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# Gunsmoke

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## Club to check new members' backgrounds

- Larry Parker, Sr.-  
General Manager

The club will take steps in October to further efforts to provide a safe place to learn and practice shooting sports. We will begin requiring NEW members do the following:

- 1) Provide a current photo ID. It could be a driver's license, student ID or military ID;
- 2) Provide a background check, current Concealed Carry Permit, documentation of a recent firearms purchase from an FFL holder or a state or FBI Criminal Background Check;
- 3) Provide a form of documentation showing safe handling training. This could be a certificate from a firearms training program, a competitive classification card, a hunting license/ certificate from a hunter education course within the past 15 years, military service, law enforcement, a firearms instructor/coach certification, a Range Safety Officer (RSO) certification or have a club RSO witness and certify ability to handle a firearm safely.

OTHER MEMBERSHIP NEWS— We're running our end of year special for new members. They'll pay \$10 for each remaining month of this year, along with the \$50 new member orientation fee and all of their 2016 membership.

Our New Member Safety Video is available for viewing on the website's Membership page. The video can also be viewed at the club during sign-up.

I take care of new membership applications & orientations and membership renewals on weekdays during my office hours. We need volunteers to handle this on Saturday mornings from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

Remember— Active military and 100% disabled members need to complete and submit a renewal application every year.

We ended 2014 at 882 members. As of October 1, 2015 we are at 845 members.

My thanks to our Saturday Membership volunteers: Sandy Tatham, Ed Csenge, Jack Commerford, Kate & Rick Fuller, Mike Hagan, Jim Mountford and Sarah Commerford. Contact me if you can assist with signing in new members on Saturdays.



*Junior Rifle Team member Hunter Lang ignores the rain and prepares for his next string of fire during the team's summer camp Highpower training.*

photo by Al Patnode

## GM's Notes

- Larry Parker, Sr. -

Check our website calendar for all activities, hours and scheduled events: [www.ccfandg.org](http://www.ccfandg.org) or [www.ccssef.org](http://www.ccssef.org). There are still many scheduled activities in October and November.

Please be mindful of 300 yard and 600 yard activities on Thursdays and weekends. Remember, such events close the rest of the ranges. Both the 300 and 600 yard activities are open to all. See their article for details. The 300 and 600 yard Thursday practices end on October 15.

Clubhouse Services-- Membership renewal & new member processing during GM hours.

Wi-Fi is available at the Clubhouse. Member's password is available inside.

Coffee (K Cup machine) and soda machine is always available in the Clubhouse.

Gun Valuation Service. I have the newest Blue Book! Details are in the Jan 2014 Newsletter.

Club clothing items are on sale inside the Clubhouse, including "ladies" T-shirts & men's polos. Cleaning items and safety items (hand warmers, eye and hearing protection) are also available. Please use the honor system for buying these items and put the money in the "Drop Box."

The "Drop Box" is just inside the Clubhouse door and can also be used for membership renewals and club paperwork.

Calendar changes except for Training Classes are coordinated through this office. Training Classes are entered by Sophie Chapman (313-5838 or [training@ccssef.org](mailto:training@ccssef.org)) and Tim Cousineau (903-8050 or [chieftrainingofficer@ccssef.org](mailto:chieftrainingofficer@ccssef.org)).

Contact me if you see an inaccuracy to help us keep the website up to date.

## Win 'his & hers' pistols

Based on the popularity of our 2013 raffle for the his and hers revolvers, we have decided to run a similar raffle with pistols.

Two Glock pistols, a model 43 and a model 19, will be the prize for this raffle to be drawn on December 1st, 2015. There will be only 777 tickets sold. They cost \$5.00 each.

Highlander Arms has offered free Cerakoting for each of the pistols in the color/design of the winner's choosing.

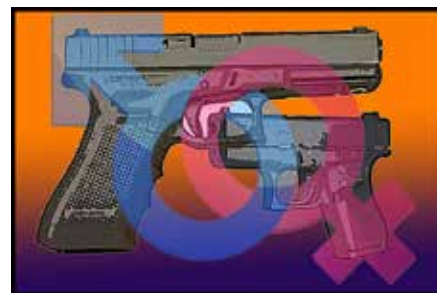


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Tickets can be obtained from CCSSEF/CCF&G Directors and Range Operations Staff. They can also be obtained at the Clubhouse during Office Hours and on Saturday mornings from Jim-Bob or the Membership Team.

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## Update on NRA Classes

- Sophie Chapman -  
NRA Instructor

The NRA has been talking about its “blended learning” curriculum for several months. After a few delays, the organization set the beginning of 2016 as the new launch date.

What does this mean?

Blended learning involves a 2-step process which will require a student to take the firearm lessons online, then schedule an appointment with an NRA Certified Instructor to complete the range portion and verify their proficiency.

CCSSEF is ready for the change!

With the help of tablets donated by the foundation, our NRA instructors

will be able to provide access to the online curriculum to those without internet access at home. This added service to the NRA eLearning program will allow for students to get live assistance and guided learning as they progress through the class. More information to come...

Until the changeover, we will proudly continue to offer the existing programs. However, the classes will be on an “on demand” basis for the remaining of 2015.

If anyone prefers to learn from live instructors, please contact me or Rick Fuller and we will do our best to schedule a class to fit your needs.



## Range Safety Report

- Larry Parker, Sr. -

We encourage members to seek out our RSOs and have them assist members whenever needed.

If an RSO is not able to answer your question, they will do their best to help you find someone who can.

Volunteer Range Safety Officers will be out on the range Saturday and Sunday from mid-morning through early afternoon. You may find Dave Swenson or Mark Timney on the range on weekdays.

If you would like help with a new firearm or even an old firearm's performance, contact the Club ([gm@ccfandg.org](mailto:gm@ccfandg.org) or 352-8563) to arrange a time when an RSO will be on the range so you can review the item with them.

If you would like to become a Range Safety Officer, contact Chief Range Safety Officer Jack Commerford ([selfdefense@ccfandg.org](mailto:selfdefense@ccfandg.org)) to find out when the next RSO Class is scheduled. The plan is to hold an RSO Class at least once a year.

Remember, when shooting on the 100 yard Rifle Range your targets must be placed high enough so that your bullets are hitting the impact berm. We are exploring changes to the berm system that we believe will help us prevent projectiles from ever escaping the range.

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# Junior Rifle Team Update

- Larry Parker Sr. -

2015 Junior Sectional Match scores are still posted. Our 3 Position and 4 Position scores put us 11th in 4-Position and 13th in 3-Position of 95 and 99 Teams respectively for our national ranking. 2015 NRA Sectional Matches results are posted at the websites noted here:

<http://competitions.nra.org/championship-results/nra-national-indoor-rifle-pistol-championships-results.aspx>

Here's our starting Gold and Silver Travel Teams for the 2015 - 2016 Match Season:  
Grace Hackler, Tobin Sanctuary, Lucas Maxfield, Lucas Beteau, Olivia Beteau, Hunter Lang, Aidan Bradley, Matt Bechard, Evie Proctor, Joey Wilson, Jeremiah Huntley, Noah Car, Rachel Brown, Natalie Davidson, Ashley Sprague and Darren Dumont.  
Our 2015-16 season started on Saturday September 12th.

THANK YOU to the Youth Shooting Sports Alliance again in 2015 for their generous support of 26,000 rounds of .22 caliber ammunition through their grant program. The NRA Foundation grant provided us with 3 Air rifles and 35,000 rounds of ammo! They have given us outstanding support in the past. The Monadnock Shopper had a great photo and write up in August.

AGAIN, A BIG THANK YOU to all our other 2014/2015 donors. They include: Youth Shooting Sports Alliance (YSSA), FederalCartridge /CCI, the NRA Foundation, Steve Bittel of Bittel Financial Services, Al & Dan Warner (Warner Tool), Ted & Irene Sands, Bob Felock, Dave Swenson, Dan Shepardson, Victor Lawrence, Bill Tuttle, Vern Peterson, Fred Breton, Al Bertin, Chris Brown, Earl Nelson, Steve Goldsmith, Dave Fitts, Larry Parker Jr, Dennis O'Brien, Conn River Sportsmen's Club, Paul & Kathy Nikiforakis, Jay & Allison Davidson, Gene & Sharon Cleary, Al & Karen Giles, Mike Korpi, Keene Chrysler Dodge Jeep, Edson & Ginger DeAngelis, The Ryan Family of Alstead, Liz Henderson, Wayne Wheelock,

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## Jr. Rifle Team... from page 4

Allison & John Solomonides, Tony Souza, and Eversource Energy

We sent 4 shooters to Camp Perry in July for the NRA's Smallbore Camp and at the end of July we held a Day Camp here at the range for the Junior Rifle Team.

Andrew Solomonides was just accepted to West Point and will be on their Army Black Knights rifle team.

Joe Bogar just graduated from West Point. He is ARMY 2Lt Bogar and is at officer training at Ft Leonard Wood, MO. His duty assignment after that will be with the 1st Brgd, 4th Infantry at Ft Carson, CO.

Alex Martin is a senior on the NC State Wolfpack rifle team. Tom Csenge continues in the US Army Reserve and the US Army's World Class Athlete Program at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs.

Capt John Nikiforakis is driving a tank around somewhere in the badlands. Wish him well! He should be back stateside this year.

Heather Greathouse is starting a family in Utah. Lacey Hamelin is attending college in the Springfield Mass area. Recruit (Joe) Nikiforakis is now a sophomore at Norwich University's ROTC Program. Lacey & Joe were shooting counselors at the Cape Cod Sea Camp this summer.

With the help of the CMP and our NH CMP Director David Polonsky, we have a new "ORION" electronic scoring system. CCSSEF sponsored the laptop computer and printer for this system and will be the guardians. It will be used primarily for indoor smallbore rifle and air rifle matches. Check the system out on-line at <http://www.orionscoringsystem.com/orion/Home.aspx>

The adult smallbore rifle league for 2016 begins in December. If you think you might be interested the Club has a couple of target rifles that can be signed out. Contact Larry Parker or Neil Jeneral if you'd like to try Smallbore. Email [smallbore@ccfandg.org](mailto:smallbore@ccfandg.org), [gm@ccfandg.org](mailto:gm@ccfandg.org).



photo by Al Patnode

## Shotgun Corner

- Chuck Tatham -

Pheasant season is upon us. Did you know that a pheasant can fly 60 miles an hour! This means the bird can cover 88 feet in one second. By the time your dog has flushed the bird and you can bring your gun up for a shot the pheasant has travelled at least 60 or 80 feet and is heading for cover at high speed.

How, you may ask, can I ever hit such a high velocity target? The answer is to shoot at our famous five stand range at CCF&G.

Our range has 9 state-of-the-art Promatic traps that can throw clay targets at almost any angle and speed.

A few sessions at the range and no pheasant will be safe. So grab some boxes of light target loads and come to the range.

Now is the time to think about joining the Winter Trap League. Teams have 5 shooters and ladies are welcome. If you'd like to build your own team that's fine!

This is a travelling league. We will shoot here and at Brattleboro and Peterborough.

The seasons consists of 10 shoots and the schedule allows for holidays and bad weather. At the end of the season there is held a banquet where trophies and prizes are awarded.

If you would like sign up or want more info, see me or Sally Alexander.

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## Learning about firearms with a feminine touch!

- Sophie Chapman -  
Ladies Pistol Coordinator

Building upon the NRA's proven curriculum, Ladies Pistol is a monthly social activity designed to help women further develop their skills and explore other shooting activities.

Intimidation-free, we strive to offer various courses of fire and topics of interest relevant to women's needs.

Check our calendar or join our mailing list for more details! Reservations are kindly requested.

**When:** 3rd Saturday of the month

**Cost:** \$15 for members, \$18 for non-members, \$2 pistol rental

(ammunition not provided).



photos by Al Patnode



Seth Wish, far right, with students in a recent defensive handgun class.

## Get some 'On Target Training'

- Seth Wish -

For many years, CCF&G has been supporting firearms safety, training and education for the community and our members. For the past two years, I've been providing defensive firearms classes at the club.

Some of you may be familiar with me as a club member and founder of On Target Training, LLC. Or, you might know my popular YouTube channel, [www.youtube.com.wishse](http://www.youtube.com.wishse), which has over 40,000 subscribers.

My videos on guns, gear and

training techniques have been viewed over 10 million times.

I've been a firearms enthusiast for the better part of 30 years. I've honed my skills as an instructor at some of the top schools in the country, including the Sig Sauer Academy American, the American Small Arms Academy, and Defense Associates. And, I've worked with many top instructors, including Chuck Taylor, Jeff Gonzalez, Todd Greene and Kelly Venden.

On Target Training's methodology

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## On Target Training... from page 6

stresses "experiential learning" and a positive and encouraging approach. In other words, students are spending their training time on the range shooting drills and being coached rather than listening to lectures or watching PowerPoint presentations.

This approach has yielded outstanding results as it allows my students to gain a high level of confidence and proficiency in a condensed and fast paced environment.

All of my classes stress the fundamentals of marksmanship, weapons manipulation and tactics surrounding the use of a handgun, shotgun or rifle for self or home defense. Instruction is provided in a highly positive manner.

On October 24 I'm funning a Defensive Carbine level 2 class, and on November 11 I'll have a Combat Shotgun level 1 class with fellow instructor and combat Veteran Greg Cruz.

If you have an interest in learning to use firearms for self or home defense and are looking for the opportunity to develop the skills, proficiency and confidence you need to do it properly, you should consider enrolling in one of my classes.

See my ad in this edition of Gunsmoke for contact information.

## THE CLUB NEEDS HELP WITH WINTER PLOWING

We're looking for a suitable 4x4 yard truck with plow. We have been averaging about \$3,000 per year for winter maintenance by contracting the job out.

As an alternative, we believe we can cut that cost considerably if we do the task ourselves. With our organization being totally non-profit, we could accept equipment for this that would be totally tax deductible for the donor.

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# Moving from the outside in

- Mike Wright & Dan Deyo -

Now that summer is officially over and the 3D targets are out of the woods at the outdoor range, it's time to start thinking about indoor shooting.

Our indoor archery takes place at the Keene Parks and Recreation center on Washington St. We have open shooting on Sunday afternoons from 12 to 4:00 p.m. unless there is a scheduled NH Bowmen event. (By the way, all are welcome to come and participate in these events.)

Indoor archery starts December 6th, and there will be several of us on hand to help with bow set ups, tuning and shooting tips. After the first of the year we will continue shooting on Sunday afternoons and will add Tuesday evenings immediately following our youth program we teach from 6:00 until 7:00 p.m.

Our indoor targets are all brand new, have good working wheels and can be placed up close for the novice or against the far wall to work on your 20 yard groups. Cost for shooting is \$5 per person. This covers our target fees and repairs to the targets as needed.

Shooting a bow is a different experience from a firearm and it can be even more fun. The Rec. Center has equipment that anyone



'Family Day' photo by Al Patnode

can use at no extra cost, and it will be there all winter long for use.

Christmas is just a few months away and it's exciting to put archery equipment under the tree for young and old archers. Its recommended you speak to a reputable archery dealer before buying equipment.

You must ensure you buy equipment that fits the archer the gear is intended for. Keep in mind that each one of us has a dominant eye which affects whether we shoot archery left handed or right handed. Bows are draw-length specific unless you get one that has substantial adjustments. These are just a few reasons you should speak with someone that knows archery and equipment.

*(North Branch Bowmen of CCSSEF is affiliated with New Hampshire Bowmen. NH Bowmen has an active facebook page and sends out regular emails to members and nonmembers like their page on facebook and if you would like to stay updated on events contact them at newhampshire-bowmen@yahoo.com.)*



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Five bucks will buy you a tasty lunch and a soft drink or coffee. And, there are lots of great folks to visit with.

See ya on the range!



## NRA LINK

Remember, when renewing your NRA membership or signing up a new member to the NRA, be sure to use our "Join NRA" link near the bottom of our home page on the website.

Your support of the NRA is important in the preservation of our 2nd Amendment Rights.

For further details, contact Larry Parker, Sr. at the Club at 352-8563, or by email at gm@ccfandg.org

## Fee for using the club's CC machine

We are staying in compliance with new rules by purchasing a new 'chip' reading credit card machine.

After tracking the cost of offering a credit card for making payments, we found we need to pass this charge along to credit card users.

We are waiting for October's statement to figure out the cost for this year. I expect it to fall in the 6.5 to 7 percent range. In 2014 it was 6.8%.

Starting in November, we will be

adding the actual average cost for credit card transactions to each use. What

this means is that if you pay with a credit card, a regular \$125 membership will cost you \$133.50.

Currently about 10% of the membership pays by credit card. The more credit cards

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We will review the cost at the end of 2016 and make an adjustment for 2017 accordingly.



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