THE EAGLE'S SCREAM

Bald Eagles Rifle Club, Box 604, Raton, NM 87740 June 2012

DUES ARE DUE

Just a reminder that all must pay their dues. The amount is \$25 if you are a youngster (55 to 60) and \$30 if you are more mature (60 plus). Please send your checks made out to "The Bald Eagles Rifle Club" to Bill Lair, 185 McIntosh E., LaCrescent, MN, 55947. Bill is not the secretary, but this way he can deposit your money straight away and send your current information to Dave Driscoll.

But wait! There is a better way! We now have a service that allows you to pay on line. The following is from Leo Cebula our web guru:

"If you have accessed the BERC web site (<u>http://www.baldeaglesrc.org</u>) recently you probably noted a major change from the previous version. We have implemented the new site using a service from the Wild Apricot Company, an NRA recommended vendor.

"The service has provided us the means to handle on-line entries for our competitions, on-line membership renewals, and method to keep track of members and contacts easily. We have integrated the system with PayPal to allow on-line payments for entries and memberships, as well as donations (I case you were thinking about that!). Additionally, the service provides a forum that can be used to discuss topics of interest to the membership, or to post announcements and newsletters. Please take the time to look over the new site, and try it's features."

Bill Lair adds:

"Also on renewing dues you might add that it can also be done on the website and email updates can also be done on the website (probably preferable)".

ROCKY MOUNTAIN PALMA AND SANTA FE REGIONAL

It is getting a little late, but you can still enter the Rocky Mountain Palma match and the Santa Fe Long Range Regional. The RMP starts on July 7th and ends on the 10th. As the name implies it is all Palma at 800, 900, and 1000 yards. Then the Santa Fe follows on the 11th and 12th and it is fired all at 1000 yards. It's a great combination of matches. For more information call Steve Cunico at 575-445-3615.

SPIRIT OF AMERICA - STARS AND STRIPES – F CLASS NATIONALS

The 2012 Spirit of America Match will be held September 9-15 at the Whittington Center near Raton NM. If you have not already sent in your entry it would be wise to get on it soon. There will be some foreign competitors coming to get familiar with the range for the F Class World Championships in 2013, so space may be limited.

There are some extracurricular activities as usual. On Sunday the 9^{th} at 5:30 there will be a fund raiser dinner to buy equipment for the clubhouse. Cost of the dinner will be \$10.00. Wednesday the 12^{th} there will be the usual shooting equipment swap meet. It's a chance to get rid of some of your unnecessary target shooting equipment. A 10% donation to the Club would be appreciated. Finally, the awards dinner will be held on Saturday the 15^{th} following shooting. Time and place will be announced. Competitors eat free, but non-shooters pay \$10.00.

This year it will be followed by the Stars and Stripes International Team Match on September 16th, followed by the F Class Nationals on September 17-21. So if you are shooting F Class there can be two weeks of shooting. If you are not shooting F Class

please consider that we will need help with the F Class Nationals and the Stars and Stripes. Perhaps you could stay and help.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING 2012

The Bald Eagles Rifle Club will hold its required annual membership meeting on Tuesday, September 11th starting about an hour after the end of firing. We meet in The Eagles Nest and of course we will hold an election for board members. This year Susan Bowmans position on the board is coming open as she does not seek re-election. John Gaines is up for re-election.

TEAMS AT CAMP PERRY

One of the advantages of being a Bald Eagles member is that you can shoot for a Bald Eagles team at major matches, and coaches are usually provided. At Camp Perry we traditionally enter several teams and usually we come away with some awards. If you are interested in shooting for a team contact Bill Lair and he will put you on a team. His email is <u>wlair3540@acegroup.cc</u> and his phone number is 507-895-3540. The sooner you contact him the better.

UP-DATE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS

To those of you who have email, it is time to ask yourself this question: Have I changed providers or purchased a new computer? If the answer is "Yes" then ask yourself this question: Have I advised the secretary of the Bald Eagles of my new email? If the answer to that is "No" then you are probably not reading this newsletter. So if you know a Bald Eagle who has a new computer please tell him to send in his email address to Dave Driscoll (707-446-2671). His email is <u>davedriscoll@msn.com</u>. One can also update an email address from the new website.