

## Anne Arundel Fish & Game Conservation Association

*"The strongest reason for the people to retain the right to keep and bear arms is, as a last resort, to protect themselves against tyranny in government."*  
- Thomas Jefferson

### WILLIAM M. SHOWACRE

07/26/21 - 08/06/08  
Shooter - Mentor -  
Friend - Patriot

President - 1977  
Anne Arundel  
Fish and Game  
Conservation  
Association, Inc.



AAF&G lost a true friend this past week. Retired Army Lt. Col. William M. "Bill" Showacre passed away Wednesday, August 6, 2008 at the age of 87 due to complications from a viral infection and congestive heart failure.

Bill had been a member of AAF&G since 1960, was president in 1977 and served a number of terms on the Board of Directors. He is best known for the unlimited hours he spent over the last 40 years instructing our Junior Rifle shooters as well as senior rifle shooters and students of the AAF&G Hunter Safety Classes.

Bill was a retired Lt. Col. in the US Army, and due to his rank and service, not only in WWII but also in Korea, is eligible for burial in Arlington National Cemetery. Internment at Arlington will be on December 1<sup>st</sup>. A memorial service was held Wednesday, August 13<sup>th</sup> at 3 pm at 1st Presbyterian Church on Duke of Gloucester Street. A reception immediately following the service was held at AAF&G.

Bill had no family other than his friends in AAF&G, the Boy Scouts of America and the High Power Rifle community, so keep him in your prayers and thoughts.

The Obituary from *The Capitol* read as follows:

Lt. Col. William M. Showacre, 87, a resident of Annapolis, died of congestive heart failure Aug. 6 at Marley Neck Health and Rehabilitation Center in Glen Burnie.

Lt. Col. Showacre was born in Baltimore on July 26, 1921, to William Russell and Genevieve Farnsworth Showacre. He joined Army in 1943 and served during World War II and the Korean War. He received the

### BOARD NOTES

Membership at AAF&G continues to grow by leaps and bounds. We're now over the 450 member mark.

Ranges are looking good; thanks to all the volunteers at recent work parties. Please remember to clean up after yourself. Police your brass, trash and put things back as you found them or better. I was recently at the Plinking range to help with a training class and was embarrassed to see the condition of the range. It took about two minutes to make it look better before the students arrived.

The BSA Eagle Projects are coming along. Three of the original four projects are complete. Sean Hocking just completed a shed on the Plinking Range. So the last Eagle Project from the original four is by Nathan Jones doing a bulletin board for the Eccles Rifle Range. Since the original four projects, I've added two more Eagle Scout Projects to the list. William Johnston will be doing a Wild Life Bulletin Board for the Hunter Safety Trail and Michael Ruzzi will be doing a new flag pole in the meadow.

If you haven't attended a General Meeting in awhile come join us to see what Kathy and Mike have cooked up for us and what Marian has made for dessert. Come meet some of the new members and hear the stories from Camp Perry. Remember, the cost of dinner is only \$5 – be a sport and bring your spouse.

Support Your Club - Volunteer!

*Andrea Miller*  
Chairman

Middle Eastern Service Medal and World War II Victory Medal.

After retiring, he taught Industrial Arts in Annapolis for 22 years. He was a member of First Presbyterian Church of Annapolis.

His interests included teaching sailing at the Annapolis Sailing School, being a Boy Scout Master, but most of all he enjoyed teaching junior rifle marksmanship to young people, building airplanes and his ferrets.

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## OFFICERS

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## YEAR IN A SNAPSHOT

**Board of Directors' Meeting** – first Monday of the month, 7:30 pm (following Tuesday if Monday is Federal Holiday)

**General Meeting/Membership** – second Thursday of the month; **Dinner @ 7pm** by Kitchen Committee – Pot Luck Dinner in March, June, September & December; Meeting starts at 8:00 pm

**Annual Meeting** (Election of Directors & Officers)  
Holiday Dinner – December Meeting

**New Member Walk Thrus** – third Saturday @ 9 am or following Sunday @ 11am

## ORGANIZED MATCHES & EVENTS

**AR-15 Service Rifle League** – 1st Saturday

**Army "L" Target Pistol Match** – last Saturday

**Bullseye Pistol Leagues** – Sunday 9:30 am; Tuesday 10 am; Thursday 12:00 pm; Saturday 9 am

**Cowboy Action** – 1st & 3rd Saturdays

**Hunter Safety Classes** – August 26, 28 & 30; Sept. 16, 18 & 20; Sept. 30, Oct. 2 & 4

**IDPA Action Pistol** – 1st Friday & 2nd & 4th Saturdays

**NRA Action Pistol** – September 14

**NRA Junior Rifle Program** – Sunday 1 pm

**NRA 2700 Bullseye Pistol Match** – Sept. 13, Oct. 18

**Public Sight-In Day(s)** – To be announced

**Shotgun** – Trap and Skeet – Friday 10 am to 4 pm; Saturday 10 am to 1 pm

**Vintage Rifle Shoots** – 2nd Saturday

## EDUCATION & TRAINING

**NRA Home Firearm Safety & Basic Pistol** – Oct. 21, 23 & 25

**NRA Personal Protection** – Nov. 4, 6 & 8

**NRA Range Safety Officer** – Dec. 7 or Jan. 11

**NBEF & MD Bowhunter Education Program** – TBA

**NRA Instructor Courses** are offered as requested.

Additional classes, clinics and seminars are scheduled as needed. See Education and Training article.

## SANCTIONED WEEKENDS

**Ernie Clarke Memorial Shoot, Club Championship** – Sept. 13 & 14  
Oct. 18 & 19; Nov. 1 & 2

## 2008 CIVILIAN MARKSMANSHIP PROGRAM Garand/Springfield/Vintage Foreign Military Rifle Games Matches at Camp Perry, Ohio

Having competed in the Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP) Eastern Games Matches at Camp Butner, NC early in May 2008, Brian Swift, Andy McKinney, and Bill Palk decided to compete with the big boys at the National CMP Rifle Matches held at Camp Perry, OH during late July and early August.

The service rifle matches were begun by President Theodore Roosevelt in the early 1900s and Camp Perry has been the site of these matches since 1907. The CMP Games Matches (national and regional) are designed for rifles, which are not the current service rifle. Thus, there are matches for the M1 Garand, the M1 Carbine, the M1903-M1903A3 Springfield, M1917 Enfield, Krag-Jorgenson, and also for any other manual bolt action foreign military rifle in as-issued condition.

The first match to be shot was the M1 Carbine match. Range was 100 yards; the target was a standard 6¼" bullseye (9/10/X ring) reduced military 200 yd target. The course of fire consisted of firing up to 10 sighter rounds followed by 10 rounds prone slow-fire in 15 minutes, then 10 rounds standing to prone rapid fire in 70 seconds, followed by 10 rounds standing to sitting rapid-fire in 70 seconds, and finally, 10 rounds offhand slow-fire in 10 minutes. The results were less than desired. Four hundred points were a possible and out of 533 Carbine shooters, Andy scored a 309/1X to place 271<sup>st</sup>. Brian scored a 298/1X for 314<sup>th</sup> place. And Bill trailed with a miserable 296/1X due primarily to his putting two 10 ring shots on his prone slow-fire target during the prone rapid-fire phase. Thus...only eight shots (dropped a possible 20 right there) on the rapid-fire target and a loss of the two high shots (oops, there goes another definite 20 points) on the target containing twelve shots. Also, Brian's score was at least 10 points higher than posted due, we believe, to a math error by the gentleman who scored his target.

The second match was the Springfield/Vintage Foreign Military Rifle Match held the following day. Andy and Brian competed in the Springfield match and Bill

competed in the Vintage Foreign Military Rifle match using a MK III Ross Rifle. The Vintage Foreign Military match is held on the same range at the same time as the Springfield match. The range for these matches is 200 yards at a standard 12½" 200 yard military bullseye. The



*Bill Palk, Andy McKinney, and Brian Swift*

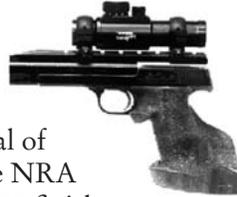
course of fire was similar to that of the Carbine match except that there was no standing to sitting rapid-fire phase. It began with up to five sighter shots followed by 10 record shots in 15 minutes. The second phase was the standing to prone rapid-fire phase – ten shots in 80 seconds. Last was the offhand slow-fire phase shooting 10 rounds in 10 minutes. In this Brian and his Springfield prevailed with a 249/300 for a ranking of 381 out of 743 Springfield shooters. Andy shot a

224/300 for a ranking of 575/743. And Bill trailed with a 206 for a ranking of 275 out of 329 Vintage Foreign Military Rifle shooters. Still no medal opportunity for any of us. Lotta pressure out there on a field with 150 other shooters and 150 scorers/coaches. And it was a bit hot and a shooting jacket on top of a sweatshirt does nothing to promote cooling. OK, no more excuses.

The last match was the John C. Garand match which is what a large number of shooters come for. There were 1,177 Garand shooters overall. This time it was just Andy and Bill since Brian didn't have a Garand to shoot. Bill drew the relay that shot first in the afternoon. The course of fire is the same for the Garand as for the Springfield/Vintage Foreign Military Rifle matches except that the time limit for the standing to prone rapid-fire phase is only 70 seconds long. Both slow fire phases are fired single shot; only the rapid-fire phase uses the en bloc clips. Bill's first sighter shot resulted in an open bolt but no extraction of the fired cartridge. Looked like the extractor ripped the rim right off the cartridge. Huh! Bad lot of brass, maybe? Close the bolt and try to extract again. No luck; can't even pull the op rod back. Uh-oh! Got problems now. Stand up, hold the gun muzzle up

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# BULLSEYE PISTOL REPORT



The third AAF&G NRA Registered 2700 Tournament for 2008 and Practice NRA

Distinguished Revolver Match was held June 21st. A total of 23 shooters competed in the 2700 and seven in the practice NRA Distinguished Revolver Match. An overview of the top 2700 finishers with each aggregate score for .22, center fire, and .45 pistols with the "x" count and the individual three gun grand aggregate is as follows:

## Open Winner:

|           |        |        |        |        |          |
|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------|
| Joe Chang | HM/CIV | 881-51 | 875-33 | 871-31 | 2627-115 |
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## High Master/Master: Four Competitors

|                |        |        |        |        |          |
|----------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------|
| Rich Kang      | HM/CIV | 880-45 | 867-37 | 873-39 | 2620-121 |
| Rick Rodriquez | HM/POL | 863-32 | 857-24 | 857-29 | 2577-85  |

## Expert: Nine Competitors

|                  |        |        |        |        |         |
|------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| Bill Nash        | EX/CIV | 854-17 | 827-21 | 845-23 | 2526-61 |
| Keith Herrington | EX/CIV | 859-29 | 833-28 | 827-18 | 2519-75 |
| Mark Teskey      | EX/SER | 862-24 | 803-7  | 813-12 | 2478-43 |
| Dermid McDonald  | EX/CIV | 821-20 | 896-14 | 822-12 | 2439-46 |

## Sharpshooter: Four Competitors

|                |        |        |        |        |         |
|----------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| Jennifer Leong | SS/SER | 815-17 | 828-13 | 807-15 | 2450-45 |
| Mike McGrath   | SS/CIV | 818-21 | 780-10 | 794-16 | 2392-47 |

## Marksman: Five Competitors

|               |        |        |       |     |         |
|---------------|--------|--------|-------|-----|---------|
| John Morrison | MK/CIV | 739-12 | 551-3 | DNF | 1290-15 |
| Jack Walsh    | MK/CIV | 684-7  | 594-5 | DNF | 1278-12 |

**Practice NRA Distinguished Revolver Match: Seven Competitors.** The score indicated is for the 30 round National Match Course followed by the "x" count.

|                     |       |
|---------------------|-------|
| Keith Herrington    | 275-7 |
| Richard Kang        | 273-7 |
| Joe Chang (EIC .45) | 272-6 |
| Woody Harrison      | 260-3 |

Our great AAF&G volunteers ran an outstanding tournament, handling problems with the turning system in a rapid and effective manner. A great big thanks goes to the following workers: first time 2700 CRO: Steve Peters; ACRO: Gordon Davids; 2700 Line officers: Jack Walsh, Bob Meck, Gordon Davids, Dermott Hickey, Kathy Callahan; DR CRO: Steve Peters; DR Line Officer: Mike McGrath; Statistics and Registration: Anne Orthner, Gordon Davids, Erick Graves; Range Preparation: Targets - Frank Stanbro, Mowing - Dermott Hickey.

The Army "L" Target 1800 Tournament for June was held June 28<sup>th</sup> with a total of 21 competitors. There were 12 shooters for the .22 pistol, and 9 for the center fire pistol agg. The top shooters were as follows:

## June 28<sup>th</sup> .22 Aggregate Match

|                   |                    |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| John Hollingshead | 898-77x            |
| Erick Graves      | 893-69x            |
| Keith Herrington  | 892-66x (Revolver) |
| Dennis Walls      | 889-47x            |
| Paul Striffler    | 883-53x            |
| Mike McGrath      | 870-39x            |

## June 28<sup>th</sup> CF Aggregate Match

|                   |         |
|-------------------|---------|
| John Hollingshead | 896-72x |
| Keith Herrington  | 884-54x |
| (Revolver)        |         |
| Paul Striffler    | 876-52x |
| Mike McGrath      | 865-40x |

## The Army "L" Target 1800

Tournament for July was held July 26<sup>th</sup> with a total of 27 competitors. There were 14 shooters for the .22 pistol, and 13 for the center fire pistol agg. The top shooters were as follows:

## July 26<sup>th</sup> .22 Aggregate Match

|                   |         |
|-------------------|---------|
| John Hollingshead | 898-80x |
| Erick Graves      | 896-73x |
| Mike McGrath      | 889-37x |
| Keith Herrington  | 885-65x |
| Cary Bryczek      | 884-66x |
| Paul Striffler    | 883-54x |

## July 26<sup>th</sup> CF Aggregate Match

|                   |         |
|-------------------|---------|
| John Hollingshead | 889-69x |
| Keith Herrington  | 891-68x |
| (Revolver)        |         |
| Mike McGrath      | 878-52x |
| Paul Striffler    | 876-45x |
| Erick Graves      | 874-41x |

Welcome to Mike Butterfield and Cary Bryczek to their first AAF&G Army "L" Target Tournament.

*Paul Striffler*

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Friends are invited to a Life Celebration at 3 pm Wednesday at the First Presbyterian Church of Annapolis, 171 Duke of Gloucester Street. Interment will be in Arlington National Cemetery with full military honors at 11 am, Dec. 1, 2008.

Arrangements are by Kalas Funeral Home. Sign the online guest book at [www.kalasfuneralhomes.com](http://www.kalasfuneralhomes.com).

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the Hospice of the Chesapeake, 445 Defense Highway Annapolis, MD 21401 or to the American Red Cross.



The backstop wall and the #2 baffle extension on the Eccles Rifle Range have now been completely filled with gravel. We are in the process of documenting the scope of the enhanced protection the improvement affords so the Board can approve a change to the Rifle Range rules to allow for shooting

from below the level of the bench tops. This means that as soon as the Board approves the change, you will be able to shoot from the prone, supine, Creedmore, sitting and kneeling positions in addition to the bench and offhand (standing) positions. Do not shoot from the enhanced positions until the Board approves the changes to the Range Rules.

The work party that finally filled the voids was a joint work party with some of our pistol shooters in addition to the usual complement of rifle shooters. See the photos on Page 8. The rifle shooters joined the pistoleros on the Action Pistol Range Sunday morning, July 27<sup>th</sup>, to fill the two walls on the Action Pistol Range, thereby creating three separate bulletproof bays there. When those walls were filled, we all repaired to the Rifle Range backstop wall to complete the fill that was started last Winter and then to fill the #2 baffle extension that was completed earlier this Spring. Unlike the Action Pistol walls, which are lower, the Rifle Range backstop wall was, at fourteen feet, too high for mechanical means to dump the gravel directly into the wall. The catwalk behind the wall allows for only two workers to shovel the gravel. A better idea was to take advantage of the two derricks which were fabricated and affixed to the wall by Richard Dein. Equipped with a block and tackle, the derricks allowed multiple buckets to be filled by many down below and then be hoisted up to the catwalk and then poured into the wall. That was much better and a much more efficient use of human resources.

Then we went to the #2 baffle. Ah, still too high for mechanical means and no derrick with block and tackle. Ok, back to the old ways...bucket brigade from gravel pile up the ladder and pour into the baffle. Hey, that works pretty efficiently too. Tiring? Yes. But it still worked out well. While I had been somewhat optimistic in estimating that the use of mechanical means might allow us to complete the job by 12 noon, it was only around 1:20pm when we dumped the last bucket of gravel.

Thanks to all who participated in this and all the other work parties going back to the early summer of 2007.

As soon as the Board approves the Range Rules change, signs to that effect will be posted at the Eccles Rifle Range as well as on the AAF&G web site.

**Bill Palk**

Chairman, Eccles Rifle Range Committee

## NOMINATIONS DEADLINE

If you're interested in serving as an Officer or Director check the by-laws for requirements and job descriptions and send a brief biography to Bob Meck at [bettymeck@aol.com](mailto:bettymeck@aol.com).

All bios need to be in Bob's hands by the 31<sup>st</sup> of August to be considered for the slate. Bios of the slate presented by the Nominating Committee will appear in *The SCORE* so you can review candidates' qualifications before the elections in December.

## Coming Gun Shows

September 12, 13 & 14  
C & E Gun Shows  
Dulles Expo Center  
Chantilly, VA

September 13 & 14  
Appalachian Promotions  
Mason Dixon Auto Auctions  
Greencastle, PA

September 20 & 21  
Silverado  
Howard County Fairgrounds  
West Friendship

October 4 & 5  
Appalachian Promotions  
Timonium Fairgrounds  
Timonium

October 25 & 26  
Appalachian Promotions  
York Fairgrounds  
York, PA

October 25 & 26  
Silverado  
Carroll County Agriculture  
Center - Westminster

November 1 & 2  
MD Arms Collectors  
Silverado  
Show Place Arena  
Upper Marlboro

November 8 & 9  
Silverado  
Frederick Fairgrounds  
Frederick

November 15 & 16  
Appalachian Promotions  
Mason Dixon Auto Auctions  
Greencastle, PA

November 21, 22 & 23  
C & E Gun Shows  
Dulles Expo Center  
Dulles VA

## IDPA GUNS and GEAR

One of the frequently asked questions about IDPA is what kinds of guns may be used. There are five (5) divisions in IDPA, depending upon the type of firearm. Three (3) of the divisions are for semi-automatic handguns and two (2) are for revolvers. The following are the specifications for the various divisions from the IDPA Rule Book (2005 edition):

1. *Stock Service Pistol Division (SSP)*. "Handguns permitted for use in this division must:

- A. Be semi-automatic.
- B. Be double action, double action only, or safe action (when the trigger is pulled, the hammer/striker is cocked and then released).
- C. Be 9mm (9x19) or larger caliber.
- D. Have a maximum unloaded weight of 39oz., including an empty magazine. (Will be effective January 25, 2006)
- E. Have a minimum annual production of 2000 units; (discontinued models must have had a total production of 20,000 units).
- F. Fit in the IDPA gun test box measuring 8 ¾" x 6" x 1 5/8" with an empty magazine inserted.
- G. Be loaded to the division capacity of ten (10) rounds in the magazine plus one (1) round in the chamber. Should division capacity not be achievable because of lower magazine capacity, load to maximum mechanical capacity of magazine plus one (1) round in the chamber. Competitors must use the same capacity magazines through out the competition."  
*Note: high capacity magazines are permitted but may not be loaded with more than 10 rounds.*

*Examples of handguns in this division are the Glock 17, 22, 19, 23, 34, and 35, Beretta 92, Ruger P series, and Smith and Wesson M&P. Note: Guns that fire either single or double action may be used in SSP as long as they are used only double action.*

2. *Enhanced Service Pistol (ESP)*. "Handguns permitted for use in this division must:

- A. Be semi-automatic.
- B. Be 9mm (9x19) or larger caliber.
- C. Have a maximum unloaded weight of 43 oz., including an empty magazine.
- D. Fit in the IDPA gun test box measuring 8 ¾" x 6" x 1 5/8" with an empty magazine inserted.
- E. Be loaded to the division capacity of ten (10) rounds in the magazine plus one (1) round in the chamber. Should division capacity not be achievable because of lower magazine capacity, load should be to maximum mechanical capacity of magazine plus one (1) round in the chamber. Competitors must use the same capacity magazines through out the competition (*Example: if you start with a 9 round magazine, you*

must use that capacity magazine throughout the match).

Pistols approved for SSP may also be used in ESP and CDP depending upon caliber, even if the pistol in question has a full-length dust cover. However, should the pistol in question have a modification that removes it from SSP, it must meet all other division criteria for ESP or CDP, again depending upon caliber."

*Examples of handguns in this division are the Springfield Arms XD and Model 1911s in 9mm. Note: high capacity magazines are permitted but may not be loaded with more than 10 rounds.*

3. *Custom defensive Pistol (CDP)*. "Handguns permitted for use in this division must:

- A. Be semi-automatic.
- B. Be .45 ACP caliber.
- C. Have a maximum unloaded weight of 41 oz., including an empty magazine.
- D. Fit in the IDPA gun test box measuring 8 ¾" x 6" x 1 5/8" with an empty magazine inserted.
- E. Be loaded to the division capacity of eight (8) rounds in the magazine plus one (1) round in the chamber. Should division capacity not be achievable because of lower magazine capacity, load should be to maximum mechanical capacity of magazine plus one (1) round in the chamber. Competitors must use the same capacity magazines through out the competition (*Example: if you start with a 7 round magazine, you must use that capacity magazine throughout the match.*)"

High capacity pistols can be used as long as the pistol meets ALL division criteria. Pistols approved for SSP may also be used in ESP and CDP depending upon caliber, even if the pistol in question has a full-length dust cover. However, should the pistol in question have a modification that removes it from SSP, it must meet all other division criteria for ESP or CDP, again depending upon caliber.

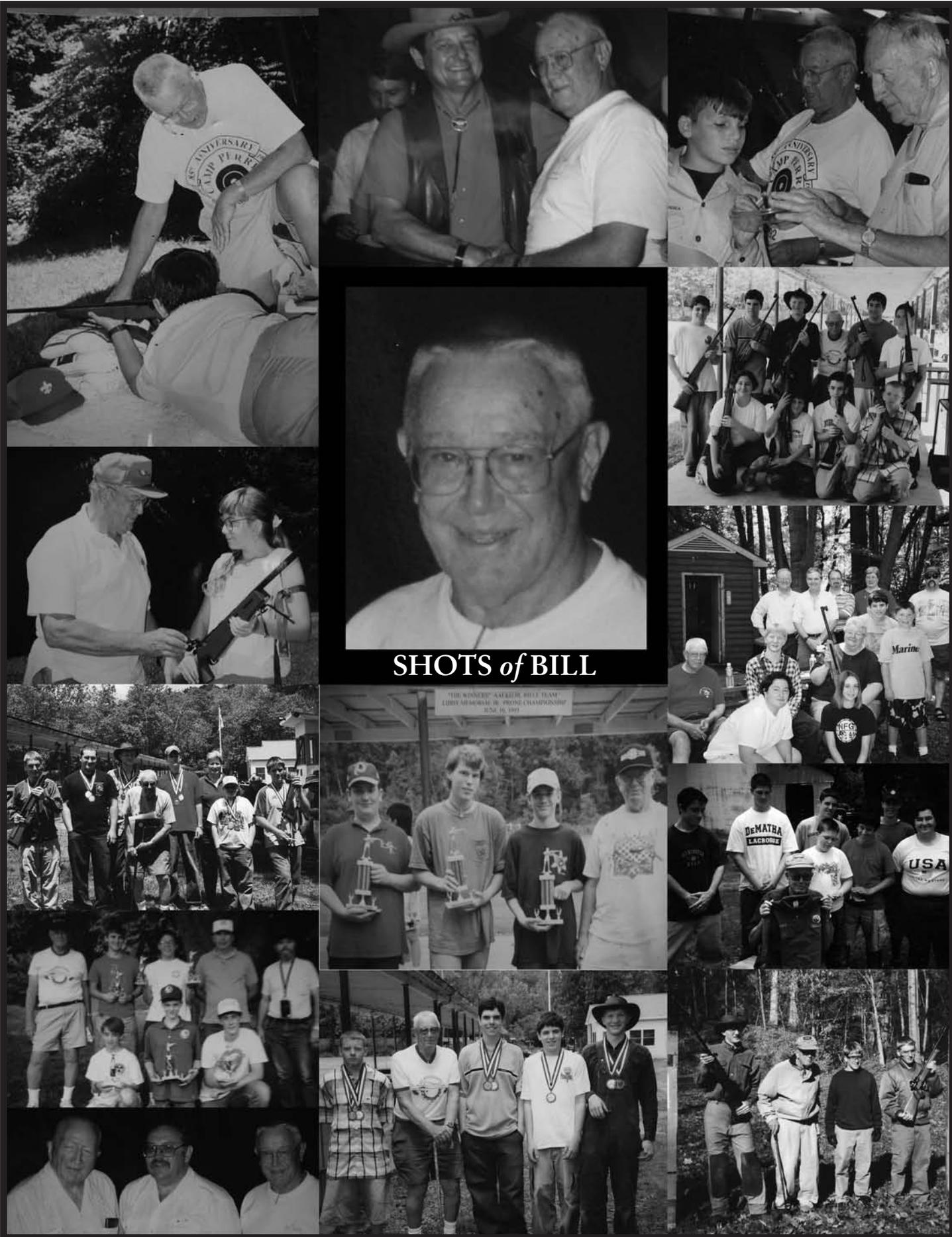
*Examples of handguns in this division are the Model 1911s (in 45 ACP), the Glock 21 and 21 SF, Springfield XD (in 45 ACP), and Smith and Wesson M&P (in 45 ACP).*

4. *Stock Service Revolver*. "Handguns permitted for use in this division must be:

- A. Any revolver of .38 Caliber (.357" or larger) or larger that utilizes ammunition with a rimmed case and is not reloaded with a full moon clip.
- B. Barrel length of 4.2" or less (as measured from the front of the cylinder).
- C. Have a maximum unloaded weight of 42 oz.
- D. Be loaded to the division capacity of six (6) rounds in the cylinder. Seven (7) and eight (8) shot revolvers are permitted, but may only load six (6) rounds."

*Examples of handguns in this division are double action*

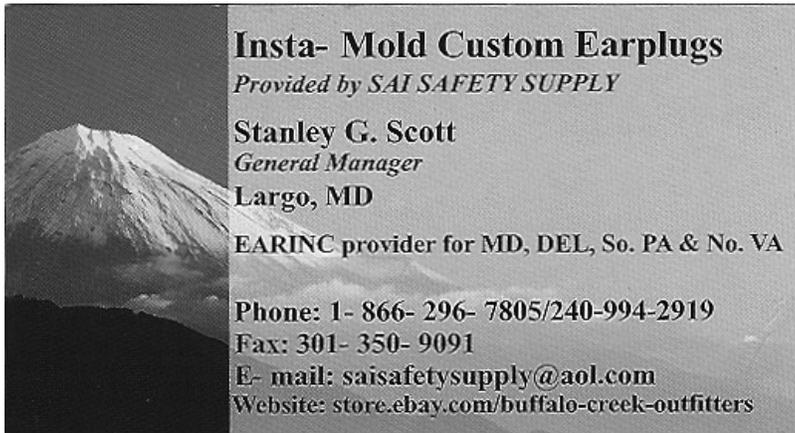
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# Work Parties





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*Custom fitted ear plugs available while-you-wait on the September Sanctioned Weekend, September 13-14. Stanley will set up shop in the club house on both days.*

## JUNIOR RIFLE

The Junior Rifle Program members practice at 1:15-3:15 p.m., and the Advance Team practices from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm, every Sunday. The next Junior Rifle Orientation Class will be held on September 7, 2008 at 1:00 pm in the club house. If you plan to attend an Orientation Class, please give me a call at 410-260-1009 (daytime Monday - Friday) or email me at [andrea@chesmill.com](mailto:andrea@chesmill.com).

The June Orientation Class had five new juniors join our AAF&G Junior Rifle Program. Welcome to Sarah Weber, Rachel Jurus, Max Ardiza, Jake Hoyer and Daniel Weber.



### June Medals:

Pro-Marksman - Graham Ferguson, Jacob Hoyer and Rachel Jurus  
 Marksman - Ryan Jachimski, Alex Jurus, Stephen Rodriguez and Alex Thompson  
 Marksman 1st Class - Philip Zuech

### July Medals:

Marksman 1st Class - Ryan Jachimski and Alex Thompson  
 Sharpshooter Bar-1 - Nathan Moy  
 Sharpshooter Bar-5 - Joe Kurtz

The 30<sup>th</sup> Annual 'Libby' match has come and gone. We had seven of our Junior Shooters at the match. Our team of Michael Kurtis, Nathan Moy, Tyler Warman and Stephen Orazem took 1<sup>st</sup> place team and won the Coaches Plaque. Congratulations! All seven shot in the individual portion of the match and all but one came home with a medal. Unfortunately we were one short of making up the second team this year. The second team minus one was made up of Geoff Gerrish, Joe Kurtz and Alex Doan. This was the first match for five of the seven shooters and they did an outstanding job! Check out the smiles on the faces of the kids and the coaches.

"Youth are our Future"

**Andrea Miller**  
 Jr. Rifle Chairperson

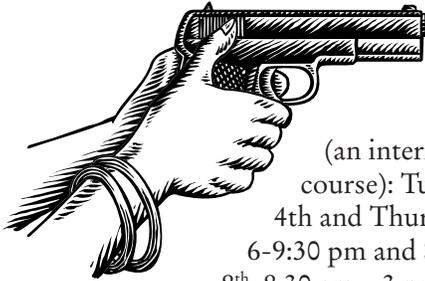
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## Coming Education & Training Events at AAF&G

### NRA'S HOME FIREARM SAFETY AND BASIC PISTOL COURSES

Tuesday, October 21<sup>st</sup> and Thursday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 6 – 9:30 pm and Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 am – 2 pm; preregistration required; cost \$65 (\$50 for AAF&G members); limit 20; contact Meg Clarke at [marston.clarke@verizon.net](mailto:marston.clarke@verizon.net).



### NRA'S PERSONAL PROTECTION IN THE HOME

(an intermediate pistol course): Tuesday, November 4<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, 6-9:30 pm and Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 am – 3 pm; preregistration required; cost \$85 (\$70 for AAF&G members); limit 10; Basic Pistol a prerequisite; contact Meg Clarke at [marston.clarke@verizon.net](mailto:marston.clarke@verizon.net).

### NRA RANGE SAFETY OFFICER COURSES

Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 am to 6:30 pm  
OR

Sunday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 am to 6:30 pm  
Preregistration and deposit required; cost \$90 (\$75 for AAF&G members or MSRPA members); min 6 to limit 20; contact Meg Clarke at [marston.clarke@verizon.net](mailto:marston.clarke@verizon.net).

### NRA INSTRUCTOR DEVELOPMENT

Home Firearm Safety and Basic Pistol; Friday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, 6-9:30 pm, Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 am – 6pm; preregistration and deposit required; cost \$170 (\$150 for AAF&G members); min 6 to limit 15; contact Meg Clarke at [marston.clarke@verizon.net](mailto:marston.clarke@verizon.net).

### PERSONAL PROTECTION OUTSIDE THE HOME

(new course), Friday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 6-9:30 pm, Saturday, January 24<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 am -6 pm; preregistration and deposit required; cost \$170 (\$150 for AAF&G members); min 6 to limit 15; contact Meg Clarke at [marston.clarke@verizon.net](mailto:marston.clarke@verizon.net).

## 2008 AAF&G VINTAGE (and other) RIFLE MATCHES

- Sep 13 .22 Rimfire Target Style Rifles - No Scopes. *NOTE: Due to the combined 2008 Bullroast and Ernie Clarke Club Championship matches to be held on Saturday, the .22rf matches will be held on **Sunday, Sep 14<sup>th</sup> beginning at 1:00pm**. This is also a Sanctioned Weekend.*
- Oct 11 Muzzleloaders - Traditional Side Hammer style with Iron Sights.
- Nov 8 Rifles of WWI era - configured as originally issued and with original style sights. Rifles used by the Central Powers, Triple Entente, or Non-Belligerents.
- Dec 13 Rifles of WWII - configured as originally issued and with original style sights. Rifles used by the original Axis of Evil, the Allied Forces, or Non-Belligerents.

All matches will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month from 10am-12noon unless otherwise noted. Except for aftermarket sights allowed on Military Bolt Action Rifles used during the January matches, all military rifles should conform to current CMP Competition Rule 6.0.

# Volunteers Needed

Members, help make shotgun sports at AAF&G more enjoyable for all by donating just three hours of your time a month.

When you're a regular shotgun volunteer you pay less for your rounds!  
Contact Jay Honeywell at:  
[JayHoneywell@yahoo.com](mailto:JayHoneywell@yahoo.com) or  
call 410-562-3107.



*Life in the pits!*

(it already fired, remember?) and stomp on the op rod handle. That opened the action but still no extraction. Get back down and dig out a Leatherman™ and a screwdriver. S#@\*! Broke the tip on my screwdriver but pried the case out. Loaded another round (I'm a slow learner I reckon) and the same thing happened. Ripped a chunk out of the rim. The Line Officer called for a USMC Armorer who was stumped also as to the cause of the malfunction. Understand, now, that the 15-minute clock for the first phase is ticking away and I've only got off two sighters. Fortunately, Andy, who was scoring for me, kindly offered the use of his Garand and I shot my remaining three sighters and then the ten record shots for a score of 90/100 for phase one. I used Andy's rifle for phases two and three for a total score of 242/300 and a 785/1177 ranking. Fell apart in the offhand slow-fire. No excuses. Just fell apart.

When it was time for Andy to shoot he proceeded to shoot a nice score right up to the last offhand shot when the targets were pulled down.

Thinking that it was the end of the 10-minute period he let off his 10<sup>th</sup> round only to find out that the targets were pulled early due to a ceasefire caused by a jet ski that entered the impact area in Lake Erie. When the targets reappeared there was no spotter disc or shot value disc. We called for a mark on the target and it reappeared but still with no spotter or value disc.



*Alibi Andy!*

Did that last snap shot miss completely or was it pasted over without being scored? We'll never know, but with less than a minute remaining, Andy was finally allowed by range officer to take an 11<sup>th</sup> shot owing to a multiple target "range alibi" even though there are no alibis allowed (at least for equipment/ammo malfunctions) in the CMP Games matches. They told Andy he had 20 seconds to make the shot and then started counting down "10-9-8-7-6..." just to add a little pressure. Andy got it off just before the last ceasefire was called and darned if that shot didn't come up as a 9, for a total of 258, qualifying him for a Bronze medal. No need to ask who bought the beer that night.

The experience at Camp Perry (and Camp Butner) is not all shooting. All competitors must take their turn in the target pits pulling and pasting the targets shot by other competitors. This gives you a good appreciation for the need to provide speedy target service. There's nothing like waiting and waiting and waiting during a timed event for your target to reappear to see where that shot went. Can sometimes ruin whatever mojo you've got left.

The National Rifle Matches at Camp Perry are pretty awesome in scope and the Civilian Marksmanship Program staff deserves a great deal of credit for organizing them as well as they are. With up to eight matches a day per range it can get pretty hectic. And CMP has, for the last few years, been using scannable scorecards so the scores can be made available online at [http://clubs.odcmp.com/cgi-bin/report\\_matchResult.cgi?matchID=3426](http://clubs.odcmp.com/cgi-bin/report_matchResult.cgi?matchID=3426) within minutes of match completion.

We look forward to competing in the CMP Games Matches at both Camp Butner and Camp Perry next year. Anyone also interested in competing there should feel free to talk to Brian ([brian@orcharddevelopment.com](mailto:brian@orcharddevelopment.com)), Bill ([wpalk@verizon.net](mailto:wpalk@verizon.net)), or Andy ([amckinney58@yahoo.com](mailto:amckinney58@yahoo.com)) for more info on the registration process, gear, logistics, and anything else that comes to mind.

## Bill Palk

### LAST CHANCE!!!

**I**t's your last chance to participate in this year's Anne Arundel County Friends of the NRA Dinner and Auction. The previous SCORE had a flyer with all the details and there are flyers in the club house. The club signed on to become a sponsor this year (and got a gun to raffle later this year) and we look for your support. Tickets are available by calling Wendy Baldwin at 410-721-3089. If you can't attend the August 23<sup>rd</sup> event, call Meg Clarke at 443-904-5023 to make a donation or to underwrite a piece of the merchandise.

## 2008 BULL

Don't forget the Bull Roast on Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup> (a sanctioned weekend). It will be much the same as the previous one last summer with minor tweaks to the menu, based on observations and feedback from last year's event.

And again, it'll be **FREE to MEMBERS** and \$5.00 for non-member guests. Remember to **display your 2008 membership card** coming through the serving line, otherwise you'll be asked to pony up \$5.00.

Also don't forget to volunteer to help the kitchen committee prepare and serve the food. If you cannot be there for very long, consider volunteering for some of the other, time-sensitive tasks like preparing the grills and starting the fire, bringing tables and chairs from the clubhouse to the tents and setting them up, and when it's almost all over, returning the tables and chairs to the clubhouse, striking the tents, and cleaning up. Activities abound for those so inclined to offer their help.

## ROAST

We'll be starting at 8:00 am for some tasks such as preparing the grills and starting the fires, 9:00 am for erecting the tents and starting the grilling, 10:00 am for transporting and setting up the tables and chairs, noon until 4:00pm for cooking, transporting and serving the food, and then pulling up stakes when it's over. We'll be sending out a list of tasks that need to be accomplished and the times they need to be done. Volunteers should then please send an e-mail to [stephanie@wuerdemann.info](mailto:stephanie@wuerdemann.info) and indicate what times or chores you'll be able to help out with. We'll document it and then send you a reminder a week before the Bull Roast. Thanks! And please, don't be bashful. If you're a new member there's no better way to get to meet your fellow members. And if you've been a member since the 1970s, it's a great way to meet some of the new kids on the block!

Stephanie  
Wuerdemann  
& Bill Palk



Mike and Kathy display their new logo aprons.

## Look for RSOs on duty on Saturdays!

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revolvers such as the Smith and Wesson 10, 19, 27, 29, 66, 686, 629, Colt Python, and Ruger GP-100. The shooter may not use moon clips.

5. *Enhanced Service Revolver (ESR)*. "Handguns permitted for use in this division must:

- Be any revolver of 9mm caliber (.355" or larger) or larger bore diameter utilizing rimmed or rimless cartridges, which may safely make a power factor of 165,000.
- Have a barrel length of 4.2" or less (as measured from the front of the cylinder).
- Have a maximum unloaded weight of 50 oz.
- Be loaded to the division capacity of six (6) rounds in the cylinder. Seven (7) and eight (8) shot revolvers are permitted, but may only load six (6) rounds.

Revolver may be reloaded via speedloader or full moon clip."

*An example of a handgun in this division is the Smith and Wesson 625.*

6. *Back Up Gun (BUG)*. "Handguns permitted for use in this division must:

- Be single or double action.
- Be either pistol or revolver.
- Be .32 auto or larger.
- Have a barrel length:
  - Semi-automatic, 3.8" or less (factory installed cone style barrels with or without a barrel bushing are permitted).
  - Revolver 3" or less."

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*IDPA*, from Page 12.

*Note:* Back up guns may be used only in club matches (not in IDPA sanctioned matches) and thus the BUG division is not a regular division. From time to time, we matches specifically for BUGs. Otherwise, we allow shooters to compete with BUGs in our regular matches with their scores listed in a BUG division.

**W**hat is the most popular division at AAFG IDPA matches? Based on classified shooters who have shot at AAFG IDPA matches since January 2007, SSP clearly is the most popular division (71 classified shooters) followed by ESP (34 classified shooters), and CDP (25 classified shooters). The SSR division (10 classified shooters) and ESR division (3 classified shooters) have the fewest shooters.

In addition to the above categories based on the type of handgun, there are five (5) classifications based on the skill of the shooter (as determined by a standard 90 round classifier match): Master, Expert, Sharpshooter, Marksman, and Novice. Shooters who have not yet completed the classifier shoot in a sixth, unclassified division. As in other sports, the use of these divisions and classifications enable shooters to compare their performance against other shooters in the same division and of the same skill level.

One question frequently asked by a new shooter is, "What equipment do the good IDPA shooters use?" While we can't answer that question for all good IDPA shooters, we can tell you what some of them use. "Some of them" are 23 expert and master shooters who shoot matches at Anne Arundel Fish and Game. They hold 40 Expert and Master Classifications altogether.

Each shooter was asked about the gun, caliber, sights, holster, magazine carriers, ammunition, and concealment garment used in each division in which he or she is classified as a Master or Expert. Each shooter was also given the opportunity to provide any other comment that he or she thought might be helpful to a shooter aiming to improve. We obtained responses from all 23 shooters (100%).

Overall, the most frequent entries were for the Glock 34 (12 entries), Model 1911 (10 entries), Beretta 92 (4 entries), SIG P226 (4 entries), and Smith and Wesson M&P (4 entries). *Note:* In the ESP division (10 shooters), 8 shooters use the same gun they use in the SSP or CDP divisions (including 3 Glock 34s, 2 Model 1911s, 1 Beretta 92, 1 S&W M&P, and 1 SIG P226). All are full-sized guns.

**Holster:** Kydex belt holsters are used almost exclusively. BladeTech and Comp-Tac brands predominate. Most are belt slide types, and a few are paddle types.

**Ammunition:** Most of the guns used in the SSP and ESP divisions are 9mm. The guns used in the SSR division are all .38 caliber. All the guns used in the CDP division are

.45 caliber. The experts and masters who reload do so in order to produce a smoother shooting round. Those who don't reload buy the cheapest factory promotional ammo that they can find.

Some of the comments provided may especially be useful to new IDPA shooters:

"All that matters is the gear is reliable, reasonably accurate, and reliable. Otherwise the gear selection doesn't matter (as long as it's reliable)."

"Dry-fire until your fingers bleed. Steve Anderson's books are great."

"My advice to revolver shooters is to dry-fire continuously to obtain better trigger control. For reloaders, use Federal Primers. They are the softest made and will insure positive ignition. I would replace the front sight with a fiber optic if it is replaceable or paint it orange if it is not."

"Women should know that the Dropped/Offset holster is very important for obtaining a good grip out of the holster. Our "unique" anatomy really makes it an essential piece of equipment. It also helps to wear the appropriate pants that place the belt loops at the correct circumference at the hip. There is an excellent article on recommendations on appropriate gear for ladies at Julie Goloski's web site [www.juliegoloski.com](http://www.juliegoloski.com)."

"Learn to call your hits. If you can't do this, then forget everything else and practice calling your hits until it is second nature."

"Getting good at shooting requires disciplined practice and a solid work ethic. The more organized you are in your training, the faster you will improve. Develop a training schedule, use a shooting log, work on individual skills, etc."

"Stay positive! Keep your self-talk upbeat. Remember your great performances over and over, and forget about your bad ones. Get your subconscious used to the idea of being a winner, and pretty soon it'll happen."

Full results of the survey and a more detailed analysis are available at [www.aafgidpa.com](http://www.aafgidpa.com).

At AAFG, we shoot 3 IDPA matches per month (on the first Friday, and second and fourth Saturdays of each month). Spectators and new members are always welcome. If you are interested in joining, please contact Dave Cloutier at [dccloutier@earthlink.net](mailto:dccloutier@earthlink.net) or visit our website at [www.aafgidpa.com](http://www.aafgidpa.com). For more information about our IDPA club, go to our web site at [aafgidpa.com](http://aafgidpa.com). This web site provides sign up procedures, match videos and photos, contact information, the IDPA rule book and other information about IDPA shooting.



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## *Pot Luck Dinner* **September 11th**

**Dinner • 7 PM**  
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## *Club Activities*

**Club Bull Roast**  
September 13

**Shotgun - Trap and Skeet**  
Friday: 10am to 4pm  
Saturday: 10am to 1pm

**Bullseye Pistol Leagues**  
Sunday: 9:30 am; Tuesday: 10 am;  
Thursday: 12:00 pm; Saturday: 9 am

Use the **Plinking Range** to try out a new gun.  
Check the Range Rules for caliber  
and target restrictions.

**Ernie Clarke Memorial Shoot**  
**Club Championship**  
September 13 & 14

See page 2 for list of regular activities.