

# PENNSYLVANIA *Shooting News*

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## 2008 PENNSYLVANIA YOUTH EDUCATION SUMMIT

Pennsylvania's National Rifle Association Youth Education Summit (YES) took place in Harrisburg from April 4-8, 2008. Open to Pennsylvania high school sophomores and juniors, the applicants were judged on grade transcripts, references and constitutional essays they wrote for the competitive entrance process. This four-day scholastic leadership program accepted 18 youth from across the Commonwealth.

The goal of the program is to encourage youth to become active and knowledgeable citizens involved in the political process. The students had an opportunity to learn about Pennsylvania history, Pennsylvania government, and tour the State Capitol.

They met with staff from the Pennsylvania General Assembly to discuss the process of writing and enacting laws and constitutional amendments. The youth received an introduction to public speaking and engaged in a debate competition. One of the program highlights was to receive gun safety and marksmanship training at the Harrisburg Hunters' and Anglers' Association range. The club, affiliated with the NRA, CMP, and the Pennsylvania Rifle & Pistol Association, provided instruction with muzzle loaders, AR-15's, .22 rifles and pistols, the historic M1 Garand and other guns. American Legion Post 1001 furnished the Garand ammunition as part of its Americanism Program. Club President Jerry Dougherty remarked that it was a privilege to support this important program that was so obviously enjoyed by all the youth. Professional photographer and HHA Trap Director Mike Mihalo took the group photographs.



Your club should look to the 2009 PA YES and begin screening candidates now. The NRA is looking for 20 high school sophomores and juniors, each with a minimum grade point average of 3.0. For more information, contact Kory Enck (Eastern PA NRA Field Representative, 717-689-3200, [kenck@nrahq.org](mailto:kenck@nrahq.org)) or Tom Baldrige (Western PA NRA Field Representative, 724-861-0447, [tbaldrige@nrahq.org](mailto:tbaldrige@nrahq.org)).



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**PENNSYLVANIA RIFLE  
&  
PISTOL ASSOCIATION**

*Constitution of the  
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania*

Article I, Section 21, The right of the citizens to bear arms in defense of themselves and the State shall not be questioned.

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**CONVENTIONAL PRONE COMPETITION INSTRUCTIONAL SCHOOL**

Submitted by David Cramer, PRPA Small Bore Director

The Seitzland Rifle Club, located at New Freedom, PA, will again host a summer Smallbore Prone School, June 24-27, 2008. This is a four day school that provides detailed instruction and considerable range firing exercises for both beginner and advanced conventional prone competitors. The emphasis is on wind/mirage reading, competition prone match procedures, and a thorough review of prone position shooting fundamentals. At the conclusion of the school, a two day Conventional Prone Regional Match will be held. This weekend match provides a timely opportunity for prone school students to test their newly acquired skills and knowledge in elbow-to-elbow match competition against some of the best Smallbore shooters in the USA.

In past years, in addition to the numerous beginning and junior competitors who received training, there have been a number of very experienced prone competitors in attendance. This wide cross-section of experience translates to considerable exchange of knowledge and assists all who attend in becoming improved competition shooters. Many Junior shooters have found this school to be an outstanding beginning to the sport of both competitive and recreational prone shooting.

The cost of the school is \$100. The Seitzland Rifle Club has submitted a request for an NRA Foundation Grant to help defray cost, and if approved, ammunition may be provided. Students are responsible for their own transportation, housing, and meals during the school. George Harris, veteran smallbore rifle competitor, NRA Rifle coach, and recently retired from the NRA, is the chief instructor. 2008 marks the 15<sup>th</sup> year that George has conducted this type of instruction.

Shooters interested in attending should contact Mr. Bill McGuigan, 521 Windy Hill Road, New Freedom, PA 17349. (717) 235-2773. Don't miss this opportunity to train with the best! Plan now to attend.

**CAST BULLET MATCHES  
BENCHREST**

**TAMAQUA, PA -- Mike Mohler -- 717-397-6092  
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**THE MOST DANGEROUS THREAT**

Potentially, a government is the most dangerous threat to man's rights; it holds a legal monopoly on the use of physical force against legally disarmed victims. When unlimited and unrestricted by individual rights, a government is man's deadliest enemy. It is not as protection against private actions, but against governmental actions that the Bill of Rights was written. -- Ayn Rand, "The Virtue of Selfishness," 1964

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Here we are, well into another competitive shooting season. Our junior shooters have again been placing high in those championships where they have competed. Results of matches are summarized elsewhere in this issue. Junior teams are also being assembled for training and competition. Bob Eikey, PRPA's Junior Hi-Power Chairman, is advertising for new recruits. (See his notice in this issue and on PRPA Website). Many of our Junior Smallbore shooters also have accepted scholarships at colleges throughout the country to continue their pursuit of excellence in the shooting sports.

With respect to this last subject, we are continuing to actively lobby for the re-establishment of NCAA Varsity Shooting at Penn State. I was pleased and proud to attend an afternoon activity in the White Building at Penn State on April 5, 2008. Pleased to be able to listen to the presentations by coaches and master competitive shooters and proud to watch some of our smallbore juniors display their knowledge and ability in the sport of competitive shooting. You can help with this effort by writing letters to Penn State indicating your support for again making shooting an NCAA Varsity sport. Letters should be addressed to:



Timothy M. Curley  
Director of Athletics  
Pennsylvania State University  
101 Bryce Jordan Center  
University Park, PA 16802

With copies to:  
Mark Bodenschatz  
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[mab163@psu.edu](mailto:mab163@psu.edu), and to

Gib Moyer  
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Room 33 White Building  
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[Gem14@email.psu.edu](mailto:Gem14@email.psu.edu)

Get your friends, Penn State Alumni, prospective college bound competitive shooters and others interested in the promotion of safe competitive shooting in Pennsylvania to also send letters of support. For a sample letter, call, write or e-mail me and I will send you one.

I was also able to attend the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Second Amendment Rally Day at the Capitol in Harrisburg on April 5, 2008. It was a great day with Alan Keyes and Larry Pratt presenting keynote speeches. To listen to these presentations, Google up "Alan Keyes" on the web and link to "Alan Keyes for President – America's Revival", page down to "Breaking News – Video: Alan Keyes at Second Amendment Rally in Pennsylvania" and listen to the speeches. Alan Keyes' speech is inspiring. Don't miss it.

Speaking of Harrisburg, most of you are aware of the onslaught of anti-gun legislation being presented to the Assembly. Most, if not all of these proposals, are coming from the Philadelphia delegation with support from the usual anti-gun representatives from Pittsburgh and several other urban areas within Pennsylvania. Of course, you have probably read about the Philadelphia Mayor and City Council passing a number of ordinances to establish their own myriad of gun control laws regardless of existing preemptive that prevents local municipalities from passing such laws. Even the Philadelphia District Attorney has stated that such action is illegal. Imagine what would happen to us if we ignored state law. We'll wait to see what the courts have to say about such blatant disregard of the law.

Have you taken the opportunity to look over the PRPA website? It has been completely changed and contains much new information and photos. If you would like to see items added to our site, please send me your suggestions. We want to make the PRPA Website user friendly and informative for our members and friends.

Remember, PRPA's purpose is to promote the competitive shooting sports especially the safe handling of firearms, training of juniors and the development and approval of competition programs throughout Pennsylvania. We need you and your fellow shooters to assist in meeting our goals. Pass the word!

Jack Lee

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## RANGE DEVELOPMENT AND OPERATIONS CONFERENCE

The NRA will host a Range Development and Operations Conference in Philadelphia on July 19-23, 2008. This is a 5 day seminar designed for range owners and operators who desire training in range design, construction, operation and management. Topics include planning, construction, sound abatement, costs, safety, and environmental issues among others. Registration for the seminar is \$450.00. To reserve a seat at the conference call Jason Smith at 703-267-1276 or visit [www.nrahz.org/shootingrange/development.asp](http://www.nrahz.org/shootingrange/development.asp).



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**NRA ACTION PISTOL**

Regional Championship Match  
July 19, 2008

Keystone Cup Registered Match  
July 20, 2008

Chambersburg Pistol and Rifle Club  
Chambersburg, PA 17201

For Information and Registration contact:  
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Email: antiquebears@comcast.net

**SPORTSMEN'S ASSOCIATION OF GREENSBURG  
2008 HIGH POWER RIFLE LEAGUE**

[WWW.SPACGB.COM](http://WWW.SPACGB.COM)

**APRIL 27, MAY 4, JUNE 1, JULY 6, SEPT 7, OCT 5**

**80 SHOT REGIONAL MATCH COURSE – 200, 300, 500 YARDS  
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**2008 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP  
SMALLBORE RIFLE/  
SMALLBORE HUNTING RIFLE  
SILHOUETTE**

**SEPT 13-STANDARD RIFLE  
SEPT 14- HUNTING RIFLE  
CONSOLIDATED SPORTSMEN  
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**2008 KING OF THE MOUNTAIN  
REGISTERED LEVER ACTION  
PISTOL CARTRIDGE & SMALL BORE  
COWBOY RIFLE SILHOUETTE  
CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**MAY 31-SMALL BORE & PISTOL CTG  
JUNE 1-COWBOY LEVER ACTION  
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**CONSOLIDATED SPORTSMEN  
2008 HIGH POWER RIFLE  
HIGH POWER HUNTING RIFLE  
SILHOUETTE SCHEDULE**

<b>JANUARY 26</b>	<b>JULY 26</b>
<b>FEBRUARY 23</b>	<b>AUGUST 23</b>
<b>MARCH 22</b>	<b>SEPTEMBER 27</b>
<b>APRIL 26</b>	<b>(STATES-STANDARD RIFLE)</b>
<b>MAY 24</b>	<b>SEPTEMBER 28</b>
<b>JUNE 28</b>	<b>(STATES-HUNTER RIFLE)</b>

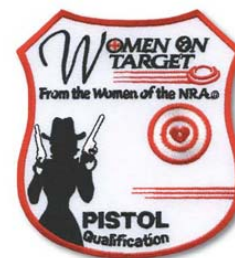
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HIGH POWER RIFLE/  
HIGH POWER HUNTING RIFLE  
SILHOUETTE**

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SEPT 28- HUNTING RIFLE  
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**2008 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS  
LEVER ACTION  
PISTOL CARTRIDGE & SMALL BORE  
COWBOY RIFLE SILHOUETTE  
CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**SEP 6-SMALL BORE & PISTOL CTG  
SEP 7-COWBOY LEVER ACTION  
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**WOMEN'S  
PROGRAMS**

The NRA has announced new postal matches---for women only. They have

also designed new Marksmanship Qualification Patches for women for the pistol, rifle and shotgun disciplines. Visit the NRA Web Site at <http://www.nrahq.org/women/index.asp> for details on the programs.

**MAY 2008**

Sat & Sun May 3 & 4 — Sniper Match  
Saturday May 17 — 600 yard prone & F-class  
Saturday May 24 — 1000 yard prone & F-class  
Sunday May 25 — XC match

**JUNE 2008**

Sunday June 1 — 1000 yard bench rest  
**SATURDAY JUNE 7- PA HIGH POWER REGIONAL**

**SUNDAY JUNE 8- LEG MATCH**

Saturday June 21 — 600 & 1000 yard prone & F-class  
Sunday June 22 — 1000 yard bench rest  
Saturday June 28 — M1 & Springfield match  
Sunday June 29 — XC match

**JULY 2008**

**Sat & Sun JULY 5 & 6**  
**PA HIGH POWER LONG RANGE REGIONAL**

**Sat & Sun JULY 12 & 13**  
**STATE SERVICE RIFLE CHAMPIONSHIP**

Saturday July 19 — 600 yard prone & F-class  
Sunday July 20 — Double 1000 yard bench rest  
Saturday July 26 — 1000 yard prone & F-class  
Sunday July 27 — XC match  
Monday July 28 — Start of CMP Week at Camp Perry



**AUGUST 2008**

Sat & Sun August 2 & 3— Sniper Match  
August 5 thru 8 — NRA High power Championship Camp Perry  
August 9 thru 12 — NRA Long Range Championship Camp Perry  
Sunday August 10 — 1000 yard bench rest  
Sunday August 24 — Double 1000 yard bench rest  
Saturday August 30 — 1000 yard prone & F-Class  
Sunday August 31 — XC match

**SEPTEMBER 2008**

Sunday September 14 — 1000 yard bench rest  
Saturday September 20 — 600 yard prone & F-class  
Sunday September 21— XC match




**Sat & Sun SEPTEMBER 27 & 28**  
**PA STATE LONG RANGE CHAMPIONSHIP**

**OCTOBER 2008**

Sunday October 5 — Double 1000 yard bench rest  
**SUNDAY OCTOBER 19**

**PA STATE 1000 YARD BENCH REST CHAMPIONSHIP**

**WWW.READERANGE.ORG**

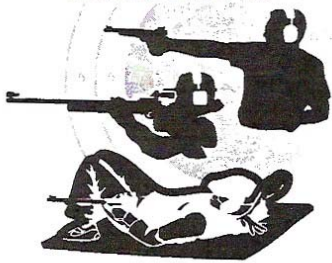
 <p><b>RIDGWAY RIFLE CLUB</b> </p> <p><b>BLACK POWDER CARTRIDGE RIFLE SILHOUETTE EASTERN REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP</b></p> <p><b>SEPTEMBER 27 &amp; 28, 2008</b> <b>OPEN TO NRA MEMBERS ONLY</b> <b>OPEN BLOCK INDICATORS MANDATORY</b></p> <p><b>MATCH DIRECTOR:</b> <b>JOHN O'DONNELL</b> <b>10 NORTH PEARL ST</b> <b>OAKFIELD, NY 14125</b> <b>585-948-5908</b> <b>JODOAK@ROCHESTER.RR.COM</b></p> <p><b>OR</b> <b>BRIAN SCOTT CHILSON</b> <b>570-827-2519</b></p>	 <p><b>RIDGWAY RIFLE CLUB</b> </p> <p><b>BLACK POWDER CARTRIDGE RIFLE SILHOUETTE PA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP</b></p> <p><b>JUNE 28 &amp; 29, 2008</b> <b>OPEN TO NRA MEMBERS ONLY</b> <b>OPEN BLOCK INDICATORS MANDATORY</b></p> <p><b>MATCH DIRECTOR:</b> <b>JOHN O'DONNELL</b> <b>10 NORTH PEARL ST</b> <b>OAKFIELD, NY 14125</b> <b>585-948-5908</b> <b>JODOAK@ROCHESTER.RR.COM</b></p> <p><b>OR</b> <b>BRIAN SCOTT CHILSON</b> <b>570-827-2519</b></p>	 <p><b>RIDGWAY RIFLE CLUB</b> </p> <p><b>BLACK POWDER CARTRIDGE RIFLE SILHOUETTE MATCHES</b></p> <p><b>APRIL 27, MAY 25, JULY 27</b> <b>AUGUST 24, OCTOBER 26, 2008</b> <b>OPEN TO ALL</b> <b>OPEN BLOCK INDICATORS MANDATORY</b></p> <p><b>MATCH DIRECTOR:</b> <b>JOHN O'DONNELL</b> <b>10 NORTH PEARL ST</b> <b>OAKFIELD, NY 14125</b> <b>585-948-5908</b> <b>JODOAK@ROCHESTER.RR.COM</b></p> <p><b>OR</b> <b>BRIAN SCOTT CHILSON</b> <b>570-827-2519</b></p>
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**JUNIOR SHOOTING CAMP -- INDIANA UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA**

The annual Intermediate Level Junior NRA Smallbore Rifle Camp will be held June 17-22, 2008 at Indiana, PA. This camp is sponsored by Pennsylvania Rifle & Pistol Association and the National Rifle Association. Registration forms are available from David Cramer, PRPA Smallbore Director. Contact David J. Cramer, 2308 Smith Ave, Aliquippa, PA 15001, E-mail: [davidjcramer@yahoo.com](mailto:davidjcramer@yahoo.com), 724-378-4203. Registrations are accepted on a first come-first served basis. Camp capacity is 32 junior shooters. Early registration is suggested since the camp has filled up in past years. Deadline for registration is May 1, 2008.



# WILKES-BARRE



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CONVENTIONAL PISTOL  
HIGH POWER RIFLE  
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## W-B R&PC EVENTS

May 25, 2008	METALLIC SILHOUETTE	Robert Hughes
May 27, 2008	MONTHLY CLUB MEETING	Club House
June 1, 2008	I .D.P.A.	C. Gregorowicz
June 7, 2008	CONVENTIONAL PISTOL	Wayne Bell
June 8, 2008	CONVENTIONAL PISTOL	Wayne Bell
June 8, 2008	HIGH POWER RIFLE	William Dunn
June 22, 2008	METALLIC SILHOUETTE	Robert Hughes
June 24, 2008	MONTHLY CLUB MEETING	Club House
July 5, 2008	I.D.P.A. MATCH.	C. Gregorowicz
July 6, 2008	HIGH POWER RIFLE LEAGUE	William Dunn
July 12, 2008	SMALLBORE REGIONAL [Prone]	Robert Morgan
July 13, 2008	SMALLBORE REGIONAL [Prone]	Robert Morgan
July 20, 2008	I.D.P.A. [SANCTIONED MATCH]	C. Gregorowicz
July 22, 2008	MONTHLY CLUB MEETING	Club House
July 27, 2008	METALLIC SILHOUETTE	Robert Hughes
August 3, 2008	I.D.P.A. MATCH	C. Gregorowicz
August 3, 2008	HIGH POWER RIFLE LEAGUE	William Dunn
August 9, 2008	CONVENTIONAL PISTOL	Wayne Bell
August 10, 2008	CONVENTIONAL PISTOL	Wayne Bell
August 24, 2008	METALLIC SILHOUETTE	Robert Hughes
August 26, 2008	MONTHLY CLUB MEETING	Club House
September 7, 2008	I.D.P.A.	G. Gregorowicz
September 14, 2008	CONVENTIONAL PISTOL	Wayne Bell
-September 14, 2008	HIGH POWER RIFLE LEAGUE	William Dunn
September 20, 2008	WILKES-BARRE MEM. MATCH	Robert Morgan
September 21, 2008	WILKES-BARRE MEM. MATCH	Robert Morgan
September 23, 2008	MONTHLY CLUB MEETING	Club House
September 28, 2008	METALLIC SILHOUETTE	Robert Hughes
October 5, 2008	HIGH POWER RIFLE LEAGUE	William Dunn
October 5, 2008	I .O. P.A.	C. Gregorowicz
October 26, 2008	METALLIC SILHOUETTE	Robert Hughes
October 28, 2008	MEETING & ELECTION	Club House
November 2, 2008	I.D.P.A. MATCH.	C. Gregorowicz
November 9, 2008	HIGH POWER RIFLE LEAGUE	William Dunn
December 21, 2008	I .D.P.A.	C. Gregorowicz

McDonald Sportsmen's Association

[www.mcdonaldsportsmen.com](http://www.mcdonaldsportsmen.com)

NRA Registered Black Powder  
Cartridge Rifle Silhouette Match

**2008 Eastern 80-shot Championship**

June 7 & 8, 2008

NRA Membership Required

Prepaid/pre-registration required

Mail prepaid registration to:

John Powers

P.O. Box 218

New Brighton, PA 15066

Match Director: John Powers

724-466-1714

Co-match Director: Mike Shamonsky

412-231-3617

McDonald Sportsmen's Association

[www.mcdonaldsportsmen.com](http://www.mcdonaldsportsmen.com)

NRA Registered Black Powder  
Cartridge Rifle Silhouette Match Schedule

**40-shot NRA-Approved Matches**

July 5, August 2,

September 6, October 4, November 1, 2008

NRA Membership Required

Prepaid/pre-registration required

Mail prepaid registration to:

John Powers

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Match Director: John Powers

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Co-match Director: Mike Shamonsky

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**FRIENDS OF THE NRA EVENTS RAISE FUNDS TO SUPPORT  
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**AND OTHER SHOOTING PROGRAMS**

For more information or a schedule of Pennsylvania events, call  
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**NRA** Foundation

*Teach Freedom.*™

**RIDGWAY RIFLE CLUB  
2008 SILHOUETTE MATCHES**

May 17<sup>th</sup> Small bore  
 May 18<sup>th</sup> High Power  
 May 24<sup>th</sup> & Sunday, May 25<sup>th</sup>  
*Eastern Regional Small bore Super Shoot*  
 June 7<sup>th</sup> & Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup>  
 Sierra Classic High Power Regional  
 June 15<sup>th</sup> M1/M1A Military Rifle Silhouette Championship  
 June 20, 21, and 22 Cast Bullet Championship XXIV  
 J. Tom Manno Memorial Match VII  
 July 5<sup>th</sup> Small bore National Warm up  
 July 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Small bore Nationals  
 July 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup> High Power Nationals  
 August 16<sup>th</sup> Small bore  
 August 17<sup>th</sup> High Power  
 September 20<sup>th</sup> Small bore  
 September 21<sup>st</sup> High Power  
 October 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Lever Action Jubilee  
 PA State Silhouette Championships—Williamsport  
 September 13<sup>th</sup>&14<sup>th</sup> Small bore  
 September 27<sup>th</sup>& 28<sup>th</sup> High Power  
 For more information on the M1/M1A Matches,  
 contact Randy Ent, 814-757-8777  
 For Cast Bullet & Lever Action Information,  
 contact John Kort, 814-449-6263  
 jkort43@adelphia.net

**BODINES 1000 Yd PRONE RIFLE LEAGUE**



Match dates for 2008

June 7, 2008  
 July 19, 2008  
 August 2, 2008  
 August 30, 2008  
 September 27, 2008  
 October 4, 2008 (RAIN DATE-  
 MAKE-UP MATCH)

Sign-up will begin at 0830 on the firing line. Cost is \$20 (adults) and \$10 (juniors). All NRA Long Range rules apply. All firing will be done on the LR target EXCEPT F-CLASS SHOOTERS WHO WILL USE THE F-CLASS TARGET.

Please be aware shooters must be members of the Original PA 1000 Yd Benchrest Club Inc. 1000 Yard Matches consist of firing the any-sight match first and the iron sight match second. Each shooter will have 30 minutes to fire unlimited sighters and 20 shots for record in each match. The 2008 League Matches are an NRA approved league, including the F-Class.

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**St Thomas Ground Hog Shoot**

April 19, 2008

Submitted by Joe Hellane

60 Competitors

**Custom Class**

	Cal	total	
Harshman, Ed	6br	146.04	1st
Milavec, Frank	6br	140.04	2nd
Buhrman, Henry	30 br	140.04	3rd

**Factory Class**

	Cal	total	
Finniff, Thurman	22-250	136.01	1st
Campbell, Rick	7.08	131.01	2nd
Funk, Corey	223	128.01	3rd

**Deer Hunter Class**

	Cal	total	
Campbell, Rick	243	85.00	1st 2n
Mang, Bob	243	81.01	d
Slattery, Bill	243	79.00	3rd

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**135 YEARS OF THE .45-70**  
**By Steve Lee Parsons, PRPA Director**

The .45-70 rifle cartridge (also known as .45-70 Government) was developed at the US Army's Springfield Armory for use in the Springfield Model 1873 .45 caliber rifle, known to collectors (but never to the US Army) as the "Trapdoor Springfield". The new cartridge was a replacement for the .50-70 cartridge which had been adopted in 1866. The .45 cartridge was fully identified as the .45-70-405, but was also commonly called the .45 Government cartridge in commercial catalogs. This nomenclature of the time was based on several properties of the cartridge: .45 (nominal caliber in decimal inches i.e., 0.45 inches or 11.4mm); -70 (weight of black powder propellant charge in grains, i.e., 70 grains or 4.5 g); -405 (weight of lead bullet in grains, i.e. 405 grains or 26.2 g).

The minimum acceptable accuracy of the .45-70 from the 1873 Springfield was approximately 4 inches at 100 yards, however, the heavy slow-moving bullet had a "rainbow" trajectory with the bullet drop being measured in yards at ranges greater than a few hundred yards. A skilled shooter firing at known range could consistently hit targets that were 6 X 6 feet at 600 yards, which was the Army standard target. This was a skill mainly of value in mass or volley fire, since accurate aimed fire on a man-sized target was effective only to about 300 yards.

In 1879, a new variation of the .45-70 cartridge was produced by the Armory--the .45-70-500. This heavier bullet could reach ranges of 3,500 yards, while the effective range of the .45-70 was limited to about 1,000 yards. The heavier bullet would produce lethal injuries way out to 3,500 yards (the Army, in those good old days before PETA, would use livestock for targets, and then hold an ox roast for the troops).

The U.S. Army also issued the .45-70 "Forager" round, which contained a thin wooden bullet filled with birdshot, intended for hunting game to supplement the soldier's rations. This round, in effect, made the .45-70 rifle into a 49 gauge shotgun. Family history tells the story of my Grandfather (Granville Lee Rogers) using his 1884 Trapdoor Springfield in a self-defense mode, and fleeing from the family farm in Delaware to Philadelphia late one night, thereby causing my family's existence a few years later. When I was just a sprout, Pop would celebrate the 4<sup>th</sup> of July and other occasions by waiting till dark, fortifying himself with some Carstairs Whiskey and shooting shot-shells from his Trapdoor. He would ground the butt and let me pull the trigger! I inherited the rifle, but, unfortunately, none of these now very collectible shot-shells.

This rifle was used in great quantity during the Spanish-American War and was still being issued to NG units well into the early 1900's. The 1884 version with the ramrod bayonet had a strengthened breech mechanism.

I handload .45-70 cartridges with bullets weighing 325, 405, 410, 450, and 505 grains. I have my old 1884 Trapdoor (still a good shooter), a Pedersoli Kodiak MK IV Double Rifle, a Quigley Sharps and a BFG Revolver. So, I have a wide range of arms for this grand old cartridge. Recently, my brother got a bead on a 100 + pound buck up in Canada, took a long shot with one of my 405 grain loads, and he said the deer dropped like a sack of potatoes.

One of the rarest Springfield Armory .45-70 firearms ever produced is the single-shot trapdoor pistol, using the receiver and breech block of the model 1868 rifle. Barrels were 9 inches in length, unnumbered. This hand cannon was intended to be a "horse pistol". There is speculation that some may have been made well into the 1870's. Two are found on display, one in the Springfield Armory museum and one in the Smithsonian. If anyone ever spots one for sale, buy it, or give me a call!

The .45-70 is still used by our US military today, in the form of the CARTRIDGE, CALIBER .45, LINE THROWING, M3. This is a blank cartridge which is used in a number of models of line throwing guns used by the US Navy and Coast Guard in a break-open single-shot rifle action.

Correct me, if I'm wrong, but I believe this makes the .45-70 the oldest continuously issued and used military cartridge in world history!

**PENNSYLVANIA OPEN SMALLBORE FOUR POSITION CHAMPIONSHIP**

**By Terry Lightner, Match Director**

The Pennsylvania Open Smallbore 4-Position Championship was held February 16-17, 2008, at the Alexandria Sportsman Club (Alexandria, PA) with 43 competitors participating. Intermediate junior Brent Books of Seneca, PA and the Oil City Junior Rifle Club shot a 795-68x over this 80 shot, 4-position course to take the title of the open state champion. The junior state champion went to Cody Enders of Dauphin, PA with a score of 794-62x. Enders also tied the intermediate junior national 20-shot standing record with a score 200-16x.

The high female was Shannon Reed of Cooperstown, PA, after she fired a score 786-54x. Reed also shoots for the Oil City Junior Rifle Club.

Erin Gestl of Palmyra, PA, won the high master class with a score 792-63x. Winning the junior class was Jed Neidigh of Palmyra, PA, with a score of 793-65x. Joel Nuzum of Washington, PA, took second junior with an identical score of 793-65x. Third place in the junior category was Justin Pentz of Rockton, PA, with a score 792-65x.

Ed Ryzner of Titusville, PA, took the intermediate junior title with a score 789-60x and Aaron Holsopple of Wilcox, PA, placed second IJ after shooting a 788-42x. Dave Sloan of Huntingdon, PA, took third intermediate junior with a 785-56x. In the sub-junior class, Ashley Ahrens of Seneca, PA, took the top spot with a score of 782-51x. Adam Wheland of Williamsburg, PA, placed second with a score of 775-51x. Victoria Wolfe of Trevorton, PA was third sub-junior with a score 765-34x.

There were a very high number of intermediate junior and sub-junior participants which is a good sign for the future. Their scores were very high, allowing an intermediate junior to win the open title and another intermediate junior to tie the national standing record.

Thanks to all of the shooters, parents, coaches and volunteers who made this match possible.

**EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

With the assistance of NRA Foundation Grant funding, NRA-certified Training Counselors from the Pennsylvania Rifle & Pistol Association have trained over 200 new NRA Instructors throughout the state in the past two years. If you are interested in hosting an NRA Instructor Candidate Seminar at your club, contact PRPA Education & Training Director Linda Tucker at 717-766-7011, e-mail TuckerLHBG@aol.com or Ron Keslar at 717-432-9039, ronald@keslar.net.

**McDONALD SPORTSMEN'S ASSOCIATION  
BLACK POWDER CARTRIDGE RIFLE SILHOUETTE**

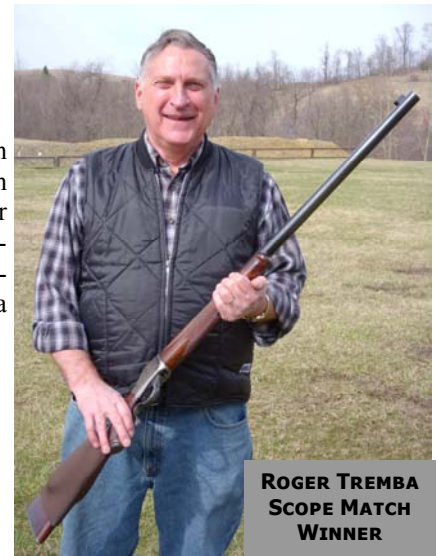
**April 8, 2008**

**Submitted by Debra Lee Hovatter**

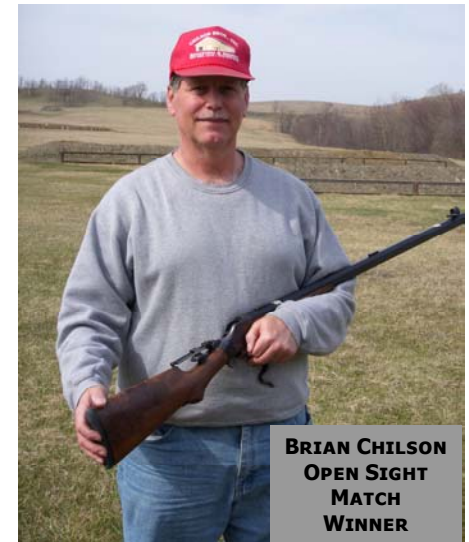
The McDonald Sportsmen's Association opened its Black Powder Cartridge Rifle Silhouette season with a brisk and breezy spring day. Brian Chilson was match winner with 34 out of 40. 2<sup>nd</sup> Open went to Ross Arnfield with 32 and 3<sup>rd</sup> Open to Karl Hovatter with 29. Bob Bloyer won a shootoff for 1<sup>st</sup> Master. John Whitcomb took 2<sup>nd</sup> Master. Tim Trunick won a three-way shootoff for 1<sup>st</sup> AAA, followed by Bill Simmen with 2<sup>nd</sup> AAA and Mike Shamonsky with 3<sup>rd</sup> AAA. Larry Kiehl won the combined AA and B classes, followed by Mark Smith. Roger Tremba was the match scope winner with a 34. Ed Heeter took 2<sup>nd</sup> scope with a 24.



**KNEELING: KARL HOVATTER, 3<sup>RD</sup> OPEN; BRIAN CHILSON, 1<sup>ST</sup> OPEN; ROGER TREMBA, SCOPE MATCH WINNER; ROSS ARNFIELD, 2<sup>ND</sup> OPEN. STANDING: BILL SIMMEN, 2<sup>ND</sup> AAA; ED HEETER, 2<sup>ND</sup> SCOPE; MARK SMITH, 2<sup>ND</sup> AA&B; MIKE SHAMONSKY, 3<sup>RD</sup> AAA; TIM TRUNICK, 1<sup>ST</sup> AAA; BOB BLOYER, 1<sup>ST</sup> MASTER; JOHN WHITCOMB, 2<sup>ND</sup> MASTER; LARRY KIEHL, 1<sup>ST</sup> AA&B**



**ROGER TREMBA  
SCOPE MATCH  
WINNER**



**BRIAN CHILSON  
OPEN SIGHT  
MATCH  
WINNER**

**2008 FOUR-POSITION INDOOR JUNIOR SMALLBORE SECTIONAL**

**Submitted by Terry Lightner, Match Director**

The Alexandria Sportsman Club was the host for the 2008 4-Position Indoor Junior Sectional held February 2-3, 2008. The event saw 45 shooters competing for the coveted championship.

Justin Pentz emerged as the champion with a fine score of 398-31x to earn the gold medal. Pentz is from Rockton, PA, and shoots for the DuBois Area High School Rifle Team. Joel Nuzum (Washington, PA's Frazier-Simplex Junior Rifle Club) earned 2nd overall and the silver medal by shooting a very good 396-34x. Thomas Santelli--also of Washington and the Frazier-Simplex Junior Rifle Club-- garnered the bronze medal with a very close 396-34x also. The tie was broken by the standing score.

The Junior class was won by Michael Kulbacki (Treasure Lake, PA) shooting for the DuBois Area High School. Kulbacki fired another close score of 396-31x.

Shooting for the Alexandria Junior Rifle Club, Dave Sloan (Huntingdon, PA) shot yet another 396--with 29x's. Second IJ went to Katie Fretts (Scottsdale, PA), who shot a 393-27x for the Murrysville Junior Rifle Club. From Wilcox, PA and the Ridgway Junior Rifle club, Emily Holsopple shot 391-22 to gather the 3rd place intermediate class. Janice Crowe (Sewickley, PA) was fourth intermediate, shooting a close 391-22x. Chad Wheland (Williamsburg, PA--the Alexandria Junior Rifle Club) was fifth intermediate junior with a close score of 391-20x. The sub-junior class was won by Noah Marne (Mt. Pleasant, PA--the Murrysville Junior Rifle Club) shooting a fine 380-16x. Adam Wheland (Williamsburg, PA--Alexandria Junior Rifle Club) was second SJ with a score of 378-15x.

The Frazier-Simplex Junior Gold Team captured the Junior Sectional team title by shooting a very good 1572-110x. Team members were Joel Nuzum, Zack Szabo, Robert Gagliani, and Janice Crowe. DuBois Area High School's Lightning team won the junior team with a score of 1548-89x; team members were Michael Kulbacki, Justin Pentz, Renee Pentz, and Eric Rutch. The Ridgway Junior Rifle team got the 2nd place junior spot with a score of 1540-73x.

The Alexandria Junior Rifle team won the Intermediate Junior team award with a very good score of 1555-86x. Team members were Dave Sloan, Chad Wheland, Tanya Kocher, and Adam Wheland. The Murrysville Junior Rifle Club earned the 2nd IJ team spot with a score of 1549-89x. DuBois Area High School's Thunder Team was third IJ team with a score of 1344-38x. The DuBois Team consisted of Aaron Kulbacki, Ashley Nicolaus, Garrett Orcutt, and Liz Berlin. The Everett (PA) Junior Rifle Club took the fourth IJ team spot with a score of 1342-16x; the team members were Ryan Mueller, Jeff Seitz, Zack Reppert, and Clay Weyer.

The Alexandria Rifle Club thanks the NRA, shooters, coaches and parents for the chance to host this event.

I would like to personally thank all of our club volunteers for helping to make this event a success.

**McDONALD SPORTSMEN'S ASSOCIATION  
BLACK POWDER CARTRIDGE RIFLE SILHOUETTE**

**May 3, 2008**

**Submitted by Debra Lee Hovatter**

41 Shooters weathered the spring rain and wind for the May 2008 McDonald Sportsmen's Association's Black Powder Cartridge Rifle Silhouette Match. John Whitcomb was Match Winner with a 33. His shooting partner, Bob Bloyer, took Match Scope Winner with a 34. 2<sup>nd</sup> Open went to Ross Arnfield with a score of 30. Ken White won 3<sup>rd</sup> Open with a 28 in a shoot-off with Dana Knezevich, who took 1<sup>st</sup> AAA.

Dave Heeter took 1<sup>st</sup> Master and Mike Patterson 2<sup>nd</sup> Master. Debra Hovatter won a four-way shoot-off for 2<sup>nd</sup> AAA, followed by Bill Simmen, who took 3<sup>rd</sup> AAA. 1<sup>st</sup> AA went to Mark Smith, with 2<sup>nd</sup> AA to Tom Barr. Morgan Phillip took 1<sup>st</sup> A&B and 2<sup>nd</sup> A&B went to John Kyle. Roger Tremba prevailed in a shoot-off to take 2<sup>nd</sup> Scope with a 27.



**ABOVE: KNEELING: BOB BLOYER, MATCH SCOPE WINNER; JOHN WHITCOMB, MATCH WINNER. STANDING: MARK SMITH, 1<sup>ST</sup> AA; DANA KNEZEVICH, 1<sup>ST</sup> AAA; ROSS ARNFIELD, 2<sup>ND</sup> OPEN, DAVE HEETER, 1<sup>ST</sup> MASTER; BILL SIMMEN, 3<sup>RD</sup> AAA; KEN WHITE, 3<sup>RD</sup> OPEN; DEBRA LEE HOVATTER, 2<sup>ND</sup> AAA; ROGER TREMBA, 2<sup>ND</sup> SCOPE**

**LEFT: (L) BOB BLOYER, MATCH SCOPE WINNER AND (R) JOHN WHITCOMB, MATCH WINNER**

**2007-2008 PENNAYLVANIA INTERSCHOLASTIC HIGH SCHOOL  
3-POSITION SMALLBORE INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIP**

**By Roy Fritz, PRPA Director**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> 3-P Interscholastic Championship was held on February 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Jerome Sportsmen's Club in Jerome, PA. Forty-nine individuals representing eighteen school districts competed in the NRA Registered half-course match. Congratulations to Joel Nuzum from McGuffey as the top individual with a score of 574.032 and to the Somerset Area School District as the top team with a score of 2731.097

**INDIVIDUAL RANKING**

Place	Name	School District	Score
1st Place	Nuzum, Joel	McGuffey	574.032
2nd Place	Carr, Tommy	Cedar Crest	573.029
3rd Place	Harvey, Bill	Norwin	570.019
4th Place	Kulbacki, Michael	DuBois HS	568.024
5th Place	Close, Mitchell	Somerset	565.029
6th Place	Kocher, Tonya	State College	560.019
7th Place	Cole, Ethan	Somerset	558.022
8th Place	Harpster, Nicole	Penns Valley	558.020
9th Place	Spory, Darren	Conemaugh	555.025
10th Place	Sloan, David	Huntingdon	555.019

**TEAM RANKING**

Rank	School District	Score
1	Somerset Area HS	2731.097
2	Conemaugh Township HS	2698.094
3	DuBois Area HS	2661.074
4	Berlin-Brothersvalley HS	2628.062
5	Shanksville-Stonycreek HS	2556.047
6	Rockwood Area HS	2527.055
7	North Star HS	2414.049
8	Meyersdale Area HS	2280.035

**POSITION WINNERS**

Prone	Tommy Carr	199.013
Standing	Michael Kulbacki	186.006
Kneeling	Joel Nuzum	194.012

## BRIAN CHILSON--VICTOR AT RIDGWAY APRIL BPCR MATCH

Submitted by John O'Donnell

Brian Scott Chilson of Nelson, PA was Match Winner and top Scope shooter for the Ridgway Rifle Club's April BPCR Silhouette match. Brian scored a pair of 33's out of 40 to take Match Winner and the Scope Class in Ridgway, Pennsylvania on Sunday, April 27th. There were



31 attendees to our first match of the year and weather really cooperated with a nice sunny day ranging from 50 degrees at the start of the match up to close to 70 by match end.

Chuck Troy was Second Open with a score of 30/40. First Master went to Dave Heeter (29/40), and Second Master was Roger Tremba (27/40).

Steve Maurer garnered First AAA with a score of 29/40. Coonskin Cap John Haagen (27/40) took Second AAA and John O'Donnell (26/40) took Third AAA.

First AA went to Craig Artman (27/40) with Frank Sturm (24/40) taking Second AA. First A went to Albert Ogden (16/40).

As stated above Brian Chilson won First Place Scope Class (33/40). John Powers took Second Place (25/40) by winning a shoot off against John Haagen.

**BACK ROW, L-R: ALBERT OGDEN, CRAIG ARTMAN, CHUCK TROY, ROGER TREMBA, DAVE HEETER, STEVE MAURER, JOHN POWERS - FROM ROW KNEELING, L-R: JOHN O'DONNELL, BRIAN CHILSON, FRANK STURM, JOHN HAAGEN.**



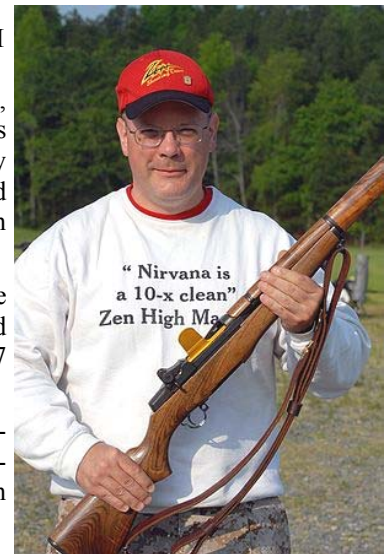
## LEIGHTON WINS 2008 CMP EASTERN GAMES GARAND MATCH

The Eastern CMP Games and Creedmoor Cup Matches took place May 2-5, 2008 at Camp Butner, North Carolina. The Matches included a full ten days of activities that began with a GSM Master Instructor Course on Friday, May 2, and a new shooter clinic on Saturday morning, May 3. The As-Issued Military Rifle Matches opened on Saturday afternoon and continued through Monday, May 5.

Sean Leighton (Mechanicsburg, PA) fired in the Garand, Springfield and Vintage Military Rifle Matches. Leighton's 287-5X won the Garand Match; he placed second in the Springfield Match and second in the Vintage Military Rifle Match. Leighton is no stranger to winning—at last year's 2007 CMP Eastern Games, he won the Springfield Match with a score of 281-8X.

Leighton earned his Distinguished Rifleman Badge in 1996. The prestigious Distinguished Badge program began in 1884 when the U. S. Army first awarded the Distinguished Marksman Badge. The Distinguished Rifleman and Distinguished Pistol Shot Badges are the highest honor that military and civilian rifle and pistol shooters can aspire to earn.

According to Leighton, "It was four days of great weather and fun shooting." On-line results and photos can be seen by clicking on the Eastern Games icon on the CMP home-page at <http://www.odcmp.com>.



## 2008 STATE BB GUN CHAMPIONSHIP

By Ernie Harpster, Director

The Pennsylvania Rifle & Pistol Association sponsored the 2008 Pennsylvania State BB Gun Championship Match on March 22, 2008. It was held at the Northern Blair County Rec Center in Tipton, PA. The Tussey Mountain Junior 4-H Rifle Club was host for the match which had 88 individuals entered on 15 teams from Bellwood, Boyertown, Harrisburg, Palmyra, Penns Valley, and Tussey Mountain.

First place "A" Team went to Palmyra BB Gun Club with a score of 2363, (including the educational test, five team members). Second place "A" team went to the Boyertown BB Gun Club with a score of 2281. Third place "A" team went to the Penns Valley BB Gun Club with a score of 2278.

The First place "B" Team went to Penns Valley BB Gun Club with a score of 2353. Second place "B" team went to Palmyra B1 BB Gun Club with a score of 2248. Third place "B" team went to Palmyra B2 BB Gun Club with a score of 2111. High team on the educational test was the Penns Valley "B" team with a score of 488. The high individual overall was David Leedy from Penns Valley with a score of 484.

**SPRING NRA METRIC REGIONAL PRONE MATCH**  
**3-4 MAY 2008**

**Mike Cerzullo, Match Director**

Twenty-one smallbore prone shooters, anxious to start the outdoor shooting season, assembled at Central Pennsylvania Rifle Club, Dauphin, PA, for the first outdoor prone match of the season. Firing the NRA-prescribed metric or international prone course of fire, shooters were treated to cloudy, overcast skies, shifting winds, and chilly conditions that were closer to 50 degrees than any other temperatures. One consolation was the lack of rainfall, although the skies over Harrisburg remained threatening for most of the weekend.

In Metric Prone matches, the final match winner is often not decided until the last match on the program. This weekend was no exception. The lead changed hands several times throughout the 2 days of shooting. After 3200 points, or 320 record shots, only 3 points separated the top three shooters.

Saturday-metallic sight day: Match 1 (the 50 Meter Match, 40 shots @ 50 yards using the reduced target) was won by Dave Cramer of Aliquippa, PA, with a score of 392-28c. Match 2 (the Metric Dewar Match, 20 shots at 50 meters, 20 shots at 100 meters) went to Canadian shooter Glenn Loftin of Cambridge, Ontario, with 387-11c. Match 3 (the 100 Meter Match, 40 shots at 100 meters) was won by Rochester, NY resident, Justin Tracy. His score was an excellent 394-18c. Match 4 (the Reverse Metric Dewar, 20 shots @ 100 meters, and 2 shots @ 50 meters) was won by Mark Trew, Pittsburgh, PA, with 392-14c. Justin Tracy was the Metallic Sight Aggregate winner with a score of 1555-68c. Mark Trew was second, 1549-62c; Erin Gestl third, 1548-58c.

Sunday-any sight day: No lead is safe in metric prone, and a number of competitors were in striking distance beginning the Any Sight matches. Match 6 (50 Meter Match) was won by Dave Cramer with a 397-30c effort. Match 7 (Metric Dewar Match) was won by Mark Trew with 387-16c. Match 8 (100 Meter Match) was won by Mark Trew with a 380-13c finish. Mark was looking like the over-all winner at this point, with one match to go. Match 9 (Reverse Dewar Match) was won by Dave Cramer with 391-14c. Cramer made a late charge with the telescope but came up a point short in the over-all aggregate. Match 10 (Any Sight Aggregate) was won by Dave Cramer with 1550-76c.

Match 11 (the Regional Championship) is a total of both days' aggregate scores. This year's Regional Champion with a score of 3093-120c is Justin Tracy. Second over all was Dave Cramer with 3092-146c, and Mark Trew finished Third at 3090-120c. The Regional Champion received a Camp Perry National Championship credit, partial entry fee reimbursement to the National SB Championships, and other Regional Championship awards.

A nice turn-out of junior shooters attended the match--many were firing their first outdoor match ever. Their participation made for a nice match and an almost full firing line. Several scores were exceptional based on the level of experience these juniors have. The High Junior Marksman was Cody Enders with a two day total of 3051-100c. High Junior Sharpshooter was E. Embeck with a total of 2963-69c.

The Central Pennsylvania Rifle Club will host the PRPA's 2008 State Prone Championship later this summer. Details and entry information for the State Prone Championship can be obtained from Michael Cerzullo at (717) 652-3153. Information can also be found in Shooters News, Coming Events.

**INAUGURAL SEMI-AUTO MILITARY RIFLE SILHOUETTE MATCH**

**April 6, 2008 - Ridgway, PA**

**Submitted By Pete Kofira Jr.**

Anyone familiar with High Power Rifle Metallic Silhouette shooting knows it usually requires a scoped custom rifle to hit the metallic animal silhouettes at the 200, 300, 377 and 500 meter distances with any success. Try shooting at the same animals and distance with a military service grade rifle with open sights and you quickly find the degree of difficulty escalates. The NRA has a separate class for this type of shooting called Semi-Auto Military Rifle Silhouette.

Match organizer Randy Ent from the Ridgway Rifle Club in Ridgway, PA will hold (3) such matches this year. The Inaugural Match which was held on April 6; a second match will be on May 4, and the Championship Match on June 15, 2008.

The match is open to any military type semi-auto rifle, caliber 6 MM or larger. To encourage the use of M1 Garands, there will be special awards for shooting M1's and M1A's at the matches.

The Inaugural event on April 6, 2008 consisted of two 40-round matches with individual awards for each match plus overall awards for the shooters participating in both matches. There were 12 shooters all together for the two matches. All but one shooter--Randy Ent, who had previously classified for this type of event--shot in an unclassified class for the first match. All the participants were from Pennsylvania and New York.



**FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: SCOTT GRUBBS (NY-2ND PLACE MATCH #2), BOB JODION (NY-3RD PLACE MATCH #1 & 1ST PLACE MATCH #2), RANDY ENT (PA MATCH #1 TOP SCORE WINNER), PAUL DEPHILLIP (NY-2ND PLACE MATCH #1), HERB JOHNSON (PA), AND TOM LEMMON (PA). WINNER OF MATCH #2 AND OVERALL MATCH WINNER (KNEELING) WAS JOCKO LACLAIR (NY) AND NOT SHOWN PETE KOFIRA JR. (NY-3RD PLACE MATCH #2).**

# PA SHOOTING SPOTS N' DATES

**Notice to PRPA Clubs: Over a period of time, some of the PA Shooting Spots n' Dates listings have gotten out of date. Please review your listing and provide the newsletter editor with any updates. Listings are free to member clubs.**

**ALEXANDRIA SPORTSMEN ASSN.** - Adult Winter Indoor Rifle league, 4-H Junior Rifle Program, Trap Shooting, Outdoor Range up to 300 yds. Range located 30 miles east of Hollidaysburg, 9 miles west of Huntingdon. Membership-\$15, w/key-\$20. For info, contact: Chuck Metz - 814-669-9063, Terry Lightner - 814-643-1851, tlight@pennswoods.net.

**ATGLEN SPORTSMEN'S CLUB** - Monthly Hipower Rifle & Hunting Rifle Silhouette Matches - Sep 20. Lower rifle range- 100, 50, 25 yd, 10 pt covered firing line, Pistol range-25 yd-80' covered firing line plus 2 bowling pin table, Muzzleloading/Shotgun range-100,75,50,25 yd, 8pt covered firing line, Walk thru woods Archery, Practice Archery-15-50 yd(5yd incs.) 80 yd, 3-D Archery, Upper Range-Smallbore rifle Silhouette to 100m-First Sunday of month, Apr-Oct, Bigbore rifle Silhouette to 500m, Target Backers & Swingers, Indoor-Air Rifle/Pistol, Smallbore Rifle/Pistol, Archery, SCCYSL-Youth Shooting League Sporting Clays - Every Wed 6-9pm & every 1<sup>st</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday 10am. For info: P.O. Box 35, Parkesburg, PA, 19365. Clubhouse phone: 610-593-6096. <http://www.atglensportsmensclub.org>

**BELLWOOD SPORTSMEN'S CLUB**—High Power rifle matches— 100 yards, 50 shots. Entry fee: \$10, Juniors: \$5. Contact Gib Moyer, 814-355-0547 or e-mail gem14@email.psu.edu for information. Visit [www.bellwoodsportsmen.com](http://www.bellwoodsportsmen.com). High power matches are the first Sunday of the month from April-October. Registration at 8:00am, match begins at 9:00. Matches are open to the public. NRA and CMP.

**BLAIR COUNTY GAME, FISH & FORESTRY ASSN** - Indoor range, black powder shoots, sporting clays, 4H Air Rifle Program for ages 8 - 18 every Monday 6:30-8:30pm. (for info, call Don Blazier at 814-742-8208 or Tim Merritts at 814-946-9315). Club is open to public. Call 814-942-8522.

**CHAMBERSBURG PISTOL & RIFLE CLUB** - 1620 Cider Press Road, Chambersburg, PA 17201. NRA Action Pistol Bianchi Cup Style Matches. 2007 Schedule: Fun Steel: 1/21, 2/18, 11/11/2007. Novice Fun Steel: 7/14. NRA Action Pistol (Bianchi Cup Style): 3/11, 4/15, 5/13, 6/10 (NRA-approved match), 7/8, 9/9, 10/14. Registered NRA Action Regional: 8/11-12 Contact: George W. Martin, President/Match Chairman, 1335 Brechbill Rd, Chambersburg, PA 17201, 717-263-4429 after 4:30 pm, e-mail: antiquebears@comcast.net.

**CLARION RIFLE & PISTOL CLUB** - Range located north of Clarion on Rt. 66 behind J&L Sporting Goods. President Don Fulmer 814-226-9199. For more information contact Richard Stempeck, PO Box 211, Knox, PA, 16232, (814)797-1603, Club email: [www.clairtonsc.org](http://www.clairtonsc.org).

**CONSOLIDATED SPORTSMEN OF LYCOMING COUNTY** - Monthly highpower rifle silhouette, monthly hunter and smallbore pistol silhouette, monthly pistol cartridge & smallbore Cowboy silhouette, monthly and weekly smallbore rifle silhouette, IHMSA pistol silhouette, trap leagues, skeet ranges, 5-stand sporting clays, CMP matches, service rifle matches, indoor pistol. All silhouette ranges have covered firing points. Located 6 miles north of Montoursville, PA on PA Rt 87. Monthly NRA Smallbore & Hunting Rifle Silhouette Matches—Apr 6, May 4, Jun 1, Jul 20, Aug 10, Oct 5, 2008. Highpower Rifle/Highpower Hunting Rifle Silhouette —Jan 26, Feb 23, Mar 22, Apr 26, May 24, Jun 28, Jul 26, Aug 23, 2008; Standard Rifle State Championship—Sep 27; Hunter Rifle State Championship—Sep 28. Lever Action: March 22, Apr 26, May 24, Jun 28, July 26, Aug 23, 2008. Lever Action Silhouette: Apr 22, May 6 & 20, June 3 & 17, July 1 & 22, Aug 5 & 26. Small Bore & Pistol Cartridge Cowboy Silhouette: Apr 29, May 13 & 27, June 10 & 24, July 15 & 29, Aug 19. For information contact Al Foust at 570-435-0043, or e-mail [alf@chilitech.net](mailto:alf@chilitech.net).

**DELTA PEACH BOTTOM FISH & GAME ASSN.** - Handgun Shoots - bowling pins, action, qualification, buddy shoots. For info contact Mark Maranto 410-399-2181, Tom Burke 410-452-8873 or Jim Masters 717-456-7637. Also outdoor shoots, unmarked ranges. For info call 410-836-0559 or Debbie 410-452-8213 - both Maryland numbers. Black powder shoots and hawk throwing matches 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun. each month (sun, snow, sleet or rain). Sign up 10 am Matches for first timers, men, juniors, ladies in rifle, pistol and smallbore shoots every month. Also, novelty and cartridge gun shoots. For info, call Jim Masters 717-456-7637 (PA) or Dave Mullen 410-836-36329 (MD). For general info, call the Club- 717-456-9018; 24-hr. Activity hot line 717-456-7719. Club is on Pikes Peak Road off Rt. 74 in southern York County. All are welcome.

**DUBOIS RIFLE & PISTOL CLUB** - located just off I-80, Exit 101 in DuBois. Meetings are held the second Wednesday of every month at 7:30 PM except July and August. New members welcomed. For membership contact Joanne Pentz 814-583-5530 [mjpentz@pennswoods.net](mailto:mjpentz@pennswoods.net). We offer a 50' indoor range, 10 firing points and adjustable target carriers. Pistol league-Monday & Tuesday at 7:00 pm starting in October. Contact John Pifer 814-427-2161. Bowling Pin Matches, Sep-May, 3rd Sunday, 10 am-4 pm. Smallbore league Friday evenings January through April. Junior Basic Rifle course offered. Contact Joel Dutra 814-236-0708. Active Junior Smallbore and Air Rifle program. Home of "The Storm" DuBois Junior Team.

**EAST MONONGAHELA SPORTSMEN CLUB** - NRA Highpower matches - 200 yd modified NMC of fire-50 rds & sighters. 4th Sat of each month, April-Sept. Entry fee \$10/ \$5-Jrs (14 yrs. min.) Contact Dave McGrath, 738 Lewis Ave, Charleroi, PA 15022, or e-mail [ds1741p100@yahoo.com](mailto:ds1741p100@yahoo.com). Schedule also posted at [www.dp.net/~emsc/](http://www.dp.net/~emsc/). 25 yd. Pistol Pin shoots every Mon -6:30-10:00 p.m., 50 yd Open Sights Pistol Pin shoots every Thur-6:30-10:00 p.m. NRA sanctioned Air Pistol Silhouette shoots-3rd Sun each month, 1:00 pm, Apr-Sept. .22 cal Rifle/Pistol silhouette shoot-Open/Scoped sight, 4th Fri each month, 6:30-10:00 pm. Shooters of all skill levels welcome! Trap practice-Sundays at 1 pm, Dec 1-Mar 1, then every Thurs eve 6:30-10 pm after Mar 1st- Open to the public! 3-D Archery-Sundays, March thru Sept-40 Targets-6 Tree stands-Registration: 8am-1 pm, \$8/adults, \$5/youth, cubs/free. All schedule info and directions at [www.dp.net/~emsc/](http://www.dp.net/~emsc/) or phone 412-384-4747 on Saturday or Sunday only!

**FACTORYVILLE SPORTSMEN'S CLUB** - Full range shooting sports Archery 3-D, ATA trap, CMP, NSCA Sporting Clays, Black Powder, IPSC Combat Pistol, NRA Pistol Silhouette, NRA Action Pistol. For a recorded message on club location and date of particular events call 717-378-2582.

**FRAZIER-SIMPLEX RIFLE CLUB** - Washington, PA. Smallbore rifle club with active junior program. Junior program consists of Beginning shooters, Intermediate Shooters and Advanced Junior shooters. Senior program competes in Pittsburgh and Suburban Rifle League. Range and club house has 10 point indoor rifle range with adjustable target carriers. Lighting is sufficient for metallic or any sight shooting. For membership, directions to range, match schedule, contact club vice president: Mr. Jim Husk @ 724-222-3369 or e-mail [jwhusk@angeltechcomputing.com](mailto:jwhusk@angeltechcomputing.com)

**GEM CITY GUN CLUB, INC.** Junior rifle team, hunter safety course, NRA and CMP sanctioned high power rifle league, USPSA sanctioned pistol matches, 3-D archery (indoor and outdoor), Steel Valley woods walks, rim fire golf, trap league, bullseye league. 200 yd rifle range, 50 yd pistol range, full auto range. I-90 to Rte 430 exit, east on 430 to Wales Road (sign) turn right. Follow to Donlin Rd take left 1/4 mile on both sides of road. For dates and times on above events, call Chris Kelly at 814-725-2345, or Joe Paradisi at 814-456-8918, Check our web site [www.gemcitygunclub.org](http://www.gemcitygunclub.org) or E-mail to [jjgun@jjgun.com](mailto:jjgun@jjgun.com).

**GROVE CITY SPORTSMEN'S CLUB** - Meetings are the 3rd Monday of every month, members and guest are welcome. Our club features: a trap league, 22 shoots, an archery range, a 300 yard rifle range, and a fishing lake. NRA Service Rifle Tournaments—50 shot—200 yards—Aug 18 & Sep 22, 2007, firing starts at 9:00 am. Located on Centertown Road, two miles north of Harrisville, PA, just off PA Route 8. Please contact Dick Dunn at 724-458-6416 for information or e-mail Lynn Lipko at [lalipko@yahoo.com](mailto:lalipko@yahoo.com).

**HAMBURG RIFLE & PISTOL CLUB** -PR&PA, CMP, NRA member. NRA sanctioned 2700 bullseye matches - 24 position line under roof. Match fees \$35.00. Sign up @ 8:00 AM. First relay @ 9:00 AM, rain or shine. Located off I-78 at Exit 23, Shartlesville,Pa. Call Butch Moyer, 610-562-3833.

**HARRISBURG HUNTERS' & ANGLERS' ASSN.**- 6611 Hunters Run Road, Harrisburg, PA 17111. Club located on 125 acres with 25, 50 & 100 yard rifle ranges, 60 point covered bullseye range. Black powder range with woods walk, PPC range, 18 point indoor pistol range and bow ranges. BB gun, air rifle, junior (smallbore) youth rifle programs. Handgun Safety Courses, High power matches, 22 silhouette matches, black powder matches, Action Pistol Steel Plate and bullseye pistol league-all open to public. Trap and skeet open to public during scheduled events. Trap 10am Wed & Sun, skeet at noon Wed and Sun. Info on club and events at our web site [harrisburghunters.org](http://harrisburghunters.org). email webmaster with any questions or call clubhouse 3 to 5 daily 717-545-6834.

**LENI-LENAPE PISTOL CLUB** - Information: Keith Davis, 61 Lindy Lane, Boyertown, PA 19512, 610-369-0608 or write the club at P.O. Box 55, Boyertown, PA 19512

**LEBANON COUNTY POLICE COMBAT PISTOL CLUB** - Police combat 600 & 1500 matches in Lebanon, PA. For questions, contact Bob Dziak, 582 Hazelbrook Road, Hazelton, PA 18201, 570-455-6718 after 5:00 p.m.

## EDUCATION AND TRAINING By Linda Tucker, E&T Director

The PRPA sponsored a three-day NRA Training Counselor Workshop in the Harrisburg/Carlisle Area in February, 2008. Six additional training counselors and one additional senior training counselor have been appointed by the NRA as a result of the workshop. Training Counselors are experienced individuals who train and develop instructors. Training Counselor Workshops are advertised on the NRA web site at [www.nra.org](http://www.nra.org) under the NRA programs, Education and Training section. Thanks to David Rivera, Master Training Counselor from New York, whose participation made it possible to add the Senior Training Counselor portion of the training in addition to providing the benefit of his experience and insight to the seminar.



**L-R: DAN MOYER, JACK BRADY, ROY FRITZ, LINDA TUCKER, DAVE RIVERA, RON KESLAR, JEFF EISAMAN, FRED ROGERS, ROD COREY**



In March, an NRA Instructor Candidate Seminar was held at Perry Township Game Association near Hamburg, Pennsylvania. Fourteen instructor candidates successfully completed the class to become NRA Certified Pistol Instructors. Thanks to Bob Sproesser from Perry Township who served as host, recruiter, and local organizer. The participants represented approximately six different clubs from throughout the local area. See photo at left.

The ultimate goal of our instructor training program is to develop active instructors who provide basic training opportunities to the public. Chief Instructor Kirk Lybarger, who participated in a PRPA-sponsored muzzle loader instructor program last fall, initiated a youth muzzleloader program at Harrisburg Hunters' and Anglers' Association. Assisted by his NRA-certified instructor team of Scott Strong, Chet Werner, Adam Bell, and Fred Rogers, he organized and held a Basic Muzzleloader rifle class in April. An additional class will be held in June to support the continued

development of ongoing youth firearm programs in the Harrisburg area.

Our education and training program is supported by a grant from the NRA Foundation---funds for the grants are raised through banquets which are organized by your local Friends of NRA committees.

Contact Linda Tucker at [TuckerLHBG@aol.com](mailto:TuckerLHBG@aol.com) or Ronald Keslar at [RJKeslar@aol.com](mailto:RJKeslar@aol.com) for information regarding training programs.



### JUNIOR HIGH POWER RIFLE

#### A message from Bob Eikey, Director - Junior High Power Rifle

It was great to see so many Juniors out at Reade recently. We all had a great time and it was a beautiful day. There were several new shooters. All did remarkably well. Next time you see Josh Chambers be sure to congratulate him on being high sharpshooter. Great job Josh!!! Keep up the good work.

Looking to the future: I am looking for range names / locations and contact information for any and all clubs which shoot organized high power rifle matches in the state of PA. I wish to bring all of these clubs together and let them know that they have an organization which wants to support their Junior efforts and help get their Juniors to the Big range in Ohio. The first step in doing this is to put together a list of e-mail addresses of both range officers and Junior shooters. So if you can contribute either the names and e-mails of Junior shooters or the names and e-mails/phone numbers of club officers I would be much obliged. We are off to a great start. Let's keep it up!

### EASTERN US JUNIOR HIGHPOWER CLINIC AND CHAMPIONSHIP

The Eastern U.S. Junior Highpower Clinic and Championship will take place 22-27 June at Camp Butner, North Carolina. The Eastern U.S. Junior Highpower Clinic and Championship offers a full week of clinics, coaching and competition for junior service rifle competitors. Juniors attending the clinic will have the opportunity to expand their current level of experience and expertise as well as build friendships and camaraderie within the sport. Don't miss out on this opportunity to learn from some of the top rifle shooters in the U.S. On-line registration and program details are posted at <http://clubs.odcmp.com/cgi-bin/matchInfo.cgi?matchID=3131>. For more information, contact Robert M. Eikey, Director - Junior High Power Rifle, 3012 Ironwood Circle, Jeannette, PA 15644, 412-874-6402 (Cell), 724-733-1466 (Home).

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**PENNSYLVANIA 2008 STATE INDOOR PISTOL CHAMPIONSHIP**

by Jeffrey Lloyd, Pistol Chairman

The Indoor State Championship was held April 5 & 6, 2008, at the Guthsville Rod and Gun Club in Orefield, PA, for the Eastern section. On the same dates, the Somerset Sportsman's Club (Somerset, PA) held the Western section. As usual, the scores from both venues were combined to determine the state champion.

The match program for the championship calls for 90 shots with .22 rim fire pistols at 25 yards, 90 shots with center fire pistols at 25 yards, and 90 shots with .45 cal pistols at 25 yards, for a possible total score of 2700 points.

A total of 45 shooters put their marksmanship skills on display for the title of State Champion. When it was all said and done, Raymond Wallander of Pleasant Gap, PA, was declared the Champion with a final score of 2628-107x. Closely following in second place was Ron Steinbrecher (Wyndmoor, PA). Steinbrecher fired a nice score, 2621-111x. In third place was Brian Keyser (Birdsboro, PA) with a good score of 2612-106x.

Brian Dean of Butler, PA, was the Master Class Winner with a score of 2593-82x. Joseph Tomarelli of Limerick, PA, was the Expert Class Winner, 2599-93x. Gabriel Julian (Exton, PA) was Sharpshooter Class Winner, 2377-35x. The Marksman Class Winner was James Lemoncelli (Peckville, PA), 2304-32x.

Thanks to the members and officers of both the Guthsville Rod and Gun Club and the Somerset Sportsman's Club for their continuing support of the PRPA and the shooters of Pennsylvania. Without their hard work and support, we would not be able to offer these matches to the sport shooting members in Pennsylvania and the surrounding states. Thanks and GREAT JOB! GOOD SHOOTING!