

This is a drawing of a mount at the Grand Junction Cabela's next to the Customer Service station.

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STAFF FEATURE WALT PROULX - GENERAL MANAGER



Walt is originally from Corvallis, Oregon. He and his family moved to the Grand Valley in 2006 for a change of lifestyle. Walt has been an avid shooter his entire life. He participated in competition shooting in Oregon throughout his young-adulthood, such as high powered rifle shooting, pistol silhouette shooting and police pistol competition shooting. It became a major aspect of his life when his son, Austin, turned 13 in 2010 and they started shooting Action Pistol (IDPA, USPSA, Steel Challenge, 3 Gun) together. Then in 2016 he became a Wilson Combat sponsored athlete. He had been in conversation with the people who were in charge of developing Cameo long before they started construction and donated a design of the Action Shooting portion of the facility while he was still working in the private sector. After that he was invited to apply for

the position of General Manager of CSEC. He says his favorite aspect of his job is essentially the job itself, "If you would have asked me at any time in my life what I would want to grow up and do for a living, this would be it right here... all of the employees here have been absolutely the easiest to manage people I've ever had work for me... [and] being able to do what I'm passionate about for a living."

SPECIAL VISITORS DOUG KOENIG

CSEC would like to welcome Doug Koenig to the range!

- Has won more than 70
 National Championships
- 10-time World Champion
 18 time Bianchi Currenting
- 18-time Bianchi Cup winner
 2016 NRA World Shooting
- Champion • 5 European Bianchi Cup
- wins
 20-time Masters International Championship winner
- 22-time Sportsman's Team
- Challenge Open Champion • 8-time NRA World Action
- Pistol Championship winnerAchieved more Perfect Score
- (1920) than anyone in NRA Action Pistol history
- 3-time World Speed Shooting Champion/Steel Challenge



As the face of Bass Pro, the face of Ruger, the face of Leupold, Hornady and more, it is a privilege to have Doug Koenig visit and allow us to host his PRS match at CSEC!

FACILITY FEATURE



NEW RANGE OFFICE, CLASSROOM AND MAINTENANCE SHOP

If you have been to the range recently, then you couldn't have missed CSEC's new Range Office! Construction began in the Winter of 2020, and move-in was in January of 2021. This is your new check-in headquarters, as well as retail, information and much more! In the back is a full service maintenance shop for property technicians to manage the range, and maintain our fleet of UTV rentals. In addition, there is a Loft where classes such as Hunter's Education and Concealed Carry are held, and when the UTV's aren't being housed inside, the lower space is available as a large banquet hall. Already we've hosted over 450 women and vendors for the opening ceremony of A Girl and A Gun, the Women for Wildlife Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation Banquet, and the Closing Banquet for the Rocky Mountain Regional IDPA Championship!

STAFF TIDBITS

WHY WE DON'T ALLOW DOGS AT THE RANGE

Don't get us wrong, every employee at CSEC has and loves dogs! And this is precisely the reason why we don't allow them at the range. There are a multitude of things that could go wrong when bringing your furry loved one to *any* shooting range. The first being, that their hearing is so much more sensitive, especially to high frequencies, than ours. Dogs can hear approximately 22,000 hertz higher than humans. If it hurts your ears as a human when a gun goes off, imagine what that does to your pup! There have been countless cases of dog's hearing being permanently damaged due to gunshots. The next thing that could go wrong is the dog's reaction when the gun goes off. Even the most well trained animal can have an adverse reaction to gunshots. They could try to run away from the painful noise, or even attack the source to try to make it stop. Lastly, CSEC has a very vast wildlife population. From deer to bighorn sheep, and even bunnies, chukar and sometimes the occasional bear strolls through. We have had issues in the past of dogs chasing after these animals.

So please, from all the staff at CSEC, keep your furry family at home, and keep them safe and healthy!

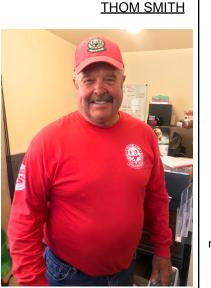


WALT'S VOLUNTEER HIGHLIGHT

Thom Smith is the quintessential volunteer! We have many like Thom but he is unique in so many ways that benefit CSEC. He has a law enforcement background as well as construction, agriculture and a host of other former trade skills that help make him an incredibly useful and well rounded supporter. Thom was one of the first group of folks that came to us to volunteer shortly after we opened. He contributes as a Range Safety Officer, Range Ambassador, Construction Specialist and all around handy guy.

Thom is one of a handful of "Super Volunteers" at Cameo that we rely on to keep things afloat. He has assumed a leadership role here through which he helps prepare our newer or less skilled volunteers to get off to a good start.

We are incredibly fortunate to have Thom on our staff and know that without folks like him, this facility could not operate.





Your editor would like to hear from you! If you have any questions or concerns about CSEC or this newsletter, simply email Michaela Trojanovich at

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