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2015 Pistol State Championship

Beloit Rifle & Pistol Rifle Club Aug. 29 & 30, 2015 - Beloit, WI

Wisconsin FORCE thanks all Match Officials and State Champion: - Jeff Vermilyea - 2577 - 74 See all the winners on page 4.

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Fond du Lac County Fairgrounds, 495 Martin Ave, Fond du Lac, 54935 Click Here! Stop in and see Wisconsin FORCE and pick up a free chamber flag or pocket constitution while they last. On your way in and out you will see our Juniors; check out their raffles!

2016 Wisconsin FORCE Annual CMP Garand Raffle includes GI ammo can with 280 rounds of surplus ammo on 35 USGI clips All proceeds go to Wisconsin FORCE Junior Service Rifle Team!

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Ammo only raffle! 12-20 Round Boxes Lake City 30-06 M2 Ball Ammo in GI can! \$5 per ticket 5/\$20 **LIMITED TO 200 TICKETS!**

Both raffles will be drawn February 6, 2016 at the NRA/WF State Convention. You need not be present to win. ALL FEDERAL AND STATE LAWS APPLY! Must be 18 years of age to win. Contact Dave 920-851-8625 holubdave@yahoo.com

Meet some of our Juniors -- Tickets available at Wisconsin FORCE Gun Show

From the Executive Director

I am pictured this month with Suzanne Anglewicz. Suzanne is the NRA/ILA Grassroots Division, Midwest Field Coordinator. She also works as a staff attorney. This is a new position to better support ILA efforts in the State. Suzanne, NRA Senior Field Representative Scott Taetsch, and I met on Labor Day to discuss what we will be doing in the State. In Wisconsin, the NRA's only official representation is Suzanne, Scott, NRA/ILA Representative John Commerford, and Wisconsin FORCE. Although all work with other groups, individuals, and organizations, only these four have a direct tie with NRA Headquarters. That is not to say that there are not many others that support "the



cause." Scott has reinstated former NRA Secretary Jim Land's NRA Volunteer Field Support Team, empowering those that have stepped up and demonstrate that they truly believe and will work to ensure the future. The Team is educated on the what, where, why, and how to help. Suzanne has already started working to build ILA Grassroots and although she does not live in Wisconsin (Scott is the only NRA employee living and working in Wisconsin), Suzanne lives in Michigan and will be a regular in the state. Wisconsin FORCE has taken huge strides in being the NRA's boots on the ground supporting all NRA programs. We still have a lot of work to do, but we are there for our members, NRA members, and every person in Wisconsin. If you want to help, make sure that Suzanne, Scott, John, or Wisconsin FORCE is involved. The best way to ensure this is to contact each directly. For many years people have donated time and money to individuals and organizations ran by dubious individuals. See the direct contact information below. Email generally is going to work best as initial contact and when contacting one, copy in one or all of the others -- can you say transparency? If you're donating your hard earned money when writing a check, write it out to who specifically you are supporting -- Wisconsin FORCE, NRA/ILA, Friends of NRA, or NRA -- not to an individual or another organization that claims to be forwarding funds. See more on Suzanne below -- NRA-ILA FrontLines -- and on page 5.

We are in the final stages of a mass mailing to 19,500 Wisconsin NRA members encouraging them to join Wisconsin FORCE. The funds used for this mailing come from a grant that was successfully applied for to the NRA's Clubs and Associations Grant program. Membership and member retention has been an issue at times since our incorporation in 1963. I am working hard to update and modernize our membership management.

Mark your calendar. The 2016 Annual Meeting is February 6 during the State Convention which is being held in Weston, Wisconsin, February 5-7, 2016. If you would like to run for a three year term on the Wisconsin FORCE Board of Directors, please email contact@wisconsinforce.org and it will be forwarded to the nominating committee.

Beauty is in the eye of the beholder.

Several years ago they redid our road. During construction our mailbox was tore up and moved. I finally took the time to rebuild it (pictured) and the wife and I decided to show our passion. As we have a range on our property, our sign includes "The Sound of Freedom is Heard Here."

Teach Freedom - Jeff

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ILA Field Coordinator Suzanne Anglewicz
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Have a great time while supporting our shooting heritage!

Special items available ONLY at your local Friends event!

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NRA-ILA FrontLines™

NRA-ILA has long enjoyed working alongside Wisconsin FORCE on many successful endeavors, both in the legislature and on Election Day. I now look forward to advancing our mutual cause even further with our new NRA-ILA Grassroots Field Program. Our new grassroots dynamic will allow NRA-ILA to be more directly engaged in building strong, long-term networks, especially as we prepare for the critical 2016 elections.

Our efforts will be multi-faceted, and will require ongoing volunteer assistance—from helping to work gun shows and various events, to providing critical information and direct feedback on how NRA-ILA can be most effective in Wisconsin. I look forward to meeting many more Second Amendment supporters in Wisconsin as we continue building our grassroots networks across the state.

To join our FREE NRA-ILA FrontLines™ Volunteer Program in Wisconsin, please visit: http://www.nrailafrontlines.com
Please feel free to reach out directly with any questions or suggestions along the way at Suzanne@nrailafrontlines.com

In freedom, Suzanne Anglewicz, NRA-ILA Midwest Field Coordinator

The Sound of Freedom is heard here! Education, Training, Safety, & Marksmanship

On the Range - Jeff Nass

Wisconsin FORCE has added a range department tab on its website. It includes a link to Wisconsin statutes pertaining to range protection. Wisconsin FORCE was the lead on the last two additions (2010 and 2014) and is currently working on additional protection.

Shooting Complex should be part of the Sauk Prairie Recreation Area.

It is critical that a small portion of Sauk Prairie Recreation Area be developed with a sport shooting complex. This shooting complex should be modeled similar to the other State ranges offering 100 and 50 yard ranges along with a 25 foot range. With proper placement, this complex would utilize a very small percentage of the property. It would be a great asset for the surrounding community and the State of Wisconsin. Wisconsin FORCE strongly encourages the inclusion of a shooting complex.

Ranges provide the community with a great place to meet, learn, and practice safe firearms handling and marksmanship. Whether it is practicing, sighting-in for a successful fall hunt, plinking with the kids, or improving the safe handling and proficiency with a firearm used for home or carried self-defense, ranges are where that happens.

Ranges have an exceptional safety record, especially for their neighbors. Although some individuals have enough private property for safe practice, many do not. Ranges by design allow large amounts of rounds to be fired safely and efficiently. Firearm ranges are where shooters teach and learn firearms safety formally, such as in classes, and informally, by following range operating procedures and general use of the range.

As educators, we emphasize that repetition is the key to becoming proficient in marksmanship and safety. A public range in the Sauk Prairie Recreation Area would allow the required access to encourage and obtain the skills needed to achieve these goals for the general public. Wisconsin FORCE offers to continue to assist the DNR in range construction that provides great places to get together and shoot. We strongly support the development of a shooting complex as part of the Sauk Prairie Recreation Area.

Wisconsin FORCE is your resource for range upgrades, improvements, and expansions. Wisconsin FORCE is the best resource in Wisconsin for range advice which can save you headaches and much needed funds. We can guide you on the state laws and connect you directly with the great minds at NRA legal when needed.

Contact us first and throughout your project to utilize the wealth of experience.

For Range and Club issues contact Jeff at jeff@wisconsinforce.org / 920-687-0505

Not for Profit, doesn't mean, Not Prepared!

- 1. Always keep the gun pointed in a safe direction.
- 2. Always keep your finger off the trigger until ready to shoot.
- 3. Always keep the gun unloaded until ready to use.
- 4. Always treat a firearm as if it were loaded.

Wisconsin FORCE in Madison - 2015

Senate Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety Advances Wisconsin FORCE Backed Bill on a Common Sense Clean-Up of Knife Laws 9-10-15

Wisconsin FORCE has been working on cleaning up Wisconsin knife laws for eight years. Once a bill was introduced, the pro knife group, KnifeRights.org, was contacted. Working together, we supported and supplied information during committee hearings. We look forward to passage in both houses and a signature from the Governor.

Wisconsin FORCE applauds the members of the Committee who voted for and advanced Senate Bill 102. The bill eliminates unnecessary burdens on the use of humankind's first tool -- a tool carried by Wisconsinites across the state on a daily basis.

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Big Changes Coming in NRA and CMP Service Rifle - Jeff Nass

There are big changes coming in the requirements of what will qualify as a Service Rifle in competition. The NRA and CMP are working together to offer opportunities for rifles that are more in line with current issue rifles. As we all have seen on the news, almost all rifles carried by U.S. Armed Forces have some form of optic as the sighting system. On the Marines' Edson Range at Camp Pendleton, the only firearms with iron sights are pistols. Although I have had conversations with NRA officials working directly on this, once they finalize the requirements, they will be published in the Trigger. Optics will be part of the allowed sights; however, in my opinion, it will not make Masters out of Marksman. It will help shooters (myself included) that have sighting issues. I have played with optics on the AR, and if I get the time to experiment, I will include that information in a future article.





2015 Wisconsin FORCE State Pistol Championship

State Champion: Jeff Vermilyea - 2577 - 74





Match Winner: Paul Porter - 2594 - 94

High WI Master: Reed Van Ness - 2553 – 90 (Non-Resident High Master: Ralph Reid – 2592-91) High WI Expert: Scott Soik - 2539 – 66 (Non-Resident High Expert: Anatoly Andrianov - 2558 – 83)

High WI Sharpshooter: Bo Marciniw - 2493 - 63

High WI Marksman: Sean Warren - 2345 - 57 (Non-Resident High Marksman: John Spomar III - 2367 - 40)

High WI Woman: None for 2015 (Non-Resident High Woman Shooter: Dora Potekin - 2448 - 54

The weather was beautiful. The weather Gods must have been on our side once again! We had a great turn-out filling all eighty firing positions. Beloit Rifle and Pistol Club will again host Wisconsin FORCE State Indoor Championships April 8 - 10, 2016 and Outdoor Championships August 27 and 28, 2016.

Jon Nortemann - Match Director

Wisconsin FORCE thanks all Match Officials and workers for their hard work. Match Director Jon Nortemann and the crew from Beloit Rifle and Pistol Club did a great job. Congratulations to the winners and all who competed. State Champions received a Wisconsin FORCE cap and AR15 keychain bottle opener. The State Champion also received a DuraCoat finish kit, compliments of DuraCoat.

Illinois: State Police Will Not Remove Anti-Gun Rules, Your Comments Needed - NRAILA - 9-4-15

Contrary to reports from other sources. NRA has met with Illinois State Police (ISP) regarding the proposed new concealed carry rules available here.

ISP will NOT be pulling the proposed rules after concerns were raised by NRA and other Second Amendment supporters (Illinois State Rifle Association) about the



and support of Illinois firearm owners

- contents of the new rules. It is critical that NRA members submit comments on these rules to ISP by Sept 18 to ensure that ISP is aware of the numerous problems so that amendments to the rules can be made. Some of the concerns NRA has with the rules are as follows:
- •The requirements for non-resident permits create an impossible standard, disarming any non-Illinois resident visiting the state;
- •Pre-registration for training classes limits flexibility of both instructors and trainees
- •Instructors will be required to engage in burdensome duplications of effort by submitting the same training certificates submitted by applicants
- •Signage making specific locations prohibited must be "conspicuously posted" but this term is not defined

These concerns are not the whole of the problems with the proposed rules. NRA members are encouraged to read the proposed rule changes and submit comments on them in writing to:

Matthew R. Rentschler, Chief Legal Counsel, Illinois State Police, 801 South 7th Street, Suite 1000-S, Springfield, IL 62703

Don't Forget! National Hunting and Fishing Day 2015 - NRA Update 9-6-15

Saturday, September 26, marks the 43rd annual National Hunting and Fishing Day, an enormous grassroots effort to promote outdoor sports and conservation. Organizations around the country stage events to provide Americans with the opportunity to experience, understand, and appreciate the outdoor sports. Wisconsin FORCE and the NRA are the top pro-hunting organizations in the state. Please promote membership in both. Let your friends know they can join Wisconsin FORCE on-line. In the ILA Daily Update tab they can join or renew with the NRA at a \$10 discount and, by doing so, support Wisconsin FORCE.

New NRA Blended Pistol Course

The NRA plans to roll out the new blended pistol course before the end of the year. By the end of the first quarter of 2016, this will completely replace the pistol course as conducted now. Instructors, this means that the current packets and certificates will become obsolete; plan accordingly when placing your orders.

NRA Pistol Instructors will be provided with a new Instructor Led Training (ILT) lesson plan, which will be downloadable from the NRAInstructors.org account page. With blended learning, students will come to the course with a solid foundation, learned in the e-learning module. The ILT portion of the course will consist of firearm and range safety review, fundamentals, practical handling exercises, using each action type with dummy ammunition, shooting positions, and shooting to a standard with a qualification shoot requirement. Once the instructor is satisfied that the students have fulfilled each learning objective, they register them as passed and print their certificates through NRAInstructors.org.

This process should offer great instruction to more people then ever before. Students will be able to find a course through traditional promotions, and instructors can advertise on nrainstructors.org.

Wisconsin FORCE, working with the NRA, is working to clarify the training requirements for Wisconsin to ensure that the asset of being on-line is understood and accepted.

More on Suzanne continued from FrontLines and from the Executive Director page 2.......

Suzanne Anglewicz currently works as the Midwest Field Coordinator for NRA's Institute for Legislative Action covering Michigan, Iowa, Wisconsin, and Minnesota. She also continues to serve as a Staff Attorney for NRA-ILA and previously served as the Manager of Political & Legislative Activities and Legislative Counsel for NRA-ILA.

Currently, she is working to develop and strengthen NRA's political and legislative activities at the state level through the implementation of NRA's programs in support of the Second Amendment. In addition, she coordinates and conducts the Association's legislative and election workshops and represents the Association in various public speaking and educational forums. Suzanne also has extensive political experience working on various local, state, and federal campaigns nationwide.

Suzanne attended Michigan State University earning a Bachelor's degree in Political Theory and Constitutional Democracy and has also received a J.D. from Thomas M. Cooley Law School. She is admitted to both the State of Illinois and Commonwealth of Virginia bars. Suzanne is an avid shooter, hunter, and Lifetime member of The National Rifle Association, and has been an employee at the NRA since December 2005.

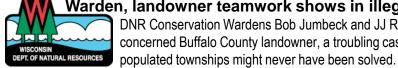
Wisconsin CCW instructors:

The DOJ's model curriculum has received some minor updates:

- · The student manual footnotes and URLs within the footnotes have been updated.
- · The instructor manual includes an additional example of a Wisconsin juvenile accessing an unsecured handgun.
- · The PowerPoint includes a corrected handout footer date and minor image and animation issues. These changes are designed to keep our materials accurate and up to date.

Thank you to all instructors for their continued efforts to provide professional concealed carry instruction to Wisconsin residents.

Respectfully, Glenn Rehberg, Senior Training Officer, Training and Standards Bureau, WDOJ (608) 266-7783



Warden, landowner teamwork shows in illegal deer kill case - Wardens in Action - 9-14-15 – J. M. Haas DNR Conservation Wardens Bob Jumbeck and JJ Redemann say if it wasn't for the early-morning actions of a concerned Buffalo County landowner, a troubling case involving at least 40 illegally killed deer in a few sparsely

"The biggest thing about this case is how important it was to get that information from the citizen – being able to work with the community," Warden Bob says of the case that came to light in December 2014. But this case had been building for months.

The overnight shooting had been echoing in the night skies for a while before Warden Bob got the call from the Buffalo County Sheriff's Department about a citizen tip concerning suspected poachers. That was December 14. "The citizen had heard multiple shots and then saw several vehicles go by," he says of the tip that led him to the landowner.

"He (landowner) documented the license plate – and that's what led us to the individuals."

Warden Bob responded after getting the December 14 call from the sheriff's department while dispatch went to work on identifying who owned the license plate documented by the landowner. It turns out the suspect vehicle owner lived within the city limits of Mondovi. The next step? Warden Bob contacted the Mondovi Police Department, which in turn sent one of their officers to the suspect's residence.

"The officer was able to make contact with two occupants prior to my arrival, which really helped," Warden Bob says, adding he spotted a dead doe once he arrived at the suspect's home. And there were two suspects: an adult and a juvenile.

Warden Bob learned the doe had been shot from the road around 2 a.m., but not the same location where the landowner had heard shooting and saw a license plate. It was at this point when Warden Bob then called in Warden JJ Redemann, who covers northern Buffalo County and nearby Pepin County, to help with the case. They began compiling the evidence and documenting the deer the two suspects shot from the road during a period that lasted several months.

"Most of the deer killed were not harvested, but shot and left to lay and die," Warden JJ says.

Word of the case traveled in the Buffalo County area which the wardens say is populated by those who take ownership of the resources and its conservation. It is a county known far and wide among hunters and wildlife observers for its abundance of mature white-tailed deer. But, the wardens stress, what the two suspects did in this case bore no resemblance to hunting, and instead robbed from ethical hunters and wildlife observers of this valuable state natural resource.

"When deer are shot for the thrill of it and left to lie – that strikes a real chord with people," Warden Bob says, noting the wardens view the public as their partners in protecting the resources for all. "This case is a great example of how one person stepped up and started this whole process. You have to remember that the shooting wasn't just happening on one landowner's road – it was spread out in 2 to 3 townships." The adult suspect was sentenced to 45 days in jail with a 6-year revocation of all hunting, trapping and fishing privileges, plus 100 hours of community service and \$3,740.55 in fines. The juvenile was processed through juvenile court proceedings.

If you have information regarding natural resource violations, please call or text: VIOLATION HOTLINE: 1-800-TIP-WDNR or 1-800-847-9367. The Hotline is in operation 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Trained staff relay reported information to conservation wardens. Anyone who calls the Violation Hotline or provides information can remain anonymous.



Survey: The Guns of 2016's Republican Presidential Candidates - Daniel Xu – Outdoorhub.com - 9/9/15

Five Gun Myths-Exploded NRAFamily.com - Daniel McElrath - July 2, 2014

Myth 1: The Basics Of Gun Safety Are Only For Newbies

USDA lifts Ban on Import of Birds and Bird Products -- Kent Van Horn - Migratory Game Bird Ecologist - WDNR The previously issued USDA restrictions on the import of birds or bird products from Canada over Avian Influenza concerns has been lifted. Bird hunters travelling to Canada and through Ontario will be able to bring home their game as usual. *complete bulletin on page 11* Wisconsin FORCE, as a member of the Hunters Rights Coalition, has a seat on the Migatory Bird Committee.

All About Primers with the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit - Marksmanship Unit, Custom Firearms Shop – 8-21-15

WARNING: All technical data in this publication, especially for handloading, reflect the limited experience of individuals using specific tools, products, equipment and components under specific conditions and circumstances not necessarily reported in the article and over which the National Rifle Association (NRA) or Wisconsin Firearm Owners, Ranges, Clubs, and Educators, Inc. (WF) has no control. The data has not otherwise been tested or verified by the NRA or WF. The NRA, WF, its agents, officers and employees accept no responsibility for the results obtained by persons using such data and disclaim all liability for any consequential injuries or damages.

The effects of different primers on ammunition accuracy is a topic that interests many, but which relatively few can easily test with precision. Most competitive shooters are limited in their access to a 1000-yard range and a quality accuracy-testing facility.



Thus, experimentation with primers is often done at shorter ranges, relying heavily on chronograph results to help select primer brands or lots by velocity uniformity and accuracy testing.

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American Hispanics: The Newest Second Amendment Enthusiasts - Kylie Vess; NRA/Family, 8-13-15

There is a market out there that is 57 million strong, has a buying power approaching \$1 trillion and, for many, have a positive interest in firearms and the shooting sports. Can you guess who it might be? The answer might surprise you: our American Hispanic population. The <u>National Shooting Sports Foundation</u> (NSSF)

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commissioned a study to learn more about Hispanics' interests in firearms and the shooting sports. The study showed that, of the Hispanics surveyed, 18 percent own firearms and 25 percent would like to, 41 percent have been to a shooting range and 42 percent would attend a training class or seek firearms instruction. Additionally, wildlife and conservation agencies are well thought of within Hispanic communities, and 72 percent of those surveyed had participated in an outdoor activity within the last year. In regards to possible language barriers, many Hispanics are bilingual in Spanish and English and prefer using English while receiving information on firearms and the shooting sports. This is valuable information! This survey has informed us of a barely tapped population that can broaden our pro-gun community, increase participation in the shooting sports and boost NRA membership and our political presence. Many Hispanics who own firearms already enjoy great American pastimes such as target shooting and the shotgun sports of trap, skeet and sporting clays. This is a terrific opportunity for mentoring that friends and family, ranges, firearms educators and trainers need to be apart of. There's already a strong interest, all that's left is providing the proper channels so new shooters can learn to enjoy their sport safely.

Hunting companies, educators and hunt tour guides can also benefit tremendously from the knowledge this survey has provided. As it has shown, the Hispanic community thinks favorably toward wildlife and conservation, a necessary mindset to becoming an honorable and ethical hunter. Reaching out to welcome Hispanic communities could help to prolong future of firearms ownership and the shooting sports.

Editor -- Wisconsin FORCE has been the leader in the state encouraging membership to all law-abidding citizens. Signage has been designed and is available utilizing Spanish and Hmong, both can be valuable members of your club.



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All net proceeds go to the NRA Institute for Legislative Action. Proceeds will be spent in Wisconsin for the fight to come.

With your help and support, NRA-ILA will persevere in upholding America's inalienable, individual human right to keep and bear arms. We will continue to meet opponents of the Second Amendment with an unwavering dedication to the preservation of our freedoms.



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Kayne Robinson Past NRA President



EVENT INFORMATION

WHERE

Chippewa County Range Chippewa Falls, WI

PRICE

\$250 - Individual Ticket

Includes:

Beverages, hors d'oeuvres and use of NFA firearms, suppressors and ammunition.

WHEN

Saturday, September 26, 2015 3:00 PM- 7:00 PM

ATTIRE

Outdoor Casual

CONTACT

For tickets and more information: Senior NRA Field Representative Scott Taetsch (715) 873-3360 / staetsch@NRAHQ.ORG

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Seating is limited. Please RSVP by September 18 to reserve your tickets.

Primers continued from page 6

Even when testing at long-range (LR), results can be confounded by weather variables such as wind effects on any given day. Given the limited access most competitors have to quality testing, most augment this with their experiences and scorebook plots from firing during actual LR matches. They then combine the whole to best select the optimum primers for LR accuracy in their rifles.

Here at the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit (AMU), we are blessed with quality machine-rest facilities at 300, 600 and 1000 yards. We also have enough opportunities to test at long distances, which helps develop our ability to interpret the effect of the wind on any given day. We'll watch the wind flags, mirage and other indicators, of course, since we don't have the luxury of suspending testing if we encounter a breezy day.

Military range scheduling being what it is, it takes significantly bad weather to cancel our plans. Thus, even with relatively excellent facilities, a certain amount of judgment may be involved in interpreting results. Such judgment is honed through frequent opportunities to observe effects—in much the same way that shooting and coaching experts at wind-reading refine their craft.

As we've noted before, no new components are fielded—be it primers, powder, bullets, or brass—before they have been thoroughly tested and proven to meet standards. Unfortunately, due to widespread component shortages, many handloaders purchase brands they've never used—or perhaps would not even consider using—in order to keep shooting.

Thus, one's proven-accurate long range load with X Match primers may suddenly be faced with a substitution of Y Hunting, or even obscure-country production "it's a primer" primers. Obviously, it is best to test the new load before depending on it in competition. It's also wise to load a small quantity of training ammo with the new combination, in case results are sub-par.

High accuracy can often be had when using high-quality primers, even if they are not up to one's standard. However, other primers may cause fliers or increased vertical dispersion. The good news is, there is no such thing as a bad primer, as they can be used for plinking, hunting or even to trade with shooters who have excess match primers.

Bear in mind that all primers are not intended to produce superior, or even especially good accuracy. A great many shooters consider primers perfectly "good" if they perform reliably in their firearms, and are not concerned with high levels of accuracy.

One trap often seen over the years is the new competitive shooter whose prior experience was in the military, with a service rifle. Often, the tendency is to think "it's a military-style rifle, thus military bullets and primers must be right. "This has been bolstered by a few manufacturers and importers who have stated that X military surplus bullet, or Y military style primer is especially suited to service rifle.



Occasionally, advertisements have even gone so far as to allege that X military style bullet is "the best for accuracy in your AR-15." While these components may be functional, when it comes to accuracy, usually nothing could be further from the truth.

Many years ago, the AMU conducted a test to illustrate the bullet issue. Ten-round samples were prepared identically, using an excellent match powder. Sample 1 used Bullet X, a 62-grain FMJ touted by the importer as "the best for accuracy in your AR-15" and Sample 2 used a 60-grain handmade benchrest bullet.

There was no need to shoot several groups and cherry-pick the results, as they were entirely predictable. The scoped, CMP-style accurized Service Rifle shot a tiny knot at 100 yards with the BR bullets, measuring well under an inch. The pattern from the 62-grain FMJ's was about Improved Cylinder, or maybe Modified. This ended that contention.

Here at the AMU, we try as many components as possible to ensure we overlook nothing that shows promise of an accuracy or performance advantage. The key is, it must be an item that is consistently manufactured and in reasonably predictable, steady supply.

Getting and testing one lot of Country X's primers and finding them good, is of little value to us if we can't order them by the 100,000 when needed, or if they will not be consistent from lot to lot. Thus, while some smaller brands of primers may be all the rage among competitive shooters, the AMU may not have conducted extensive testing on them simply due to logistical issues.

We do find that certain primers give consistent accuracy in our AR-15 Service Rifle testing. For example, a very well-respected, U.S.-made Small Rifle (SR) match primer has been a long-time faithful companion, and another U.S. manufacturer's SR magnum primer has often proven quite good in our LR match ammo, as well. On the other hand, several years ago we tested primers from a U.S. manufacturer that touted their special suitability for semi-auto use and military characteristics.

Our normal practice is to begin well under the published maximum powder charge, and fire rounds with powder charges increasing in 0.1 grain increments to avoid unpleasant surprises. We work up to the safe maximum in our rifles, with our barrels and chambers. Then, we test the ammunition at high temperature (such as on the firing line during summer) before declaring it safe to proceed.

Often, we have to reduce the load a bit after hot-testing to preclude excess pressure, depending on the particular powder type. Well, the "military-type" primers failed rather early in the test—showing signs of excess pressure well before our usual primers, and giving awful accuracy to boot.

Yet, a certain segment of new competitive shooters might automatically default to those exact primers due to the understandable, but naïve, belief that "this must be what's best for my rifle." A word of advice to newer handloaders/competitive shooters: talk to highly-talented competitors of long experience who prove their ability and their ammunition's accuracy on the range when you attend a match.

Most will be very happy to share information with you (as long as you don't disrupt them during the match). They can point you in good

directions for choices of powder, primers and bullets. *continued on page 10*

Ted Cruz •Gun owner •Known guns: .357 Magnum revolver and a Beretta Silver Pigeon II shotgun

Although the .357 Magnum revolver is technically his, Cruz bought this wheelgun for his wife Heidi for use in home defense. In his book A Time for Truth, Cruz says they keep the gun next to their bed at all times. An avid hunter, Cruz also has a Beretta shotgun for bird hunting. You can also see Cruz make bacon "Texas-style" below:

Donald Trump •Gun owner •Known guns: unidentified handgun, Henry repeating rifle

Trump can sometimes be very private about his personal affairs, especially when it comes to gun ownership. Trump has confirmed that he owns at least one firearm and has a carry license for the city of New York—a rare and valuable thing indeed. When questioned in a recent interview with NBC whether he uses the gun regularly, Trump snapped, "It is none of your business, it is really none of your business." The remark earned him some praise from gun owners. Trump is also the only Republican candidate on this list without an official rating from the NRA, which measures a politician's stance on gun rights, due to his status as a businessman rather than a lawmaker.

Jeb Bush •Not a gun owner •No known guns According to the Telegraph survey, Jeb Bush does not own any firearms. This is especially surprising considering his staunch support of gun ownership and his A+ rating from the NRA. Bush has been a strong supporter of the Second Amendment during his term as Florida's governor and still identifies as a gun rights supporter today, perhaps proving that you don't need a firearm to believe in the right to gun ownership.

Rick Santorum •Gun owner •Known guns: Kimber 1911 Santorum did not respond to the survey, but previously confirmed that he owned several guns, including hunting arms. An aide previously commented that the favorite piece in his collection was a Kimber 1911 pistol.

Bobby Jindal •Gun owner •Known guns: none specified Jindal confirmed that he did own at least one firearm, but did not specify details. The Louisiana governor has been historically supportive of the Second Amendment.

Marco Rubio •Gun owner •Known guns: .357 Magnum Taurus revolver The Florida senator says he owns a firearm and shoots about two to three times a year. He is also licensed for concealed carry in his home state.

Scott Walker •Gun owner •Known guns: Remington 700 and unidentified 12 gauge shotgun An avid hunter and supporter of gun rights, Walker owns several firearms. According to one CNN reporter who attended a skeet shooting event with the Wisconsin governor, he's also a pretty good shot.

Ben Carson •Gun owner •Known guns: none specified Carson once called the Second Amendment the "baton of freedom," so it makes sense that this former neurosurgeon is a gun owner. Carson did not specify what firearms he owned.

Rand Paul •Gun owner •Known guns: none specified Paul's campaign staffers confirmed that he did own several firearms, but did not give additional details.

Chris Christie •Not a gun owner •No known guns Christie is controversial figure when it comes to the issue of gun control, and critics have blasted the New Jersey governor for both his state's strict gun laws and past support for gun control legislation. This is reflected in the rather average C grade given to him by the NRA.

John Kasich •Gun owner •Known guns: Sig Sauer 9mm pistol Another politician with a mixed history on guns, the governor of Ohio surprised gun owners when he increasingly spoke out in favor of pro-gun laws in recent years. Kasich went from a F rating from the NRA to an A- after he signed several pro-gun laws during his term as governor.

Lindsey Graham •Gun owner •Known guns: unidentified AR-15-style rifle, Browning Sweet 16 Graham allegedly has one of the largest gun collections of the 2016 candidates, and is a regular visitor to the range. When previously asked how many guns he owned, the South Carolina senator replied simply, "a bunch."

Mike Huckabee •Gun owner •Known guns: Benelli Super Black Eagle, Weatherby .300 Magnum, unidentified sporting rifles Perhaps rivaling Graham is Huckabee, who has his own large gun collection. After all, one of Huckabee's memoirs is titled God, Guns, Grits, and Gravy. "While I do not consider myself a 'gun nut,' I proudly own a variety of firearms and enjoy hunting as well as sports shooting," the former Arkansas governor wrote in another book, From Hope to Higher Ground. "But even if I were not a hunter or did not enjoy shooting, I would still be a firm believer in the 2nd Amendment right of Americans to own firearms for self-protection and as a matter of principle."

Rick Perry •Gun owner •Known guns: .380 Ruger An outspoken advocate for the Second Amendment, Perry has historically opposed efforts to restrict gun ownership and has called such movements a "knee-jerk reaction." Perry declined to detail his gun collection.

Jim Gilmore •Gun owner •Known guns: four unidentified handguns, two shotguns Gilmore is also a supporter of gun rights and states that he owns firearms for hunting and self defense.

George Pataki •Gun Owner •Known guns: unidentified shotgun Pataki identifies himself as a gunowner, but that fact alone may not endear him to gun-owning voters. During his term as governor of New York, Pataki signed a number of restrictive gun laws that cemented the Empire State's reputation as being tough on guns.

Carly Fiorina •Not a gun owner •No known guns The only woman on this list, Fiorina reported that she does not personally own any firearms. Her husband, however, owns six and keeps them in the house. She has been historically supportive of gun rights.

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Myth 2: Ammunition Explodes In Fire

If you look at the quantity of gunpowder contained in a cartridge, it is actually quite small. It isn't the "explosiveness" of the gunpowder alone that drives the bullet when a gun is fired. It is the pressure created by the rapidly burning powder converting to a rapidly expanding gas in a tight-fitting chamber that drives it. If the cartridge weren't in the confines of the chamber (or something equally tight-fitting) and had ample room to expand, there would be little or no pressure and little danger. The primer might detonate and the powder would burn, but after pushing the bullet free from the case with relatively little force, the burning gas would expand freely in the open and quickly dissipate-as would its energy. (With all that in mind, however, we still recommend that you don't try this...if only because it's a waste of ammo!) However, rounds actually chambered in a gun that is exposed to fire or high heat will fire with full, lethal force.

Myth 3: Top-flight Competitors Achieve Perfect Steadiness

This myth can frustrate new shooters who come to believe they are doing something wrong and will never achieve their shooting goals. Well, for the record, no one achieves perfect steadiness. Not Olympic shooters, not Camp Perry shooters-no one. It's just not possible. What high-level shooters can do is minimize their "wobble area," which is the amount their sights move on the target. While it may sometimes seem that the sights pause on the target for an instant, they resist the temptation to yank the trigger at that moment. They simply try to achieve as small a wobble area as possible and, while maintaining it, increase the pressure of their trigger press until the trigger breaks.

Myth 4: Short-Barreled Guns and M1911s Are Inaccurate

Guns with shorter barrels are often decried as inaccurate. This is particularly the case with iron-sighted guns, particularly handguns. The fact is that short-barreled guns can be very accurate—theoretically. It's just that they are difficult to shoot well due to their short sight radius. The sight radius—the distance between the front and rear iron sight—is much shorter on a short-barreled gun. At first, it seems like the close proximity of the front and rear sights on a short-barreled gun would make them easier to align. Well, it does make them faster to align, but their closeness also means that any barely perceptible flaw in alignment makes for greater inaccuracy. A long sight radius makes it easier to recognize misalignment. Moreover, the longer the sight radius, the less of a factor that same misalignment becomes. In other words, if your sight alignment is off just a smidgen in a long-barreled gun, that same smidgen represents a much greater flaw in a short-barreled gun and will create much more inaccuracy.

A simple fix is the addition of an alternative sighting option, such as an optical sight, red-dot scope or a laser.

That said, long-barreled guns do produce greater velocity than short-barreled guns of the same chambering. For that reason they can be expected to be flatter-shooting and somewhat more accurate at longer ranges.

As far as the myth that M1911 guns are inaccurate, this myth is falling away with time, but you still hear it occasionally. It is due to the fact that many shooters had their first (and sometimes only) experience with the military-issued version that was the basic service pistol of the U.S. Armed Forces for 74 years. Those guns, in addition to typically being old and hard-used, were actually built with generous tolerances (the amount of variance allowed in the dimensions of component parts). This gave the guns a "loose" fit and allowed them to continue operating when dirty. This was very important to soldiers and Marines engaged in combat who were fighting in dirt, mud, dust, sand, etc. A loose fit, while making the guns more reliable across a broad range of conditions, also meant that the pistols weren't as accurate as they could have been. Modern commercial M1911s, though, are built with very close tolerances and are reliable in the conditions encountered by civilian shooters. Target models and premium carry M1911s are capable of outstanding accuracy, which is one of the reasons this classic pistol continues to be a favorite of handgun shooters.

Myth 5: Dry-Firing A Gun Is Harmful

To be fair, this is sometimes true. Dry-firing most centerfire rifles and handguns is perfectly safe once you have made certain they are unloaded and pointed in a safe direction. However, excessively dry-firing a rimfire gun is a bad idea. The firing pin of a centerfire gun is designed to strike a primer located in the center of a cartridge's base. When no cartridge is present, the firing pin strikes nothing. With a rimfire, though, the firing pin is positioned to strike the soft brass rim of the cartridge. When no cartridge is present, the firing pin strikes the hard steel of the breechface. Repeated dry-firing of a rimfire can eventually peen the firing pin, dulling it and causing misfires. Dry-firing offers convenient, easy practice, but if you are going to dry-fire a rimfire gun, invest in some snap caps first. These dummy rounds will cushion the firing pin's fall.

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Chances are, the primers they're using will be good. If primers that are known to be good are unavailable, then it becomes a challenge to make what is available work in a combination in your rifle.

While basic, we hope that this information will be helpful, especially to readers who are new to competitive shooting. New competitors join our ranks daily. It's important to help them achieve good results as painlessly as possible, so they can enjoy their new-found sport with minimal frustration and cost.

Naturally, large donations are greatly appreciated, but if your finances will not allow, a simple \$5 or \$10 donation is appreciated. Thanks to all of our members that have stepped up and supported Wisconsin FORCE with their generous donations. You can donate now by clicking here!

Removal of HPAI restrictions for avian commodities originating from or transiting Ontario, Canada

USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service sent this bulletin at 08/25/2015



Effective immediately, the U.S.

Department of Agriculture's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) Veterinary Services (VS) is removing highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) restrictions placed on the importation of poultry, commercial birds, other types of

birds (pets, research, performing), ratites, any avian hatching eggs, unprocessed avian products and by-products, and certain fresh poultry products from the province of Ontario, Canada. These temporary restrictions were placed on these commodities on April 9, 2015. Effective immediately, CFIA will certify for export any live poultry, day old chicks or hatching eggs, unprocessed avian products or by-products that originated, within Ontario, Canada.

Pet birds, (including U.S. origin returning birds) originating from Ontario, can enter the United States from Canada through a U.S. port of entry without an import permit or a health certificate. Importers of pet birds must schedule a VS inspection at least 72 hours in advance of land-border port arrival. There is no quarantine requirement for pet birds importing from Canada. Note: Canadian or U.S. origin pet birds importing via any land border port crossing from Canada, do not need an import permit, the VS inspection as referenced above, is all that is required.

HPAI restrictions placed on unprocessed avian meat, products and by-products originating from or transiting through Canada, including the province of Ontario, in passenger baggage are removed. This also includes composted manure*, hunter harvested meat, and meat in passenger baggage whether shipped to the United States or accompanying returning hunters. Unfinished avian trophies are no longer required to be consigned to USDA approved establishments and VS permits are no longer required.

Processed avian meat, products and by-products for personal use originating from or transiting through Canada, including the province of Ontario, and entering in passenger baggage are unrestricted.

Processed avian meat, products and by-products originating from or transiting through the province of Ontario and imported as cargo, must be accompanied by an APHIS import permit and/or appropriate Canadian government (CFIA) certification. All unprocessed and processed avian meat and meat products imported as cargo must be accompanied by the appropriate Canadian government certification and/or an APHIS import permit with the appropriate documentation.

The Animal Products Manual will be updated accordingly to reflect these changes. For any other questions, please contact a local Plant Protection and Quarantine (PPQ), Veterinary Regulatory Support (VRS) Agriculture Quarantine Inspection (AQI), Veterinary Medical Officer (VMO), or PPQ VRS headquarters staff in Riverdale, Maryland at (301) 851-2295.

* USDA plant quarantine should be applied if appropriate.

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Wikipedia defines knives as a cutting tool with a cutting edge or blade, hand-held or otherwise, with or without a handle. Knife-like tools were used at least two-and-a-half million years ago. Originally made of rock, bone, flint, and obsidian, knives have evolved in construction as technology has, with blades being made from bronze, copper, iron, steel, ceramics, and titanium. A statement of how often knives are used every minute of every day is not needed -- it is limitless.

Sadly, irrational fear, perpetrated by the media and entertainment industries, often drives poor legislation. In the mid 1950's, the media focused on gangs and switchblades, and in 1957, West Side Story served to scare normally rational citizens into thinking that a ban was needed. Wisconsin fell into that trap in 1959.

Use, not design, defines a weapon. When the intent is to harm or defend, the list of everyday, commonly known items is limitless. From coffee cups to charge cards, canes to hammers – use, not design, makes almost anything a weapon.

Unlike common items such as baseball bats, knives have common, limitless, useful purposes, used by people every day. The fact that opening any knife will never be as fast as the more common fixed blade knife, needs no explanation. Carrying a knife that needs to be opened in many cases is necessary or desirable to allow the efficient, practical use of this indispensable tool.

Special thanks Senator Moulton, Senator Wanggaard, Representative Bernier, Representative Kleefisch, and many others for their work to ensure that Wisconsinites are not burdened by irrational state or local knife use restrictions.

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Your Membership

- Join/maintain your Wisconsin FORCE membership (\$20 annually, \$250 Life)
- Upgrade to an annual Patriot Member (\$250 annually)
- Donate to Wisconsin FORCE on a regular basis

Your Club

- Promote and support your club's membership (\$30 annually)
- Upgrade your club to Patriot Club level (\$250 annually)
- Propose that your club donate to Wisconsin FORCE
- Promote Wisconsin FORCE to fellow club members (contact jeff@wisconsinforce.org for promotional items)

Your Business

- Join/maintain a business membership -- \$30 annually or Patriot business level at \$250 annually
- Donate to Wisconsin FORCE
- Promote Wisconsin FORCE to your customers (contact jeff@wisconsinforce.org for promotional items)

Contact All Your Representatives

• Contact by phone, mail, or email, twice a year, once in January

- and again in September. Always be polite to whoever you reach in their office. Let them know you are a Wisconsin FORCE member and you support our activities in Madison.
- When alerts are sent, contact your legislators by phone, mail, or email. Always be polite to whoever you reach in their office. Let them know you are a Wisconsin FORCE member and support our activities in Madison.
- When called on, show up at Committee hearings in Madison. Just by registering you have influence. If you would like to speak, keep it brief and to the point and try not to repeat information that has already been stated, but confirm your support of that testimony. Contact Jeff prior to the hearing by email and at the hearing.
- Remember to call <u>all</u> your representatives being sure to thank those that support your rights.

By doing some or all you can help support our freedom.

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