.00 however the work waiver fee has increased to \$200. Members who have not participated in a scheduled work detail or have not done alternate service to the club, as verified by a club Director, are subject to a \$200.00 work waiver fee payable along with your dues.

There will be two opportunities for you to pay your dues and update your information. The first date will be Sunday, March 3rd from 12:00pm to 3:00pm. The second date will be Saturday, March 9th from 9:00am to 1:00pm. If you absolutely can't attend either of these meetings, contact me to make arrangements to get your dues paid. Either send me an email to <u>alaskody@gmail.com</u> or text 304-276-3388

All dues must be received by March 15th, 2024 to avoid a \$25.00 late fee. Any member who has not paid their dues by March 30, 2024 will lose their membership and can be considered for new membership only upon new application. We ask that any member who does not wish to renew their membership for 2024 notify me in writing by mail or email and return gate, bathroom keys and gate card as soon as possible.

This is your only dues notice! Please plan on attending one of the dues meetings.

Best regards,

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