

Powder River Sportsmen's Club

Third Trimester 2022

P.O. Box 162

Baker City, Oregon 97814

Regular Meetings @ 7:00 P.M., First Tuesday of every month, 2690 Broadway St.

Ballot Measure 114

Measure 114 is a gun-control ballot initiative on the November ballot.

It is a weak Measure, full of flaws, and vulnerable to defeat.

But this is Oregon. Sitting back and hoping that a flawed Measure fails will almost guarantee that it passes.

You should come to the September 6 Club meeting. We will be discussing actions to oppose Measure 114, and your ideas and support are needed.

Measure 114 requires citizens to obtain a permit before buying a gun, and publishes the names of everyone who attempts to buy a gun, and creates a registry, and gives arbitrary power to "permit agents", and creates nearly impossible hurdles for 1st-time gun buyers, and discriminates against low-income citizens, and creates un-funded new obligations for already underfunded law enforcement agencies, and infringes on the constitutionally protected citizen right to keep and bear arms.

Measure 114 does nothing to reduce or prevent crime, because it only affects law-abiding citizens. Crime cannot be reduced or prevented by infringing on the rights of law-abiding citizens.

Measure 114 will not change the behavior of criminals, because criminals will ignore the Measure just like they ignore every other law.

Come to the meeting on September 6!

And read the article on Page 3 to learn how you can contribute to statewide opposition to Measure 114.

The most fun anywhere in Baker County on September 10:

Free Open House Cowboy Action Shoot. Guns and ammo provided. Sept. 10, 9AM-Noon at the range.

Fun, friendly, and safe: guaranteed. Conducted by SASS certified Range Officers.

Bring the family! SASS loads are soft-shooting, and SASS guns are fun to shoot! Try a single-action pistol, or a lever-action shotgun, or even a side-by-side.

Bring eye and hearing protection. Minimum age 12. Small donations accepted.

A safety briefing will be conducted at 8:30AM, but it's okay to arrive later if you have a conflict. Either way, we'll get you squared away.

Training and Certification Opportunities:

NRA Basic Range Safety Officer Course: 101 NE 5th, Enterprise. Sep 10 and again Oct 8, 9AM-6PM. \$150. Pre-registration required. Contact John Amond, 503-799-9534 or jamond@abcinc-mail.com .

Conceal Carry Handgun Class – Idaho Enhanced & Oregon: 50 NE 2nd, Ontario, with shooting session at Snake River Range. Oct 15, 9AM. \$95. Pre-registration required. 541-889-3135.

Club Officers Needed

Due to recent resignations, the Club is in need of a Vice President and Treasurer. Interested? Come to a meeting and say hello.

The Club is governed by a Board of seven elected Trustees: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, plus three Trustee seats. Vacancies are filled by presidential appointment.

Safety Seminar Update

As of August 31, 290 Sportsmen have completed the Virtue Flat Range Safety Seminar.

The Seminar video is available online at www.prsportsmen.com/seminar.html .

The two requirements for obtaining authorization to independently access and use the Virtue Flat Range are 1 - Pay your dues, and 2 - Take the seminar. The seminar is a one-time requirement, but feel free to watch it every year, and show it to your guests.

Remember: all Members are Range Safety Officers. If you see a problem at the range, report it.

Match Results

Cowboy Action

March - Chuck Buchanan took 5th place in Classic Cowboy at the 2022 SASS World Championships in Phoenix.

August - Dan McGuire took 2nd place in Frontier Cartridge at the Northwest Regionals in Jerome.

1911 U.S. Cavalry Dismounted Qualification Match - August 28:

- 1 - David Spaugh - 336-3X
- 2 - Ray Berryman - 219-3X
- 3 - Wayne Bloom - 153-3X

	July 17:	August 21:
Steel	1 - Dennis Fuller - 20	1 - Wayne Bloom - 16
Varmint	2 - Brian West - 18	2 - David Spaugh - 16
	3 - Elwood Wirth - 18	3 - Ken Bardizian - 14

Statewide Opposition to Measure 114

The Oregon Firearms Federation (OFF) launched a PAC on August 1 to oppose Measure 114. Learn more at www.oregonfirearms.org/stop-114 .

The PAC website is stop114.com .

The only other 114 PAC's in Oregon are an NRA PAC and a PAC that plans to support the Measure. Presently, both of those PAC's are unfunded.

Stop114.com is the spearhead for statewide opposition to Measure 114. They need your support. Make a donation, and ask them what you can do to help.

According to Stop114 Executive Director Kevin Starrett:

- They have already completed a video for online distribution, and a radio ad with buys planned for Southern OR, Eugene, and Portland. Starrett asked for information about the Eastern Oregon radio market. If you can help with that, get in touch with him through the Stop114 website.
- OFF started the PAC with a \$11,000 donation. Today they have about \$19,000. Starrett estimates that the PAC will need at least \$75,000 to make an impact, more if a TV ad is in the budget.
- You can track PAC activity here, just enter "114" in the Search by Name box.
- Starrett has already agreed to debates at the Eugene City Club and in Salem.

Our Club has some money and will be discussing purchase and distribution of anti-114 yard signs at the next meeting. It is widely recognized that incumbency (name recognition) and apparent popularity (numerous signs) have a significant impact on election results. Yard signs work. The Club will probably buy enough yard signs to create visibility in Baker and also ship some to allies in west-side cities.

If you have money or time to donate, stop114.com will have the most impact statewide, and they need your help.

Food for Thought

There are about 400 million civilian-owned firearms in America.

Every year, there are about 450,000 firearm crimes in America.

That means 99.9% of all civilian-owned guns are never used in crime.

Every year, Americans buy about 10 million *new* guns, but the number of firearm crimes only increases by a few thousand.

That means the percentage of civilian-owned firearms that are never used in crime increases every year. Higher and higher than 99.9%. Every year.

Apparently, gun's don't cause crime. That explains why gun-control laws are unable to prevent crime.

Tentative Club Championship Match

The Club has a 34-year tradition of conducting an annual Championship Match. The course of fire is the same every year; you can read about it on the last page of this newsletter. The record high score was set in 1993: 241 out of a possible 300 (Buckner).

A plaque in the Clubhouse carries the name and score of every Champion since 1988.

The tradition may be ending. In years past, as many as 20 members would compete. In recent years, participation has dropped to 4 or 5.

Match setup takes 2 hours if ten people help, or almost 4 hours if only three people help. It's no fun to do all that work when only 4 people shoot the match.

So this year, the Championship Match will be conditional: it will only be conducted if at least 10 people pre-register by email to info@prsportsmen.org, or by text or phone call to Spaugh at 541-519-7417.

The match starts at 1PM. If you live local, you should plan to arrive by 10:30AM to help set up.

Check pre-registration and match status at www.prsportsmen.com/matches.html . Check this page in the days before the match to see whether it will be held.

The Club may discuss moving the Championship Match to a different month. If you have ideas, come to a meeting and present them. Club officers always appreciate feedback from any member.

Participation in General

Participation is down. We used to see 8 or 15 people regularly at every match.

Now it's 5 or 6.

Ammo and components are scarce and expensive. Still, it is important to preserve shooting sports and support the people who volunteer their time to conduct matches.

You don't have to shoot numerous matches, but try to attend a few every year. It's always fun, and good training, and good for preserving a foundation of human freedom: the individual citizen right to keep and bear arms.

New Policy - Effective July 5, 2022:

The use of actual or intended explosives or incendiary devices, including binary explosives and fireworks, is prohibited at the Virtue Flat Range.

The use of tracer ammunition is prohibited at the Virtue Flat Range.

The Club reserves the right to grant specific exceptions to explosives and tracer rules when special events are scheduled at the range in non-fire season conditions.

September 2022

Dates are subject to change, check the online calendar for the latest information.
 Afternoon match setup crews have range priority on dates marked ****PM**.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		Club Meeting 7PM at Clubhouse	Pistol Range RSVD E.H. 2PM-6PM	Pistol Range RSVD E.H. 8AM-Noon	**PM	Cowboy Action Open House Match 8AM-1PM
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Steel Varmint Match 9AM-1PM			Pistol Range RSVD Pistolettes 5PM to Dark			
25 - Range Open. USPSA Match will be in La Grande.	26	27	28	29	30	

OCTOBER 2022

Dates are subject to change, check the online calendar for the latest information.
 Afternoon match setup crews have range priority on dates marked ****PM**.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2	3	4 Club Meeting 7PM at Clubhouse	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16 TENTATIVE: Club Champion Match - See Newsletter.	17	18	19	20	21	22 **PM
23 USPSA Match 8AM-1PM	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

NOVEMBER 2022

Dates are subject to change, check the online calendar for the latest information.
Afternoon match setup crews have range priority on dates marked ****PM**.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Club Meeting 7PM at Clubhouse	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20 Annual Turkey Shoot 10AM-4PM	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

DECEMBER 2022

Dates are subject to change, check the online calendar for the latest information.
Afternoon match setup crews have range priority on dates marked ****PM**.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4	5	6 Club Meeting 7PM at Clubhouse	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

PRSC RANGE PRIORITY

Some parts of the Virtue Flat Range cannot be used simultaneously.

Range Priority is the system we use to determine which event or group has priority over other groups when multiple parties use the range at the same time. Range Priority creates a safe range.

Range Priority is established first by the Club Calendar, and then by time of arrival and position.

All Calendar Events at the range have priority over unscheduled uses. The Director for each Calendar Event has full authority over the entire range for the time period specified on the Calendar.

For all other times, earlier arrival has priority over later arrival, and earlier position has priority over later position.

Before firing, always physically check the entire range to determine whether you have priority and whether your intended use is safe.

No person shall travel downrange of any active firing position.

The Direction of Fire on the Rifle Range is observably northeast. See map.

No firing position shall be established at any location west or east of any scheduled or pre-established active position on the Rifle Range.

The Pistol Range includes all facilities located north of the Rifle Range in the area of the 300-Yard Firing Berm. See map.

The Pistol Range can be used at the same time as the 200-Yard Rifle Range, and vice versa.

The Pistol Range CANNOT be used or accessed when a firing position has been established on the Rifle Range at any point west of the 200-Yard Firing Berm.

No firing position can be established on any part of the Rifle Range west of the 200-Yard Firing Berm when any person is on any part of the Pistol Range.

The Direction of Fire on the Pistol Range spans northwest to northeast.

The Direction of Fire in Pistol Bays is from bay-entry to rear berm only.

During scheduled matches only, the Direction of Fire within Pistol Bays may span the Practical Discipline 180° arc.

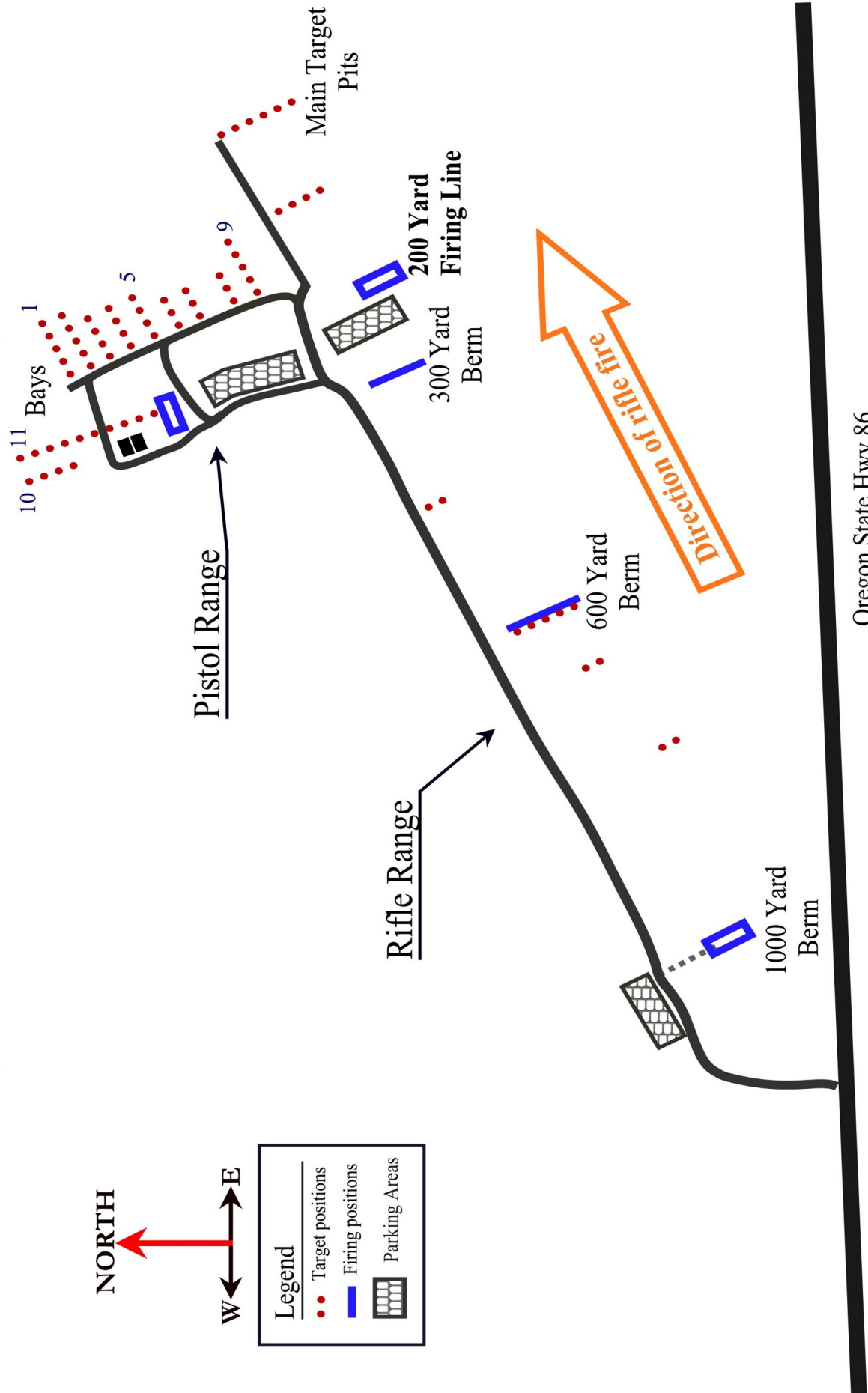
No Matches shall be scheduled simultaneously in Pistol Bays 1-9 and any other range location.

During Scheduled Matches on the 200 Yard Rifle Range, no firing is permitted in Pistol Bays 1-9.

During Scheduled Matches in Pistol Bays 1-9, no firing is permitted anywhere on the Rifle Range and no person shall access Rifle Range locations east of the 200-yard Firing Line.

If you have questions about any PRSC rule or policy, call a Club Officer for clarification.

Powder River Sportsmen's Club - Virtue Flat Range



NORTH

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Legend	
•	Target positions
—	Firing positions
▢	Parking Areas

Oregon State Hwy 86

Range entrance is 1 mile east of Oregon Trail Interpretive Center entrance, or 6 miles east of Baker City

Powder River Sportsmen's Club Membership Application / Renewal

All persons are required to sign this form when joining the Club or renewing a Membership.

Virtue Flat Range Rules

1. Keep the range entrance gates closed. Always lock the gate when you leave.
2. Keep firearms pointed in a safe direction.
3. Keep firearms unloaded until ready to shoot.
4. Know where other persons are at all times.
5. DO NOT fire from the 1000, 600 or 300-yard berms until you have physically checked all facilities and determined that no other persons are on ANY part of the range east of your intended firing position.
6. Do not use glass items for targets. Do not fire any rifle at the Plate Rack in the pistol bays.
7. Clean up after firing. If you packed it in, then please pack it out.
8. To prevent livestock damage, always re-install the wooden rails after using the covered shooting area on the Pistol Range.
9. Do not share any PRSC lock combination with any person.
10. Eye and ear protection is strongly recommended, and required for all minors.
11. PRSC Memberships are Individual. Each Member must complete the PRSC Range Safety Seminar before receiving authorization to independently access and use the Range. Seminar Video: www.prsportsmen.com/seminar.html

Failure to comply with rules can result in termination of membership.

* I acknowledge that I have read PRSC's Range Rules and Range Priority Policy, and I agree to abide by them. *

Signature

Date

Mail this form with check payable to Powder River Sportsmen's Club, PO Box 162, Baker City, Oregon 97814.

Annual Dues are \$45, due each January, good through December 31.

Late dues paid before November 1 apply to the current year.

New Membership

Multi-year membership (\$45 per year)

Renewal Membership

\$10 Life Membership Renewal

Name _____

Address _____

City/State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Club newsletters will be sent to your email address. If you do not use email, check here.

I have included \$_____ as a donation to our Range Purchase Fund.

I have included \$_____ as a donation to our Youth Program Fund.

Cash, or, Check # _____

Date Received _____

By Whom _____

Card issued? YES NO

www.prsportsmen.com



Powder River Sportsmen's Club

Incident Report Form

Date of incident: _____ Date of report: _____

Time of incident: _____ Officer or Trustee: _____

Reporting party

Name & phone number: _____

Other Party members or witnesses: _____

Describe the incident. What happened, who was involved, descriptions of persons or vehicles, did you speak with the other party, what was said, did a confrontation occur?

Attach another sheet if you need more space.

Did you take photographs? _____ If so, email them to info@prsportsmen.com, or ask a Club Officer for a cell number for texting.

For Club Use Only:

Trustees on the Incident Review Committee: _____

Date of Committee Meeting: _____ Decision: _____

Signature of Chair: _____

PRSC Matches & Events

1000 Yard Open Rifle

\$8 per rifle + \$2 per string fired; \$2 to keep a target. Any rifle with any sights, unlimited sighters for 10 minutes, 5 shots for record within 7 minutes. The Club Record is 2.65"-42 Steve Simons, preceded by 3"-48 Casey MacDonald, preceded by 3.125"-50-3X Gary Paananen. Contact Steve Simons 541-805-8030.

Cowboy Action

\$10 match fee. Single Action Revolvers, Lever Action Rifles, DBBL or Mod 97 shotguns. Western attire encouraged! Contact Chuck Buchanan 541-519-8550 or Dan McGuire 541-212-5840.

USPSA Practical Pistol

\$15 adults, \$10 juniors; first match is free. Round count is typically ~140, bring 200. Learn about this sport at www.uspsa.org. All match activities are conducted by NROI Certified Range Officers. Contact Phil O'Connell 208-850-1313.

Steel Varmint Silhouette

\$10 match fee. 2 sighters + 5 shots for record at each distance: 200M Squirrels, 300M Rabbits, 385M Rock-chucks, 500M Coyotes. 5 minutes per stage. Prone, any rifle, any sights, any rest. Rifle and gear must be hand-carried to the line in one trip, no carts. No steel or ferrous bullets, No FMJ's. Helpful hint: 55gr bullets often fail to topple the Coyotes; use 68gr or heavier. Contact Ken Bardizian 541-519-6772 evenings.

Powder River Pistolettes

Ladies-only shooting group, new members are always welcome! See Calendar for range events. Certified Range Safety Officers are present at every range event. Contact Bette Horan 541-523-3659 (w) or 541-518-1986 (h).

1911 U.S. Cavalry Match

\$10 match fee. Round count = 45. Firearm: Model 1911 Pistol in 45acp. One-handed fire only: 10 shots slow fire at 25yd bullseye, 10 shots timed fire at 15yd bullseye, 10 shots rapid fire at 15yd bullseye, 15 shots timed fire at 25yd silhouette. Contact Buck Buckner: (541) 519-8750.

Annual Club Championship Match

Club Members only. \$10 match fee. Course of Fire: Pistol - 5 shots standing (one-handed) at 25yd bullseye, 5 shots sitting (two-handed) at 50yd bullseye, any centerfire pistol with iron sights. Rifle - 5 shots offhand & 5 shots sitting at 200yd deer target, any legal deer rifle with iron sights or scope set at $\leq 8x$. Shotgun - 20 shots at sporting clay singles. Any legal shotgun may be used. Contact: Buck Buckner (541) 519-8750.

Annual Turkey Shoot

November. \$3 per event, 6 shooters per event, \$10 prize for event winner. Events: Lucky .22 @ 10 yards, Chicken Silhouette Pistol at 50 yards, Turkey Head Silhouette Rifle at 200 yards prone with sling (no bipod or rear rest), Running Deer at 80 yards iron sights or 200 yards scoped rifle. Fun for the whole family!

NRA High Power Sporting Rifle

\$12 match fee. Any center-fire rifle ≤ 9.5 lbs including sight, capable of holding 4rds. 200-yard standard high-power bullseye target. Prone - 2 sighters + 8 shots for record in 10 minutes, Offhand - 8 shots in 8 minutes, Sitting - two 4-shot strings in 30 seconds each, Prone - two 4-shot strings in 30 seconds each. Contact: Vic Savage 541-523-4462.



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Club Officers 2022



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Treasurer: Open	
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