



### Ramblings from the new editor

When someone asks you to help out with the newsletter and you think "how hard can that be", you suddenly discover it's a major undertaking and appreciate all of the effort that the previous editor put in to it. Please bear with me as I attempt to learn the magic of putting this together.



## FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

Wow, what a summer!

hings seemed to be chugging along nicely at the range as the final bits of winter waned earlier in the year. Plans were in place for the implementation of electronic targets on the 600 yard rifle range along with other improvements at the range including planning for a seven lane indoor range.

Then, whammo, along came Covid19. Actually, it seems it was lurking in the shadows for some time back into 2019 as those in the "governing" class were deciding what to do about it. Then, another whammo, as the State pretty much shut everything down and we had to close the range.

We were not essential...

After reopening in mid May, we got to work, having put the appropriate protocols in place. Considering that all of our activity is outside, it seemed that we could be safe as we pursued our favorite shooting activities.

All of our different activities established

safety approaches that were acceptable to their participants and we have been operating that way since reopening. The electronic targets were installed (see details elsewhere in this issue) and indoor range plans have been approved by the Keene Planning Board, stay tuned for more information. Classes are pretty much back on track with a few hiccoughs. We did have to cancel Live Free or Die Day and our Range Open House because of their size.

Some events have seen a lessening of participation, but for the most part we are near normal operation. Meetings of the Foundation's board have moved from mostly Zoom meetings to a mix, with super challenged folks like me calling in to these meetings.

Our 30/30 raffle was a tremendous success with a YUGE demand for the tickets. Recently, the Junior Team sold out their tickets for a one gun fundraising raffle in the blink of an eye . This demand is truly heartening and seems to match the crunch we are seeing at the gun shops and the ammo vendors.

New shooters are popping up all over the place. Estimates by the National Shooting Sports Foundation put new gun owners in 2020 at five million. We stand ready to help these folks get into firearms ownership in safe and effective ways. If you are one of them, give us a call and we will help you out. Now that puts the gun owner count in the country over 105 million... here's hoping they ALL vote to preserve the second amendment! I hope to see you at the range soon.

Peter

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## ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL HIGH POWER RIFLE SEASON

he 2020 High Power Rifle season at CCSSEF was surprisingly successful. Despite the shutdowns and cancellations due to the China Virus, attendance to the rifle events was strong. Participation at our practice sessions hit new highs, averaging about 30 shooters each Thursday.

We had a little magic help us propel enthusiasm. That magic was "Shotmarker Targets". Our electronic targets are up and running. No more marking targets in the pits. No more lengthy pit changes. Matches and practice sessions take a fraction of the time to complete compared to the old traditional methods.

The cost of the targets was reasonable - under \$6,000.00 and we have effectively paid for them this year. They will prove to be a great source of income for the

Foundation, and provide a great deal of enjoyment for our membership.

The information available to the shooters from the Shotmarker targets was never available before. The entire group, including sighting and record shots are displayed and saved. Each shots velocity at the target is displayed and average velocity and standard deviation are computed for the group.

For practice, each shooter can set the target for the caliber being shot, for the target desired, and set a grid for MOA or MILS. Group sizes can be calculated, shots can be removed or added, and changed from sighter to record shot. During matches security can be set so only the match director can make these changes.

Everyone, almost without exception has been amazed at the system. They can go home with a detailed record of their day's shoot to analyze. All of the information is displayed on a tablet or smart phone and a screen shot captures it. The only drawback for the electronic targets is that all of us older shooters have to bring a grandkid along to run the tablet. You'll have to come up to the 600 yard range and give it a try.

We will be putting our schedule for next year together very soon and posting it to the schedule. All of us are hoping for normal times to return and that we will be able to enjoy a full shooting season in 2021.

Pete De Santis



## **ACTION PISTOL**

the last match of the season. Although another one is scheduled in November, Mother Nature never has cooperated in the past and with the way 2020 has been going, I've no reason to expect her to favor us this year.

We have been steadily picking up new shooters over the years and this year was particularly good. This year saw an unprecedented uptick of new gun sales and new shooters have been joining the club as new members and a few have decided to see what Action Pistol is all about.

Dan Cormier's decision to have our

matches listed on Practiscore gave us wider exposure and drew shooters from all over. Some came from as far away as southern MA and CT.

Action Pistol is designed to introduce you to competitive pistol shooting. We combine elements of IDPA, USPSA and Steel Challenge. We do drills, set up partial or whole stages to demonstrate a particular skill and give you a chance to work on elements of gun handling that need attention. Some practice with their carry gun to become more proficient should the unthinkable happen. Others participate for the gaming aspect while we all benefit from focusing on safety.

A lot of our stage scenarios are designed to demonstrate a possible situation you may encounter in a parking lot or alley way. Others are a bit more whimsical but will prepare you for possible attacks by Zombies, Vampires or as our last match featured - Killer Pumpkins.



## FERRY BROOK JR SHOOTERS RIFLE TEAM

Program activities back to normal this fall. Like everyone, we had to suspend our activities this past spring due to the Corona Virus pandemic. We held our Robinson Match on Saturday June 27th. We also held an abbreviated Awards Presentation between relays of this event.

We look forward to the progress of the Indoor Range and appreciate Mike's efforts to keep this moving. I'm most appreciative of those assisting to make this a reality. ALL MEMBERS need to step up and help.

We were able to compete in the 2020 NRA Junior Sectional matches before all of these cancellations hit. Results that are usually published by June are still not out. The NRA advised that they still do not have all of their staff back to work and do not know when results will be out.

Our summer plans were crushed. Both the CMP and NRA canceled all of their National Matches this year.

Team Captain Natalie Davidson had qualified for a 1st round invitation to the 2020 US Junior Olympic Rifle Matches in Colorado Springs in April. At first they postponed to a "date to be determined". Finally they canceled altogether. She will be starting at SNHU this summer.

We started our New Member sign up on Saturday September 12th with TWENTY (20) new participants joining the Junior Rifle Program. We have been practicing regularly on Saturdays since and will conclude on October 24th with our fall prone match. We will move indoor to Peterborough Sportsmen's Club on Tuesday/Wednesday October 27th / 28th. Currently, we are planning on our normal schedule of practices and matches over our upcoming season. The only change expected will be to hold our own NRA 4 Position Junior Sectional in anticipation of potential restrictions that may come from this COVID pandemic.

We thank our 2019 sponsors: Mia Capelli Hair Salon, the CAR Family and Freedom Hill Gear. Our 2019 Sponsors also included; Dave Polonsky, Matt Morgan, Bill Strumski, Keene Door, Kevin Wheeler (Keene Transmission), Lee Sprague, Jay & Allison Davidson and Eversource's match to the Davidson's donation. We appreciate the support of all our sponsors. PLEASE SUPPORT our local businesses that generously donate to our youth program. These donations help us send our shooters to Regional/National Championships and Camps. Please consider donating to the Junior Rifle Team! With travel, equipment, awards, range & entry fees and ammunition, our annual budget is over \$10,000. I believe our sponsors will have their own challenges this year, and it will be hard for them to contribute to our program. In 2021, we hope to solicit these folk's support again. Notes on our active ALUMNI (shooting, college & military)...Tobin graduated this year from the University of North Georgia shooting with the UNG Nighthawks. Andrew Solomonides graduated last spring from the West Point Army Black Knights rifle team. We'll get a fix on his current duty station.

Winter Adult Smallbore 4-Position Rifle League;

The Friday night adult 4-Position smallbore rifle league for this winter will be starting in early December.. If anyone should be interested for the 2021 season, we have a couple of target rifles with scopes that can be signed out to members. Contact Larry Parker Sr or Neil Jeneral for details about Smallbore rifle shooting. smallbore@ccfandg.org or 600yard@ccfandg.org

Winchester Rifle Range is expected to be back up and running.

For 2021, we hope to have a Range Safety Officer at the ELMM Community Center Rifle Range on Tuesday evenings for OPEN .22 Rifle and Pistol shooting from January through March. Just bring your 22 firearms, ammunition and maybe some targets. Look for some specific details from the GM in December.



## THE JUNIOR RIFLE TEAM

he Ferry Brook Junior Rifle Team helps youth develop the skills necessary for rifle marksmanship as well as goal setting, sportsmanship, concentration, and teamwork.

Shea Wilkins-Fleck, the current team captain, says: "When I joined the team four years ago, I had no idea how much it would influence me – not only as an athlete, but as a person. Shooting for the Ferry Brook Rifle team has given me the opportunity to travel and meet new people. Being on this team has taught me so much in leadership skills – even before becoming captain – and more so now that I am. My goal is to shoot in college, and then afterwards, continue to help out with this wonderful program that has taught so many youths not only gun safety, but life skills."

The team – made up of girls and boys ages 10 to 19 – is supported by the Cheshire County Shooting Sports Education Foundation/Cheshire County Fish & Game at 19 Ferry Brook Road (off of Sullivan Road, Route 9) in Keene. This sport is not only inexpensive,

but requires no equipment purchases, as the club provides all necessary equipment. There are also no tryouts and all skill levels are welcome to join.

"Shooting is unique," says Tobin Sanctuary, team alumni and alumni of the University of North Georgia. "Getting involved in smallbore and air rifle competitions has allowed me to do a lot. I have had the opportunity to participate in the Junior Olympics in Colorado Springs multiple times, compete at the collegiate level, travel the country, and meet a lot of great people along the way."

"This is a sport where athletes primarily start out competing against themselves as they hone their skills and improve," says Larry Parker, Sr., one of the NRA coaches who has 35 years of experience. "From being good role-models, to volunteering themselves once graduating our program, our juniors learn valuable experiences they can use for life."

Parker goes on to say that through this program he has seen over 400 local youths introduced to firearm safety and shooting sports. The Ferry Brook Junior Shooters had 10 team members who have gone on to NCAA Collegiate Rifle Team programs, the team —as a whole — has ranked in the top 10 nationally for eight years, and four times they have won national matches!

"Twenty-two times we had an athlete named to a spot in the annual USA Junior Olympic Championships held every April at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colorado, and we also have a Junior Team member who earned a position on the US Olympic Development Team for over five years!" Parker adds. For more details about this program, call Parker at 603-357-6047 or email smallbore@ccfandg.org.

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## **ARCHERY**

pretty much wrapped up all open shooting with colder weather upon us as well as the hunting season. Although the field range is still open for members we have pulled the 3D animals out until next spring when we will reevaluate putting them out as the wildlife seem to have too much fun with them costing the club a lot of money by knocking them over and even

chewing them up in some instances.

We will be looking to move the indoor targets we have stored in the pavilion back to the Rec Center soon. Keep an eye on the Facebook Page "North Branch Bowmen" if you are able to help out it would be greatly appreciated, we will try to post the day and time on the Facebook page. We will have open practice mid to late November indoors at the Recreation Center. Currently the Rec Center is requiring everyone in the building to wear a mask and social distancing is a must. Our indoor youth program will be reduced significantly and unfortunately at this time we are NOT encouraging any beginners to come and try archery as in the past. What we are telling people inquiring is

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## THE COVID SHUFFLE BLUES

by James Jim-Bob Flanders

was up at the club a couple of Saturdays ago, which I'm in the habit of doing, and got to thinking about things as I was walking around. Things like, has the club changed since the pandemic? Yes and no. The range hasn't changed a bit—just the people. Saturday mornings at the clubhouse used to have 10-15 folks sitting around talking, drinking coffee, doing membership and, in general, having a good ol' time. That's changed. Now, four or five members is about it. A lot of folks don't feel comfortable being with a bunch of other people. That's understandable but, outside, it's hilarious. Here's an example.

That Saturday, I was up around the 200-yard line when I saw a friend of mine pull in and park. He got out with his mask on and spotted me, so we started walking toward each other—and that's when it began... I kept walking up to him, but he stopped and began to fidget. Then, he took a step back, then to the side and a step forward, all the time talking. I don't think he even realized what he was doing. To me, it looked like a dance social. Social distancing, right? I've seen the same dance in stores, parking lots and—mostly everywhere.

Then, it hit me! What an opportunity! Being the "genius" that I am, I said to myself, "I'm going to write a song and put music to it." It will be a number 1 hit on the country music charts! The music will be after the Hank Williams tune, Hey, Good Lookin. If you want to strum along, it will be in the key of E. Ready? A-one and a-two and...

I got out of my truck, I saw you standin' there, So, I squirted my hands and put my mask on right. I went to hug you, nice and tight, but all you do is the Covid shuffle blues.

#### Chorus:

You take two steps forward and three steps back. You shuffle to the

left and you shuffle to the right. Lawdy, how can I hug you tight?

China flu, whatcha goin' do? I don't want to do the Covid shuffle with you. I don't have the flu, and neither do you. So, why do the Covid shuffle blu-uu-uues? (end)

Great or what?! Might need a little work... Now, I've got to get some singers to record it, and I've got just the ones. All from the club. One guy can sing high soprano, and a woman I know can sing deep bass, and another fellow likes to play the mouth organ. What a group! They can call themselves the Ferry Brook or Furry Brook (something like that) Swingin' singers. I'll let the Board name them. Anyway, I'll keep you posted and up to date. I'm sure you can't wait. Hey! That rhymes. Maybe I could... No! Move on! Alright, alright, I'm moving on. Great song, Movin' On by Merle Haggard.

Anyhow, if a few smiles have been generated by this article, I'm happy. We need more smiles these days, right?

Another thing I got to thinking about during my walkabout was that there are two words we need to hear more at the club, which are "thank you" to those who richly deserve to hear them. Let's start off with a big, big, huge thank you to our President, Mike. He finally pushed through our organization's property tax exempt status with the City of Keene Assessors' Board.

That is huge, and it wasn't easy. Great job, Mike! Now, if you can get the indoor range built, you will leave behind a legacy that will be difficult to top. Plus, all the other things you got done, large and small—like completion of the damned dam—often under adverse conditions. Now, get the steel targets up—that's a big thing, too. Again, thank you, Mike.

Then, we have our General Manager,

Peter. I don't know how he does it, with little or no help. There always seems to be a mountain of paperwork on his desk. He keeps the club running-paying bills, tracking this and that, fixing things, answering the telephone, doing a membership here and there, responding to our questions. The list just goes on and on. Now, he has gotten the newsletter up and running, after being dropped this summer, until a volunteer steps forward. I would go nuts (not that I haven't reached that point already)... But, with all that he has to do, I've never seen him angry or frustrated. A big thank you, Peter!

Then, there are all the others. Like Larry, who has run the Junior Rifle Team for over 30 years. Can you imagine? It's remarkable what he does with those kids. The time he puts into it, again, without too much help. I personally think the Ferry Brook Junior Rifle Team is the most important discipline in the club. After all, those kids are the future of the shooting sports. A very big and heartfelt thank you to Larry, his assistants, and the kids.

Thank you to the Board, which guides the club and makes decisions. There are so many others who also deserve a thank you, like Ron C., who has given so much to and done so much for the club over the years. A big thank you to Pete and Neil, who run High Power. To Ron A., who is at the 200-yard range to help members sight in their rifles. To the hard-working folks who put on Women on Target events, a big thank you! A big thank you to those who put on events and run other disciplines—a lot of work. To the Trap people who, every Saturday, set up for the shoot thank you. Thank you to Becky, who has coffee and something to eat Saturday mornings. To the Range Safety Officers who keep the range safe on their own time... thank you! A big thank you to those who conduct (Continued on page 6)

(Continued from page 5) membership and show new members around. There are so many who do things for the club, and we may not even notice... lots of little things. Thank you very much.

A tremendous thank you to Jack Commerford, our chief maintenance guy and more, who puts his heart and soul into the club. Jack worked 12 to 18 hours a day at the club during the summer—not just one day, but every day. In the winter, he cut back his hours to perhaps 8 hours or so. In past years, if there was construction to be carried out, Jack did it—again, with very little

help—and, for the most part, he used his own equipment. From the club gate to the 600-yard impact, from the dam to the trap field, and in between, Jack has done projects or overseen them. It doesn't matter how big or how small the task, Jack will lend a hand. I could go on and on about what he's done for the club and our members; he's a true gift for the club. Thanks, Buddy.

Anyway, I guess I'll wrap this up. Remember this, though. The biggest thanks go to our members because, without you, we would have nothing. So, don't be afraid to say "thank you" to

each other and "I appreciate what you do." It will mean a lot to the recipient.

I think I'll go write another hit song. But, wait! I can't, I'm supposed to see my therapist at 2:00. She says she's concerned that I might have illusions of grand or something like that, and maybe a dual person or whatever, and a host of other things. I think she's just trying to "put a hit on me." Guess I'll skip that and go get a Big Mac®, fries, and a shake.

Yours in harmony, Jim-Bob

## A NEW MEMBERS VIEW

by Lisa

am a fairly typical woman of a "certain" age". I am married, I am a newly retired kindergarten teacher, and I have two adult sons. When my children were younger I often joked that I lived in a house o' men. While I have many interests that would probably be considered stereotypically "feminine", I do, at times, try to develop interests in hobbies that the rest of my family pursues with great enthusiasm. I became an avid football fan for that reason.

Recently, after talking it over with my sons and my husband, I decided to satisfy my curiosity with respect to firearms. I had heard my family members talk often about practicing shooting at a firing range. My sister-in-law and my niece had some experience with target practice. I thought that I would try it.

My husband did some research and we were very lucky to find the range on Ferry Brook Road in Keene. We were also fortunate to meet Peter Crowell, who became our instructor. While I was curious about hand guns, I was also very hesitant - no, scared! to actually pick up, load, and shoot a pistol. Peter could not have been more patient and supportive. He did not mock my reticence. He was sensitive to my hesitancy. He also was very intuitive when it came to understanding

what made me afraid and what type of pistol would be the most user-friendly.

During our first family lesson, I listened to Peter's very comprehensive and earnest discussion about gun safety. I watched my husband and my son take turns shooting at targets at the firing range. I listened to their description of how the guns worked and how they felt in their hands as the bullets were discharged. I was still too intimidated to try shooting myself and Peter never condescended or pressured me to attempt it. I will say that for me to be successful the right gun was very important. Peter, along with my husband and my son was very helpful in identifying the characteristics of a pistol that would be just right for me. (The sales people at the store where we bought my gun were also very helpful.)

When I arrived for my second "exposure", I observed everyone take a turn firing "my" gun. Peter was very encouraging - again - and confident that the Smith and Wesson 380 EZ would be just right. When I did finally take the weapon in my hand he was very helpful in showing me exactly how and where to place my hands and my fingers. I was very afraid of the loud noise and even more fearful of the anticipated recoil, but because I had a very appropriate (for

me) and user-friendly pistol, it was easier to aim and shoot than I had expected. It was probably a bit of beginner's luck, but I hit my targets with better accuracy that I would have predicted!

I have now had two formal lessons and I no longer feel afraid to pick up the handgun, load it, aim it at the target, and fire it. I am still working on the fine points of where my hands go and I need a lot more practice to be consistently accurate, but I now actually look forward to range practice with my family. After having just a few lessons, instead of fearing picking up that weapon and pulling that trigger, I am hoping that ammunition, which is hard to obtain right now, becomes more available soon!

Lisa

## **NEW SHOOTERS AND THE REST OF US**

by Peter Crowell

he National Shooting Sports Foundation is the trade organization that is dedicated to all aspects of firearms and related industries like gun ranges. These are the folks who run the annual SHOT Show which is only open to industry participants.

These past few months have been pretty hectic with the very high demand for guns, ammunition, and reloading components. A while back, I purchased a Smith & Wesson M&P 380 Shield EZ (the 9mm had not come out yet) for use in training new shooters and folks with handicaps like arthritis, hand injuries, etc.

While I am very happy with its performance, I ran out of my initial supply of ammo and had to restock. The price had gone from a price of around 25 cents per round to my recent purchase at 80 cents per round. Note in the graphic it's \$2 a round!! Dirt is not so Cheap any more, I guess...



As we warmly welcome these new shooters, I fear that these prices will be a strong deterrent for them to get to the range for badly needed trigger time. Sure, dry fire is great, but it's a bit more difficult for new shooters to appreciate its value.

Fiocchi Pistol Shooting Dynamics .380 ACP Ammunition 96 Orain FMJ 960 fps \*\* \*\* \*\* (8-4)

A number of industry reactions are distressing, but three, in particular, bother me.

- 1. We've been here before and the ammunition manufacturers do not seemed to have learned much about scaling up AND down. Sure, it's not easy, but maybe some really creative solutions are needed?
- 2. Price gouging is clearly happening. At least I hope it is. An odd hope for sure, but better than the possible reality that the forces of evil have learned how to manipulate the ammo market.
- 3. Yo yo behavior in the industry as big money firms (private equity) get involved. I may be paranoid, but it does seem like some of the big money folks may actually be trying to destroy the industry by manipulating it to their considerable gain while at the same time destroying or seriously wounding it.

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All of this is not helped at all by the Covid bug!

There were something like a 100 million gun owners in the US (a tough number to nail down). Now, NSSF is saying 5 million have been added this year alone. If you know any of these folks, make sure they know that here at the Cheshire County Shooting Sports Education Foundation we stand ready to help them become safe and responsible gun owners.

Another thought, the Second Amendment will get its greatest test depending on the outcome of this November elections. What if those 105 ish million folks voted to assure that would not happen? Just sayin...

Peter Crowell

(Continued from page 4) hold tight and get in touch with us in March when we are getting ready to meet outdoors again. We are very limited to the amount of time we have at the Rec Center and that time will be restricted to the youth program and some open practice for competing archers.

We all hope you all stay well and be patient. We will get through this together if we stay strong and be safe. We look forward to having full archery lines in the future and an overwhelming abundance of youth and new archers learning this wonderful sport that can last a lifetime.

Dan and Mike

## AIM4NH REPORT OF NH STATE TRAP SHOOT

The 2020 New Hampshire Trapshooting Association's annual championship was held July 31 - August 2 at Minute Man Sportsman's Club in Billerica, MA. After weekly practices once the trap range opened for use, our junior shooters, aged 9-19 reaped the benefits of their work. We set up the AIM4NH compound at the shoot, with camping and fellowship through the weekend. Thanks go out to the Cheshire County Shooting Sports Education Foundation for supporting the team with ammunition for singles and New Hampshire Trapshooting Association provided the entry fees for singles. Awards went as follows:

### <u>Pre-Sub Team\*\*State High Team</u> Brooke Castor:

Pre-Sub High Lady Champion Pre-Sub Singles Champion

#### **Ryan Demary:**

Pre-Sub Singles Second Place

### <u>Sun-Junior Team \*\*State High Team</u> Connor Gibson:

Sub-Junior Singles Champion Sub-Junior Handicaps Champion Sub-Junior Doubles Champion Sub-Junior All Around Champion

#### **Joshua Loves:**

Sub-Junior Singles Second Place Sub-Junior Handicaps Second Place Sub-Junior Doubles Second Place

#### Holden Perron (Jr Captain):

Sub-Junior Singles Third Place Sub-Junior Handicaps Third Place Sub-Junior Doubles Third Place

Junior Team \*\*State High Team Hailey Riley (Team Captain) Junior High Lady Champion Junior Singles Champion Junior Handicaps Second Place Junior Doubles Second Place

#### Sam Davidson:

Junior Singles Second Place Junior Handicaps Champion Junior Doubles Champion Junior Over All Around Champion

### **Stephen Holubiak:**

Junior Singles Third Place













## **NOVEMBER 2020 EVENT CALENDAR**

### Sunday, November 1

9:00am

Everyday Vehicle

#### Monday, November 2

10:00am

General Manager Office Hours 5:30pm

Law Enforcement Night Training

#### Wednesday, November 4

Open Trap starts at Noon 9:00am

Law Enforcement Quals (Org 1) 10:00am

General Manager Office Hours 3:30pm

Acton Pistol Practice Session 5:30pm

Law Enforcement Night Training

#### Thursday, November 5

8:00am

Hi Power - 600 Yard Practice 12:00pm

RANGE IS OPEN NOON TO DUSK 5:30pm

Law Enforcement Night Training

### Friday, November 6

10:00am

General Manager Office Hours 12:00pm

Law Enforcement Quals (Org 4)

#### Saturday, November 7

5 Stand Sporting Clays starts at 10 AM Trap starts at 10 AM 9:00am

> Advanced Everyday Vehicle 10:00am Membership

#### Sunday, November 8

9:00am

Advanced Everyday Vehicle

#### Monday, November 9

10:00am

General Manager Office Hours

#### Tuesday, November 10

10:00am

Resched GM Hours (home) 6:30pm

Board of Directors Meeting (Clubhouse)

### Wednesday, November 11

GM not in office today Open Trap starts at Noon

#### Thursday, November 12

8:00am

Hi Power - 600 Yard Practice 12:00pm RANGE IS OPEN NOON TO DUSK

#### Friday, November 13

10:00am

General Manager Office Hours

#### Saturday, November 14

5 Stand Sporting Clays starts at 10 AM Trap starts at 10 AM 8:00am

CANCELED - Action Pistol Match 10:00am Membership

### Sunday, November 15

8:00am

AIM/ATA Pistol Course 9:00am

Fundamentals of Concealed Carry

#### Monday, November 16

10:00am

General Manager Office Hours

### Wednesday, November 18

Open Trap starts at Noon 10:00am

General Manager Office Hours

#### Thursday, November 19

8:00am

Hi Power - 600 Yard Practice 12:00pm

RANGE IS OPEN NOON TO DUSK

#### Friday, November 20

10:00am

General Manager Office Hours

#### Saturday, November 21

5 Stand Sporting Clays starts at 10 AM Trap starts at 10 AM

8:00am

Advanced Everyday Pistol 10:00am

Membership

### Sunday, November 22

8:00am

Advanced Everyday Pistol

#### Monday, November 23

10:00am

General Manager Office Hours

#### Wednesday, November 25

Open Trap starts at Noon 10:00am

General Manager Office Hours

#### Friday, November 27

10:00am

General Manager Office Hours

### Saturday, November 28

5 Stand Sporting Clays starts at 10 AM Trap starts at 10 AM

10:00am

Membership

### Monday, November 30

10:00am

General Manager Office Hours

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## **BUCKET LIST**

by The Editor

So here I am, my first attempt at editor, and I run out of copy to fill this last page of the new newsletter. I'm wondering what to do and I receive an email from one of my favorite non-profit organizations. I read it and decide it definitely has to go on my bucket list. I thought I would share it with you and perhaps you might want to add it to your bucket list.

Enter for your chance to win a 2 day adventure – Icons of Armor: the Ultimate WWII Tank Experience where you and a friend will actually drive 3 of America's most famous tanks!

The American Heritage Museum's very own tank driving grounds, not far from the birthplace of America in Boston, Massachusetts, will be the site of this extraordinary prize! Our new, world-class museum in Hudson, Massachusetts is home to over 95 tanks, military vehicles, and rare artifacts. The winner of this special prize and their guest will be active participants in a two-day adventure. There will be six amazing WWII

Tank Driving and Crew Experiences in three iconic American tanks: the M24 Chaffee, M4A3 Sherman, and M26 Pershing, as well as a remarkable guided exploration inside some very rare American, German, Russian and British tanks. Learn more about this experience on our website. (https://www.americanheritagemuseum.org/tank-driving-experiences/)

The winner of the Ultimate WWII Tank Experience and their guest will don tank coveralls and receive intimate, one-on-one driving instruction for each of the three American tanks. You will get a taste of how our tank crews lived as they fought their way through Europe in the closing days of World War II. This is not a ride. YOU will be in control of each iconic tank as you learn to make turns at various speeds, climb a hill, and cross obstacles. You will have the opportunity to drive as your guest rides along in the tank commander's turret position, then switch places to ride in the turret while your guest drives! The cap stone to these experiences is driving the Pershing tank! The only place in the world where you can drive this WWII American legend that was capable of taking on the German Panther and Tiger tanks. Additionally, the winner and their guest will enjoy an extraordinary "Inside the Hatch" tour of five rare British, Russian, German, and American tanks. Hosted by Rob Collings, President of the American Heritage Museum, this one-of-a-kind exploration shares complete behind the scenes investigation, and authentic history, of each tank.

Proceeds from this sweepstakes and fundraising campaign will help support the living history mission of the American Heritage Museum. A 501(c)3 non-profit educational foundation, the American Heritage Museum is committed to honoring our veterans who served, preserving, and restoring the vehicles and technology they used, and educating future generations.



Your driving experience starts with the Chaffee M24. It has been the light tank leader through 3 wars.



M26A1 Pershing is the ultimate tank driving opportunity. The American Heritage Museum is the only place in the world you can experience it.



M4A3 Sherman is easily the most recognizable Allied tank of WWII. This particular Sherman stared in the movie Tank, staring James Garner! This is the world's only full dual control Sherman.

I can picture myself driving one of these bad boys up to the 600yd range on a Thursday for a little practice. Something else for the bucket list?

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