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AUGUST
2021



FERRY BROOK RANGE

CHESHIRE COUNTY SHOOTING SPORTS EDUCATION FOUNDATION

MONTHLY CALENDAR

August 1 Sunday
August 3 Tuesday
August 7-8 Sat/Sun
August 8 Sunday
August 14 Saturday
August 15 Sunday

August 15 Sunday
Aug 21-22 Sat/Sun
Aug 21-22 Sat & Sun
August 25 Wednesday
Aug 28-29 Sat & Sun
August 29 Sunday

Every Tuesday:
Every Wednesday:

Every Thursday:
Every Saturday:



Check out our
online calendar for
latest updates!

SPECIAL EVENTS & COURSES

Highpower Rifle - 80 Round, NRA Approved. Contact gm@ccssef.org, (603) 352-8563
Cowboy Long-Range Shoot. Contact gm@ccssef.org, (603) 352-8563
NH Bowman State Championship. Contact Dan Deyo, barebowdan@yahoo.com
2021 Mid-Range Prone Match, NRA Approved. Contact americandesignhomes@gmail.com
Action Pistol. Contact Walt Lewandowski, pistol@ccfandg.org
18th Annual Safari Shoot—big game targets—elephant, rising buffalo, and running lion!
Contact Jean Goodell, (603) 239-9915
Defensive Handgun Course. Contact shamrockpersonaldefense.com
Conceal Carry Application Course. Contact <https://www.runenationllc.com>
Hunter Education Course. Contact Mike Morrison, runmojo@aol.com, (603) 209-3823
Steel Challenge Mini Match. Contact Cheshirecountysteelchallenge@gmail.com
Hunter Education Course. Contact Mike Morrison, runmojo@aol.com, (603) 209-3823
2021 Mid-Range F-Class Prone Match, NRA Approved. Contact Peter De Santis, americandesignhomes@gmail.com

REOCCURRING EVENTS — OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

NH Bowman Open Archery – <https://www.facebook.com/nhbowmen.nhbowmen/>
Open Trap starts at Noon (fee applies)
Action Pistol – 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm (fee applies)
600 Yard Practice – 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, 4:00 pm until dusk (fee applies)
5 Stand Sporting Clays & Open Trap – Starts at 10:00 am (fee applies)

A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.

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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Securing the Future



We are calling the new
indoor range campaign
Securing the Future.
Why this name?

The CCSSEF Board of
Directors realizes that
we must educate our
youth to carry on the
traditions we hold dear.

Checks may be sent
payable to CCSSEF's
Indoor Range Fund
or go to CCSSEF.org
to make an electronic
donation today.

North Branch Bowman Club

If you want to know what day of the week it's going to rain, it's probably Tuesday, specifically between 3 & 7 pm. Tuesday evenings, we try to meet at the archery range for open practice. If there are poor conditions, we have been using Wednesday after work as a rain day. It has been relatively quiet around the archery range since some shooters have not been coming around like they used to. I suppose life changes happen, and people move on to other things. On the other hand, I have run into some people I have never met before with some interest in helping out and participating. It's great to see that there is some interest and hopefully will take some pressure off the chores of mowing the lawn and taking out the trash.

We have hosted two New Hampshire Bowmen archery shoots already. We will have the outdoor state championship on August 7th & 8th. This event will be an NFAA shoot and will be half hunter round and half field round each day. Archers may shoot one or both days and turn in their high score from each half or, as they say, take a mulligan. Go to NFAA for rules and specifics.

If you lost any arrows this spring or summer, you might take a look in the pavilion, as there have been quite a few recovered arrows. Arrows can be expensive to replace, so it might be worth the trip to check it out. Come up on a Tuesday evening and bring your bow and shoot a little with us.

If you are on social media, follow North Branch Bowmen on Facebook for our club. For the state organization, follow New Hampshire Bowmen.

To reach Mike Wright: barebownh@aol.com
or Dan Deyo: barebowdan@yahoo.com

Hope to see you at the range,
Dan

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Headquartered in Las Vegas, Nevada, Safe Life Defense is an industry-leading safety company that provides cutting-edge protection technology to career professionals and law-abiding civilians. They offer tactical gear and revolutionary National Institute of Justice (NIJ) Certified Body Armor that has been rated #1 in comfort and protection. It's the only handgun, shotgun, strike, slash, stab, taser and special threat armor on the market — and the preferred choice for those on the front lines!

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Back to the Basics: Why Body Armor Is a Must and Who Can Own It

At the heart of the body armor movement, we find a simple message of safety and prevention. Its main purpose is to shelter the most vulnerable parts of human anatomy like the torso, which houses our vital organs. This is not only the largest center-mass area that can be hit, but it's also the easiest to target. Simply put, when anyone wears a bulletproof vest, they're better protected from the dangers they face. Body armor saves lives.

You may be surprised to learn that body armor is legal for *almost* anyone to possess or use in all 50 states within the U.S.. Oftentimes, consumers are under the impression that this type of protective gear is illegal to own unless they're a first responder, law enforcement officer or involved in the military services — but that is simply not true. What you need to know is that a large number of manufacturers and retailers restrict their sales to law enforcement only. However, these restrictions are based on individual company policies and are not reflective of federal, state or local laws. It is 100% legal for upstanding civilians to wear, purchase and own body armor, with the exception of the following restrictions:

1. You must be a law-abiding civilian and intend to wear your armor for permitted uses.
2. You must not commit a crime while wearing armor. Such action will increase legal penalties significantly. You must not have been convicted of a violent felony or intend to participate in criminal activities while wearing your armor.
3. You must purchase your armor face-to-face with a local dealer if you live in Connecticut or purchase your armor online and have it shipped to their location for pickup. This product cannot be shipped directly to a civilian in Connecticut.

Without discrimination, Safe Life Defense seeks to provide body armor for all morally sound and ethically inclined citizens. If you follow the law, you can purchase our body armor at SafeLifeDefense.com. We will never restrict our sales to only professional lines of work because everyone has the privilege and the right to own these products for protection. Body armor is a life-saving safety tool designed for peace of mind, prevention of injury and preservation of life. We believe it should be treated as such and accessible for all who meet these standards.



Farms and Firearms

Farms and firearms have been married since the first musket was born. The firearm has provided security, food, and money for farmers, homesteads, trappers, and journeymen of all kinds. Today's small farms and homesteads are just as reliant on firearms for protection against predators, supplying wild game for the table and for processing larger farm animals. Firearms for protection against poachers is not as significant a threat as it once was. Still, with today's society, one never knows.

In today's world, there are hundreds of choices of firearms in a variety of calibers. Each person seems to have their own go-to firearm and caliber as their specific needs require. Some people carry a sidearm, some prefer a long gun, some prefer rifles, and some prefer a shotgun. Particular needs are based on location, laws, terrain, and just plain old personal preference. There is no right or wrong to the firearm, or multiple firearms you choose, just as long as you are comfortable and competent.

When choosing a firearm for your farm or homestead, do yourself a huge favor and educate yourself. Read blogs, listen to podcasts, join groups on the internet and social media. Ask the dumb questions, don't be afraid to not be in "the know." Find firearms reviews as you narrow down your search and test as many firearms as you need to find your one, two, or three. Most importantly, please educate yourself on the safe use of your firearm and become proficient with it. Seek out instruction from trainers and manufacturers reps. Shoot and shoot and shoot some more, and when you are absolutely comfortable and proficient... shoot some more. Someday, a life may depend on your firearm being second nature to you.

I have been looking for the "perfect homestead "gun as my go-to that covers every need I'll have, and I'm not sure they make one. The closest gun I could find for my specific needs is the Savage model 24 combination rifle/shotgun, chambered in .223/12 gauge. It's 99% of what I need, except that it's a little challenging to put on my belt loop and carry it into town. So I have a subcompact sidearm chambered in .45 ACP that I take. There are limitations to my choice of weapons, but they are a perfect match for my real-world application.



So remember to identify first what your specific needs currently are and what they may be in the future. Identify what firearm or arms fill your particular needs. Educate yourself as a functional, safe user and owner.

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DID YOU KNOW?

Numerous training opportunities exist at Ferry Brook Range — from beginners who have never handled a firearm to veteran shooters. Members of all abilities are welcome to pursue new shooting disciplines and further their education.

Visit our website for more information!

"A man's rights rest in three boxes: the ballot box, the jury box, and the cartridge box."

-Frederick Douglass