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PRPA PISTOL SHOOTERS WIN NATIONAL CIVILIAN SERVICE PISTOL CHAMPIONSHIP

Submitted by Jeff Lloyd, Pistol Director

Pistol shooters in Pennsylvania use the month of June to get ready for Camp Perry in July. When July comes around, most are ready and this year it seems that they were more than ready! This year the weather fully co-operated—remember last year's downpour and the muck! This year, there was only one day that I got wet! The heat that usually is pretty intense was not an issue as there was low humidity and a nice breeze. A little more than a breeze was to be contended with on Thursday during the .22 Championships but, all in all, nice weather.

PRPA sponsored three NRA teams this year. We had a High Master Classified team, PRPA Gold: Captain - Brian Keyser from Birdsboro, PA - Russ Wallander (Pleasant Gap, PA) – Joe Urish (Butler, PA) – Brian Dean (Butler, PA) – Tom Mix (Ebensburg, PA).

The second team was an Expert team, PRPA Silver: Captain - Jeff Lloyd (Cresson, PA) – Jeff Lutz (Annville, PA) – Tony Brong (Harrisburg, PA) – Glen Brunken (Slippery Rock, PA) – Dennis Kriek (Glenshaw, PA).

The third team was a Sharpshooter team, PRPA Bronze: Captain - Steven Welsh (Stroudsburg, PA) - James Carras (Fleming, PA) – Clem Arlinghaus (Exton, PA) – Alex Freoni (Berlin, PA) – Mike Brygider (Stroudsburg, PA).

PRPA also sponsored the PRPA Service Pistol Team that competed in the Civilian Marksmanship Program Team matches: Captain - Russ Wallander – Brian Keyser - Partick Kelly Jr. (Lewistown, PA) - Joe Urish – Steve Gibbons (Lewistown, PA) - and Tony Brong, who was the “New Shooter” The new shooter is a person who has not fired on a Service Pistol match at Perry in the past. They can only be classified “New Shooter” once. The new shooter is picked at the State Championship Match at the Lewistown Pistol Club, and is the highest scoring shooter having not fired on a Service Pistol Team at Camp Perry. Each team must include a “New Shooter”. Congratulations, Tony, for being named “New Shooter”!

The teams always use the scores fired in the individual matches fired earlier that day to determine the 4 firing members on that day. This only applies if there are more than 4 team members, as was the case this year. As stated earlier, the .22 Team Championship was fired in quite a stiff breeze! This hurt the scores a little, but the teams still had a pretty good showing!

In the .22 Team Championship, the Gold Team finished in 3rd place out of 3 teams in the High Master Classification, the Silver Team finished in 17th place out of 21 teams in the Expert Classification, and the Bronze Team finished in 2nd place out of 10 teams.

The Center Fire Team Championship was fired on Friday and the weather was much improved as far as the wind was concerned. The Gold Team won their classification in Center Fire, 17 points ahead of the second place team! The Silver Team finished the day in second place, a good recovery! The Bronze Team continued their good showing, finishing in 5th place.

The .45 Championship was fired on Saturday. The weather still was co-operating and the teams did well. The Gold Team won this match! That gave them 2 wins overall! The Silver Team finished in second place, continuing the recovery! The Bronze Team helped out by finishing 3rd in the match!

When the final results were posted, the Gold Team found themselves in 2nd place overall! A really good showing in the highest classification! The Silver Team finished in 6th place. That .22 score hurt, but not so bad, in what many view as, the toughest classification to compete in! The Bronze Team finished in 5th place overall! A good showing by all the NRA Teams!

On Sunday it was time to fire the Service Pistol Team Matches. Morning saw the firing of the President's 100 match and the National Trophy Individual Match. After a break for lunch, the field belonged to the Service Pistol Teams. The PRPA Service Pistol Teams firing members, as determined by the score fired in the morning's matches, were: Wallander, Urish, Keyser, and Brong. When the dust settled, I am pleased to say the Pennsylvania has the best Civilian Service Pistol Team in the Nation! The guys finished first out of 18 civilian teams to bring the Oglethorpe Trophy back to the friendly confines of Pennsylvania! Great Job, Guys!



THE BEST CIVILIAN BALL TEAM IN USA!
L-R: Tony Brong, Steve Gibbons, Brian Keyser,
Patrick Kelly Jr., Russ Wallander, Joe Urish

PENNSYLVANIA RIFLE & PISTOL ASSOCIATION

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SEITZLAND RIFLE CLUB PRONE SCHOOL

Submitted by Dave Peterson

During the July 2008 NRA Smallbore National Championship at Camp Perry, Dan McCall of Dundalk, MD, competed in his 1st national championship where he finished 5th out of 53 in the Junior Marksman class. He scored 2303 out of 2400; he also placed 74th in the overall out of 327 competitors. He shoots for the PA Rifle & Pistol Association team which finished 2nd in the Expert class with a team score of 2151 out of 2400.

During the week of June 22, Seitzland Rifle club, with a grant from the NRA Foundation, held a prone shooting school. This school was attended by many area junior shooters (ages 10 – 18) as well as adults as they learned how to read the winds, manage shooting positions, and test different ammunition. This has become an annual event. The students conclude the school with a 3200 competition match.

During the 2008 NRA Smallbore National Championship held in July at Camp Perry, three Juniors (ages 15-17) from Seitzland Rifle Club in New Freedom, PA took part in the 3 position matches. With 53 competitors in their class, Daniel Picone of Felton, PA, placed 48th with a score of 2012, Rebecca Picone of Felton, PA finished 18th with a score of 2216 and Dan McCall finished 5th with a score of 2303.



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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
IT'S BEEN QUITE A SUMMER

Here we are at Labor Day weekend and "The Summer of 2009" is just about over. The shooters from Pennsylvania again showed their talents and many came to the top of the heap at the 2009 Nationals at Camp Perry. You will read about the details of their many wins in this and future issues of *Shooting News*. However, I want to feature many of our champions from the pistol, small-bore and high-power matches who were winners at Camp Perry.

In the pistol events the familiar name of Ron Steinbrecher along with Brian Dean, Ray Wallander, Joe Urich, Tom Mix and Brian Keyser all came to the front. Several team titles were secured by the four-man teams of Urich, Mix, Dean and Wallander and Urich, Keyser, Wallander and Anthony Brong.



Small-bore Champions included many of our talented Juniors, Intermediate-Juniors, and Sub-Juniors. Names like Aaron Holsopple, Adam Wheland, Deanna Bonnie, Alyssa Gestl, Thomas Carr and Cody Enders can be spotted throughout the various match results. In addition, the Whistler Boy winning team out of the Alexandria Junior Rifle Club consisted of David Sloan and Ed Ryznar. Great shooting by our Juniors. Not to be outdone, our Senior champion, Dave Cramer showed everyone his expertise at Prone by winning the Senior Title in both the National Small-bore Prone and the Prone Metallic Sight Championship. Dave also came in as Senior champ in the several Dewar Metallic and Any Sight Matches and, along with Ken Benyo was named to the Dewar Trophy International Smallbore Team.

Not to be undone by the Pistol and Smallbore Pennsylvania champions, the High-Power Rifle shooters displayed their abilities. Carl Bernosky and Joe Hendrix came within one or two points of winning the National High Power and Match Rifle Championships. A first and second finish would have been an all-time for Pennsylvania shooters. Carl's and Joe's names kept appearing as individual winners throughout the several weeks of High Power competition. Not to be overshadowed, Gary Hendrix (the Senior) and Joe Hendrix, Jr. (the Junior) also appeared as winners throughout the program. Wow, Granddad, Dad and Son all winners. Dad and Granddad even paired up to win the Second Amendment Match as High Civilian Team.

Tom Rider showed his ability to shoot the M1A by winning the NRA Springfield/M1A Match. Tom also won the Calvary Cup and Leech Cup. Bill Gelet, Bill Bowers, Mark Heff and Rider won the High Master, State Association Title in the Rumbold Trophy Team Match while the team of Gelet, Dave Shellhammer, Rider and Bryan Litz won the Romanian Team Trophy title as the Match Rifle, High Master, Open Club. Not to be denied, the PRPA team of Bowers, Allen Castle, Shellhammer and Gerald Sanders scored number one as High Master - Local Club/State Association team in the same match.

And last but not least, Lucas Boord is the 2009, T-Class Champion in the National Rimfire Sporter Championship and Matt Gillenberger was top gun in the EIC match during CMP week. More from our up-and-coming Junior crew!

Quite a year at the Nationals! And with the enthusiasm and talent we see from our guys and gals, I see nothing but better times ahead. It's great to be associated with them.

Jack Lee

ATTEND THE FALL PRPA MEETING!

The Fall Meeting of the Pennsylvania Rifle & Pistol Association Board of Directors is scheduled for Sunday, October 4, 2009 in the Centre County Solid Waste Authority's conference room, northeast of State College on Transfer Road, just off SR 26 (East College Avenue).

Any and all Association members are cordially invited to attend. The meeting will start at 9:00 AM. There will be donuts, coffee, and lunch. Questions and subjects of interest sent to President Jack Lee or Secretary Jim Johnson 2 weeks prior to the meeting will be added to the agenda for discussion. Others who have subjects to discuss will be allotted time during the Good of the Order portion of the meeting. We encourage as much participation as possible. Adjournment will be no later than 5:00 PM. Hope to see you there!

2009 KEYSTONE STATE GAMES

Submitted by Eric L. Poole

This year's Keystone State Games, Pennsylvania's largest amateur athletic festival, included Police Pistol Combat (PPC) competition again in the shooting sports category. The matches were held on July 25th at the Lebanon County Police Combat Pistol Club in Lebanon, PA.

To make it fair for shooters of all skill levels, Gold, Silver and Bronze Medal awards were presented based on the Lewis Classification System for seven different relays of Combat 600 matches. The different matches were set up to test competitor's skills in use of a variety of revolver and semi-auto handgun configurations.

A full lineup of some of the best shooters from around the state was there to compete for top prizes. The games started in a heavy fog and then turned into a fierce competition in the grueling, hot sun. When the dust settled, the winners were as follows:

Match 1 – 6" Revolver	Match 2 - Open	Match 3 - 4" Revolver
A Class	A Class	A Class
1. Barry Nicholson	1. Robert Dziak	1. Robert Dziak
2. John Speece	2. Richard Radel	2. Barry Nicholson
3. John Petraskie	3. Barry Nicholson	3. John Speece
B Class	B Class	B Class
1. Michael Collins	1. Sammuel Hughes	1. Tom Zillhardt
2. Joseph Toole	2. James Huffman	2. Albert Payne
3. Tom Zillhardt	3. Donald Kozar	3. John Petraskie
C Class	C Class	C Class
1. Len Pallis	1. Don Canton	1. Joseph Nardone
2. Michael Neiswender	2. Michael Collins, Jr.	2. Michael Collins
3. Robert Mull, Sr.	3. Clarence Brown	3. David Pudlosky
Match 4 – Snub Nose Revolver	Match 5 - Semi-Auto	Match 6 - Team Revolver
A Class	A Class	A Class
1. Robert Dziak	1. Richard Radel	1. Barry Nicholson/Robert Adams
2. John Speece	2. John Speece	2. Sammuel Hughes/Robert Dziak
3. Joseph Toole	3. Robert Dziak	3. Richard Radel/Frank Cossa
B Class	B Class	B Class
1. Joseph Nardone	1. James Huffman	1. Albert Payne/Donald Canton
2. Donald Kozar	2. Albert Payne	2. David Pudlosky/Joseph Nardone
3. Richard Hontz	3. Roger West	3. James Huffman/Terrance Swingholm
Match 7 - Team Semi-Auto	Aggregate	High Junior
A Class	A Class	A Class
1. John Speece/Robert Dziak	1. Robert Dziak	1. Robert Mull, Jr.
2. Richard Radel/Frank Cossa	2. Barry Nicholson	
3. Eric Poole/Richard Vogelsong	3. John Speece	

Many thanks to the Keystone State Games for continuing to include the shooting sports as part of their events, and to the Lebanon County Police Combat Pistol Club for hosting the matches again. We certainly appreciate being given the opportunity to get together as friends and fellow competitors to participate in the shooting sports we all enjoy so much. The range was in tip-top shape, the matches were well run as usual, and the food was great! It was really nice to see some old shooting buddies that had not been down our way in a good while. A lot of fun was had by all.

I am looking forward to going again next year. Maybe I can figure out how to work that revolver trigger more smoothly in double action by then.



— BRIAN CHILSON —
MATCH WINNER &
2009 PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAMPION
Submitted by John O'Donnell, Match Director

Brian Scott Chilson from Nelson, Pennsylvania was the Match Winner and 2009 State BPCR Silhouette Champion with a score of 100 out of a possible 120. This is Brian's 9th Pennsylvania Championship. Once again Brian showed his prowess in cutting down chickens by knocking down 13 out of 15 on Sunday. That's great shooting! Brian received several trophies and \$100 cash prize. Brian will receive the State Championship Trophy from the Pennsylvania Rifle & Pistol Association.

The match was held at the Ridgway Rifle Club in Ridgway, Pa. June 27th & 28th. We had a total of 46 competitors, 10 more than last year's state match. The weather wasn't too bad with a couple rain showers over the two days, but nothing to dampen the spirits of the match attendees. There were the common Ridgway winds on Saturday which couldn't decide in which direction to blow. Sunday the wind was a little calmer but mostly cloudy. Even though this was the Pennsylvania State Championship we had 9 States represented at the match covering the continent from coast to coast.

As stated above Brian Chilson was Match Winner and he also took the individual matches for both Saturday 47/60 and Sunday 53/60. Second Open was taken by Karl Nagel 96/120 and Karl also placed

Second Open Saturday 46/60 and Sunday 50/60. Dave Heeter wrapped up Third Open 91/120 and he also placed Third Open on Saturday 45/60 and First Master on Sunday 46/60. Ross Arnfield, who was Match Winner at last year's state championship, garnered First Master this year with an 89/120. Ross also took Second Master Saturday 41/60 and Third Open Sunday 48/60. Steve Maurer 86/120 came in with Second Master for the overall match along with taking Third Master 40/60 Saturday and Second Master 46/60 on Sunday. John Haagen, with an aggregate score of 85/120 finished with Third Master and also took Third Master 45/60 on Sunday.

First AAA was taken by John O'Donnell 81/120 and John also garnered Second AAA on Sunday with a score of 44/60. Bruce Getgen was the Second AAA winner for the overall match with a score of 79/80 and Bruce took First AAA on Sunday with a score of 45/60. Third AAA for the championship was John Heeter 77/120 and John scored a 39/60 on Saturday to take Second AAA. Craig Artman 68/120 was First AA with Mark Chronister 65/120 coming in Second AA. Jim Dibble shot a 62/120 to take Third AA. Gregory Baublitz 62/120 took First A with Albert Ogden shooting a 54/120 for Second A. Alfred Aubin Jr. 40/120 finished the match with Third A and was also our top Junior Shooter.

Steve Decker was our top scope shooter taking First Scope with a score of 86/120 for the overall match. Steve also took First Scope 44/60 Saturday and Third Scope 42/60 Sunday. Steve also received several trophies and a \$100 prize. Roger Tremba shot a score of 84/120 for the championship to win Second Scope. Roger also took First Scope Sunday with a score of 48/60. Ed Heeter 75/120 was Third Scope winner for the overall match and Third Scope winner on Saturday with a score of 36/60.

High Senior went to John Haagen (85) and Jodi Decker was High Women (74). Iron Sight Team winners were the Ridgway Rifle Club Team consisting of Brian Chilson, Ross Arnfield and Dave Heeter with a combined score of 280. Scope Team winners were Roger Tremba, John Powers and Ed Heeter with a combined score of 223. We also had two national records achieved, Senior National Record on Sunday by the Shippensburg Fish & Game Team consisting of Bruce Getgen, Barry Harmon and Bob Kopper who shot a combined score of 122 beating the old record of 80 posted by the Whittington Center Gun Club. The Ridgway Rifle Team in Iron Sight consisting of Brian Chilson, Ross Arnfield and Dave Heeter shot a second day combined score of 147 beating their previous score of 144 set last year at this same match. Great shooting guys!

Each and every person who placed in the overall match also had a choice of the many wonderful prizes donated by companies and individuals. The Ridgway Rifle Club would like to thank Buffalo Arms, CH Tool & Die / 4-D Customer Die Co., C. Sharps, Dixie Gun Works, John & Becky O'Donnell, Kermitool – Kermit Hoke, King Machine Service, Ltd, Log Cabin Shop, MidwayUSA, Montana Vintage Arms, Powder Inc., Puff-Lon, Redding Reloading Equipment, Richard McKinnis, Shiloh Rifle Manufacturing, SPG, LLC, Starline Brass, John Walters, and Wolf Publishing for donations. Their dedication and support to our shooting sport help make it that much more enjoyable for everyone.

The Ridgway Rifle Club congratulates all of the winners in the 2009 Pennsylvania State BPCR Silhouette Championship and we hope you all had a wonderful time in Ridgway. Please remember we still have a match on October 25th. Our two day Eastern Regional Match is September 26th & 27th. I hope to see you all there and please bring along a friend or two.

Remember to shoot straight, often and don't forget to involve the younger generation in our shooting sports.



NO AMERICAN FLAGS SOLD HERE!!

By Dave Hammer, PRPA Director

On Saturday, I wandered into the Good's Store in East Earl, PA (Next to Shady Maple Market) <http://www.goodsstores.com/index.php>.

My intent was to pick up some things for the house as I do often at hardware stores (this is also an Ace Hardware franchise, by the way) along with some new American Flags for our property in light of the approaching September 11th 2001, 8 year anniversary.

After looking for some time, I inquired as to where the US flags were kept. The clerk and then the manager's answer astounded me.

I was told, "...we don't sell those here and we never will" "You won't find THOSE here.." the little girl at the register said as she wrinkled her nose.

I was confused so I pressed further and asked why.

I was told firmly by the manager Dave Musser that "we are a conservative Christian store and we don't take sides, having American flags does that"

He echoed what the female cashier said when I said "sides to what?" and answered : "That would be patriotic and we don't get involved in the whole state and country thing"

When I reminded him that he operates a business in America and relies on Americans to purchase his "Goods" and that Americans are in harm's way NOW protecting his rights to worship freely and sell his "Goods" in a capitalistic and free society, he said: "that may be, but we're not part of that".

"Oh, really?", I said. When I asked who owned the operation, he reluctantly told me a gentleman by the name of **Burkholder** and those are his policies/beliefs.

I left the \$66.00 worth of merchandise at Customer Service.

So, in closing, if you are a Veteran, a patriotic American, or just a concerned citizen wondering what is happening to this once great country in the name of political correctness or simple *Blame America First* mindset, this deserves a little attention and quite possibly heeding the advice I received on Saturday when I was told: "No one forces you to shop/come in here..."

PENNSYLVANIA SMALLBORE SILHOUETTE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Submitted by Mark Holsopple

73 Competitors

The Pennsylvania Smallbore Silhouette State Championship, held at the Ridgway Rifle Club in Ridgway, PA, on August 15&16, 2009, saw beautiful conditions with a great turn out. The competition started on Saturday with two forty-round matches to decide the standard rifle championship. The morning scores left eight shooters within two hits of one another. Shooting 36 out of 40 in the afternoon gave Walt Robertson the State title. On Sunday, competitors had the opportunity to shoot two forty-round matches with the hunting rifles. Shooting 70 out of 80, young Luke Johnson won the Junior and overall State Hunting Rifle title for the second year in a row.

In Saturday's matches, competitors were given extra challenge to sign up with their cowboy lever rimfires to shoot two forty-round matches at 1/5th scale targets. Seventeen took the challenge and Matt Pavlick won with 42 out of 80.

Congratulations to all and thank you for attending.

Standard Rifle 80 Shots
Winner: Walt Robertson 67
2nd: Brian Wakefield 64
3rd: Nikki Kroll 64

Class winners:
Master: Ben Marzella 64
AAA: Clyde O. Parsons 59
AA: Jim Pendleton 54
A: Bob Spahr 43
B: Peter Casey 29

High Senior: Harold Frey 57
High Woman: Nikki Kroll 64
High Junior: Nikki Kroll 64
High Sub Junior: Luke Johnson 54

Hunting Rifle 80 Shots
Winner: Luke Johnson 70
2nd: Ben Marzella 68
3rd: John Shaw 63

Class winners:
Master: Brian Wakefield 62
AAA: Paul DePhillip 60
AA: Mickey McBride 48
A: John Heeter 39
B: Jim Ansell 19

High Senior: John Shaw 63
High Sub Junior: Luke Johnson 70

Lever gun 1/5th Scale
Winner: Matt Pavlick 42
2nd: Brian Wakefield 40
3rd: Eric McCleary 38



Std. State Award Winners



Luke Johnson, Hunting Rifle Champion



Lever Winners

SIXTH ROBERTS TROPHY MATCH
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2009 US Roberts Team. Front Row (l to r) Kevin Nevius, Kim Chrostowski, Hap Rocketto, Edie Fleeman, Lones Wigger, Nancy Tompkins, Ginger McLemore. Back Row (l to r) Hank Gray, Glenn Dubis, Paul Gideon, Dave Cramer, Dave Sprecher, Mark DelCotto, Justin Tracy, Tarl Kempley

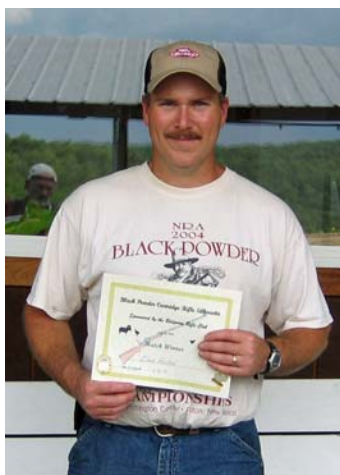
The British won the Sixth Roberts Trophy Match, 3842 to 3806. Any team can survive an error but the United States had three problems which may have cost them the match. The first was a problem with a rifle at 50 yards, second was a sight that appeared to be malfunctioning but it was not apparent until 100 yards, and the third was a shooter losing count of his record shots and firing two excessive shots at 100 yards. The three errors added up to an estimated 30 points. However, even if we had gotten those points it is likely that we would have still lost, but by a much slimmer margin of six points.

The British shot exceedingly well and were very consistent in score distribution; nine were between 391 and 380 with an anomaly at 374. The United States had a high of 389 with an additional five scores in the 380 region. The other four were middle to low 370s.

The home team got off to a very quick start at 50 by outpointing us 52 to 65, a difference of 13 points. Even with the rifle problems it was apparent that to the team leadership that were being outshot with the most difficult

stage still facing us. At long range the British dropped 106 points to our 129 and that sealed the deal.

On the bright side the Tarl Kempley was second in the grand aggregate, Glen Dubis, Michelle Bohren, Edie Reynolds, Kevin Nevius, Mark DelCotto, Dave Cramer, and Nancy Tompkins all placed in matches. Our hosts treated us in grand style and went out of their way to see to our comfort. We were provided an orientation session, a huge tent, trolleys to lug our gear, clips, parking passes, a historic tour of Bisley, guides to help us to and from the airport, several fine banquets, souvenirs, as well as a gracious sportsmanship which we hope to equal when the arrive on our shores in four years for the Pershing match.



Dave Heeter
July BPCR Match Winner

DAVE HEETER WINS JULY BPCR MATCH

Submitted by John O'Donnell, Match Director

Dave Heeter of Emlenton, Pa., was the Match Winner of our Black Powder Cartridge Rifle Silhouette match at the Ridgway Rifle Club in Ridgway, Pa. held on July 26th. Dave knocked down 31 out 40 steel silhouettes to achieve his win. There were a total of 26 attendees for this match.

The weather report for the day was not a good one, but as luck would have it, the rain held off until the match was complete. In fact conditions were pretty good with light to moderate winds and only a concern for spotty sunny conditions causing some mirage.

Second Open for match was taken by John Haagen (29) in a shoot off against Ross Arnfield (29) who garnered First Master. Steve Maurer (26) took Second Master for the match. Bruce Getgen fired a 27 to take First AAA with John O'Donnell (26) coming in with Second AAA. Third AAA was won by Richard McKinnis who shot a 25. Another shoot-off followed the regular match to decide First and Second AA between Larry Kiehl (20) and Lorren Brown (20) with Larry edging out Lorren by one turkey.

John Haagen with a 31 in scope class was involved in a second shoot-off against Roger Tremba, also with a 31. John won First Scope and Roger took Second Scope. Ed

Heeter finished the match with a 28 taking Third Scope.

The Ridgway Rifle Club and all attendees would like to congratulate all the winners. I would like to thank all those who attended and hope you had a good time.

Our next regular match is August 23rd and please don't forget the 2009 Eastern Regional Black Powder Cartridge Rifle Silhouette Championship September 26th and 27th. I am planning on having an Iron Man class for those of you who want to shoot both Iron & Scope Sights. I hope to see you all there and we should have some nice prizes to give away to the top shooters at the Regional.

Remember to shoot straight, often and don't forget to involve the younger generation in our shooting sports.



Ridgway Award Winners — July 2009

LAPUA SUPER SHOOT SMALLBORE SILHOUETTE REGIONAL

Submitted by Mark Holsopple

May 23&24, 2009

51 Competitors

The Lapua Super Shoot is like no other in the country. It is an endurance match and for those who like to shoot a lot, it's a lot of fun. On Saturday, competitors at the Ridgway Rifle Club in Ridgway, PA, had the opportunity to shoot three forty-round matches with each standard and hunting rifle. On Sunday, only two forty's with each rifle. There are awards in each rifle for the 200 shot aggregate and combined aggregate awards for the total 400 rounds. All of this was sponsored by Lapua and we had a great cook out on Saturday evening for all the competitors and guests.

Combined Aggs. 400 Shots
Winner: Ben Marzella Ridgway, PA 348/400
2nd: Brian Wakefield Mt. Jewett, PA 320/400
3rd: Luke Johnson Marysville, PA 312/400

Standard Rifle 200 Shots
Winner: Ben Marzella 170
2nd: Nikki Kroll 163
3rd: Brian Wakefield 162

Class winners:
Master: Luke Johnson 152
AAA: Larry Armstrong: 155
AA: Jim Pendleton 135
A: Amanda Ruffner 98

High Senior: Harold Frey 146
High Woman: Nikki Kroll 163
High Sub Junior: Luke Johnson 152

Hunting Rifle 200 Shots
Winner: Ben Marzella 178
2nd: Luke Johnson 160
3rd: Brian Wakefield 158

Class winners:
Master: John Shaw 148
AAA: James Kniss 142
AA: Roy Aker 118
A: Mark Butters 93

High Senior: John Shaw 148
High Sub Junior: Luke Johnson 160

BEN MARZELLA
OVERALL MATCH WINNER
With his Mark Pharr Rifle



BRIAN CHILSON WINS RIDGWAY AUGUST BPCR MATCH

Submitted by John O'Donnell, Match Director

Brian Chilson, of Nelson, Pa., was the Match Winner of our August Black Powder Cartridge Rifle Silhouette match at the Ridgway Rifle Club in Ridgway, Pa. held on August 23rd. Brian knocked down 36 out of 40 steel silhouettes leaving only four chickens standing. Brian ran the Pigs; Turkeys and Rams to achieve his win. Brian also took First Scope with a score 35 out of 40.

We had 36 attendees at the match with some decent weather. In fact, conditions were pretty good with light to moderate winds and only a concern for spotty sunny conditions causing some mirage.

Second Open for match was taken by Dave Heeter (33). Ross Arnfield, John Haagen and Eric Stevens, all with 31's were involved in a shoot off for First and Second Master. Ross was the First Master winner with Eric Stevens coming in as Second Master. Welcome back Eric.

Daniel Vivian (30) was our First AAA winner with George Harris (28) taking Second AAA. John Heeter (27) finished Third AAA

in a shoot off against Bill Simmen. Larry Kiehl (24) was the First AA winner with John

Fritchey (22) taking Second AA. Herb Kanzeg (22) took First A and Andrew Vivian (21) came in with Second A.

John Haagen took Second Scope with a 33 and Roger Tremba (26) garnered Third Scope. The Scope class seems to be gaining popularity these days as this was the largest class at this match with 14 scope shooters. I am sure it is more than just eyesight for slapping that tube on the barrel as we have some younger generations participating. No matter what style of gun or style of sights you use, we welcome all BPCR enthusiasts to our monthly matches.

The Ridgway Rifle Club and all attendees would like to congratulate all the winners. I would like to thank all those who attended and hope you had a good time.

Our next match is the two day 2009 Eastern Regional Black Powder Cartridge Rifle Silhouette Championship September 26th and 27th.

Remember to shoot straight, often and don't forget to involve the younger generation in our shooting sports.



BRIAN CHILSON
MATCH WINNER



AWARD WINNERS
AUGUST BPCR SILHOUETTE MATCH

**SIERRA CLASSIC HIGH POWER
SILHOUETTE REGIONAL**

Submitted by Mark Holsopple
June 20 & 21, 2009
61 Competitors

A little bit of rough weather didn't slow shooters coming from Georgia, Canada and many states in between to compete in the two day high power silhouette regional sponsored by Sierra Bullets at the Ridgway Rifle Club in Ridgway, PA. The first day consisted of 80 shots with the standard rifle and the following day the same with the hunting rifle. Special awards were given for the top three combined rifles.



Scores combined:
Winner: Derek Greenaway Howard, PA 114/160
2nd: Ben Marzella Ridgway, PA 110/160
3rd: Al Foust Montoursville, PA 105/160

Standard Rifle

Winner Brian Wakefield 58/80
2nd: Ben Marzella 56/80
3rd: Derek Greenaway 56/80

Class Winners—Standard
Master Fred Kielbowick 55
AAA Al Foust 51
AA Brad Maxwell 40
A Bob Soder 34
B Tom Chiesa 25

High Senior John Shaw 46
High Junior Luke Johnson 31

Hunting Rifle

Winner Derek Greenaway 58/80
2nd: Al Foust 54/80
3rd: Ben Marzella 54/80

Class Winners—Hunting
Master Wally Howard 51
AAA Bob Kirby 48
AA David Gillispie 43
A Russ Cullen 35
B Joseph Viscardi 23

High Senior John Shaw 47
High Junior Luke Johnson 28
High Woman Kathryn Grigg 24

McDONALD SPORTSMEN'S CLUB BPCR SILHOUETTE MATCH

Submitted by Dana Knezevich

Thirty-seven competitors participated in the August 1, 2009 BPCR Silhouette match at McDonald Sportsmen's Club. Fair skies, moderate wind and pleasant temperatures combined to create a very good day of shooting. John Haagen fired an exceptional prone score (downing 10 pigs, 10 turkeys and 10 rams) plus one chicken offhand, to give him a 31/40 for the iron sight win. Dave Heeter was right on his heels, finishing 2nd in the iron sight open class with 30/40. Steve Maurer finished 3rd iron sight with a 28/40. 1st Master went to Ross Arnfield and 2nd Master to Kermit Hoke. Chuck Troy won a shoot-off against Bill Simmen to take 1st AAA. Simmen took 2nd AAA and Karl Nagel finished 3rd AAA. Mike Kanzeg won the AA class and James Radcliffe took 2nd AA. Herb Kanzeg won the combined A & B class followed by John Kyle.

Scope class was won by Brian Chilson with a 34/40. Brian Chilson recently won the 2009 NRA BPCR Silhouette National Scope Championships at The Wittington Center in Raton, NM. John Haagen kept very busy throughout the day shooting both iron sights and scope and finished second in the scope class.



Ridgway Rifle Club—2009



Black Powder Cartridge
Rifle Silhouette
Eastern Regional Championship
September 26 & 27, 2009
Open to all—must be NRA member to post
National Records
Open Block Indicators mandatory
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BPCR Silhouette Match
October 25, 2009
Open to all
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MATCH & CLASS WINNERS

FRONT ROW L TO R: Brian Chilson - Scope Winner, John Haagen - Iron Sight Winner and 2nd Scope.
BACK ROW L TO R: Dave Heeter - 2nd Iron Sight, Chuck Troy - 1st AAA, Ross Arnfield - 1st Master, Bill Simmen - 2nd AAA, Karl Nagel - 3rd AAA, Mike Kanzeg - 1st AA, Herb Kanzeg - 1st A/B, Steve Maurer - 3rd Iron Sight. Missing from photo: Kermit Hoke - 2nd Master, James Radcliffe - 2nd AA & John Kyle - 2nd A/B.



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2009 PRPA SERVICE PISTOL & SERVICE REVOLVER CHAMPIONSHIPS- JUNE 19 & 20, 2009

Submitted by Jeff Lloyd, Pistol Director



Russ Wallander
Service Pistol Champion

Father's Day weekend in June brings the Service Pistol competitors of Pennsylvania to the Lewistown Pistol Club for the annual State Service Pistol Championship. The results of this match not only names the State Service Pistol Champion, but shooters also compete to be placed on the Civilian Service Pistol Team to represent the Pennsylvania Rifle & Pistol Association at the CMP portion of the Camp Perry National Matches in July. In addition to the Service Pistol Championship the Lewistown Club asked, and was approved, to conduct a Service Revolver Championship using the NRA Distinguished Revolver rules.

The match, as is usually conducted, starts with a 900 point possible, .22 match. This match is fired using standard NRA sanctioning rules. The Service Pistol and Service Revolver Championships are not sanctioned by the NRA but use Civilian Marksmanship Program rules for the Service Pistol portion and the NRA Distinguished Revolver rules for the Service Revolver portion.

Except for the driving rain storm that had to be dealt with, the match ran very well. The covered firing line, lots of rain gear and

umbrellas, made the match go well and no problems arose, other than the wet targets that had to be replaced often. The Lewistown folks, as usual, make this a great match to attend with their attention to details and their great facility. We at the PRPA appreciate their work and dedication to the competitors of Pennsylvania. JOB WELL DONE!!

On to the winners! In the .22 Aggregate, top honors went to Joseph Urish, from Butler, Pa with a fine score of 884-36x. Joe is classified High Master, and finished first among the 16 competitors entered. Tom Mix (Ebensburg, PA) was the high scorer in the Master classification. Tom fired a score of 865-29x. In the Expert Class the top score was posted by Anthony Brong who hails from Harrisburg, Pa. Tony fired 867-35! Nice job Tony! In the Sharpshooter Class, top honors went to Alex Freoni (Berlin, PA). After a long lay-off from competition, Alex is back and ended up with a score of 834-14x! Looks like he is making up for lost time! Good job Alex! In the Marksman class, the top shooter was Bruce Smith III (Mount Union, PA). Bruce posted a score of 826-19x.

In the Service Revolver competition, a total of 12 shooters were in competition. When all the "Crankin' and Yankin" was done, Steve Gibbons (Lewistown, PA) came out on top with a score of 828-22. Steve is adding to his collection of PRPA trophies! Steve is also the reigning Indoor Champion. The Master class top score was fired by Tom Mix. Tom posted a score of 820-14x. Steve Welch (Stroudsburg, PA) was top in the Expert Class. Steve fired 754-5x. In the Sharpshooter Class, Kirk Anderson (State College, PA) took top honors with a score of 717-4x. In the Marksman class, Michael Brygider (Stroudsburg, PA) posted the top score of 691-3. This was the first year for the Service Revolver Championship and we hope that the interest will build and keep this competition on the schedule in Pennsylvania for a long time! If you haven't been bitten by this bug, give it a try! You might find it to your liking!

In the Service Pistol Championship a total of 18 were in competition. When the smoke cleared, Russ Wallander (Pleasant Gap, PA) was determined to be the winner. Russ fired a score of 831-13 to lead all competitors. The High Master class winner was Brian Keyser (Birdsboro, PA) with a score of 821-19x. The Master class winner was Partick Kelly Jr. (Lewistown, PA) with a score of 817-20x. The Expert class winner was Glen Brunken (Slippery Rock, PA). Glen fired a score of 809-16x. In the Sharpshooter class Kirk Anderson was top shooter with a score of 774-11x. The high scorer in the Marksman class was Bruce Smith III with a score of 693-4x.

As mentioned before, this match also picks the PRPA Civilian Service Pistol Team that will compete in the CMP Service Pistol Team Matches at Camp Perry. That team will be comprised of the 5 top scoring shooters from this match and the top scoring "New Shooter". That "New Shooter" is a shooter that has not fired or been included in a Service Pistol Team at Camp Perry. This shooter is the only shooter that is required to fire on the team. The firing members of the team are picked at Perry and determined by their scores fired in the President's 100 match and the Individual "Leg" match. The top scoring 3 shooters fire the match with the "New" shooter. The members determined by this match are:

Russ Wallander — Pleasant Gap, PA — Captain
Brian Keyser — Birdsboro, PA
Joseph Urish — Butler, PA
Patrick Kelly Jr. — Lewistown, PA
Steve Gibbons — Lewistown, PA
Anthony Brong — Harrisburg, PA — "New Shooter"

We wish the team very good luck at Perry!

There was also an Excellence in Competition "Leg" Service Pistol match fired. The top score was posted by Anthony Brong with a 269-2x. Tony picked up the "leg" points toward his Distinguished Pistol Shot badge.

In addition, there was a Distinguished Revolver match fired. The top score was posted by Russ Wallander. Russ fired a score of 270-3x to add to his total of points toward his Distinguished Revolver badge!

We again want to thank the Lewistown Pistol Club for their continuing support of the shooters of Pennsylvania. They should be proud and we should be proud of them, for a fine job in this and all activities they support at their club! A JOB WELL DONE!



Steve Gibbons
Service Revolver Champion

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

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St Thomas Ground Hog Match 8/8/2009

Name	Cal	Total
Deer Hunter		
Campbell, Rick	243	85.01
Berg, Dave	243	82.00
Peck, Jay	243	81.02
Factory		
Yanosky, Peggy	223	134.02
Schwartz, Jeramy	308	132.00
Shadle, Roger	308	129.00
Light		
Stahle, Chris	6.5x284	146.03
Harshman, Ed	6br	145.02
Buhrman, Henry	30br	145.01
Unlimited		
Pellegrene, Joe	30br	146.02
Morton, Rod	6br	143.02
Redin, Mike	300wsm	142.02

WILKES-BARRE RIFLE & PISTOL CLUB

September 6	High Power Rifle	William Dunn
September 12	I.D.P.A. Match	Gerald Gregorowicz
September 13	Conventional Pistol	Wayne Bell
September 22	Monthly Club Meeting	Club House
September 27	Metallic Silhouette	Dominick Mattei
October 4	High Power Rifle	William Dunn
October 10	I.D.P.A. Match	Gerald Gregorowicz
October 18	Turkey Shoot	David Halchak
October 25	Metallic Silhouette	Dominick Mattei
October 27	<u>ANNUAL MEETING & ELECTION</u>	Club House
November 1	High Power Rifle	William Dunn
November 14	I.D.P.A. Match	Gerald Gregorowicz
November 15	Turkey Shoot	David Halchak
December 19	I.D.P.A Match	Gerald Gregorowicz

NOTE: THE WILKES-BARRE RIFLE & PISTOL CLUB RANGE FACILITIES WILL BE CLOSED DURING THE PERIOD OF NOVEMBER 30th - DECEMBER 12th, 2009 FOR THE RIFLE DEER HUNTING SEASON, EXCEPT ON SUNDAYS

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Cont'd from page 1 — PRPA Wins National Service Pistol Championship

Overall the PRPA Teams did a fine job representing Pennsylvania at the National Matches! GREAT JOB GUYS!

There were shooters who distinguished themselves at the National Matches in other areas. Among them were Ron Steinbrecher (Wyndmoor, PA) and Joseph Urish being named to the Mayleigh Cup Team! These shooters are picked from the scores fired in the individual .22 National Match Course slow fire stage. They then fire a 30-round slow fire match at 50 meters. The scores are then compared with an international team invited to compete with the United States team. The teams fire in their home country.

Another group to distinguish themselves was the members of the NRA/USA Civilian Pistol Team. This team is picked by the NRA and is comprised of the top 10 finishers in the Civilian Category of each Classification. The firing members of the team are the top scorers of the previous year's competition. When picked, the 10 firing members fire an ISSF slow fire match at 25 meters and the scores are compared to teams from other countries and a winner picked. Finland had a lock on the match until the United States took it back last year! This year the firing members from the Pennsylvania contingent were Wallander and Keyser. Next year's team will include Wallander in the High Master Classification, Jeff Lloyd in the Expert Classification, Eric Poole and Kirk Anderson in the Sharpshooter Classification.

Among the classification winners was Steve Gibbons. Steve won the Master/Police Category to distinguish himself. Nice job Steve!

We had hoped to sponsor a Junior Team this year but could not find enough shooters. But, there were 2 juniors from Pennsylvania who fired in the "Made in America" match. Those juniors were Elizabeth Lutz of Annville, PA, and Alex Tomarelli from Limerick, PA. Elizabeth finished in 3rd place and Alex finished in 9th. Keep up the good shooting, both of you!

And last, but certainly not least, Steinbrecher was the Senior National Champion with a fine score of 2607-99x! Ron is the reigning PRPA Outdoor Champion and has been a great competitor for many years. We hope to see his name on the top of the list for many years to come!

The PRPA has quite a number of members in the "top of the heap" in the

Pistol Championship this year. Congratulations to all of you for a fine showing for the Association and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania! We want to thank all the shooters who represented the Association.

GOOD SHOOTING!



The Gold team, R-L, Brian Keyser, Brian Dean, Tom Mix, Russ Wallander, Joe Urish



The Bronze Team, L-R, Mike Brygider, Steven Welsh, James Carras, Clem Arlinghaus, Alex Freoni



The Silver Team, L-R, Dennis Kriek, Tony Brong, Jeff Lutz, Jeff Lloyd, Glen Brunken



The Service Pistol team receiving the Oglethorpe trophy on the award stage. Absent was Joe Urish.

2009 READE RANGE SCHEDULE

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- 9/5/09- 9/6/09 Long range training clinic
- 9/11/09 Black powder warm up day
- 9/12/09 Black Powder
- 9/13/09 Bench Rest Match #8
- 9/18 Marine Corps Rifle League Dept. of PA Practice (open to W. PA Cal. 30 members)
- 9/19-9/20 Marine Corps Rifle League Dept. of PA Match (open to W. PA Cal. 30 members)
- 9/26/09 600 and 1000 yd Prone and F Class
- 9/27/09 R.K. Nelson Match and Membership Meeting

October

- 10/4/09 Bench Rest Matches #9 and #10
- 10/17/09 600 and 1000 yd Prone and F Class
- 10/18/09 Across Course

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.

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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@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 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.jeffersonrifleclub.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.

Teaching an Old Dog



Who said you can't teach an old dog new tricks? On August 29 and 30, 2009, Ron Keslar and Dan Moyer came to the Mars Rod and Gun Club in Mars, PA to teach and certify a new group of shooting instructors. Several months ago, I contacted Ron about presenting this program in the Western Pennsylvania area and we set a time and date to do so. We recruited a group of seven of which I was one of the group. The two part course included the one-day Basic and one-day Rifle Instructor Course.

Although I am in my high seventies, (age that is), I chose to attend and become an NRA Certified Rifle Instructor. Ron and Dan did a great job in presenting the course and having us (the pupils) practice presenting the information and completing the assignments.

As most of you know, Ron and Linda Tucker serve as PRPA Training Directors and receive assistance from both the PRPA and the Friends of NRA Grants to help cover expenses. In this way, the course fees can be kept to a minimum and more instructors can be certified.

Thanks Ron and Dan for a great instructional weekend.

Jack Lee



ALEXANDRIA JR. RIFLE TEAM REPEATS AS NATIONAL CHAMPS

Submitted by Terry Lightner

The Alexandria Jr. Rifle Gold Team won the National Smallbore Rifle Championship recently at Camp Perry, Ohio. This the second year in a row that this team brought home the National Smallbore Whistler Boy title. The Alexandria Team outscored the same Texas State Team as last year. Team members Dave Sloan of Huntingdon, Pa. and Ed Ryzner of Oil City, Pa. shot an outstanding score of 1867-47X out of a possible 2000 aggregate beating the Texas Team by just two points. Terry Lightner of Huntingdon proudly served as the coach for this two man Jr. team. This very old prestigious match was contested by some 50 junior teams from across the country and this was the first time any team won it consecutively. Each team consists of two Jr. shooters and a coach. Each shooter fires 100 shots with metallic sights with a .22 caliber target rifle at both 50 yards and 100 yards with winds sometimes 20 to 30 MPH. The Alexandria Jr. Rifle Silver came in 5th place club team in this event. This team consisted of Adam and Chad Wheland of Williamsburg, Pa. shooting a fine score of 1827-36X.

Adam Wheland also of the Alexandria Jr. Rifle Team and Williamsburg, Pa. won the sub junior three position smallbore rifle metallic sight individual championship shooting a fine 1165-44X out of a possible 1200 aggregate. Dave Sloan and Mary Sloan, Ed Ryzner, Adam Wheland and Chad Wheland. and Coach Terry Lightner all competed for the Alexandria Rifle Team in the national championship.

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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

-- EDUCATION AND TRAINING -- NRA INSTRUCTOR TRAINING FOR CLUB LEADERS

With the assistance of NRA Foundation Grant funding, NRA Certified Training Counselors from the Pennsylvania Rifle & Pistol Association have trained over 40 new NRA Instructors throughout the state in this year alone.

PRPA's goal is to develop active instructors who provide basic firearm training opportunities for their own clubs and the public. 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.

On August 29-30, 2009, PRPA educators conducted an NRA Rifle Instructor Candidate Seminar at Mars Rod & Gun Club, Inc., located in Butler County just north of Pittsburgh. Club President Mike Vogel did a great job arranging for the facility and taking care of meals and refreshments. Thanks to PRPA's Jack Lee, who coordinated the instructor candidate recruitment. Congratulations on becoming an NRA Certified Rifle Instructor to Robert W. Beasley, Thomas J. Brosenitsch, Jr., John T. Lee, Allan L. Reed, Michael A. Vogel, Michael H. Vogel, and Eric T. Yeager.

Instructor Candidate Seminars are led by a training team consisting of PRPA's Education & Training Director, Linda Tucker (who is an NRA-appointed Senior Training Counselor), Ron Keslar (NRA-appointed Senior Training Counselor) and Dan Moyer (NRA-appointed Training Counselor). If you are interested in hosting an NRA Instructor Candidate Seminar at your club, contact Linda Tucker at 717-766-7011, TuckerLHBG@aol.com or Ron Keslar at 717-432-9039, ronald@keslar.net.



August Instructor Class—Standing (L-R): Eric Yeager, Mike A. Vogel, Tom Brosenitsch, Rob Beasley, Mike H. Vogel. Sitting (L-R): Allan Reed, Jack Lee.