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President's Column

As we start to come out of hibernation into the spring and summer shooting season I ask each of you to keep an eye on the legislative activity taking place in Annapolis this session. Use all of your contacts and as much influence as you can muster to defeat the proposed legislation that infringes on our Second Amendment rights. You can find additional information on this in the *On the Legislative Scene* column further in this issue.

Check out the match results from last year as well as gear up for the coming year's shooting. There's a new match at Camp Perry this year that's a partnership with the NRA and Springfield Armory, as well as the usual disciplines.

Did you take a kid hunting this year? Did you help in a Hunter Safety program? Even if you no longer participate in rigorous outdoor activities you owe it to the next generations to see that our great hunting heritage is preserved and hopefully expanded for the future.

When was the last time you attended an NRA event? There's a national convention coming up in April in St. Louis. The National Firearms Museum in Fairfax is worth the traffic nightmare to see. We're in the NRA Foundation's Friends of NRA Banquet season. See the column with coming dates and locations.

Get involved and stay involved. That's the only way we're going to keep our shooting interests alive and well through the future.

Larry Moreland



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NRA and Springfield Armory Launch New M1A Match \$25,000 in Prizes Up for Grabs

Fairfax, Va.--The NRA/Springfield Armory M1A Match will make its debut at the 2007 NRA National Rifle and Pistol Matches held at Camp Perry, Ohio. And it may be the most prize-rich High Power event ever. Springfield Armory of Geneseo, IL, has put up a total of \$25,000 in cash and merchandise awards for the match.

"This is a unique arrangement, one that may never happen again," said Mike Krei, Director of NRA's Competitive Shooting Division. "Springfield wanted to encourage more use of the M1A, and they were willing to sponsor all of the needed cash and product awards to make it happen at Camp Perry. So we worked together to create a brand new match that we are certain will be very popular. Not only will the match give current M1A owners a new competitive opportunity, it will stimulate renewed interest in a highly respected firearm."

"It's a natural progression," said Bill Dermody, Marketing Manager for Springfield Armory.

"For many years, the M1A was the firearm of choice for rifle competition. It's fitting that for the 100th anniversary of the establishment of Camp Perry as the home of the National Matches, we are going back to our roots to use these rifles again."

NRA 1st Vice President John Sigler added, "Springfield Armory is to be commended for its dedication to Camp Perry. Their desire to play a major role in making the Camp Perry experience more meaningful for NRA's competitive shooting community sets an example for other individuals and companies to emulate in the future. On behalf of all NRA shooters, I want to thank Springfield Armory for stepping to the plate in a truly meaningful way and for their sponsorship of this truly unique event. With partners like Springfield Armory, NRA intends to make the National Matches at Camp Perry a truly world-class event, this year and every year."

Any configuration of the M1A will be allowed in the new match. The course of fire will be 55 shots at 300 yards on the MR-65 target, as follows:

- 5 sighters
- 20 shots prone, slow-fire
- 10 shots prone, rapid-fire
- 10 shots slow-fire from one of the following: standing, kneeling, or sitting
- 10 shots standing, slow-fire

The breakdown of awards is as follows:

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| Winner—Civilian | \$2,500 cash |
| Second—Civilian | \$1,500 cash |
| Third—Civilian | M1A Rifle |
| High Military | \$500 and Springfield pistol |
| High Woman | \$500 and Springfield pistol |
| High Senior | \$500 and Springfield pistol |
| High Junior | \$500 and \$500 to shooter's junior club |
| Place Winners | Any competitor—Lewis Class |
| | —depending on number of entries— |
| | \$200 cash to 20 competitors |

Springfield Armory, continued on Pg. 7.

**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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10 November 2006

A MESSAGE FROM THE COMMANDANT OF THE MARINE CORPS

On November 10th, 1775, our Corps was born as the Continental Congress raised the "first and second battalions of American Marines." Each year as we celebrate our birthday, we pause to reflect on the Marines of yesteryear who fought in our touchstone battles and forged the modern Marine Corps with their courage, integrity, and undying commitment to their fellow Marines. Each of our storied battles is a link in the long chain that binds all Marines together—from the Continental Marines at Bunker Hill to the *Teufelhunden* crossing the wheat fields of Belleau Wood. This chain binds us to the Marines on the crest of Mount Suribachi; it passes through the ice and snow of the Chosin Reservoir and the steaming jungles of Vietnam, and it anchors firmly today in the desert sands of Iraq.

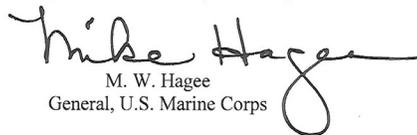
This year's celebration again finds many from our ranks serving with distinction in harm's way. As we have for the past 231 years, our Corps is answering the Nation's call. I can report first hand that our Marines fighting on the front lines of the Long War on Terror are performing brilliantly, acquitting themselves with honor, dedication, and dignity in difficult and dangerous environments.

All Marines are making a difference. Regardless of where you are serving, you are adding new chapters to the legacy that was earned with sweat and blood on old battlefields. Just as previous generations of Marines shaped today's Marine Corps, your deeds are molding the Corps of tomorrow. Our Corps has never been stronger, and all Americans are extremely proud of your magnificent performance and unwavering commitment to serve our Corps and country. With high caliber Marines like you, our future has never been brighter.

Another irreplaceable element of our success as Marines is the terrific support we receive from our families. Through the long hours, the exercises, and the combat deployments, their support is unconditional and firm. They give us love and devotion, providing us with the strength to drive on when duty calls. Today we should all acknowledge our loved ones for their patient, steadfast service.

To all who have earned the title Marine, to the superb Sailors who serve with us in every clime and place, and to our precious families—I wish each one of you a heartfelt *Happy 231st Birthday*.

Semper Fidelis and Keep Attacking!


M. W. Hagee
General, U.S. Marine Corps

CAMP PERRY REPORT—HIGHPOWER RIFLE

By Rich Kussman

The 2006 National Rifle Championships at Camp Perry were brutal! For both the President's Match and the National Trophy Match the shooters suffered in high humidity and high temperatures—with heat indexes of over 100 both days. Thirty-one members traveled to Camp Perry, Ohio, on the shores of Lake Erie to compete in the National Rifle Championships. The National Rifle Championships consist of a number of individual and team matches fired under the auspices of the Director of the Civilian Marksmanship Program and in cooperation with the National Rifle Association. The principal matches are the President's Trophy Match, the National Individual Trophy Match, the National Trophy Team Match and the National Trophy Infantry Team Match. There are also several additional matches including the Whistler Boy Team Match (an NRA-sponsored event for junior 2-person teams), the Springfield Match (for military bolt action rifles), the M-16 Excellence-in-Competition Match (for those that have no points accrued toward their Distinguished Rifleman Badge), the Springfield Match (for bolt action service rifles from the U.S. and other countries), and the Garand Match (for service grade Garand Rifles or other similar vintage U.S. military arms). Greg Blackstock, a Maryland Air National Guardsman and adjunct member of the team, won the Lt. Paul J. Roberts Trophy in the National Individual Trophy Match. The Roberts Trophy is given for the highest scoring air force member. Greg shot a 487-13X to bring home the gold. Congratulations Greg!!

The Rifle Team's performance in the National Trophy Team Match continues to improve as our firing members gain experience and we continue to increase the depth

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On the Legislative Scene

With the legislature in session all of us have to be on our toes to make sure that nothing too onerous winds up as law that infringes on our Second Amendment rights. There are a number of bills in the works that are decidedly not in our favor.

Use the MSRPA web page at www.msarpa.org and the Associated Gun Clubs of Baltimore's web page at www.associatedgunclubs.org and Marylanders for the Preservation of Firearms Ownership (Tripwire)'s web page at www.myguns.net. Stay on top of hearing dates. (Go down and warm a seat so the opposition has to stand outside.) Check committee member lists. (Make a call, send an email, send a letter or go visit.)

Now is the busiest time of year for the session and we can't blink in case something makes it out of committee and is then amended or changed on the floor.

Stay alert! Stay active!



Bullseye Pistol Clinic

Last year the Maryland State Pistol Team, a subset of the Maryland State Rifle and Pistol Association, conducted a bullseye pistol clinic. This clinic was hosted by the Monumental Rifle and Pistol Club and held at the Associated Gun Clubs of Baltimore facilities in Marriottsville, MD.

Thirteen participants took part and were provided a morning of instruction on the various aspects of bullseye pistol shooting -- matches and terms, pistols and related equipment, NRA rules and pistol marksmanship fundamentals. Of course, safety was emphasized in every session, as it should be.

Classroom instruction was given by Paul Striffler of the Anne Arundel County Fish and Game Conservation Association, Tom Willats of the Rockville Chapter of the Isaac Walton League of America, Garrison Johns of the 12th Precinct Pistol and Archery Club and Jeff Andrews of the Monumental Rifle and Pistol Club.

Following lunch, the participants put into practice on the pistol range what they had just learned in the classroom. All pistols, ammunition, and related equipment were provided to the participants by the one-on-one volunteer coaches. All participants returned on May 7th to test their newly acquired skills in a simulated bullseye match. Many thanks to the Maryland State Rifle and Pistol Association, the Monumental Rifle and Pistol Club, the Associated Gun Clubs of Baltimore and all of the instructors, coaches and participants, without whom this clinic would not have been possible.

The 2007 clinic is in its planning stage. If you are interested in the clinic, either as a participant or by helping out, contact Jeff Andrews at (443) 745-2011, or better still by email at shoottens@hotmail.com.



A few good hands to man (or woman, as the case may be) the MSRPA table at gun shows around the state. This is where we

showcase the organization, sign up some new members, push a raffle or two to help fund the MSRPA, share a little camaraderie and check out everything else at the show. If you can help out, even if only for half a day, please contact Erich Grove at: mdrifleclubhipower@comcast.net or at 410-489-5905 so he can add you to his list of workers.

Did I remember to tell you that if you work you get in free that day? Support the organization, support gun shows – all of it helps sustain our rights and firearms heritage.



WEB SITES WORTH CHECKING

www.msarpa.org

www.usashooting.com/usaShooting.cfm

www.nraila.org

www.myguns.net

www.nmlra.org

www.NRANews.com

www.mynra.org

www.idpa.com

www.nrahq.org/women/wot.asp

www.nssf.org/srp/

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1/8 page (3 1/2" w X 2 1/2" h) Business card..... \$25.00/ issue

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1/2 page (3 1/2" w X 9 1/4" h or 7" w X 4 1/2" h) \$75.00/ issue

Full Page (7 1/8" w X 9 9" h) \$140.00/ issue

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25 – 50 words (excl. name and phone number)..... \$25.00/ issue

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2006 Maryland State High Power Rifle Championship

*Maryland State Rifle Team
Camp Perry 2006*

It's August - it's hot and humid - and the wind is shifting from a full value from the nine-o'clock position to a half value from five-o'clock, and it looks like rain is coming. It must be time for the Maryland State High Power Rifle Championship, held again this year at the old ranges at Ft. Meade.

Twenty two (22) competitors came to try their skills and their luck at winning the State Championship in Service Rifle & Match Rifle. All on this sometime unforgiving range where you have to watch the wind and mirage changes that come very fast and will humble you just as fast.

The top Maryland shooter for the day in the Match Rifle Class was High Master John Harrison III using his new wild-cat cartridge (6mmHAGAR) AR/15-Space gun, with a score of 784-25x. Paul Irvin took 2nd place with a 776-15x. Steve Trent rounded out 3rd place with a 748-12x.

The top Maryland shooter in the Service Rifle Class was Master Larry Moreland using an AR/15, with a score of 772-24x. Richard Kussman took 2nd place with a 768-13x and Clayton Miller placed 3rd with a 764-28x.

The High JR Shooter for the day was Kevin Murphy with a score of 685-13x.

The second day was the CMP Excellence In Competition or "LEG" Match where shooters go for LEG points for their distinguished rifle badge. Only ten competitors came back (the heat and humidity taking their toll) for this match which is always very competitive and requires no mistakes to win.

With only ten shooters just one medal was awarded which was for six points and a Bronze medal. (We needed at least 30 shooters to give out Gold and Silver medals.)

The winner for 2006 was Matthew Daley with a score of 475-10x. Matt not only collected the Bronze Medal but the six points gave him the last ones he needed for his Distinguished Rifle Badge.

Congratulations to all who came out this year and kudos and thanks to the Maryland Rifle Club who sponsored the matches this year at Ft. Meade.



Regional Gun Show Web Sites

Check out some of the following web sites to get the latest information on regional gun shows – regional being Maryland, Pennsylvania and Virginia. Always check before doing a road trip in case of changes in weather or location.

Appalachian Promotions (PA)
www.appalachianpromotions.com

C & E Gun Shows (VA)
www.cegunshows.com

Camrod Hunting Club (Preston Jones) (MD)
www.camrodhuntingclub.com

Mid-Atlantic Arms Collectors (PA)
www.maacpsse.com

Old Dominion Shows (VA)
www.olddominionshows.com

Silverado Gun Shows (Frank Krasner) (MD)
www.Silveradogunshows.com

Southeastern Guns & Knives (VA)
www.guns-knives.com

Maryland's Gunshows

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.

2006 Pistol Team • Camp Perry

The pistol team for the State Association was at Camp Perry again this year and as usual we had a great time. The weather is always great when it doesn't rain on your relay and during the team matches and it didn't rain on our team. The wind is always blowing at Perry and that is accepted as part of the game. Under those conditions, you must learn how to shoot and not let the elements beat you.

This year we didn't do as well as we had expected, but I think next year will be better. But the good news is that the team was able to pick up a new shooter, Richard Kang, who is at the top of the game. As a Hi-Master and the scores that he has posted, he has the talent and ability to win at Perry. This year he shot a score of 280-7x during the service pistol team matches, with the 1911A1 ball gun, to make the National Service Pistol Team winning the Elihu Root medal. Congratulations Richard!

The team also picked up another new shooter this year, Dave Grove. He shot with the AMU for a couple of months and then was pulled for a second tour over in Iraq. But in that period of time with the USAMU, he picked up a lot of great training information and his scores improved dramatically. Dave helped with the team in scoring and changing targets. Every time he passed the firing line there was always a small bit of on-the-spot coaching. During rapid fire he always stressed "keep it smooth" and it would work for me every time.

If anyone is interested in improving their shooting or shooting on the team you are welcome to practice along with us. No one is turned away! We will be starting our training some time in Spring. Just bring plenty of ammo with you. Shooting team members for NRA matches were Tom Willats, Jeff Andrews, Dave Molofsky and Ed Grove.

Shooting team members for National Trophy Team (NTT) were Richard Kang, Tom Willats, Ed Grove and Dave Molofsky (new shooter).

Ed Grove

Maryland Rifle Club, Inc.

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Maryland State Rifle Team

present

AR-15 Match Shooting Clinic

This is a 3 day clinic in the use of the AR-15 rifle in match shooting. The clinic consists of classroom instruction in the techniques of High Power Rifle Match Shooting as well as coached practice on the firing line. Ammunition and match quality rifles are provided. This clinic provides the training necessary to begin shooting High Power Rifle Matches using the AR-15 rifle.

New shooters welcome

Learn from the best High Power Rifle shooters in Maryland

Juniors (under 21) attend free

Saturday and Sunday March 10/11, 2007
and Sunday March 18, 2007 inclusive
Associated Gun Clubs Patapsco Range
11518 Marriottsville Road
Marriottsville, MD

Cost: \$65 per person, Juniors (under 21) free
Preregistration required
Attendance limited to first 40 paid applicants

Info

call or e-mail:

Erich Grove
410-489-5905
mdrifleclubhpower@comcast.net

To reserve a place send:

registration fee, (check made to: Maryland Rifle Club, Inc)
name, address, phone number & e-mail

To: Erich Grove
P.O. Box 1425
Ellicott City, MD 21041



Maryland 
STATE RIFLE TEAM 

2007 COMING GUN and KNIFE SHOWS

March 17 & 18

MD Arms Collectors'
MD State Fairgrounds, Timonium

March 24 & 25

Appalachian Promotions
Pikesville Armory

March 30, 31 & April 1
C&E Gun Shows/Showmasters
Dulles Expo, Chantilly, VA

March 31

Delta Peach Bottom Fish & Game
173 Pikes Peak Rd, Delta PA 17314

April 7 & 8

Silverado
Frederick County Fairgrounds
Frederick

April 12 – 15

NRA Convention
America's Center, St. Louis, MO

April 14 & 15

Appalachian Promotions
Mason Dixon Auto Sales
Greencastle, PA

April 28 & 29

Appalachian Promotions
Zembo Shrine, Harrisburg, PA

Are you still a member?

Check the line above your name on the mailing label on your envelope. 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 the back page of this issue to renew. We'll even send you a little thank you gift with your new card.

Maryland State 3 Position Smallbore Championship May 12, 2007

Sponsored by:
Monumental Rifle and Pistol Club
Maryland State Rifle and Pistol Assn.
Associated Gun Clubs of Maryland

Location: AGC-Marriottsville, MD – see attached for directions

Competition is open to all Maryland Residents-NRA membership and MSRPA membership required.

Entry Fee: (Fee includes NRA and MSRPA fees)	Juniors	Others	
	In advance	\$ 25.00	\$ 40.00
	Event day	\$40.00	\$50.00

Relays: There will be one(1) relay beginning at 10:00 am

Onsite: Registration begins at 8:30 am

Rules: Current NRA smallbore rules apply

Course of fire: 40 shots each prone, standing, kneeling
All at fifty (50) yards. A51 Target

Equipment: Iron sights only

Classification: NRA classification will be used.

If there are 5 or more unclassified competitors, there will be one unclassified class; otherwise shooters will compete in the highest available class. There will be awards in class unless there is only (1) shooter entered in a class, in which case that shooter will be combined into the next highest class.

Awards: 1st Place Aggregate for each class
2nd " " " "
3rd " " " "
1st Place High score for each position, each class

General: Lavatory facilities are available at the range. A beverage machine is also available. Food service may be available.

Information: Jim Bryant, 341 Whitfield Rd., Catonsville, MD 21228-1808
410-719-7507 • 410-719-8962 fax • jirb@msn.com

Maryland State 3 Position Smallbore Championship May 12, 2007

Registration

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ ST _____ Zip _____

Email _____@_____ Phone _____

NRA # _____ Classification _____ DOB ____/____/____

Club Affiliation _____ Coach _____

Special needs:

Our Perspective: Firearms Refresher Course

1. An armed man is a citizen. An un-armed man is a subject.
2. A gun in the hand is better than a cop on the phone.
3. Colt: The original point and click interface.
4. Gun control is not about guns; it's about control.
5. If guns are outlawed, can we use swords?
6. If guns cause crime, then pencils cause misspelled words.
7. "Free" men do not ask permission to bear arms.
8. If you don't know your rights you don't have any.
9. Those who trade liberty for security have neither.
10. The United States Constitution (c) 1791. All Rights Reserved.
11. What part of "shall not be infringed" do you NOT understand?
12. The Second Amendment is in place in case the politicians ignore the others.
13. 64,999,987 firearm owners killed no one yesterday.
14. Guns only have two enemies: rust and politicians.
15. Know guns, know peace, know safety. - No guns, no peace, no safety.
16. You don't shoot to kill; you shoot to stay alive.
17. 911 - government sponsored Dial-a-Prayer.
18. Assault is a behavior, not a device.
19. Criminals love gun control -- it makes their job safer.
20. If guns cause crime, then matches cause arson.
21. Only a government that is afraid of its citizens tries to control them.
22. You only have the rights you are willing to fight for.
23. Enforce the "gun control laws" we ALREADY have, don't make more.
24. When you remove the people's right to bear arms, you create slaves.
25. The American Revolution would never have happened with gun control.
26. "A government of the people, by the people, for the people..."

Democracy is two wolves and a lamb voting on what to have for lunch.

Liberty is a well-armed lamb contesting the vote! -- Ben Franklin

Camp Perry, from Pg. 2.

of our "bench." This year the Red Team finished 22nd out of 57 teams firing in the National Trophy Team Match. The Team Captain was David Gorzsas, Coach was John Harrison and firing members were Larry Moreland, John Ondek, Clay Miller, Rich Kussman, Erich Grove, and James Bowen. If we take out the military teams, Maryland finished 14th out of 27 civilian teams. We also entered another team, the Blue Team, with Bill Perry as the Team Captain, Matt Daley as the Team Coach, and firing members of Doug Self, Charlie Leatherman, Gary Mendenhall, Dan Pekala, Dave Griffith, and Bill Perry.

The National Trophy Team Match is fired with the Service Rifle over the National Match Course. That means only M1 Garands, M-14s or M-16s (and their civilian equivalents) can be fired. The rifles, with minor changes authorized in the sights, must have the outward appearance of the issued service rifle for the U.S. Armed Forces. Almost all competitors now fire the M-16/AR-15-type rifles. They have proven to be more accurate require less maintenance to maintain match winning characteristics.

In the National Trophy Infantry Trophy Team Match, both of our teams continued to have bad luck. The Infantry Trophy Match, commonly referred to as "Rattle Battle" is fired with service rifles (see above) in a flurry of shots fired at E-type and F-type silhouettes at 600, 500, 300 and 200 yards. Essentially the Rattle Battle is a controlled simulation of an infantry squad assault on an enemy defensive position. Each squad of 6 shooters is allowed 384 rounds of ammunition that can be distributed in any way for the

entire match. Initially competitors engage the E-type silhouette at 600 yards from the prone position and may fire as many shots as they desire in a 50-second time period. There are no alibis in this match, so if a rifle malfunctions, it has to be cleared during the 50-second time period or the shots are not counted. Only hits on the silhouette count for score. Next everyone on the line (multiple squads at the Nationals) advance to the 500-yard line together. There each team, on command, assumes a prone position and again engages the E-type silhouette in another 50-second time period. Once scores are received, the squads advance to the 300-yard line and engage an F-type silhouette from the sitting or kneeling position in 50 seconds. Finally, if a squad has any ammunition remaining, they advance to the 200-yard line and shoot from the standing position. It's no advisable to have to shoot standing rapid fire. So everyone tries to expend all their ammunition prior to moving to the 200-yard line. As you can imagine, with all six shooters on every squad is firing from 20 to 30 or more rounds in the 50-second time periods the nickname Rattle Battle is quite appropriate.

This year the Maryland Red Team finished 37th out of 49 competing teams. We had some problems with range conditions, wind, and sights that proved to be our undoing. The Red Team was led by Captain Larry Moreland, Coach John Harrison and firing members James Bowen, Rich Kussman, Erich Grove, Steve Maurer, Clay Miller, and Matt Daley. The Blue Team was composed of Captain John Ondek, Coach Jenn Brostek and firing members Wally Chance, Paul Crawford, Jay Green, Dan Green, Dave Nace, and

Doug Paunil. We plan to get all the bugs out and be more prepared next year. Maryland fielded two teams for the Whistler Boy Matches. As are all the matches during the Championships, the Whistler Boy is fired with the Service Rifle by two-person junior teams over the National Match Course. The National Match Course is made up of 10 shots fired slow fire from standing at 200 yards, 10 shots fired from standing to sitting in 60 seconds at 200 yards, 10 shots fired from standing to prone in 70 seconds at 300 yards, and 20 shots fired slow fire from prone at 600 yards. Our Team Captains were Dave Griffith and Steve Maurer; our coaches were Rich Kussman and Jenn Brostek, the juniors were Patrick Murphy, Michael Andrews, Blaine Griffith, and Adam Maurer. The guys did a great job finishing 64th and 90th out of 103 Whistler Boy Teams. A big thank you is also in order for all the people that helped the juniors succeed this year by pulling targets, scoring, and verifying scores. THANKS!

Friday evening, we had our annual cookout with lots of burgers and hot dogs with all the fixings. At the cookout the high scoring adult and junior members were recognized. Clay Miller was the high adult and Blaine Griffith was the high junior. Great shooting guys! Much thanks to Kevin, Jan and Marsha for pulling it all together.

Overall, we had a successful year and we are planning for next year. Come out and join us. Any highpower rifle competitor in Maryland can be part of the State Rifle Team. All it takes is showing up with an interest in shooting. The Rifle Team has organized practices and shoots in Team Matches prior to the Nationals for training. If you're interested in giving this a try, please contact either Rich Kussman or Larry Moreland.

Springfield Armory, from Pg. 1.

Medallions	M1A match medallions to top 50 competitors
Special Drawing	"Beat Rob Latham's Score." All competitors who shoot a score better than Rob Latham's will have their name entered in a drawing for a Springfield TGO pistol valued at \$3,000.
General Competitor Drawing	All competitors eligible—three Springfield rifles and three Springfield pistols. Competitor numbers will be drawn.
NRA Gun Raffle	One engraved Springfield rifle and one engraved Springfield pistol. Proceeds to help offset volunteer expenses.

The match is scheduled for August 5, 2007, to be held right after the popular M1 Garand match since it fits that vintage rifle venue. The 2007 NRA National Rifle and Pistol Matches are scheduled for early July through mid-August. For more information, visit www.nrahq.org/compete/nm_campperry.asp. To learn more about Springfield Armory, log onto www.springfieldarmory.com.

NRA's Competitive Shooting Division is developing a complete package of sponsorship options for all its major championships. For more information, call (703) 267-1502.

Coming Friends of NRA Banquets

March 3rd

Southern Maryland Friends of NRA
– Waldorf MD – call Alan James at
301-568-1000 for information

March 17th

Rising Sun Friends of NRA – Rising Sun
MD – call Buddy Cather at 410-658-
4611

Check www.nrafoundation.org or
call NRA Field Representative Frank
Ingrassia at 609-978-3289 for additional
information.

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