NEW PISTOL LEAGUE

Mission Statement:

The goal of this organization shall be the encouragement of organized pistol shooting to increase the participation at all skill levels and afford each participant an opportunity to contribute to their clubs performance as well as improving their own marksmanship.

Membership:

Cost to participate will be twenty-five dollars (\$25) per year. This money will be used to purchase team and individual awards. Each shooter will be required to shoot the entire season with the club that they shoot with initially.

Each club will be responsible for collecting membership money.

Course:

.22 National Match Course.

Slow-fire, 10 shots in 10 minutes. Target- B2 Timed-fire (2) 5 shots in 20 seconds. Target- B3 Rapid-fire (2) 5 shots in 10 seconds. Target- B3

Schedule Overview:

The first few weeks, depending on the number of teams will be single matches. Each club must shoot against each of the participating clubs. For example: Leominster will travel to Gardner and next year Gardner will travel to Leominster. If there are five (5) clubs participating, then there will be 4 weeks of single match competition.

Following the visit schedule, each club will shoot two matches per week. All of these matches and scoring are to be processed / transmitted via e-mail using an electronic spread sheet.

Note: Each club must have access to a personal computer.

We are trying to buy a software package. If we can't find one to meet our needs we will build an XCEL spreadsheet and distribute it to all of the participating clubs. We will also provide on-site training if needed. Each club must have access to a personal computer for calculating and transmitting scores.

Scores will be electronically sent out every week to all league individual participates with an e-mail account. No waiting for the Pony-Express or Snail-Mail.

Scoring:

We are looking at a Handicap system giving all shooters an opportunity to have their score counted as part of the match results. There are no Dummy Scores. If one club posts seven (7) shooters and the other club posts five (5) shooters, top five handicap scores total determine the winning club. Maximum ten (10) scores per club, minimum number of scores is three (3). Less than three scores is a forfeit.

Individuals with an established average will start out using their previous season average.

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Individuals without an established average will start out with a 260 handicap and be adjusted after five (5) matches.

I think we still need to work on this, looking for other inputs.

Formula: Shooter's Score + (300 - Average / 2 = Adjusted ScoreStill considering whether to round up or not.

Examples:

200 Average Shooter

Individual shoots a score of 200. 200 + (300-200/2) = 250 match score

200 Average Shooter

Individual shoots a score of 225. 225 + (300-200/2) = 275 match score

200 Average Shooter

Individual shoots a score of 250. 250 + (300-200/2) = 300 match score

300 is the MAXIMUM allowable score.

Matches:

Each club may hold multiple match sessions during a given period (week). Final scores are to be turned in at the end of the match session (week) via e-mail.

We are looking to extend this shooting opportunity to individuals who would normally not be available for a single match session in the evening. The number of match sessions (per week) will be managed by each club.

ALL match sessions must be witnessed, minimum two (2) shooters.

Mid-Season Break:

Sometime in the middle of the season, possibly over a two week period we will have some type of multiple club event/s (All Star Break). Probably on a weekend (Saturday and Sunday) in order to have as much participation as possible. To be decided upon each season

Recommendations so far are 900 Match, .22 Pin Shoot, .22 Rifle Match. Still looking for more ideas.

Awards:

Top three clubs, First place, Second place, and Third place.

Most improved, one person from each club.

Best Slow-slow fire shooter (highest average)

Best Timed-fire shooter (highest average)

Best Rapid-fire shooter (highest average)

Highest Average from each club

Still not finalized, looking for more input.

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Banquet:

To be held in the fall (October), beginning of the next season. Banquet responsibilities to be rotated each year.

Future:

In the event the league would like to send a team to the Massachusetts State Championship, the individuals with the highest average would make up the team.