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BRIAN CHILSON SHOTS PERFECT SCOPE SCORE Submitted by John O'Donnell – Match Director – RRC, BPCR

Brian Chilson, of Nelson, Pa., achieved a feat never before done in Black Powder Cartridge Rifle Silhouette shooting. At the 2009 Eastern Regional Championship held on September 26 & 27 at the Ridgway Rifle Club in Ridgway, Pa., in the Scope Class, Brian shot all 40 steel silhouette animals down. This included the most difficult silhouette target of all, the elusive Chicken.

In this class, Brian shot down all 10 Chickens and then proceeded to clear all the other banks of animals to achieve a perfect 40 out of 40. Can you imagine the pressure that this match presented Brian and Debbie, his wife and spotter. Not only to have knocked down his tenth chicken, but on his last bank of animals, pigs, after knowing that 39 steel targets have fallen to his bullets, would that last pig also bite the dust. Debbie commentf at the end of the match, "This was a personal goal for Brian".

This was Brian's 5th Eastern Regional Scope Championship, and Gold Medal, with a National Record two day score of 73 out of 80 targets knocked down. As we all know this is a "team" sport as it takes more than the person behind the trigger to make each shot count and Debbie is one of the best spotters around. Together they make a formidable team, constantly communicating between each other to arrive at that one best setup for each and every shot fired down range. It is this dedication and perseverance for excellence that has helped achieve this National Record and made Brian & Debbie one of the premier teams in the sport.

Brian entered into BPCR Silhouette in 1992, where in their very first match; Brian shot a score of 7 out of 40. Since that time he has striven to improve and now holds 3 National Titles in Scope Class, (2004, 2005 and 2009) and 2 National Titles in Iron Sight (2005 and 2008). Taking both Iron Sight and Scope Nationals in 2005 was quite an accomplishment at Raton, New Mexico. They also have 9 Pennsylvania State Championships and 8 Eastern Regional titles in Iron Sight along with the 5 Eastern Regional Championships in Scope Class. Brian has quite an impressive resume in BPCR Silhouette.

I know everyone in this sport congratulates Brian and Debbie on this spectacular achievement and I am sure this is not the last time we will hear of Brian's successes.



PENNSYLVANIA STATE OUTDOOR 3-POSITION CHAMPIONSHIP

Murrysville Rifle Club – 25 competitors
NRA Registered Regional Match -- September 19-20, 2009
Submitted by John Funk

Intermediate Juniors dominated at the Pennsylvania State Outdoor NRA 3-Position Championship as Bill Harvey (IJ) won the Championship with a 2251-78X score. IJ Ashley Ahrens was Second and High Junior with a 2209-56X, while IJ Kaitlyn Wilson took Third and High Woman with a score of 2203-50X.

Bill shot consistently, turning in a 1125-38X on the first day and 1126-40X on the second. Ashley did the iron woman thing, firing both matches in one day. Kaitlyn Wilson has made a fabulous performance, shooting this match last year as her first match of any kind, and 14 months after starting shooting, hitting the 1100 mark both days.

John Funk, the only adult shooting both days, took High Senior with 2189-55X. The Match Director was Dale Emerick, N. Huntingdon, PA.

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84.01 out of 90.09, in the front row 1st junior Jeremy Norcross 140.04 out of 150.15.

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| Campbell, Rick | 7-08 | 28.00 | 29.01 | 27.00 | 84.01 |
| Young, Lee | 308 | 27.00 | 28.00 | 28.00 | 83.00 |
| Berg, Dave | 243 | 26.00 | 29.01 | 27.00 | 82.01 |

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| Buhrman, Henry | 30br | 50.01 | 50.01 | 49.01 | 149.03 |
| Burhman, Henry | 30br | 50.02 | 50.00 | 48.00 | 148.02 |
| Harshman, Ed | 6br | 50.03 | 49.01 | 48.00 | 147.04 |

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| Harshman, Ed | 223 | 50.01 | 43.00 | 43.01 | 136.02 |
| Shadle, Roger | 308 | 49.02 | 46.00 | 41.00 | 136.02 |
| Slattery, Bill | 223 | 49.03 | 43.01 | 42.00 | 134.04 |

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| Berg, Dave | 6br | 50.02 | 47.01 | 49.01 | 146.04 |
| Slattery, Bill | 22br | 49.01 | 48.01 | 46.01 | 143.03 |
| White, Will | 6br | 49.01 | 46.01 | 47.00 | 142.02 |

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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 at the end of another year, a year of change with a nation being forced to move away from a Capitalistic system to a combination of government control of privately owned industry (Fascism) and a government owned and operated system (Socialism) with wealth redistribution (Welfare State). What will 2010 bring? Runaway inflation? Increased unemployment? Less freedom? More government control?

Concerning government control, with Obamacare passing the House and the Senate moving a Health Industry bill towards debate and passage, we have a good chance of seeing our health and medical industry coming under government takeover. This amounts to 16% of our economy. Try adding this to that amount already under direct government control (auto, banking, insurance) and we find approximately 50% of GDP under government dictate.

About Obamacare, we still have a chance to stop this takeover from happening. Remember, Gun Control is included within both the House and Senate Health Bill. Gun Control will be regulated by the CDC to solve a non-existent "National Health Problem". Starting now, call, write, email, or directly contact your Congressman, Senator Casey and Senator Specter. Don't tell them once, but continue to press your position often and without delay. We may not win this fight, but we must give it our best efforts.

Most of you have been following or are aware of the next step in keeping your Second Amendment secure. After the narrow positive decision made by the Supreme Court in the Heller vs. D. C. decision (where the court decided the Second Amendment covered Federal jurisdiction only), more suits have been filed to determine the extent of local and state control. One such suit is McDonald vs. Chicago, which is scheduled for argument in the Supreme Court sometime during February, 2010. Your PA Rifle & Pistol Association is a member of a group of state associations that has filed an Amicus Brief with the Court defending our position in this most important case.

At the State level, a hearing was held in Harrisburg on November 18, 2009 by the House Judiciary Committee prior to making a decision whether to move the "Castle Doctrine" HB 40. This is an important pro-gun bill and we all must notify our representatives and the members of the House Judiciary Committee of our support of this bill. Tell your representative that you will remember his or her position when you vote in 2010.

This coming year could be the pivotal year for liberty and freedom. Do we move further into the abyss of Fascism, Socialism and the Nanny State or do we take a strong stand for Capitalism and the free society defined in our Constitution? It's up to us! Are we strong enough? Will we do it?

I wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. May you find a healthy and happy life in 2010. Stand up and fight for your freedom, the true meaning of the Second Amendment and the rights granted by the Bill of Rights, the Constitution and our God.

Jack Lee



2009 PRPA OUTDOOR PISTOL STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Submitted by Jeff Lloyd, Pistol Director

On August 7, 8, and 9, 2009 the PRPA held its Outdoor Pistol Championship matches at the Wilkes-Barre Rifle & Pistol Club in the Eastern section, and the Moraine Sportsman's Club in the Western Section. Twenty-two competitors fired at Wilkes-Barre and 29 at Moraine. As is the norm, the ranges and facilities were very comfortable and the clubs are to be commended for the hospitality shown to the shooters. A job well done, folks!

Starting with the Marksman Classification, there were 6 shooters in competition. When the smoke cleared, it was determined that Bruce Smith III, from Mount Union, PA, was the Champion Marksman with a fine score of 2493-64x. Chris Peterson of Exeter, PA, was in second place with a score of 2325- 38x. Third was Kenneth Manko of Hadley, PA, with a score of 2271-34x. These scores, fired in the Marksman class would have placed Bruce in first place in the Sharpshooter Class! Looks like this guy is trying to move up in classification! Well done!

In the Sharpshooter Class there were 11 shooters in competition. Coming out on the top of the heap was George Jatras from Camp Hill, PA, with a score of 2493-52x. Second place went to Alex Freoni of Berlin, PA, with his score of 2425-42x. In third place was Gerald Green from Adamsville, PA, with a score of 2406-38x.

Moving on to the Expert Classification, there were 20 shooters in competition. The high score was posted by Dave Prepelka from Moon Township, PA. Dave fired a respectable 2554-62x. In second place was Robert DiPasqua, from Mechanicsburg, PA. Bob fired a 2523-84x for the day. Don Wharton of Mars, PA, was third with a score of 2507-54x.

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In the Master Classification, the competition was hot and heavy between two shooters from the same club. Apparently they know each other's qualifications well and can be seen by their scores! In First Place was Steve Gibbons from Lewistown, PA. Steve has been making a name for himself in the pistol community as of late. He is the reigning State Service Revolver Champion and the Indoor Pistol Champion. Steve finished the day with a score of 2609-106x. Closely following Steve was Patrick Kelly Jr. also from Lewistown, with his score of 2608-95x. With only 1 point separating them, they and their fellow club members should be pleased! A good showing! In third place was Dave Casterline of Mountain Top, PA, with a fine score of 2564-73x.

Finally in the High Master Class, there were 5 shooters in contention. Coming out on top was Ron Steinbrecher from Wyndmoor, PA. Ron should be well known to the shooters of Pennsylvania and the surrounding states. Ron is the reigning PRPA State Outdoor Champion and has been all but one year since 1994. He also has been the Indoor Champion quite a few times and is the current NRA National Senior Champion at the Camp Perry National Matches this summer! A really impressive resume! Well, Ron ended the day with a score of 2626-121x to add 2009 to his list of State Championships! In second place was Vernon Ferguson of Coatsville, PA. Vernon fired a score of 2605-104x. Finishing third was Russ Wallander from Pleasant Gap, PA, with a score of 2589-89x.

There were three shooters from New York who made the trip to Wilkes-Barre and at Moraine there were 12 shooters from Ohio in competition. In fact the high scoring shooter at Moraine was Kim Hobart from New Philadelphia, OH. Kim has been the National Women's Champion at Camp Perry in the past and is coming back from some health issues. Looks like she is doing this well as she fired a score of 2617- 109x to lead all shooters at Moraine! This always makes the competition better.

There was a Distinguished Revolver match fired at Moraine. The top score was posted by Russ Wallander with a 280-4x. As Russ is already Distinguished, Tom Mix from Ebensburg, PA, fired a score of 262-4x and received the points toward his Distinguished that put him over the top and he is now Distinguished! Well done Tom! There also was an Excellence in Competition Match fired at Moraine. This is a 30 round Service Pistol Match. Top honors were won by Glen Brunken with his score of 271-5x.

Once again, thanks to the clubs for hosting this important match. We look forward to the Indoor season and next year. Congratulations to Ron Steinbrecher, 2009 State Outdoor Pistol Champion and to all the Class Champions!

The following is a list of all the Pennsylvania competitors' scores by classification:

High Master:

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| Ron Steinbrecher | 2626-121 |
| Vernon Ferguson | 2605-104 |
| Russ Wallander | 2589-89 |
| Brian Keyser | 2586-102 |

Master:

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| Steve Gibbons | 2609-106 |
| Patrick Kelly Jr. | 2608-95 |
| Dave Casterline | 2564-73 |
| G. Herbert Young | 2511-74 |
| Tom Mix | 2481-74 |

Expert:

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|-----------------|---------|
| Dave Prepelka | 2554-62 |
| Robert Dipasqua | 2523-84 |
| Don Wharton | 2507-54 |
| Dennis Kriek | 2505-56 |
| Eric Kennedy | 2489-55 |
| Paul Karpich | 2474-70 |
| John Zebel | 2426-46 |
| Steve Welsh | 2377-41 |
| Glen Brunken | 2357-41 |
| Brian Jesteadt | 2338-38 |
| Stephen Gustkey | 2241-24 |
| Tony Brong | 2149-58 |

Sharpshooter:

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| George Jatras | 2493-52 |
| Alex Freoni | 2425-42 |
| Gerald Green | 2406-38 |
| Kirk Anderson | 2381-44 |
| Stephan Mitrosky | 2254-27 |
| James Foertsch | 2252-29 |
| David Juna | 2226-32 |
| Charles Winschuh | 2224-15 |
| James Carras | 2209-21 |

Marksman:

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| Bruce Smith III | 2493-64 |
| Chris Peterson | 2325-38 |
| Kenneth Manko | 2271-34 |
| Mike Brygider | 2136-30 |
| Troy Cashdollar | 1865-14 |

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DAVE HEETER EASTERN REGIONAL CHAMPION
Submitted by - John O'Donnell – Match Director RRC, BPCR

Dave Heeter of Emlenton, Pa. is now the 2009 BPCR Silhouette Eastern Regional Champion and Gold Medal winner after shooting an impressive total aggregate score of 66 out of 80. Dave took the match in a final shoot-off with Brian Chilson of Nelson, Pa. who also finished with 66 out of 80. Even though plenty of rain was in the forecast for the weekend of September 26 & 27 in Ridgway, Pennsylvania, the two day Regional was very well attended with 60 shooters braving cool, wet conditions.

Chilson achieved a feat that had yet to be done in BPCR Silhouette shooting. In the Scope class, Brian shot down all 10 Chickens and then to top that off he cleaned all the other banks of animals to achieve a perfect 40 out of 40. This was Brian's 5th Eastern Regional Scope Championship and Gold Medal with a National Record score of 73/80. As we all know this is a "team" sport as it takes more than the person behind the trigger to make each shot count and his wife, Debbie, is one of the best spotters around. Together they make a formidable team who constantly communicate between each other to arrive at that one best setup for each and every shot fired down range. It is this dedication and perseverance for excellence that has helped achieve this National Record.

Ten States were represented at this Eastern Championship: Pennsylvania, Ohio, Virginia, Maryland, New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Oregon, Michigan and North Carolina. We didn't see any sunshine and in fact over the two days we had about 50% rain coverage. On Saturday, the rain was light and sporadic throughout the day. Sunday was a different matter. The rain, hard at times, started early and lasted until late morning with the black powder smoke hanging close to the ground making visibility difficult. Winds were quite light for both days making spotting a bit easier to contend with.

Dave Heeter (66/80) was aggregate Match Winner for the Regional and also Match Winner for Saturday (32/40) and Second Open (34/40) on Sunday. Brian Chilson (66/80) was Second Open, Silver Medal winner, for the Regional, Third Open for Saturday (31/40) and Match Winner (35/40) for Sunday. Bob Bloyer, Front Royal, Virginia, took Third Open and the Bronze Medal with an aggregate score of 61 out of 80. Bob also scored well on both days taking Second Open on Saturday and First Master Sunday with scores of 31 and 30 respectively.

First Master for the Regional event went to Ross Arnfield from Lisbon, Ohio, with a total two day score of 58 out of 80. Ross also took First Master for Saturday with a score of 30 out of 40. Jacob Bly of Stephens City, Virginia, took First AAA for the Regional Match with an aggregate score of 57 out of 80 and he won Third Open (31/40) on Sunday. Jacob also set two National Records for Intermediate Junior with his aggregate score of 58 and single day score of 31. Arvid Englund (48/80) was our First AA winner and he also took Second AA (25/40) on Saturday. Albert Ogden (40/80) took First A for the aggregate and he also took First A (20/40) on Saturday and Second A (20/40) Sunday.

Brian won the Gold Medal in the Scope Class. Bob Bloyer won the Silver Medal by placing Second Scope in the championship with a score of 57 out of 80. Bob also won Second Scope (31/40) on Sunday. Ed Heeter took the Bronze Medal and Third Scope championship with a score of 53 out of 80 in a shoot off against Roger Tremba.

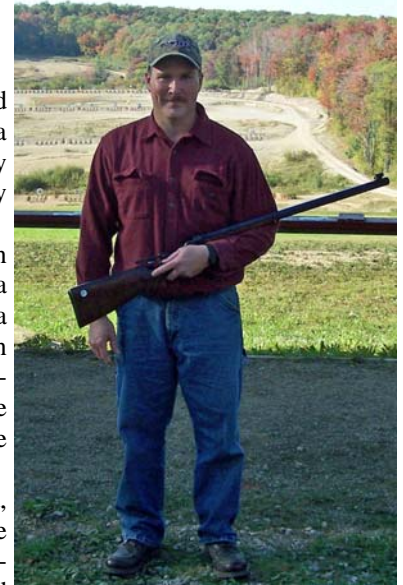
Bob Bloyer (61) took High Senior Iron Sight and Ed Heeter (53) took High Senior Scope. Ruth Kanzeg (48) was our High Women and Jacob Bly (57) was the High Junior for the championship. High Team in Iron Sight competition was Brian Chilson, Ross Arnfield and Dave Heeter with a combined score of 190. High Team Scope was Brian Chilson, Ed Heeter and Roger Tremba with a combined score of 179.

A new class for the Championship was "Iron Man" consisting of competitors shooting both scope and iron sights in the same match. Gold Medal was taken by Chilson with 66 in iron and 73 in scope for a grand total of 139. The Silver Medal was taken by Bloyer with 61 in iron and 57 in scope for a grand total of 118. Bronze Medal was taken by John Haagen with 52 in iron and 49 in scope for a grand total of 101.

We had several new National Records shot at this Regional Championship. Jodi Decker shot a new women's National Record in Scope with a 45 out of 80. Jacob Bly, who is 17 years old, shot a single day score of 31 on Sunday, beating his first National Record in Intermediate Junior Class of 27. Jacob's combined two day score of 57 sets a new National Record beating his old record of 54. Brian Chilson achieved two individual records at this Eastern Regional Championship. Brian's two day score of 75 Scope Competition beats his old record of 68. As stated above Brian's perfect score of 40 is a new National Record for a single day Scope class beating his old record of 35. Grand Slams for this match start with Brian's ten straight Chickens; Mike Shamonsky and Walter Smith ten straight in Turkeys, and for ten straight in pigs we had Albert Ogden and Ernie Bennett.

The Ridgway Rifle Club and all attendees would like to congratulate all the winners and National Record holders in this 2009 Eastern Regional BPCR Silhouette Championship. Just an outstanding job done by all!

Like the State Championship this past June we had some wonderful prizes donated by many companies and individuals. The Ridgway Rifle Club would like to thank Starline Brass, Montana Vintage Arms, MidwayUSA, SPG, Inc., Kermit Hoke, Dixie Gun Works, Wolfe Publishing, Buffalo Arms, CH Tool & Die/4-D Custom Die Co., C. Sharps Arms Co., Inc., King Machine Service, Ltd., Log Cabin Shop, Powder, Inc., Puff-Lon, Redding Reloading Equipment, John Walters, and Shiloh Sharps for their fantastic donations. Their dedication and support to our shooting sport help make it that much more enjoyable for everyone.



MCDONALD SPORTSMEN'S ASSOCIATION SEPTEMBER BPCR MATCH

Submitted by Dana Knezevich

A bright sky, minor winds and pleasant temperatures prevailed during the September 5, 2009 BPCR Silhouette match at McDonald Sportsmen's Club. Current National Scope Champion, Brian Chilson, won the scope class with a score of 29/40. The Iron Sight class win went to Ohio shooter Ross Arnfield with a 33/40. Arnfield didn't shoot any perfect scores, but his consistent high averages gave him the impressive winning score. John Haagen had a busy day shooting the scope and iron sight categories. Haagen finished with scores of 28/40 in both. His 28 gave him second place in the scope class, but in the iron sight class his 28 was tied with Bill Simmen and Andy Knez. A shoot-off was required and Haagen had to shoot five more shots to finally take 2nd place in the iron sight class. Knez finished in 3rd and Bill Simmen settled for 1st AAA. Mike Shamonsky took 2nd AAA and Steve Maurer was 1st Master. Tom Barr won the AA class and Rodney Barton won the combined A & B class. A three way shoot-off for 2nd A & B was required, with Frank Cochran outscoring Herb Kanzeg and Stanley Waddingham.



SCOPE WINNER BRIAN CHILSON
&
IRON SIGHT WINNER
ROSS ARNFIELD

MATCH & CLASS WINNERS

FRONT ROW L TO R: Brian Chilson - Scope Winner, Andy Knez - 3rd AAA, John Haagen - 2nd Scope & 2nd Iron Sight, Ross Arnfield - Iron Sight Winner.
BACK ROW L TO R: Bill Simmen - 1st AAA, Frank Cochran - 2nd A/B, Mike Shamonsky - 2nd AAA, Tom Barr - 1st AA. Missing from photo: Steve Maurer - 1st Master & Rodney Barton - 1st A/B.



MCDONALD SPORTSMEN'S ASSOCIATION OCTOBER BPCR MATCH

Submitted by Dana Knezevich

Thirty four shooters, from Pennsylvania, Ohio, Kentucky, Virginia, West Virginia and Maryland attended McDonald Sportsmen's October 3, 2009 BPCR Silhouette Match. Gusty tailwinds kept the overall scores lower than usual, but the match winners persevered and tallied very good numbers. Bob Bloyer, traveling from Virginia won the iron sight aggregate. His score of 29/40 was one point better than 2nd place finisher, Ross Arnfield's 28/40. Due to a statistical error, 3rd place in the iron sight aggregate was not determined by the normal shoot-off procedure, but was shared jointly by Steve Maurer and Ken White, each with scores of 27/40. John Whitcomb took 1st Master and John Haagen, who shot both irons and scope in the match, was 2nd Master. Mike Shamonsky won AAA class, with Dana Knezevich and Andy Knez sharing 2nd AAA position. Jim Radcliffe won 1st AA and Ruth Ann Kanzeg took 2nd AA. The combined A & B class was won by Frank Cochran and John Kyle took 2nd.

Current National Scope Champion, Brian Chilson had to work hard for the scope win. He was tied with Roger Tremba (each with 31/40 scores) at the end of the match. After five shoot-off shots they were still tied, but on the sixth shot (and Tremba's last bullet), Chilson downed his chicken and Tremba missed, giving Chilson the scope win and Tremba 2nd scope. John Haagen finished 3rd in the scope class. The number of scope shooters seems to be increasing in every match (twelve scope shooters in this match).



MATCH & CLASS

WINNERS

FRONT ROW L TO R:
John Haagen - 2nd Master & 3rd Scope, Roger Tremba - 2nd Scope, Brian Chilson - 1st Scope, Bob Bloyer - 1st Iron Sight, Ross Arnfield - 2nd Iron Sight, Steve Maurer - 3rd Iron Sight.

BACK ROW L TO R:
Jim Radcliffe - 1st AA, Frank Cochran - 1st A/B, Andy Knez - 2nd AAA, Dana Knezevich - 2nd AAA, Ruth Ann Kanzeg - 2nd AA, John Whitcomb - 1st Master, Ken White - 3rd Iron Sight, Mike Shamonsky - 1st AAA. Missing from photo:



SCOPE WINNER BRIAN CHILSON
AND
IRON SIGHT WINNER
BOB BLOYER

MCDONALD SPORTSMEN'S ASSOCIATION NOVEMBER BPCR MATCH

Submitted by Dana Knezevich

The 2009 McDonald Sportsmen's Club BPCR Silhouette season came to an end on November 7th with beautiful weather, but tricky conditions for shooters and their spotters. Ross Arnfield stayed consistent all day to post the winning iron sight score of 30 out of a possible 40. Mike Shamonsky came in 2nd iron sight with the excellent score of 26. Tim Gifford, Steve Maurer and Chuck Troy tied for 3rd place iron sight, and they needed to shoot off on chickens to determine the winner. Chuck Troy was victorious, Steve Maurer became 1st Master and Tim Gifford was 1st AAA. Ken White came in 2nd AAA, Jim Radcliffe won 1st AA and Rodney Barton was 1st in the combined A & B class. Brian Chilson and his wife/spotter Debbie, who are the best shooting team in the country, won 1st Scope with a score of 34. Roger Tremba came in 2nd Scope.



SCOPE WINNER BRIAN CHILSON
&
IRON SIGHT WINNER
ROSS ARNFIELD

MCDONALD SPORTSMEN'S CLUB
BPCR SILHOUETTE MATCH
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MATCH & CLASS WINNERS

FRONT ROW L TO R: Roger Tremba - 2nd Scope, Brian Chilson - Scope Winner, Ross Arnfield - Iron Sight Winner.

BACK ROW L TO R: Jim Radcliffe - 1st AA, Tim Gifford - 1st AAA, Rodney Barton - 1st A/B, Steve Maurer - 1st Master, Chuck Troy - 3rd Iron Sight, Mike Shamonsky - 2nd Iron Sight.

MISSING FROM PHOTO: Ken White - 2nd AAA.

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JUNIORS AT CAMP BUTNER

This summer, while most of their counterparts were soaking up rays at the local pool or earning money in the various economic pursuits of today's teenagers, one group of young adults from across the state spent a week improving their marksman – and woman – ship skills.

The group of 12 arrived at Camp Butner, NC on Saturday, June 20 for the 2009 Eastern U.S. Junior Highpower Clinic and Championship and checked into barracks-style dormitories, replete with open bay showers and no air conditioning. Beginning bright and early the next day at 0700 (7 a.m. for civilians) they began receiving instruction from USMC Rifle Team members and other military personnel. The week is designed to bring both new and experienced junior shooters together to learn from the best and from each other. They also competed against one another in individual matches and as part of a coached team.

Coursework consisted not only of the finer points of shooting in standing, sitting and prone positions; slow and rapid fire, but also things such as the effects of weather and mirage and mental management. These are things that are hard for some adult shooters grasp, let alone a group of under-21's.

Parents and supporters back here in PA were able to watch as the scores and photos of the weeks' activities were posted online. Tuesday they competed in the Billy Atkins Team Match, a 500 point aggregate two-shooter coached match. Mark Granche, 18, a 2009 graduate of Plum High School in Pittsburgh, took the gold in that match, paired randomly with another junior shooter George Wilson. Their winning score was 914-14.



Mark Granche, second from right, with his winning partner and their coach Billy Atkins, after receiving their awards.

Wednesday was the Bushmaster Trophy Match, an 800 point aggregate across the course match with sighters; possibly the first time some of the juniors in attendance had even looked at a target an imposing 600 yards away.

The PA Juniors' contingent was made up of Matt Gillenburger of Mt. Lebanon; Mark Granche of Plum; Joe Hendricks, Jr. of Wexford; Elyse Horomanski of Monroeville; Jenna Horomanski of Monroeville; Marie Horomanski of Monroeville; Jon Organ of Irwin; Alex Thomas of Greensburg; Trent Thomas of Penn; Michael Treadway of Quakertown; Tyler Werner of Murrysville and Karl Yauneridge of Irwin. Treadway was the high shooter from the state, ranking 12th overall, with a score for the week of 1777-18.

Junior Director Robert Eikey said he wanted to thank the parents who volunteered a week of their time to travel with and chaperone the shooters. They were Kurt Horomanski, Chris Seitz, Scott Thomas, Steve Thomas and Bill Yauneridge.

Even though the days were long, hard and hot, the juniors had time to socialize with the other shooters and make new friends at one evening of pizza courtesy of Bushmaster and an awards ceremony cookout on Thursday as the week wrapped up. Friday they headed home and traveled back to their home state through a downpour in Maryland; tired but better shooters nonetheless and ready to face even greater competition in August at the National Matches in Port Clinton, OH.

Please contact the Association Directors with your questions about their programs.

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PA SHOOTING SPOTS N' DATES

Notice to PRPA Clubs: Over a period of time, some of the PA Shooting Spots n' Dates listings become 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. Located 30 miles east of Hollidaysburg, 9 miles west of Huntingdon. Membership-\$15, w/key-\$20. Contact: Chuck Metz - 814-669-9063, Terry Lightner - 814-643-1851, tlight@pennswoods.net.

ATGLEN SPORTSMEN'S CLUB - Lower rifle range: 100, 50, 25 yd, 10 pt covered firing line. Pistol range-25 yd-80' covered firing line & 2 bowling pin tables. Muzzleloading/Shotgun range-100,75,50,25 yd, 8pt covered firing line. Walk thru woods Archery, Practice Archery-15-50 yd-80 yd, 3-D Archery. Upper Range: Smallbore rifle Silhouette to 100m-First Sunday of month, Apr-Oct, 3rd Sat, Mar-Sept--High Power Rifle/Hunting Rifle Silhouette to 500m, Target Backers & Swingers. Indoor-Air Rifle/Pistol, Smallbore Rifle/Pistol, Archery, SCCYSL-Youth Shooting League. Sporting Clays-Wed 6-9 pm & 1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday at 10 am. For info: P.O. Box 35, Parkesburg, PA, 19365. Clubhouse phone: 610-593-6096. website: 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. 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, 4-H 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. 2009 Regional Action Pistol Match, July 18, 2009. 2009 Keystone Cup NRA Registered Action Pistol Match: July 19, 2009. George W. Martin, President/Match Chairman, 1335 Brechbill Rd, Chambersburg, PA 17201, 717-263-4429 after 4:30 pm, antiquebears@comcast.net.

CLARION RIFLE & PISTOL CLUB - Located north of Clarion on Rt. 66 behind J&L Sporting Goods. President Don Fulmer, 814-226-9199.

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.

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 knife and hawk throwing matches 2nd 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.

DORMONT- MT.LEBANON SPORTSMEN'S CLUB— Shooting sessions through October 4, 2008. Third Sunday, Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP), 11:00AM, with 9:30 sign-up/safety orientation; First and Third Sunday, 5-Stand, 9:00AM-1:00PM; Monday, Outdoor Pistol, NMC and MPRL, 6:00PM; Tuesday, Trap, 7:00-10:00PM; Fifth Wednesday, Tres Bandidos, 6:00PM; Second Saturday August, First Saturday September- October , NRA Rifle 9:00AM; Fourth Saturday, Pistol Silhouette, 9:00AM. Special Matches: Springfield, July 27; Registered Prone, August 2-3; Garand Memorial, September 16. For information call 412-531-5043, or visit www.mdi.net/dml.

DUBOIS RIFLE & PISTOL CLUB - located just off I-80, Exit 101 in DuBois. Meetings are held the second Wednesday of every month at 7:00 PM except July and August. New members welcomed. For membership contact Joanne Pentz 814-583-5530 pentz22@yahoo.com. 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. Schedule also posted at 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/ 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 570-378- 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@angeltchcomputing.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 or E-mail to 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.

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. email web-master with any questions or call clubhouse 2 to 4pm Saturdays 717-545-6834.

JEFFERSON RIFLE CLUB - The Jefferson Outlaws, a group of Cowboy Action shooters, will be holding monthly Cowboy Action shoots every third Saturday starting March 21, 2009. Registration: 8:30 am. Cost: \$10.00 per match. Info at www.jeffersonriflclub.com. Contact Oracle Jones on 410-239-6795 or Colt Starbucks on 410-902-7939. The public is welcome to observe the matches, but ear and eye protection are mandatory.

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.

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

LEWISTOWN PISTOL CLUB, INC—25 Ridge Runner Lane, Lewistown, PA 17044. 717-248-8375, www.lewistownpistolclub.com. .22 caliber Grocery Shoots every Saturday, Jan-March. NRA Conventional Pistol (bulls-eye) practice every Wed evening year-round. PPC/Action Pistol shoots & IDPA Pistol matches once a month from April-Oct. PA State Service Pistol Championship in June. Yankee 3600 shooting match in September. Info: President@lewistownpistolclub.com or Chris at 717-248-9726.

MARS ROD & GUN CLUB – Affiliated NRA, PR&PA, PFSC. Meets first Thursday of month at 7:00. Pistol-25 and 50 yard. Rifle-75 and 100 yard. Trap every Tuesday at 6:00. 3-D shoots. Call 724-538-9392 for more information.

MCDONALD SPORTSMEN'S CLUB -Indoor pistol, smallbore rifle & archery range. 600 yard rifle and 100 meter pistol range with covered firing line. Trap & skeet, 3-D archery, Cowboy Action and USPSA Shooting. Varmint Shoots at 200, 300, 400, & 500 meters—contact Larry Auten, 724-695-0721. For information and directions, contact Club President, Bernie Dhans at 724-796-2271, P.O. Box 636, Midway, PA 15060 or go to www.mcdonaldsportsmen.com. Black Powder Cartridge Rifle Silhouette Matches—4/5, 5/3, 6/7 & 8, 7/5, 8/2, 9/6, 10/4, 11/1, Contact John Powers: 724-466-1714, P.O. Box 218, New Brighton, PA 15066.

McKEAN COUNTY RIFLE CLUB - Rt. 770 between Rt. 219, Bradford and Rt. 59, Marshburg. Club hosts monthly "Cowboy Lever Action, P.C.-C.L.A. and Rimfire Cowboy Silhouette" shoots, hunter pistol and smallbore rifle silhouette. For more info contact Rob Drummond, 10 Drummond Hollow, Bradford, PA 16701, 814-362-2281, drumrob@pennswoods.net or Alan Bean, 461 Bolivar Drive, Bradford, PA 16701, 814-368-3007 (H), 814-368-4880 (W) or e-mail - nylabean@pennswoods.net.

McKEESPORT SPORTSMEN'S ASSN.—P.O. Box 448, North Versailles, PA 15137, Physical: Route 48, 1 mile south of Route 30 in North Versailles. Club is in White Oak. Trap, skeet, bowling pins, archery, indoor pistol (50f), outdoor pistol 10, 15, 25 and 50 yards covered, outdoor rifle 50, 100, 200 yards covered. Numerous shoots throughout the year in all disciplines, junior program, hunter safety, archery, home safety, self defense, NRA instructor courses, CMP matches, and air gun. Contact: Jim Kerr 724-331-1880, 223845@comcast.net

MECHANICSBURG SPORTSMEN'S ASSN. NRA/CMP affiliated, NRA-approved high power rifle matches (conventional & sporter), Highpower Clinic, NRA Instructor Classes, NRA Range Safety Officer and Basic classes, NRA Sporter Air Rifle Leagues year around, Indoor & outdoor archery, trap, stocked fishing pond, picnic area/pavilions, outdoor 25-, 50-, 100-yard ranges (covered firing points), indoor .22 range, indoor center fire pistol range, block shoots, 4-H Shooting Sports Club, Hunter-Trapper Education classes. For event information and contacts, visit our web site—www.msa-pa.org. For membership information, call Leonard Burg, 717-796-9366.

MIFFLIN COUNTY SPORTSMEN'S ASSN, INC - Rifle range out to 1000 yds with 16 concrete benches under pavilion. Groundhog matches April-Sept, Black Powder Cartridge Shoots, Pistol range with pavilion, scheduled Combat Pistol shoots April-Oct, 3-D Archery, Trap, 5-Stand range with pavilion, lights have been added for night shooting. Hunter Ed classes are held 2-3 times a year. Phone 717-247-2640. www.mifflincosportsmens.com.

MOHNTON FISH AND GAME PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION - Located just south of Reading. 280 acres of land which may be hunted. Modern club house with banquet hall, kitchen, and bar. 100-yard Rifle Range with covered firing line. 50-yard Pistol Range with covered firing line and lights for evening shoots. Two trap houses with automated throwers and microphone releases. Archery practice range and walk through course. Winter Air Gun shooting in basement. Berks Pistol Club is associated with our club and shoots every Wednesday evening. We also have a Quoits League, throwing every Tuesday evening under lights. Call or email Dennis Eichley at 610-929-0439 or NraMbr4Lif@aol.com for information or directions.

MORAIN CONSERVATION AND SPORTSMEN'S ASSN - Welcomes all members and guests to monthly meetings the second Monday at 8:00 p.m. Club on Staff Road, Slippery Rock. For info, contact Rick Sinclair 724-753-0177.

NESSMUK ROD & GUN CLUB - PA Route 287, between Wellsboro and Morris. PA. CMP, NRA, & PA R&PA enrolled club. 100% NRA club. Trap and skeet (both have voice release) every Saturday afternoon, 1 PM. Informal indoor 22 pistol (50 ft) on Tuesday evenings, 6 PM, when standard time (Nov-Mar) is in affect. Club meetings, 7 PM first Wednesday of month. Dave Wilcox, nrgpr08@epix.net w/ subject "NRG Question", come to club event, or write to PO Box 228, Wellsboro, PA 16901.

RIDGWAY RIFLE CLUB - National quality smallbore and high power silhouette ranges, sporting clays, indoor 50-foot, 10-position range. Meetings 1st Thursday at 8:00 p.m. 2008 Silhouette Matches: Small bore-Apr 19, May 17, Aug 16, Sep 20. High power-Apr 20, May 18, Aug 17, Sep 21. May 24 & 25-Eastern Regional Small bore Super Shoot. Cast Bullet Championship XXIV & J.Tom Manno Memorial Match VII: June 13, 14, & 15. Sierra Classic High Power Regional: June 7 & 8. Small bore National Warm Up: July 5. Small bore Nationals: July 6, 7, & 8. High Power Nationals: July 10, 11, & 12. Lever Action Jubilee: Nov 1 & 2. PA State Silhouette Championships will be in Williamsport: Small bore-Sep 13 & 14; High Power-Sep 27 & 28. High Power Rifle & Hunting Rifle Silhouette matches. Call Mark Holsopple 814-929-5826 with questions. Directions, pre-registration, match schedule call club president, Jon Heatherdale, 814-772-2244. Club phone 814-772-6510. Email - ridgwayrifleclub.com.

SAINT THOMAS SPORTSMEN CLUB—2009 Groundhog Shoot: April 25, May 16, June 6, July 11, Aug 8 & 29, Sep 26, Oct 17, 2009. Fun shoots every Tue starting 9:00 am, Cash awards, 200-300-400 yds, www.geocities.com/groundhogshoot. Info & directions: Thurman Finniff 717-369-2126, Robert Sheriff 717-243-8066.

SOMERSET RIFLE & PISTOL ASSOCIATION— located just south of Somerset, Exit 110 of the PA Turnpike. Meetings on the second Thursday, Jan-May, Sep-Dec at 8 pm. Outdoor 100 and 200 yard range with 5 covered benches. 25-yard indoor range with electronically timed turning targets. 50-foot light rifle standing league on Sunday at 5 pm, Jan-March. NRA conventional pistol league, Mon at 7 pm, Jan-Mar. 25-yd 22 rimfire benchrest league on Wednesday at 7 pm, Jan-Mar. We are the home range for the Somerset Area School District Rifle team. State Indoor Conventional Pistol Match, April 4 & 5, 2009. Info: Dennis Afton, 814-442-2675, somerset.pistol@yahoo.com.

SOUTH FORK RIFLE CLUB - Beaverdale, PA-NRA 2700 Match Aug 2nd (Jeff, 814-886-8879). Western PA Long Range Groundhog Matches-6/8, 7/6, 8/3, 9/7, and Worlds Championship-Sept 27-28 (Joe, 814-736-8652). Centerfire Bench Rest Matches-6/22, 7/20, 8/17, 9/21, 10/5 (Thad, 814-446-4115). Indoor Pistol leagues-Jan-Mar.

TULPEHOCKEN RIFLE & PISTOL CLUB—Monthly NRA High Power Rifle Matches (200 yd), Monthly NRA Bullseye Pistol Matches, Monthly "Combat Pistol" matches (steel targets, lead bullets only), Combat Shotgun Matches. Located in Pine Grove, PA. For directions, dates, or more info, see www.tulrpc.com or call Peter J. Angstadt, Secretary at 717-933-5422, leave a message or e-mail gunguy45@verizon.net.

TYRONE SPORTSMEN ASSOCIATION -- Monthly Club Meetings held every 3rd Tuesday of each month at 8:00 pm. Members and guests are welcome. For more information or details, contact: Jerry McCoy—(814) 684-5010, Lee Stringer—(814) 684-3859, or Ray Stringer—(814) 684-4496.

WESTERN PA. 30 CALIBER LEAGUE - Membership - adults \$40/yr, family \$50, juniors \$15/yr (Apr-Mar). Match Fees - \$15 adults, \$10 juniors. Conventional High Power matches (88 rds, 200, 300, 600 yds). HP Regional Championship, LEG. HP Long Range Regional. State Service Rifle Championship. 1000 yd bench rest matches. State Championship. 1000 yd prone & F-Class. 600 yd prone & F-Class. Sniper Match. M1 & Springfield Match. PA State Long Range Championship. See schedule on page 13 of newsletter or check out web site. Reade Range: north of Tyrone near Allemans. Tom Ferraro: 724-352-0234 or Jack Lee: 724-865-2597. www.readerange.org.

WHITE OAK ROD & GUN CLUB, INC. - Meets first Monday of the month at 7:30pm, Skeet and 5 Stand every Wed. and Fri. 7-9pm, High Power CMP matches second Sunday of the month 9-11am, Indoor Archery every Thur. 6-9 pm, scheduled 3-D archery shoots, 5 Stand, 100 target Sporting Clays, Black Powder shoots, Bowling Pin shoots, Hunter Trapper Ed classes, Women, Youth and community Police programs (all events are open to the public) Club is located off Route 30, 4 miles west of PA Turnpike Exit 67 in Westmoreland County at 600 Skellytown Rd., North Huntingdon, PA 15642-1377. New membership inquiries and info visit www.whiteoakrodandgun.com or call the clubhouse 724-863-9941.

WHITE OAK SHOOTING CLUB - Trap & skeet open to the public every Thurs., 6:00 p.m., Sun. 1:00 p.m. Indoor/outdoor pistol ranges, indoor smallbore rifle, ATA registered shoots (Doubles capable), 200 yd, High Power CMP matches. Club dues \$25 year. Club located N.W. Mercer County at 26 Amasa Road, 2 ½ miles North of Greenville on Rt. 18. For more information, contact Dwane Pears 724-588-4503 or e-mail whiteoakclub@yahoo.com.

WILKES-BARRE RIFLE & PISTOL CLUB - Muhlenburg, PA--12 miles south of Wilkes-Barre. 50 point rifle range--out to 300 yards, 28 point pistol range with turning targets, Ranges have covered firing points with concrete pads, IDPA, Metallic Silhouette, High Power Rifle, Conventional Pistol, Small bore Prone Regional, W.B. Memorial Match, Turkey Shoot, For complete schedule, contact: Wayne Bell, Secretary, www.wbrp.org, 570-254-6267

YORK RIFLE RANGE ASSOCIATION, INC.— Hellam Township, York County. Indoor and outdoor ranges and clubhouse. Indoor is 50' and 8 points, outdoor pistol has 4 points up to 25 yards, and rifle has 27 point small bore 50yds & 100 yards, 12 point high power—200 yards with pits, 8 bench points 50, 100, 200 yards, 2nd. Sat each month - Junior shooting (rifle, pistol, shotgun). NRA-approved 80-shot Regional Match Course—4th Sunday each month, Apr - Sept. Call Beverly Throne, 717-244-8612. www.yorkriflemen.org.

ZERBE TWP. ROD & GUN CLUB - Affiliated NRA, PR&PA, USA Shooting. New shooters & juniors welcome. 12-point indoor 50-foot range, 10-M air, sporting clays trap, skeet, indoor/outdoor archery, 3D, Zerbe R&G Club, P.O. Box 552, Trevorton, PA 17881 or 570-797-3351, 570-797-1618 or Bill Earnest at 570-797-4872

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Keystone Sportsmen's Assn. Inc – Located South of Muncy on Hughes Rd. Monthly rifle, trap and pistol matches. NRA High Power: June 13, July 11, Aug 08, Sept 05, Oct 03 Contact Barry Heiser 570-538-3143. ATA Trap: May 23-25, June 6,7,16,23,27,28&30, July 7,14,18,19,21&28, Aug 4,11,18,21-23&25, Sept 26&27, Oct 10,11,24&25, Nov 7,8,21&22. Open trap shoots: Thursdays 5-9pm. Contact Roy Belcher 570-326-5549. IDPA Pistol: June 20, July 25, Aug 15, Sept 19, Oct 17, Nov 14. Open pistol shoots: Mondays 6-8pm. Contact Dennis Marshall 570-322-1685. Clubhouse 570-546-5779 www.keystonesportsmenassociation.com
St Thomas Ground Hog Match Schedule—Sept 26, Fall Championship--Oct 17. All matches start at 9 AM. Fun Shoots begin first Tuesday in April thru end of September starting at 9 AM

BACK FROM THE ASHES

Submitted by Steve Lee Parsons, PR&PA Director

Last January we had a house fire resulting in 15 guns damaged by fire and smoke. I had very good Homeowners Insurance (Allstate “Deluxe” Policy) , and also the supplemental NRA sponsored (Arms Care) Firearms Insurance against fire and theft loss. I hope that what follows may be useful information should any fellow members have the same misfortune.

I contacted NRA and told them I was submitting a claim. Their response was that my Homeowners Policy was the first resort and that my NRA policy was residual or secondary coverage in the event that Allstate failed to cover the loss. Allstate, like most other insurance companies, has limited firearms coverage for theft, but will cover all losses due to fire, flood, etc. Over the course of the next few months I found that Allstate was much more reasonable to deal with, relative to proof of firearms ownership, valuation, etc. than were NRA and it’s Insurance carrier. As the claim progressed, I decided that I had no need for the NRA coverage, and dealt with Allstate for all my firearms loss. I had six guns totally restored by my local Gunsmith. Once again, Allstate covered the restoration cost, without questions. I wrote off four guns as a total loss and am restoring, refinishing the balance by myself. Allstate gave me fair compensation for all items claimed, and even covered the loss of some ammo, cartridge belts, and other accessories damaged by the fire.

Since moving back into my house last month, I have invested in a floor safe. There are some good buys available, as with other commodities, and, you should check the fire rating i.e., what temperature over what period of time, will the safe protect its contents (e.g. 1700 degrees for 1 hour, etc) ADT Security Alarm systems are also available at discounted rates, for both burglary and fire alarm systems, installed, cost range is \$35/month and up, depending on how many access doors, and windows wireless versus hard wired sensors, need for motion detectors etc. (do not get a motion detector if you have house pets, dogs or cats especially).

Last but not least, and information well worth repeating, get out your Home Owners Insurance policy, call your agent, and get the maximum coverage, especially on personal contents, temporary housing, structure coverage, that is allowed. If you add up your total cash outlay for Home Owner Insurance coverage over however many years, you will find that it is a fraction of the cost of just one “catastrophic loss” due to fire, flood, or other natural disasters.