



# DOWN RANGE



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*The Maryland State Rifle & Pistol Association  
Maryland's State NRA Association*

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## President's Column

There has been an unheralded frenzy in gun and ammunition purchases since the Obama Administration has taken office. Close on the heels of this was a run on reloading components. I have seen reports of several hundred dollars being offered for a keg of Varget that normally sells for around \$125 and primers at totally unheard of prices. Ammo makers are making ammo as fast as they can, but they are experiencing large government procurements that eat into their capacity to produce ammunition for the private sector. Because of the huge demand for ammunition, a large part of the components are being diverted to loaded ammunition rather than being made available to the reloader. Many of these guns and the ammo are going to first-time buyers. These folks may have little or no understanding of how to safely store and use the new tools that they've purchased.

When you've been around firearms for some length of time, you know all the basics, you religiously practice the safety rules, and you know how to hit your target with your chosen firearm. Many of the new firearm owners don't know this. I ask you to think back to when you first got started shooting, whether in the Service or by instruction from a close relative or friend. Someone had to show you and work with you until you understood the fundamentals and the safety rules. I am asking that you be that "someone" for the new owners of firearms.

This is a perfect opportunity to engage folks who have recently purchased a firearm and invite them to the range with you. Tell them about a training program your club is putting on. Take some time to show them how to safely care and use their new

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## ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION

OCTOBER 25, 2009  
2 - 5 PM

*Please join us and our special guest:*

**State Senator Andy Harris**

At

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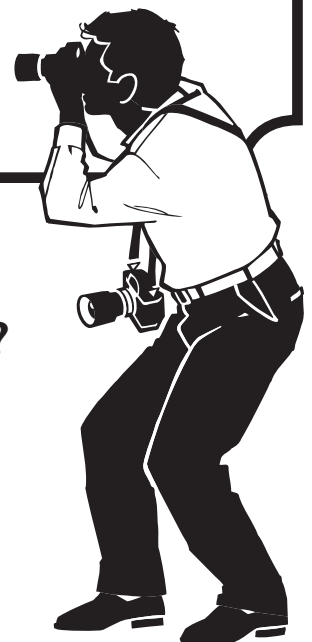
**Seating is limited.**

**Please submit registration form,  
along with check made payable to MSRPA,  
no later than October 16, 2009.**

**No tickets will be issued.**

## Taking photos for Down Range?

Please be sure to send us the highest resolution you can get from your camera. Cell phone photos, or web images, generally do not reproduce well in print.



**Official By-Laws  
of the Maryland  
State Rifle & Pistol Association  
Revised July 8, 1989**

**PREAMBLE**

In accordance with the purposes and objectives of the National Rifle Association, the objectives of this association shall be to create a public sentiment for the encouragement of training in the use of firearms as a sport, as an essential contribution to National Security, and as maintenance of individual liberty and for personal defense.

The purpose of this organization will be to encourage proper organization, operation and administration of member clubs; to promote and coordinate statewide activities related to the ownership and use of firearms and to cooperate with other organizations in the conservation of natural resources within the State of Maryland and throughout the United States.



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[www.nrahq.org/women/hunting/2009gunnison.asp](http://www.nrahq.org/women/hunting/2009gunnison.asp)

**Canada Geese, Ducks, Ruffed Grouse and Woodcock: October 18-22, 2009**  
***Smoldering Lake Outfitters***  
[www.nrahq.org/women/hunting/2009smoldering.asp](http://www.nrahq.org/women/hunting/2009smoldering.asp)

**Pheasant and Chukar Hunt: November 6-8, 2009**  
***Oak Creek Sporting Club***  
[www.nrahq.org/women/hunting/2009brainard.asp](http://www.nrahq.org/women/hunting/2009brainard.asp)

**Whitetail Doe, Wild Hog, Coyote and Bobcats: January 1-3, 2010**  
***Addison Ranch***  
[www.nrahq.org/women/hunting/2010addison.asp](http://www.nrahq.org/women/hunting/2010addison.asp)

**Feral Hog Hunt and Bass Fishing: January 22-24, 2010**  
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[www.nrahq.org/women/hunting/2010circllet.asp](http://www.nrahq.org/women/hunting/2010circllet.asp)

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purchases. Give them an application to your club. Give them information on joining the NRA and the Maryland State Rifle and Pistol Association. In other words, welcome them to the fold.

Help your Association grow and become stronger by bringing the new firearms owners into the NRA and the MSRPA.

See you on the Range!

***Rich Kussman***

# Maryland State Rifle and Pistol Association Bylaws Proposed Changes

Having made no changes to the MSRPA Bylaws since 1989 there are a number of updates that are being proposed to reflect changes in organizational names as well as technological advances. The list below lays out the proposed changes. The complete bylaws with the changes "red lined" are available on the MSRPA website. The changes will be voted on at the Annual Meeting in October.

- 1) Preamble number 8: Substitute "Civilian Marksmanship Program" for "Director of Civilian Marksmanship"
- 2) Preamble number 11: Substitute "citizen or legal residents of Maryland" for "Citizenry of Maryland"
- 3) Preamble number 13: Amend to read: "To determine the composition of shooting teams to represent the State of Maryland in regional and national competition."
- 4) Delete Preamble 4 and Preamble 5 and replace with: "Promote marksmanship training and competition among juniors wherever possible." Renumber preamble objectives accordingly.
- 5) Article I, Section I (a): Membership: Revise to read "Individual membership shall be open to all United States citizens or legal resident aliens who are of good reputation, have not been convicted of any felony, who subscribe to the purposes and objectives of the Association, and who meet the additional requirements for the type of membership for which an application is made. An applicant with a felony conviction may request that the Board of Directors make exception in which the case the Board will have full authority to decide the issue.
- 6) Article I, Section 2: Revise throughout by inserting the word "legal" before the word "resident"
- 7) Article I, Section 2 (d) Revise to read "Non-resident membership shall be open to any citizen or legal resident of the United States who meets the qualifications of annual, five-year, or life membership, except residency in the State of Maryland. Such members shall receive all the benefits of membership except voting and holding office."
- 8) Delete Article I, Section 2 (G) National Rifle Association Courtesy Membership
- 9) Insert new Article I, Section 3: The dues of MSRPA members who are deployed out of the State by the uniformed or the civilian services of the United State government will be waived for any calendar year during which they deployed for more than thirty consecutive days.
- 10) Amend Article IV, Section 5 with the addition of the following language: A member of the Board of Directors who fails to attend, without prior notification and approval by the President or subsequent approval of absence by the Board, three or more Board meetings during his or her term, may be removed by a majority vote of the remaining Board members. Such majority will consist of half of the entire Board, not just those present, minus the individual in question. (Section 5 needs to be renumbered correctly from the 1989 version>)
- 11) Article VI: Amendments: Insert new second sentence: E-mail will be accepted for purposes of the 60 day prior notification requirement.

## MSRPA Officer Wins Friends of NRA AWARD

MSRPA Secretary **Meg Clarke** received the 2008 Area Volunteer Award for the Friends of NRA for Maryland and New Jersey (lower).

Area Volunteers are individuals acknowledged for their hard work and accomplishments that made an outstanding impact on the program at the local level over the past year. They are recommended by their area Field Representative and chosen by a select committee of senior NRA staff who evaluate criteria such as banquet tickets sold, sponsorships sold, pre-event raffle dollars and underwriting they received during the previous year, as well as years of volunteer work and positions held during their service.

Clarke received a "2008 Friends of NRA Volunteer of the Year" leather jacket to further display her support for the NRA, along with special recognition from her Area Field Representative Brian Swartz.



## MSRPA JOINS AMICUS BRIEF

The MSRPA has joined the New York State Rifle and Pistol Association and the other similarly situated

associations with respect to the filing of an amicus brief in support of certiorari in *National Rifle Association of America, Inc. v. City of Chicago* before the United States Supreme Court.

This action continues our support of the right to keep and bear arms as an individual right of the Second Amendment.

## LATEST CMP SALES NEWS:

**ORDER BACKLOG.** For the past nine months, the number of orders received by CMP for rifles, ammunition, and all other products has been unprecedented.

As of 31 July 2009, our Sales Order Processing Dept is up to processing / shipping orders received at the end of Apr 2009, with several thousand orders still to go for May - July. The number of incoming orders has decreased enough so that customers should expect an acknowledgment of our receiving orders about 30 days after mailing the order. However, customers should not expect delivery for 90 - 120 days from date order was placed. We ask our customers to bear with us. We will eventually recover from this surge. The CMP staff thanks you for your support and patience.

**COMMUNICATION RESPONSE DELAYS.** CMP is still receiving hundreds of calls a day, as well as hundreds of emails. Each morning there are dozens of voicemails from the night before. Because of the large volume of constant calls in the daytime, it may take a few days for response. We have a state of the art phone system for a company our size, but the volume of calls is causing the system to do unexpected things. We apologize for any delay in responding to emails or telephone calls.

**S&H INCREASE FOR 407-CAN.** S&H for orders for 407-CAN received on or after 1 Sep 2009 will increase to \$9.95 per can. Other S&H charges will remain as they are until further notice.

**OVERPAYMENTS TO CMP.** Effective immediately, we will consider customer overpayments of \$9.99 or less as donations and will show that on the customer invoice / bill of sale. Any overpayment of \$10 or more will be immediately refunded to the customer. The \$10 figure was chosen because that is our estimate of how much it costs the CMP to process a refund check. This change will be added to our instructions and order forms at time of next printing.

**BAVARIAN CARBINES.** The Bavarian marked M1 carbines have all been inspected and graded. However, because of the current 90 day backlog of orders, we will not begin accepting orders for these carbines until 1 Oct, 2009. Prices will be posted on the website at the beginning of September.

**CARBINE AMMO 438A.** CMP continues to receive monthly shipments of carbine ammo, and are slowly reducing the number of backorders. As of 31 July, we have over 3,000 orders for carbine ammo on backorder. Anyone ordering carbine ammo now should expect a minimum of 120 days for delivery, and possibly much longer.

**UPDATE EMAIL ADDRESS:** To update your email address use [custserve@odcmp.com](mailto:custserve@odcmp.com)



Send your photos and stories from the NRA Convention in Phoenix to [Marston. Clarke@verizon.net](mailto:Clarke@verizon.net) and we will publish as space allows.

## MD Cadets Win CMP Scholarships

The CMP ROTC Scholarship Program annually provides one hundred \$1,000 college scholarships to high school seniors and college underclassmen who excel in rifle marksmanship, who are enrolled in JROTC or ROTC and who have excellent academic and leadership records.

The CMP Scholarship Program is available to Army, Navy and Marine Corps JROTC or ROTC cadets through agreements that the CMP established with the U. S. Army Cadet Command, the U. S. Naval Education and Training Command and the USMC Training and Education Command.

Congratulations to Quentin Sweetser from Annapolis High School NJROTC who will be attending Virginia Military Institute and to Jonathan Jones from Calvert High School NJROTC who will be attending Old Dominion University.

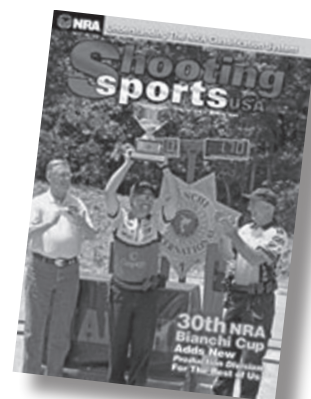
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**CHECK IT OUT!!**



# Maryland State 3 Position Smallbore Championship

**T**aylor Ciotola, 17, from Pasadena and the Queen Anne County 4H Club, defended his 2008 title by taking first place with an aggregate score of 1,117 with 27x. Taylor is a rising star on the national scene as well.

Kelly James, 15, placed second with 1,072 with 18 x and was high woman.

Geoff Hornseth, 60, placed third with 1,068 with 24 x and was high senior.

High junior was Seth Marvil, 18, with 989 with 13x; high sub-junior was Bernard Cheezum, 12, III with a score of 911 with 5x.

Thanks to all who participated and to all the volunteers.



*Taylor Ciotola accepts First Place Award*



*Geoff Hornseth (3rd), Taylor Ciotola (1st), Kelly James (2nd) accepted awards from Bryant Cramer*



*Left: Carleigh Hessian, 13, on firing line*

## Libby Match Results

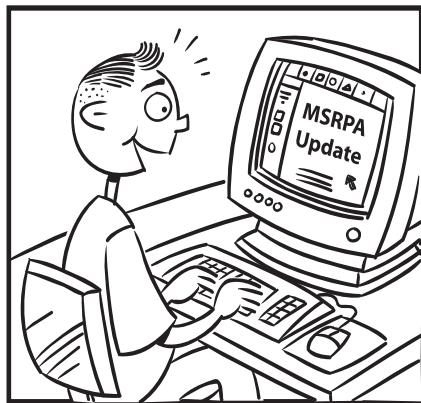
The 31st Annual "Lewis S. Libby Memorial" Junior Smallbore Prone Match was held on June 13, 2009 at Marriottsville, Maryland.

This is a Junior Match Competition Shooting tradition since 1978, honoring the memory of long time Arlington Junior Club Coach Lewis "Doc" Libby. The "Peter Conroy Senior Memorial" trophy is also presented to the best-coached team in the match.

Anne Arundel Fish and Game Conservation Club took 1st place with the team of Michael Kurtis, Nathan Moy and Zack Anna. AAF&G was also awarded the Coaches Trophy and was coached by Brad Kurtis and Randy Moy.

Monumental 1 came in 2nd place and team members were Barry Geis, Carleigh Hessian and Joy Geis.

The 3rd place team was Monumental 2 with team members Margaux Williams, Presto Fallin and Hannah Keyes.



### Are You Still a Member?

**C**heck the line above your name on the mailing label. If the date has passed, your membership has lapsed.

We want to keep sending you the *Down Range* so please use the Membership Form on Page 7 of this issue to renew.

Also check the bottom of your mailing label for your e-mail address. If it does not appear please send it to: [rlkussma@yahoo.com](mailto:rlkussma@yahoo.com). As technology advances the MSRPA is looking for more effective ways to contact you or send you an electronic PDF of the *Down Range*.



*Zack Anna, Nathan Moy and Michael Kurtis show off their Libby Match Awards.*

## Bullseye Pistol Clinic

What could be more fun than a weekend devoted to bullseye pistol shooting! Twenty-two students from across the State of Maryland enjoyed two days of classroom instruction, supervised training, and practice time on March 14–15 at a Bullseye Pistol Clinic sponsored jointly by the Anne Arundel Fish and Game Association and the Maryland State Rifle and Pistol Association.

AAF&G hosted the clinic at its beautiful range facilities in Annapolis. The clinic was designed to teach new shooters everything necessary to get started in the great sport of bullseye pistol shooting, and to provide experienced bullseye shooters with an opportunity to improve their skills and learn from some of the top bullseye shooters in Maryland.

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Each day included classroom instruction and several hours of range time with experienced coaches providing one-on-one training to help students develop and refine their technique. Highlights included presentations by high master shooters and perennial national contenders Col. Joe Chang and Dr. Rich Kang, who explained the fundamentals of pistol marksmanship and discussed mental preparation and training techniques. Tom Willets, Jeff Andrews, and John Hollingshead also taught classroom sessions on firearms safety, basic rules of bullseye competition, bullseye equipment, and goal setting.

The weekend’s program culminated with an NRA Approved 900 Tournament on Sunday afternoon, giving students an opportunity to apply the skills they had learned during the clinic. New shooters left with a temporary NRA classification, and all shooters left with a good understanding of how to compete and succeed in bullseye pistol matches.

“First and foremost, I had a great time!” exclaimed one student, “and I believe that I derived significant benefit as I shot a new personal best the next week in my league. I’ll be absorbing and learning to apply the information from this clinic for a long time to come. The phrase ‘drinking from a fire hose’ comes to mind.” Another student agreed: “I learned so much, and believe that the coaches were able to give me some key instruction that I will be able to incorporate into my practice to improve my performance.”



## Second Amendment Sisters Appoint New Co-Coordinator

Nicole Bailey (*RaginCajun* on the MarylandShooters and NSAS forums) is the new Maryland State Co-Coordinator. She joins Jane Weaver, Coordinator in representing the Second Amendment Sisters in spreading the word in Maryland.

Nicole lives in Randallstown, is politically active, and wants to learn the workings of the state legislature. She will be helping represent SAS throughout the state in distributing literature and attending events and forums.

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**Second Amendment Sisters**  
*“Self defense is a basic human right.”*™

## Maryland’s Gun Shows

Come out and enjoy Maryland’s gun shows. Stop at the MSRPA table and visit with our volunteers.

Find out what’s happening all over the state — the latest legislative news, upcoming gun safety and training clinics, clubs in your area, places to shoot, and how you can help.

Spend some time with people who are making a difference in the Free State.

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## Maryland State Rifle & Pistol Association

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- 1-year Junior Membership \$10.00  
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- 1-year Regular Membership \$25.00
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(To be paid in 1 or 2 equal payments to be made over a period of not more than 1 year.)
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Enclosed is my remittance of \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
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