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STATE JUNIOR OLYMPICS MOVED TO DECEMBER

By Joel Dutra, PRPA past-President

On December 17th and 18th, 2005, the best juniors shooters in Pennsylvania met at the DuBois Rifle and Pistol Club to vie for the USA Shooting State Championship and a qualifying run to the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, CO. Normal preparations were cut short by nearly a month (the event was originally scheduled January 14-15, 2006) because of the requirements of the OTC to have scores in by January 7 to be processed for the March National Junior Championships.

Thomas Santelli of Washington PA paced the Mens field and took the gold medals for both smallbore and air rifle with scores of 578/600 and 579/600 respectively. The silver medal was a numeric tie with the place being decided by center shots. DuBois' Michael Kulbacki edged Palmyra's Cody Rutter by 5 centers. Three more DuBois shooters fired identical scores of 558 to capture 3 different class titles--Kyle Smith took 1st junior, Matthew Hamilton won the collegiate category for West Point and Justin Pentz was the high shooter in the intermediate category.

Kyle Yebernetsky finished in 8th over all and Aaron Holsopple pounded out the DuBois boys with a 534 and 6th in IJ.

Sub juniors were led by Dave Sloan of Alexandria, PA and John Hupp of Pittsburgh. In air rifle, Santelli, Rutter and Kenny Ridge (Trevorton) took home the medals. Brad Stepp of Harrisburg won the junior category with a 570/600 followed by DuBois shooters Smith and Yebernetsky. Another Palmyra shooter Led



Thomas Santelli, Gold Medalist

lowed by DuBois shooters Smith and Yebernetsky. Another Palmyra shooter, Jed Neidigh, edged Pentz by one point for the IJ title; Kulbacki held on to 3rd. Aaron August placed 1st in the sub junior category with a 529, chased by Sloan

On the Ladies side of smallbore, the gold and bronze medals traveled back to Palmyra by way of wins from Kirsten Weiss and Leslie Angeli. Elizabeth Leckie (Trinity High School) split the duo for the silver. Becky Hershberger (Everett, PA) put up a 560 to take home the junior honors, followed by Jasmine Margaria's 539 and Jennifer Hawk at 532. Christina Dutra hit a 558 to stay ahead of Erica Titlow and Allison Paulson in the intermediates; in SJ, Emily Holsopple had a 540 to best Abigail Wert and Elizabeth Embeck.

Ladies air rifle saw a new face take the championship--sub junior Holsopple ripped the field with a 388. Weiss and Hershberger finished out the medal positions. Angeli, Leckie and Hawk went 1, 2, and 3 in the junior class while Dutra won the IJ in front of Titlow and Paulson. Elizabeth Embeck and Alyssa Gestl went first and second in SJ.

The new State Champion Team is Frazier Simplex Rifle Team (Washington, PA); Santelli, Leckie and Adam Weaver tallied a 1691. With a 1685, second place overall went to DuBois (Dutra, Pentz and Kulbacki), who logged the First Place IJ team win. The Palmyra Rose & Thorns Team (Angeli, Rutter and Jed Neidigh) finished 3rd with a 1675. 13 teams competed in all.

15 teams went after the Air Rifle title, with Palmyra scoring ahead of the two DuBois teams. DuBois Team Thunder (Holsopple, Smith and Yebernetsky) inverted the order and placed ahead of DuBois Storm (Dutra, Pentz, and Kulbacki).

Santelli, Weiss and Holsopple each earned automatic invitations to Colorado Springs with several other at-large invitations very likely to result, depending on the scoring in the other 49 state championships and P.T.O.'s.

Thanks to Bill Ernst, Leo Crawford, Mark & Joanne Pentz, the DuBois Rifle and Pistol Club and all the others who helped to make this a very successful match.

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN'S PROGRAMS

Instructional clinics for women provide an excellent opportunity for your club to welcome new participants to the recreational shooting sports. Clinics can be large events that provide instruction in a variety of disciplines OR you can provide small events that focus on half-day introductions to a specific shooting sport. The NRA Women on Target program provides a variety of reference material to assist in planning and conducting an event, and they also provide many other time saving services such sample event flyers and pre-event publicity.

The NRA Foundation has provided a grant to the PA R&P Association to assist in developing shooting opportunities for women. If your club is interested in organizing and conducting instructional clinics for women, please contact Linda Tucker at 717-766-7011 or email TuckerLHBG@aol.com.



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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

The Pennsylvania Rifle & Pistol Assn. will expand its activities in 2006. We will continue to approve and direct NRA authorized rifle and pistol matches. We will also coordinate and sponsor Junior Olympic rifle competitions. Various discipline directors are assigned to coordinate PRPA's junior and senior teams and individuals and select those individuals who will compete at National and Olympic competitions. We will provide certified instructors to train juniors, women and new shooters in the various rifle and pistol disciplines and sponsor shooting camps at selected locations throughout Pennsylvania. Special training programs for juniors and women are being scheduled.

To expand awareness of PRPA's activities throughout Pennsylvania, we have been moving our spring and fall meetings to locations convenient to both Eastern and Western members. In January, 2006 we took a major step forward by dividing the state into eight (8) regions and establishing a regional director for each region. At this time, a job description is being developed and regional directors are being named. Amendments to PRPA By-Laws to provide for changes in



operations are proceeding as needed. Thus, we are preparing to greatly improve our ability to provide for the needs of shooters throughout all parts of Pennsylvania.

As requested by NRA, the Pennsylvania Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs has become the <u>NRA Approved Organization</u> to coordinate and assist in legislative activities involving firearms, shooting and hunting in Pennsylvania. PRPA continues as the <u>NRA State Affiliate</u> providing the services previously described. Any By-Law changes to complete the above and to allow PRPA to apply for non-profit 501-C3 status are now being prepared.

Although much is to be accomplished, this brief plan describes the direction PRPA is taking to better serve the needs of the shooters of Pennsylvania, the expectations of PRPA members and the NRA.

Spring Membership Meeting and Board of Directors Meetings Sunday, April 2, 2006 Palmyra Sportsmen's Association Membership Meeting — 1:00 PM Board Meetings — 9:00 AM and after the membership meeting

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NATIONAL RECORDS SET AT 2006 4-POSITION JUNIOR SECTIONAL

Submitted by Terry Lightner, Match Director

The Alexandria Sportsmen Club hosted the 2006 Four Position Junior Sectional on the February 4 and 5, 2006 at Alexandria, PA. 48 shooters battled for the Sectional crown. Liz Leckie of Washington, PA took the Gold Medal by shooting a fine 396-33. Adam Weaver (Midway, PA) earned the Silver medal with a 396-26. Justin Pentz (Rockton, PA) won the Bronze with his 395-32.

The Junior Class was won by Thomas Santelli (Washington, PA) with a 395-32. With a 395-30, Second Junior Kyle Yebernetsky (Dubois, PA) was close on Santelli's heels. A score of 395-26 gained the Third Place Junior spot for John Sloan (Huntingdon, PA). Winning the Intermediate Junior Class was Christina Dutra (Dubois) shooting 394-32. Second went to Michael Kulbacki (Dubois)--Michael fired a 393-24. Nicole Harpster (Spring Mills, PA) took the Third Place Intermediate Junior award with a 392-28. Winning the Sub Junior Class was Emily Holsopple (Wilcox, PA). Emily shot a fine Sub Junior score of 394-25. Billy Harvey (North Huntingdon, PA) grabbed the second place with a 384-21. Dave Sloan (Huntingdon, PA) also shot a 384-21 to take third spot--Harvey's higher offhand score broke the tie.

We had 18 Intermediate Juniors and 17 Sub Juniors in this Match. This satisfying turnout says a lot for the future of this sectional.

Eight teams vied for the Sectional Team Title. Frazier-Simplex Junior Gold (Washington, PA) won the team title by shooting an exceptional 1580-114. This score ties the Junior National Four Man Team record! Members of this National Record Team are Liz Leckie, Tom Santelli, Adam Weaver, and Jasmine Margaria. The Dubois Storm Junior Team (Michael Kulbacki, Justin Pentz, Christina Dutra, Emily Holsopple) broke the Intermediate Junior National Record with a very commendable score of 1576-104, which bested the old record of 1573. The Alexandria (PA) Gold Team (John Sloan, Nicole Harpster, Dave Sloan, George Peters) won the Junior Team Medal with score of 1554-95. The Murrysville Junior Team shot a 1522-76; the Everett (PA) Junior Gold Team shot a 1495-73 to round out the Junior Class. The Second Place Intermediate Junior Team was the Capital Area Rifle Team (Mechanicsburg, PA) shooting a 1497-61, followed by the Alexandria Junior Silver Team (1379-34) and the Everett Junior Silver (1303-21).

The Alexandria Rifle Club would like to thank all the attendees, shooters, coaches, and parents for their part in making this match such a success. I would also like to thank the club volunteers who helped put this event on--without them we could not have this match.

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Monday: May 8, 15, 22, 29, June 5, 12, 19, 26, July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, August 7, 14, 21, 28. Practice: 5:00 pm. Start: 6:00 pm. Saturday: May 13, June 10, July 1, August 12. Club Championship is September 9.

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March/April 2006

On October 1, 2005, Brian Chilson of Nelson, PA, shot a score of 37/40 to win the BPCR silhouette match at McDonald Sportsmen's club. Chilson (who is the reigning National iron sight and scope champion) shot a perfect 30 in the prone stages of the match and only lost three chickens in the off-hand stage. This was the fourth time in less than three years that he has shot a 37. When discussing this win, or any of his other exceptional achievements, Chilson always says "we did this or that", referring to himself and his wife/spotter Debbie. In this sport, a good spotter is as critical as a good shooter in determining a shooters' final score and Brian and Debbie certainly have formed an almost unbeatable combination.

Marylander Gary Schweitzer shot a 32/40 to take 2nd open, followed closely by Pennsylvanian Dave Heeter who shot a 31/40 to take 3rd open. Ross Arnfield won a shoot-off for 1St master with Roger Tremba who took 2nd master. Kermit Hoke won AAA class. Ken White won a 3-way shoot-off over John Heeter and Bill Sinmien to take 2nd AAA. Jim Rodgers won AA class and Mike Shamonsky won a shoot-off against Eli Liston to take 2nd AA. Mark Smith won A class and Ray Dashofy took 2nd A. Chuck Cook won B class. A 3-way shoot-off for 1st in the scope class was won by Ed Heeter over Jack Lauritzen and Augie Gasper.



MATCH & CLASS WINNERS

10-1-05

McDONALD SPORTSMEN'S CLUB BPCRS

FRONT ROW L TO R: Gary Schweitzer-2nd Open, Brian Chilson Match Winner, Dave Heeter - 3rd Open.

BACK ROW L TO R: Jim Rodgers - 1st AA, Ken White - 2nd AAA, Roger Tremba - 2nd master, Ed Heeter - scope winner, Kermit Hoke 1st AAA, Ross Arnfield - 1st master, Ray Dashofy - 2nd A, Chuck Cook 1st B, Mike Shamonsky - 2nd AA.

Missing from photo: Mark Smith - 1st A.

levels and sharing of information has pushed scores higher and higher. Of the 37 competitors at this match, 17 of the scores turned in were 26 or better.

Bob Bloyer won a three way shoot-off for second open. Andy Knez took 3rd open. John Whitcomb won 1st master and Ross Arnfield won a shoot-off with Gary Schweitzer to take 2nd master. Ken White finished third in the shoot-off with Bloyer and Knez and settled for 1st AAA. Tim Trunnick took 2nd AAA after defeating Bill Simmen, Rick McKinths, John Heeter and Lester Henry in a five-way shoot-off. Jim Rodgers won a shoot-off with Eli Liston giving Rodgers 1st AA and Liston 2nd AA. A class was won outright by Debra Hovatter over Mark Smith who took 2nd A. Chuck Cook won B class and Ed Heeter won the scope class.

2006 BPCR Match Schedule
April 1, May 6, July 1, August 5, September 2,
October 7, November 4, 2006
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Match winner Brian Chilson, spotter Debbie Chilson & mascot Ellie May McDonald Sportsmen's Club HPCR Silhouette 11-5-05

CHILSON WINS THE LAST BPCR SILHOUETTE MATCH OF THE SEASON

Unseasonably warm, 70 degree temperatures and moderate winds greeted the 37 competitors who attended the last match of the season at McDonald Sportsmen's Club on November 5, 2005. Numerous good scores were turned in, but Brian Chilson of Nelson, PA continued his winning streak with a score of 33/40. Chilson, who has won almost every one of the twenty or so matches that he attended this year also won the 2005 National Championship with both iron sights and scope, tying or setting numerous national records along the way. Although Chilson is an extremely dedicated and skillful shooter, he is quick to acknowledge that his success would not be possible without the support and excellent spotting skills of his wife Debbie. They make an awesome team.

For those who are not familiar with this game, it has only been around since the mid-1980's, but its popularity has been exploding across the country and numerous new ranges have made good matches, within a few hours drive, available to almost everyone. It is interesting to note that ten or twelve years ago, matches could be won with scores of 25 or 26 out of 40. Skill



MATCH & CLASS WINNERS 11-5-2005
McDONALD SPORTSMEN'S CLUB BPCR SILHOUETTE
FRONT ROW L TO R: Bob Bloyer-2nd Open, Brian Chilson-Match Winner,
Andy Knez-3rd Open.

BACK ROW L TO R: Eli Lison-2nd AA, Mark Smith-2nd A, John Whitcomb-1st Master, Ross Arnfield-2nd Master, Ed Heeter-Scope Winner, Chuck Cook-1st B, Tim Trunnick-2nd AAA, Ken White-1st AAA, Jim Rodgers-1st AA. Missing from photo: Debra Hovatter-1st A.



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PALMYRA JUNIOR SHOOTER WINS 2005 3-P INDOOR STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

By David Cramer, PRPA Smallbore Director

On November 5-6, 2005, Frazier Simplex Rifle Club of Washington, PA was host for the 2005 NRA 3-Position Indoor State Championship. Thirty-nine shooters from across the State competed. This was an open match, requiring junior shooters to fire with metallic sights only, while adult competitors could use telescopic sights. Pennsylvania junior shooters demonstrated that metallic sights are no disadvantage. They gave a good account of themselves by taking most of the match winner and category awards.

The course of fire was a half course (20 shots prone, 20 standing, and 20 kneeling) using the A-36 target. A ten shot international style Final was fired at the conclusion of the half course with the State Championship being decided by the total aggregate of all fired shots.

Erin Gestl (Palmyra, PA) won the prone match with a fine 200-19 center shot score. He was the only any sight competitor to win an individual match. The standing match went to Elizabeth Leckie, a junior shooter from Washington, PA. Liz shot an outstanding score of 190-11c, using metallic sights. The keeling match was won by Cody Rutter, a junior from Palmyra, PA. He, too, showed that metallic sights are no handicap by firing 197-15c for the win. Erin Gestl led the 60 shot aggregate with a total of 586. Cody Rutter and Thomas Santelli were close behind, with each totaling 581. Last year's champion, Ray Harvey (N. Huntingdon, PA) was next at 579.

As in previous years of competition, the ten shot Final proved to be the real challenge and the deciding factor in producing the State Champion. Shooters fire ten shots standing, each shot fired on command of the range officer. Each individual shot is scored before the next shot is fired. Shooting is done from the standing position. A shooter with a good final can come from behind in the aggregate, and a shooter with a lead might see it evaporate during the course of the final. There was considerable spec-



Cody Rutter 2005 Pennsylvania Indoor 3-P Champion



Liz Leckie—1st Expert — High Woman —

Tommy Santelli (Washington, PA junior) fired a good final score of 93, and moved into 3d place in the championship. Erin Gestl had some problems in the final, posting 90 and finishing 2nd in the championship. Cody Rutter, shot an outstanding final score of 97 and moved to the winner's position. Ray Harvey, fourth in the championship, was able to post only an 88 final and unable to move up in the standings.

The Pennsylvania State Indoor Champion was Cody Rutter with a score of 678-44c. Erin Gestl was Master with 676-41c. 1st Expert was Elizabeth Leckie with 667-32c. 1st Sharpshooter was Aaron Holsopple with 666-26c, and 1st Marksman was Emily Holsopple with 633-19c. High Junior shooter was Tommy Santelli at 674- 36c and High Woman was Elizabeth Leckie with

667-32c.

In the 4-person team competition, the Frazier Open Team (Washington, PA) outscored the field with a 2287-117c effort. Team members were Tom Santelli, John Husk, Liz Leckie, and

Adam Weaver. Palmyra Roses & Thorns team was second at 2260-87c.

In the 2-person team competition, a Frazier-Simplex Rifle Club team again were winners with



1144-58c. Team members were John Husk and Liz Leckie. Palmyra Thorns were second with 1148-67c. Special recognition should be made of the 2-person team, Holsopple X2. This was the brother and sister team of Aaron and Emily Holsopple (Wilcox, PA) that



Erin Gestl — Second Place

exceeded the NRA Sub-Junior 2- Person team record by 10 points; Aaron's 573-25c and Emily's 546-16c totaled 1119-41c. The previous record for a Sub Junior team had existed since 1996. With his 189 score, Aaron Holsopple also tied the existing NRA Sub Junior Individual 20 shot standing record.

Left Photo: Team Holsopple X2—Emily and Aaron Holsopple

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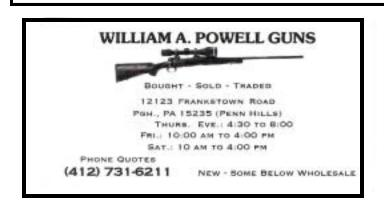
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NRA-Certified Rifle Instructor Class-Mechanicsburg Sportsmen's Assn-December 2005

Not long ago, the Pennsylvania Rifle & Pistol Association realized that the level of firearm instructors in the state was insufficient to meet the need for readily available basic firearms safety courses. As a result, the PRPA initiated a state-wide program last fall to train experienced marksmen as NRA-certified Rifle and Pistol Instructors. These new instructors, in turn, would train new rifle and pistol shooters.

Directors Linda Tucker and Ron Keslar, both experienced NRAcertified instructor trainers (Training Counselors), have been conducting certification courses for NRA members

and the general public for years. With critical financial support from the NRA Foundation, Tucker and Keslar led the NRA Instructor Certification Expansion Program across the state. Training classes saw participants attending from western, central, and eastern Pennsylvania. PRPA member and NRA-certified Instructor, Dan Moyer, assisted in all training.

Tucker and Keslar organized and conducted a two-day NRA-Certified Rifle Instructor Seminar at DuBois, PA in November for interested youth leaders from the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, 4-H, and sportsmen's clubs. As a result, twenty-five men and women were recommended for certification by the National Rifle Association.

On December 10-11, 2005, Tucker and Keslar put on a similar instructor training program at Mechanicsburg Sportsmen's Association. Eighteen men and women completed this NRA-Certified Basic Instructor/Rifle Instructor Seminar. Subsequently, on January 14-15, a Basic Instructor/Home Firearms Safety/Pistol Instructor Seminar was held in Harrisburg, resulting in 26 new Home Firearms Safety Instructors and 25 new Pistol Instructors.

At this point, plans are being developed to continue instructor training during the upcoming year. For those interested, requirements to become an NRA Instructor can be found in the brochure, *Share Your Knowledge*, which is posted on the NRA web site, www.mynra.com.

NRA-Certified Instructor Class—Harrisburg, PA January 14-15, 2006



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

AIR RIFLE & JUNIOR OLYMPIC RIFLE: Bill Earnest, 345 E. Coal Street, Trevorton, PA 17881, 570-797-4872 HIGH POWER: David Little, 624 Jerseytown Road, Millville, PA 17846-9783, 570-458-0180, davidlittle@verizon.net JUNIOR HIGH POWER: Joe Paradisi, 1136 East 29 Street, Erie, PA 16504, jjgun@jjgun.com

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PA SHOOTING SPOTS N' DATES

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. High Power Rifle & Hunting Rifle Silhouette matches - State Champ., Sierra Classic, High Power Nationals, Smallbore silhouette, Smallbore, Smallbore Nationals. Call Mark Holsopple (814) 929-5826 with questions. For directions to range, pre-registration, or detailed match schedule call club president, Jon Heatherdale at (814) 772-2244. Clubhouse phone (814) 772-6510. Email - <u>ridgwayrifleclub.com</u>.

McDONALD SPORTSMAN'S CLUB -Indoor pistol, rifle & archery ranges: 100 yd. Pistol range, 600 yd. Rifle range, 3-D & outdoor archery range, trap and skeet, fishing pond. For information and directions to club call: Fred Blanchard at (724) 796-2131. Club located in N.W. Washington County, just off Noblestown Road between towns of McDonald and Midway. BLACK POWDER CARTRIDGE SILHOUETTE MATCHES: Approved BPCS: Registered BPCS Match Dates: Championship - . Contact Andy Knez, P.O. Box 1451, McMurray PA 15317, (724) 969-3200 Web site www.mcdonaldsportsmen.com, E-mail bb@access.hky.com

IRWIN SPORTSMEN'S ASSOCIATION - Sixteen position covered silhouette range, action & bowling pin range, twelve position 200 yard covered rifle range. Covered 25 yard pistol range and indoor 50 foot .22LR range. POST 228 Junior Rifle Club offers NRA Smallbore Marksmanship & 4 position competition training to boys and girls ages 10 through 18. Contact Bob Cain (724) 834 8926, or email twocrows3@ juno.com NRA approved Hunter's Pistol Silhouette and Smallbore Hunter's Pistol Silhouette, Cowboy Rifle Silhouette, and Smallbore Cowboy Rifle Silhouette first Saturday of the month April through October, 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. - unsquaded matches. Info, contact Bruce Lumsden 724-527-3954 or e-mail lumsdenb@attbi.com. Clubhouse phone - 724 863 2478.

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.

WESTERN PA. 30 CALIBER LEAGUE - Membership - adults \$25/yr , juniors \$15/yr (Apr-Mar). Match Fees - \$15 adults, \$10 juniors. Conventional High Power matches (88 rounds, 200, 300, 600 yards): 4/23, 5/21, 6/17, 7/23, 8/27, 9/17 (R.K. Nelson), 10/22. Regional: June 3 & 4, LEG Match and 50-shot Director's Match on June 4. State High Power Championship: June 24-25. State Service Rifle Champ / LEG Match: July 8 + 9. 1000 yd matches: 4/9, 5/7, 7/2, 8/26, 9/3, 10/8. Shot at Reade Township Range located north of Tyrone near town of Allemans. For info, call Tom Ferraro: 724 352 0234, Diane Snyder 724 789 9561.

WHITE OAK ROD & GUN CLUB - Meets first Monday of the month at 7:30pm Trap and Skeet practice every Wed and Fri. 7-9pm, CMP matches second Sat and Sun. each month 9-11am, 3-D archery shoots, 100 target Sporting Clays shoots, Indoor Handgun, Black Powder shoots, Smallbore Rifle team, Bowling Pin shoots, Hunter Trapper Ed Classes, Youth programs- (all events open to public). Club located off Route 30, 4 miles west of PA turnpike exit 7 in Westmoreland county at 600 Skellytown Rd., North Huntingdon, PA 15642. New members welcome. For info visit www.worgeclub.com or call the clubhouse, 724-863-9941.

SLIPPERY ROCK SPORTSMEN'S CLUB - Meets first Tuesday each month at 7:30 p.m. Club located 2 miles east of Slippery Rock (N. Butler Co.) off Kiester Road. Rifle, pistol and trap ranges, fishing lake, 3-D archery when scheduled. New members welcome. Dues \$10 yearly. Contact Jim North, 244 Elm St., Slippery Rock, PA 16057 at (724)794-4333, e-mail - *jrnorth@pathway.net*

MORAINE 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, PA. For info, contact Rick Sinclair 724-753-0177.

LENI-LENAPE PISTOL CLUB - Information: Keith Davis, 61 Lindy Lane, Boyertown, PA 19512, (215)369-0608 or write the club at P.O. Box 55, Boyertown, PA 19512

EAST MONONGAHELA SPORTSMEN CLUB - NRA Highpower matches - 200yd. modified N.M.C. of fire 50 rds & sighters. Entry fee \$10/\$5 Jrs. (14 yrs. min.) Contact Dave McGrath 738 Lewis Ave. Charleroi. 15022 (724-483-5063) or e-mail davear15 @ yahoo.com. Open Cast Bullet benchrest shoots - 100 & 200 yds-1st Sun of each month - 25 yd Pistol Pin shoots every Mon -6:30-10:30 p.m., 50 yd. Open Sights Pistol Plate shoots every Thur-6:30-10:30 p.m. Open to the public! Shooters of all skill levels welcome! Trap practice-Sun starting at 1 p.m. during winter thru Mar 1st - Thurs eve 6:30-10 p.m. after Mar 1st- Open to the public! 3-D Archery -40 Targets-6 tree stands Mar thru Sept-Registration: 8a.m.-2 p.m. For directions or information on scheduled events, Phone (412) 384-4747.

SOUTH FORK RIFLE & PISTOL CLUB - Beaverdale, PA. 23 covered firing points with electronic timed turning targets. 10 sturdy rifle benches. Indoor 50ft. Range with timed turning targets. NRA 1800 Pistol matches. NRA 2700 Pistol matches and the club hosts the NRA Regional 2700 Match. Club website-www.southforkrifleclub.homestead.com. Info-call Jeff Lloyd @ (814) 886-4479 or Dave Czajkowski @ (814) 467-6287. WESTERN PA GROUNDHOG SHOOTERS - Located at the South Fork Rifle Club, Beaverdale, PA This match consists of groundhog targets at 100, 300, and 500 yards. Match dates and rules are on the website-www.southforkrifleclub.homestead.com or call Match Director John Kuntzman at (814) 344-8789. All welcome.

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

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

WHITE OAK SHOOTING CLUB - Trap & skeet open to the public every Thursday-6:00 p.m., Sunday-1:00 p.m. Indoor/outdoor pistol ranges, indoor smallbore rifle, ATA registered shoots (Doubles capable), 200 yard 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 <a href="https://white.out.nih.gov/wh

McKEAN COUNTY RIFLE CLUB - Club located on 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.

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.

ZERBE TWP. ROD & GUN CLUB - Affiliated NRA, PR&PA, USA Shooting. New shooters & juniors welcome. 12-point indoor 50-foot range, 10-M air, also sporting clays trap, skeet, indoor/outdoor archery, 3D. Monthly meeting 2nd Wed., 7:30 p.m. For information, write Zerbe R&G Club. P.O. Box 552, Trevorton, PA 17881 or call (570) 797-3351 or (570) 797-1618. Or call Bill Earnest at (570) 797-4872.

BELFAST-EDELMANS SPORTSMAN ASSOCIATION. Located in Belfast, PA on Sportsman's Club Road. www.besa.info 100 yard range with targets at 50 and 25 yards. Pond stocked with trout 4 times a year. Clubhouse available for rentals and lots of parking. Memberships are \$17 for adults and \$3 for kids under 15. (610) 863-9474.

NORTH BUFFALO SPORTSMAN'S CLUB. Located in Armstrong County on Sportsman's Road, approx. one mile north of the Cadogan-Slate Lick Road, very close to Exit 18 of the Route 28 Expressway North. Practical pistol and steel rifle matches the second Sunday of the month-year round, pistol matches indoors in the winter. Three Gun Practical matches twice a year. Outdoor "Woods Walk" for straight wall pistol, .22 pistol and rifle on the third Sunday of the month. All shooting times 10:00 am until 4:00 pm. Indoor 50-foot pistol range. 50-, 100-, and 190-yard outdoor ranges with covered firing points. 3D archery course held the last weekend every month—course opens at 8:00 am. All courses open to the public. Contact: Joseph Bocchi (President) (724) 360-0065.

WEST SHORE SPORTSMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC. 500 Ridge Rd., Lewisberry, PA 17339 www.westshoresportsmen.org NRA Conventional HP: 3/19, 4/23, 5/21, 6/25, 7/30, 8/27, 9/24, 10/29. POC: Tim Shuman (717) 292-3302, (717) 968-4278 finnwolf308@adelphia.net

INDIANA BOW & GUN CLUB - Service Rifle matches, 100 yd. 50-round Service or Match Rifle. Info: (724) 726-1111. USPSA Pistol matches. Info: Bob Evans (724) 479-0493. IDPA matches Info: Scott Smith (412) 885-0235. Cowboy Action Shoots Info: Frank Winsheimmer (724) 479-8838 or Tom Ringler (724) 349-8847.

SAG HIGH POWER RIFLE LEAGUE - Modified National Match (200, 300 yd. 88 rounds) Entry fee \$10/\$5 Jr. (14 Years age Min.). Matches are held at Sportsmen's Association of Greensburg, near Norvelt, PA Contact David Demangone (724) 539-0698 or David Petrun (724) 626-1389

PALMERTON ROD & GUN CLUB - NRA Smallbore Silhouette Matches Entry fee \$13, Second gun \$7 (120 rd matches). Sight-in at 8:30 AM, Sign-Ups 9 AM, Match starts 10:30. Range is on Route 209 South of Stroudsburg. Contact David Reiner (610) 837-9046

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.

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.

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

LOWER PROVIDENCE ROD & GUN CLUB NRA Certified Firearms Instruction in Basic Pistol and Personal Protection, Action Pistol league, Refuse To Be A Victim Crime Prevention and Personal Safety Seminars, Junior Rifle Programs, Hunter/Trapper Ed, (CMP), IPSC/PPSA shoots, Trap and Sporting Clays. Established in 1949, the club boasts approximately 47 acres of wooded land and these facilities: an outdoor 3 D archery course; a lighted archery practice field; a 50 foot indoor range for pistol, archery, and .22 rifle; a multi purpose 50 yard outdoor range; 2 manual trap throwers; 4 lighted trap fields; a clubhouse with satellite TV, pool table, kitchen, soda machine and bathrooms; and an outdoor picnic area. For more information, visit www.lprgc.com/, call (610) 666 7460, or stop by 2857 Egypt Road, Audubon, PA.

NESSMUK ROD & GUN CLUB HIGH POWER RIFLE LEAGUE - 2005 NRG range on PA 287 between Morris and Wellsboro, PA. Fixed targets, 100 yards, 2 sighters & 80 shots for record. Contact Dave Wilcox, 619 Ritz Rd, Mansfield, PA 16933, (570) 337-2905, nrghpr05@epix.net for more information.

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. The club is located 6 miles north of Montoursville, Pa. on PA Rt. 87. Monthly NRA Smallbore & Hunting Rifle Silhouette Matches— Jan 28, Feb 25, Mar 25, Apr 22, May 27, Jun 24, Jul 22, Aug 26, 2006. State Highpower Rifle/Highpower Hunting Rifle Silhouette Championships—Sep 23/24, 2006. Lever Action: March 25, Apr 22, May 27, Jun 24, Aug 26. For more information contact Al Foust at (570) 435-0043, or e-mail alfoust@pa.net.

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. NRA sanctioned high power & service rifle matches, 100 yd.modified National Match Course, 50 rd. + sighters. Sign up @ 8:30 AM. First relay @ 9:00AM, rain or shine, (80 rd. club championship). M1 Garand Clinic,. Match fees \$10.00, Located off I-78 at exit 23, Shartlesville, PA. Call Rose Loose (610) 562-0314 or e-mail h.r.p.c@earthlink.net for info.

MIFFLIN COUNTY SPORTSMEN'S ASSN, INC, - 2 rifle ranges, one to 500 yds, one to 500 meters. 16 covered concrete benches. Smallbore silhouette range and pistol range. Walk thru archery and blackpowder ranges. Groundhog matches Reg 9am, Shoot 10am..Highpower 100, 300, 500yd. 22cal 25,50,100 yd. 3-D Archery - Trap shoots and muzzleloaders shoots. For info call: Pres. Abraham Henry (717) 899-7529, Club E-mail- mcsano1@localnet.com.

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@angeltechcomputinq.com

YORK RIFLE RANGE ASSOCIATION, INC.- 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 smallbore 50yds & 100 yards, 12 point highpower—200 yards with pits, 8 bench points 50, 100, 200 yards, 2nd. Sat each month - Junior shooting (rifle, pistol, shotgun). 4th Sunday each month Apr - Sept - NRA Highpower matches. Call Beverly Throne for details at (717) 244-8612.

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 150 yard rifle range, and a fishing lake. Please contact Dick Dunn at (724) 458-6416 for information or e-mail Lynn Lipko at llipko@isrv.com. Check out our web page at www.isrv.com/~llipko/

SOMERSET RIFLE & PISTOL ASSO.- located just south of Somerset, Exit 10 of the PA turnpike,. Meetings are held the second Thursday of the following months J,F,M,A,M,S,O,N,D at 8:00 pm. We offer an outdoor 100 and 200 yard range with 5 covered benches. We also have a 25 yard indoor range with electronically timed turning targets. A 50 foot light rifle standing league shoots on Sunday at 5 pm beginning Jan. 5, 03. An NRA conventional pistol league. A 25 yd 22 rimfire benchrest league shoots on Wednesday evening at 7 pm. We are also the home range for the Shanksville Stonycreek Smallbore rifle team. For more information, please contact Dave Zerfoss at (814) 445-8474 or e-mail shooterdave@floodcity.net or Ron Pyle at (814) 444-8361 or (814) 754-8292 or e-mail rpyle@wwainc.com

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.

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 webmaster with any questions or call clubhouse 3 to 5 daily (717) 545-6834.

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

INTER-COUNTY RIFLE LEAGUE - an organization of smallbore rifle teams from Berks, Lebanon, Lancaster, York and Lehigh. Spring and Summer season, prone metallic and any sight 40 shot matches fired on Sunday morning at 50 and 100 yards. Friday night matches fired at 100 yards on illuminated targets. Fall and Winter, 3-position 60 shot any sight matches are fired Friday evening at 50 foot indoor ranges.

DUBOIS RIFLE & PISTOL CLUB - located just off I 80 exit 101 in DuBois. Meetings are held the second Wednesday of every month at 7:30 PM except July and August. New members welcomed. For membership contact Joanne Pentz 814 583 5530 mjpentz@pennswoods.net. We offer a 50' indoor range, 10 firing points and adjustable target carriers. Pistol league Tuesday at 7:00 pm starting in October. Contact John Pifer 814 427 2161. 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.

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.

PR & PA Membership Secretary P.O. Box 216 Sandy Lake, PA 16145

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NRA RANGE SAFETY OFFICER TRAINING

The NRA Basic Range Safety Officer Course is designed for persons who have been assigned to oversee range safety. The 9-hour course covers range inspection procedures, how to conduct range safety briefings for shooters, the proper handling of ammunition, safe ways to clear firearms with stoppages or malfunctions, supervising safety aspects of shooting activities, and conducting emergency procedures. The NRA Basic RSO course utilizes small group discussion, drills and exercises, as well as realistic demonstrations; the minimum age for certification is 21 years.

As a continuing program to enhance the safety and proper utilization of ranges in south-central Pennsylvania, Harrisburg Hunters' & Anglers' Association recently hosted an RSO training course. Equipment and materials were underwritten by North Harrisburg American Legion Post 1001. On January 29, 2006, NRA Certified Chief Range Safety Officers Linda Tucker and Ron Keslar conducted the daylong training course. By the end of the day, twelve individuals had successfully completed the training and were recommended to the NRA for appointment as Range Safety Officers. Congratulations to Eric Poole, Jim Irwin, Fred Rogers, Craig Gersch, Jim Huffman, Kumar Piraviperumal, Chuck Grubb, Jack Brady, Tom Wise, Don Strine, Gerald Petrasic, and Glenn Manns!

Photo at right: Kumar Piraviperumal talks Craig Gersch through the clearing of a jammed rifle.

