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See Calendar on web page for other events: https://www.wisconsinforce.org/ August 15, 2017

The Cheese Stands Alone:

Cheddar is Better as Wisconsin Junior Rifle Team Takes Home National Trophy Team Championships

Story by Sara Holub From: PORT CLINTON, OH

Six years ago, Wisconsin was unable to field a single six-person junior (under 20 years old) team in the National Trophy Rifle Matches at Camp Perry in Port Clinton, Ohio. In 2011, new leadership took over the team and began establishing a program that emphasized education, safety, and quality marksmanship. Today, Wisconsin is home to the National Trophy Six Person Junior Team, Two Person Junior Team, and placed two competitors on the Deneke Team- an honor roll of the six best junior service rifle shooters in the nation.



Team Cheddar- Freedom Fire Champions Coach Kaleb Hall, Josh Hanrahan, Brad Schoenemann

Team Cheddar (Wisconsin names it's junior teams after cheeses, of course), consisting of Josh Hanrahan of Suamico and Brad Schoenemann of Lodi and Coach Kaleb Hall of Oconto, took home first place in the Freedom Fire match- a two person junior team match. Cheddar narrowly defeated Illinois' top team of Liam McKenna and Alex Vitous on X count (the "bulls eye" of the target). Team Cheddar is the first Wisconsin team to bring home the Freedom Fire Trophy since it was introduced in 2009 (Two previous teams won the Freedom Fire Match's predecessor: The Whistler Boy Match). Wisconsin placed an astonishing 4 teams in the top 20. Other teams placing included Team Mozzarella (Jadon Selsmeyer of Green Bay and Bryan Melville of

Chippewa Falls, Coach Mike Stewart of West Salem) in 5th place, Team Colby (Vince Norling of Oconto Falls and

Riley Stewart of West Salem, Coach James Schonke of Pepin) in 12th, and Team Muenster (Sam Cvikota of La Crosse and Thomas McGowan of Hortonville, Coach James Melville of Chippewa Falls) in 17th. No other state placed more teams in the top 20.

The Minuteman Match is the National Six Person Junior Team Championship. Since 1925, no Wisconsin team has ever won. That drought ended at the 2017 National Trophy Matches. Team Cheddar, consisting of Coach Kaleb Hall of Oconto and firing members Josh Hanrahan (Suamico), Bryan Melville (Chippewa Falls) Vince Norling (Oconto Falls), Brad Schoenemann (Lodi), Jadon Selsmever (Green Bav), and Riley Stewart (West Salem) defeated Pennsylvania by 39 points.

Additionally, Brad Schoenemann and Josh Hanrahan earned places on the Bill Deneke Trophy Team by firing high scores among the nation's junior competitors



Minuteman Trophy Winning Team Cheddar: Captain James Melville, Coach Kaleb Hall, Brad Schoenemann, Josh Hanrahan, Jadon Selsmeyer, Bryan Melville, Vince Norling, Riley Stewart

throughout the individual and team matches. The pair are the first Wisconsin juniors to do so since Dan Hall of Green Bay made the team in 2011.

The National Trophy Matches ended with one last honor. Brad Schoenemann earned 2nd place in the National Air-15 Air Rifle Offhand competition. Schoenemann bested military marksmanship team members, as well as current and former national champions to take home this honor.

The Wisconsin Junior Service Rifle Team is a volunteer organization operated under the auspices of Wisconsin Firearm Owners- the only NRA chartered state association in Wisconsin. If you would like to volunteer or donate to this organization, please email juniorservice@wisconsinforce.org or send donations to PO Box 130 Seymour, WI 54165.

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NRA sets sites on Camp Atterbury to host annual national rifle shooting competition

Story by: Ryan O'Leary

For more than a century, the National Rifle Association had conducted its annual High-Power Rifle National Championships at Camp Perry in Ohio, and few people had reason to expect that to change anytime soon.

Last year, the NRA suddenly decided to find a new host for the event — and the group's search led them to Camp Atterbury in southern Johnson County. The organization said the annual event gathers the nation's finest civilian and military marksmen and women for almost 20 days of high power rifle competition in a variety of formats and events.

"There's not a lot of places in the country that have 1,000-yard ranges, which is what my long-range matches run on," said Sheri Judd, the NRA's director of competitive shooting sports. "So, you kind of narrow it down, and then you start looking and see what else they have to offer — and Atterbury has a lot to offer."



On Friday, the event — which runs through July 25 — got started with a ceremonial first shot from Indiana's first lady, Janet Holcomb. A handful of matches, featuring competitors shooting from 200, 300 and 600 yards, also were planned.

Nearly 400 competitive shooters from across the country will be staying in the area for an extended period, sending more patrons to area hotels and restaurants, especially in Edinburgh.

"I'm sure if you own a hotel, you're pretty happy right now," said Ryan Secord of Greenwood, one of many local volunteers who helped get the event set up.

Judd noted that while some of the competitors and their families are staying at Camp Atterbury,

many others are staying in local accommodations, most for an extended period of time.

"They're going to be eating here, shopping here," Judd said. "They're basically going to be living here for three weeks.

"I shop here, I do my laundry here, I do everything here. So it becomes a little community; I'm starting to know the people down at the hardware store."

Taking ownership of an event that had known only one home since its birth in the early 1900s wasn't easy — especially since there wasn't much prep time left after all of the logistical hurdles involved with bringing civilians and their guns onto a military base were cleared.



Volunteers had approximately nine days to get the shooting range and everything else ready.

"It was really short notice. I don't know if we could have pulled it off without the National Guard," said Charlie Hiltunen of the Indiana State Rifle and Pistol Association. "(Camp Atterbury) is set up for military personnel to come in, and to take it up to a nationally competitive level, they expanded the berms, brought everything in so that they could get to a national standard, and they met and exceeded that in a very short period of time."

Should the NRA choose to keep the championships here in future years and Camp Atterbury has more prep time, Secord said he believes that it can make an even bigger impact.

"We have a real opportunity to make this an economic driver for the area," he said.

"For that to move here, it's a big deal for Indiana," Hiltunen added. "I think this is the start of just a great, great thing."

Harshaw Sports Club



The Harshaw Sports Club a Wisconsin Force Patriot club, hosted its first Northwood's High School Clays Fun shoot on Sunday May 21st. Area High School teams and their shooters were invited to participate in a competitive round of Sporting Clays against other area school shooters in this first of what is planned to be an annual youth high school competitive event.

The student shooters shot a round of sporting Clays, received a meal and entry into a variety of high shooters awards and raffle drawings for a \$10 fee. Rain and cold whether held the number of shooters to 35-40.







Over 60 prizes where awarded or given away. The Harshaw Sports Club is centrally located between Rhinelander, Minocqua and Tomahawk and is open April through September.

Harshaw Sports Club

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Photo Contest

New segment being added. Send in your pictures to: james@wisconsinforce.org

If they are good enough, I will showcase them in the Trigger, Facebook and the website. Please send a caption of who took the picture, place taken and maybe a short story.



Picture taken by: Mike Stewart At Camp Perry National Service Rifle Match 2017 Send in your Photos to be considered for The Trigger. I look forward to seeing what you have!

News from the Board

Some of the Board Members will be at the NRA Personal Protection Expo to Debut in Milwaukee. Stop in and see us.

We are looking for volunteers to help with our booth at the NRA Personal Protection Expo. For more information contact Sara Holub at: <u>sara@wisconsinforce.org</u>

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Assembly Bill 427

Dave Holub

On August 3rd, fellow board member Jeff Rowsam and I traveled to Madison to testify in favor of Assembly Bill 427. The bill would require the Department of Public Instruction to develop curriculum for a comprehensive firearm education course to be offered as an elective for high school students. The bill would require the state superintendent to jointly develop the curriculum with the Department of Natural Resources, a law enforcement agency, or an organization that specializes in firearms safety or that certifies firearms instructors. The bill does not require a district to offer the course, but if they decide to do so, the course must be taught or supervised by an individual who demonstrates proof of training in firearms safety. The bill prohibits the presence or use of live ammunition in such a course.

We were amazed at the number of people opposed to the bill, even though it compelled no school district to offer the class. Most opposition was on the grounds that anything to do with firearms is bad.

good portion of those Α testifying in favor were people involved with Scholastic Clay shooting. The programs require firearms safety training before the student athletes can participate. About the only readily available classes for these students are Hunter Education classes. As many of you know, these classes are run by volunteers who are booked solid with people that need these classes to get a hunting license. It is very difficult to get a spot in these classes in some parts of the state. As we testified, these classes are very short and while they stress firearm safety, they need to cover a lot of other hunting-related material in a very limited time frame. A dedicated firearm class would be better suited.



Several others, including Senator Lena Taylor of the Milwaukee area, testified in favor of the bill simply because the benefit of having firearms safety training available to all makes sense.

While school districts have the right to offer these types of classes now, there is no uniform curriculum for the districts to use. Having a consistent curriculum across the state was a main point of our testimony. We explained how learning to handle and use a firearm teaches safety, responsibility, confidence, and respect.

Before the hearing we met with Representative Skowronski, who introduced the bill, and several others who were going to testify in favor.

After our testimony, we had a chance to visit with Bob Welch, and several of the committee members. We had a very good conversation with Representative Vruwink from Milton. He was the only Democrat on the committee that seemed sympathetic to our support of the bill. He had some misgivings, mostly concerning the tight budgets and time constraints of the high schools. We had a great conversation, listened to each other's concerns, and bounced some ideas off each other.

We also got a chance to meet the representatives from the DPI that would be in charge of developing the curriculum if the bill passes. Being a retired teacher, I understand how curriculum is developed and approved. I offered to help, answering any questions they may have, sharing our contacts with the NRA and CMP education departments, and any other resources we have available from the shooting community. They were very accommodating, and we shared our contact information. I will certainly be following up with them if this bill gets traction.

Jeff and I had a very productive trip. We made contacts in Madison as representatives of Wisconsin Firearm Owners and made our views known. I'm sure we will be returning for another committee meeting when the Senate takes it up.

The entire committee hearing can be seen online at: <u>http://www.wiseye.org/Video-Archive/Event-Detail/evhdid/11726</u> Our testimony starts at about 2:35:16 Dave Holub

Barrel Break-In

By Mike Stewart

For me, getting a new rifle barrel is more fun than buying the actual gun! One of the most important steps after installing a barrel should be the break-in procedure. It seems to be universally accepted that breaking in your barrel is beneficial to burnish the newly machined surfaces.



Many barrel makers and internet forums post instruction manuals and recommended procedures regarding the best practice of barrel break-in. I have developed my own process which I have refined (having done over twenty such break-ins) in the past few years. Break-in procedures are nothing more than cleaning your barrel of all powder and copper residue, shooting one shot, clean again, and repeat ten times. The theory is that you are burnishing the barrel with each shot down a perfectly clean barrel, thus less fouling in the future. I've found that each barrel has its own personality and some might require more than ten shots.

The first step in the process is to thoroughly clean your brand-new barrel. I saturate a patch with Butches Bore Shine and liberally swab the

bore. Next, I run dry cotton patches, one way, until they come out clean. I will repeat this step at least twice before shooting. Once I'm convinced that the barrel is perfectly cleaned and dry, I will load one round and shoot. Upon firing the rifle, it's back to the work bench to clean thoroughly. First, run patches soaked in Butches until they show absolutely no residue on them. Then run dry patches until they are clean and dry. Next, use Sweets 7.62 to check for copper fouling. The proper way to use Sweets is to saturate a clean patch and swab the barrel, let it sit in the barrel for a few minutes and then run a dry patch down the barrel, looking for any blue on the patch will indicate the presence of copper. Sweets is a strong ammonia based solvent and can damage barrels, look it up on the internet as it's usage is very controversial. I use it only to check for copper, not to clean the copper.

If there are any signs of copper fouling, use Outers Foaming Bore Cleaner to clean the copper out. If you let the foam sit for an hour or two, the foam will condense and, if copper is present, a blue puddle will run out of the muzzle end of the barrel. Repeat until the foaming cleaner comes out clear. You can

check it again with sweets, but I find it to be unnecessary if the foaming cleaner comes out clear. I have let Outers Foaming Bore Cleaner sit in barrels overnight with no ill-effects. Always clean out copper removing solvents with Butches followed with dry patches. According to most suggested break-in procedures they recommend shooting and cleaning ten times. Then shoot five consecutive rounds and clean, repeat these five times.

My opinion is that some barrels might take more than ten rounds of shoot/clean and some may only take five rounds. From what I have discovered, the first shot will take about ten or more patches to get



the barrel good and clean from powder residue. Eventually, depending on the barrel, the barrel will only take about three patches to clean up and that's when I know that it's 'there', the barrel just cleans right up with only a good swabbing of Butches and a few dry patches. You also need to check the copper fouling, sometimes I shoot/clean twenty or more times if I think that I am getting too much copper. Occasionally, I've used JB Bore Paste to polish the barrel surface if the bore still has heavy copper fouling after the prescribed ten shots. Break-in seems to be rooted more in theory rather than any proven scientific data, however, even if taking the time to break in your new barrel only benefits you on a mental level, it is still well worth the effort. Word of caution, if you are going to properly break in a barrel, you'll need to set aside a couple of days to complete, especially if you have to drive

somewhere to shoot. I am fortunate that I can shoot in my back yard. This is not a quick and effortless process. Another word of caution, my process and cleaning solvents work for me but if you ask 100 shooters which solvents they use, you'll probably get 100 different answers, and all of them are right! Good luck and happy shooting.

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NRA Personal Protection Expo to Debut in Milwaukee in August 2017

FAIRFAX, Va. – The National Rifle Association proudly announces the launch of the NRA Personal Protection Expo August 25-27, 2017 at the Wisconsin Center in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.



The NRA Personal Protection Expo is a three-day educational and interactive experience dedicated to citizens interested in increasing their knowledge and skills of personal protection, concealed carry and defense tactics. This brand new event will equip visitors with the products, training and mindset necessary to prepare and defend themselves and their loved ones when threats arise.

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Examples of the educational content include concealed carry courses with topics such as methods & tactics, holster selection, and women's only offerings. Personal protection topics ranging from personal defense & situational awareness to product selection, skills building and active threat control. The area of home defense will also be addressed with topics such as creating a home defense plan, preventative security measures, responding to intruders and product selection.

Personal protection rights are poised to expand across the country and NRA will continue leading the way. Be a part of this great expansion by being a part of the NRA Personal Protection Expo. For more information about the show or to explore exhibitor or sponsorship opportunities, visit <u>https://www.NRAPersonalProtectionExpo.org</u>.

About the National Rifle Association

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Greg Baird, the NRA's Volunteer Coordinator of NRA Shows & Exhibits Division is in need of a few more volunteers for Membership Registration on Fri-Sun, and we could really use a few more hands on deck during setup for the store on Wed and Thurs. If You could forward this information to FORCE members / movers and shakers, we would really appreciate it.

Learn more at:

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