

RNSA Secretary Notice 07.19.2021

Members:

Hope everyone is well and getting some range time in. The Fleet matches are over and the Nationals are underway. Attached is a picture of the 2021 RNSA Pistol Team at Camp Perry. I don't remember the last time the RNSA had a pistol team entered in the National Matches but we are off and running. Team members this year were STS1 (SS) Larry Arndt, LT Craig Griswold, CWO4 Dave Vinkler, LCDR Mary Kirby. Hopefully next year we will have enough for two teams. I plan on attending pistol next year and hope to see a lot of members there.

If you're traveling to Perry for the rifle matches a RNSA team is also expected to be entered. Look for Jim Orille or Ruth Bates who are heading up the team. If you have enough members enter two rifle teams into the competition. I don't think the RNSA has ever had two teams entered before so that would be history in the making if it happens.

The Fleets went well. The Pacific Fleets had 6 RNSA members in attendance and helping while the East Coast Fleets had 22 members on the range. There were 22 members at the East Coast RNSA dinner where members once again enjoyed the outstanding fried fish dinner prepared/coordinated by Mick Glancey. Thanks Mick !!

A Treasurer's report was given and we currently have \$10,300 in the RNSA account. That number will go down slightly once all the team entry fees for the Nationals are paid for but the association is currently financially healthy. We currently have 96 active members and 59 inactive members. Inactive members are those that have not paid their dues in the last 8 years or someone that we lost track of. If you know of any inactive members let them know the association is alive and looking for them. Let's keep those numbers up and keep helping out at the matches.

The new RNSA range shirts or at least the idea of them went well. It wasn't noticed/thought of until we were on the range that the Marine Corps team also has yellow shirts so a different color and style is being considered. Something in maybe a light blue half zip hoodie seems to be the front runner. I know several members, myself included, have concerns about skin cancer with being out in the sun all day so the hoodie would be welcome. Also a few members thought the weight of the material was a little heavy for being in the hot sun. Especially when shooting on Range 4 at Quantico where there is little breeze and seems to be the most sheltered range there. I have a few of those shirts left over if anyone would like to have a extra. Price is \$15 each.

The shirts did seem to help identify the RNSA members and showed how much members were helping on the range. The expertise of the members were noticed especially by the Coast Guard Team who mentioned that the matches seemed to run more smoothly this year thanks to "those guys in the yellow shirts" so keep up the good work.

This year's Atlantic Fleet matches was especially good to Dave Vinkler who legged out in the .22 EIC match and is now TRIPLE Distinguished !! Congratulations Dave !!!

Also I am still currently serving as the RNSA Secretary. I had to order some more shirts for members and want to get that all settled before turning over the position. So if you have any questions or need anything my address is still good for the time being.

Submitted,
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