



# WV Shooting & Hunting News

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## **'Guest' Take Aim Message**

I am filling in writing the regular President's Column for this quarter. Our President has had some health issues the past couple of months and is currently convalescing at home. We wish Jim a speedy and uneventful recovery.

The Association's Annual Meeting was held on March 18<sup>th</sup> at Rivera's Cottage Corner Restaurant in Salem, WV. We had 40 attendees that were treated to a great lunch of steak, mashed potatoes and green beans. Our quest speaker, Daniel Hall, NRA-ILA State Liaison, provided an update on what is happening with our legislators both at the State level and the National level.

The Association's elections were also held at the meeting. The results of the election are detailed elsewhere in the newsletter, however there is one election issue I'd like to bring up. We were unable to find someone to run for WWSRPA Director in District 1 or District 5. District 1 includes Brooke, Hancock, Marshall, Ohio, Tyler and Wetzel counties. District 5 includes Berkeley, Grant, Hampshire, Hardy, Jefferson, Mineral and Morgan counties.

The Association cannot properly function unless the entire state is represented. These 13 counties represent nearly 24% of WV. We need someone in each of these 2 districts to step up and become involved in the Association.

The job of Director is not difficult. It includes attending the Directors Meeting each quarter (just 4 times a year); it's having a basic understanding of what shooting activities are happening at local clubs in your area (you probably already participate in

some of these activities); it's being involved and not just saying 'let someone else do it'.

So, if you are willing and interested in becoming Director for District 1 or District 5, please contact one of the officers or current Directors. We need your help!

District 9 Director  
David Gruver

## **Annual Meeting**

The Annual Meeting was held on March 18, 2017 at Rivera's Cottage Corner Restaurant in Salem, WV. There were 40 attendees (28 members and 12 guests).



Our Guest Speaker was Daniel Hall, NRA-ILA State Liaison. Dan brought us all up to date on pending and planned future legislation both locally (WV) and Nationally. Locally, the West Virginia: Range Protection Bill, SB 575, is moving forward to protect sport shooting ranges from frivolous law suits and noise complaints. On the National level, the Hearing Protection Act should be moving to the fore

front this year. This law would remove suppressors from the licensing requirements of the National Firearms Act.



The Annual Meeting always includes the election of Officers and Directors. This year we had 2 officers and 4 directors positions up for election. The following are the results of the election:

- Vice President (2 year term) – Chris Dunlap
- Treasurer (2 year term) – Tom Hayden
- Directors:
- District 1 (3 year term) - Position Open
- District 5 (3 year term) - Position Open
- District 7 (3 year term) - Delores Williams
- District 9 (3 year term) - David Gruver

Please see the 'Take Aim' message regarding the Open Director Positions. We need people to step and take an interest in the Association.

The Annual Meeting saw the conclusion of the M1 Garand Raffle and the Ruger SR1911 Light Weight Commander Raffle.

The M1 Garand Raffle is to provide funding for Youth Shooting programs throughout the state. The winner of the M1 Garand raffle was Marty Dennison. Marty will receive a rack grade Garand directly from the Civilian Marksmanship Program. The Ruger Raffle is for the general operations of the Association. The Winner of the Ruger was Donley Teter.

Many thanks to Tom Hayden for running these raffles and to all who donated their time to sell tickets at their clubs, gun shows and trade shows. Both were successful raffles.



**District 1 News (Brooke, Hancock, Marshall, Ohio, Tyler, Wetzel)**

No report

**District 2 News (Calhoun, Gilmer, Plesants, Ritchie, Wirt, Wood)**

**LITTLE KANAWHA RIFLE CLUB – GROUNDHOG MATCH DATES FOR 2017**

The following are the dates for our Groundhog matches this year. Registration opens at 8:30 and shooting starts at 10:00. More information can be found at the club web site: [lkrc.org](http://lkrc.org)

April 23, May 21, June 11, June 25, July 23, August 13, August 27, September 10, September 17, October 8 (FNRA Benefit Match).

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**TUCKERS CREEK RIFLE CLUB:** Unlimited on Friday evenings beginning at 7:00 and 3-gun on Saturday mornings beginning at 9:00 – May 5 & 6, June 9 & 10, July 7 & 8, August 11 & 12, September 1 & 2.

**MOUNTAIN STATE SPORTSMENS ASSOCIATION:** Unlimited on Friday evenings beginning at 7:00 and 3-gun on Saturday mornings beginning at 9:00 – May 26 & 27, June 23 & 24, July 21 & 22, August 25 & 26, September 15 & 16.

**HENDERSON WILDS:** Located just south of Williamstown on Rt. 14. 2-Gun (rifle and pistol) matches on the first Saturday of the month, Defensive Pistol matches on the second Saturday of the month and Cowboy matches on the third Saturday of the month beginning in April. Please check our Facebook page for further information.

**District 3 News (Doddridge, Harrison, Lewis, Marion, Monogalia, Upshur)**

**WVJMP**

After taking a short break of high power shooting from our 2016 season, the juniors got right back into the swing of shooting! This winter old and new shooters started right into air guns!



During our time while shooting air guns we had a few visitors from Fayette County that were interested in starting an air gun program for juniors.

At this time I would like to welcome Eric White, Robby McCann and Joe White. A BIG WELCOME and Congratulations for starting The WVJMPOFFC of Fayette County. I have had the pleasure helping them kick off their first day of shooting! We are going to see a lot of new junior shooters in the coming months and years! Anyone interested in helping in anyway can contact Eric White 304-640-2942.



**District 4 News (Barbour, Preston, Taylor, Tucker)**

**BRASSMASTERS**

**Mountaineer Regional Championships**

Brassmasters will hold the Annual Mountaineer Regional Championships, Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup> & Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. The range will be available Friday, the 19<sup>th</sup> for sight-in, practice and camper setup. This Precision Pistol tournament will consist of an NRA Registered 2700, an NRA Distinguished Revolver Match and CMP approved .22 Rimfire and Service Pistol Leg Matches.

A copy of the tournament program and entry form can be downloaded and printed on our Web page at [www.whitehorsecenter.org](http://www.whitehorsecenter.org) then, click on the Brassmasters' Tab. For additional information email [brassmasters10x@gmail.com](mailto:brassmasters10x@gmail.com)

**Cowboy Action Match Schedule**

- May 21<sup>st</sup>
- June 18<sup>th</sup>
- July 16<sup>th</sup>
- August 20<sup>th</sup>
- September 17<sup>th</sup>
- October 22<sup>nd</sup>

The 2017 Ed Williams Memorial West Virginia State Precision Pistol Championships are tentatively (subject to NRA & CMP approval) scheduled for September 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>

**District 5 News (Berkeley, Grant, Hampshire, Hardy, Jefferson, Mineral, Morgan)**

No report

**District 6 News (Jackson, Kanawha, Mason, Putnam, Roane, Clay)**

No report

**District 7 News (Braxton, Fayette, Nicholas, Pendleton, Pocahontas, Randolph, Webster)**

No report

**District 8 News (Boone, Cabell, Logan, Lincoln, Wayne)**

No report

**District 9 News (McDowell, Mingo, Raleigh, Wyoming)**

**Southern WV Friends of NRA**

The Southern West Virginia Friends of NRA Committee has scheduled their annual fundraising banquet for May 6, 2017 at the Resort at Glade Springs.



The annual Pre-event Raffle is underway featuring the 2017 Gun of the Year, a Daniel Defense M4 Carbine. Tickets are \$10.00 each with only 500 to be sold.

Contact David Gruver for Tickets and Dinner Reservations. [dagruver@frontier.com](mailto:dagruver@frontier.com) or 304-651-1319

### District 10 News (*Greenbrier, Mercer, Monroe, Summers*)

No report

## LEGISLATIVE



2017 House of Delegates Legislative Session

With the State of West Virginia facing a \$500 million budget deficit, this year's session of the Legislature was billed as the year of the budget crisis. Although the focus was on numerous bills unrelated to the budget, among those were several bills introduced in the Senate and House relating to Second Amendment rights, firearms and hunting related issues.

As this issue of the Newsletter goes to press, with only four days remaining in this legislative session, it is impossible to handicap each bill's chance of passing. The house and senate are infamous for dispensing with the rules and normal protocol and pass a flurry of bills during the eleventh hour before adjournment, which is mandated by the state's constitution at midnight Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup>.

### Synopsis of Bills introduced and Experiencing Action During the 2017 Session Of the WV Legislature Relating to Second Amendment Rights, Firearms and Hunting

- 2679 Relating to allowing firearms in state and local parks and prohibiting county and local parks' commissions from passing

ordinances regulating firearms in parks and recreation areas

- 388 Relating to allowing law-abiding residents to have a firearm in their vehicle while dropping off a child at a school's designated drop-off point, as long as the firearm is not visible to the public. Also allowing that a firearm may be stored in a vehicle while attending a school function as long as the firearm is secured in a locked compartment such as a glove box or lockable storage box inaccessible and not visible to the public. Those persons would not be guilty of violating state law regarding firearms on school property
- 493 Relating to granting pay raises to Conservation Officers
- 2562 Making it unlawful for any private employer within the state to have a policy or rule prohibiting an employee from possessing a firearm in their personal vehicle while on company property
- 2150 Relating to Coyote hunting
- 345 Permitting Sunday hunting statewide on private property, with written permission from the landowner
- 575 Range Protection Act. Disallowing nuisance actions against establish shooting ranges and makes the bill effective on the date of passage

Descriptions of the bills appearing above are presented as merely brief overviews. The actual bill can be viewed, downloaded and printed at the WV Legislature's Web site, free of charge. There were several other bills that were introduced in either the house or senate relating to firearms and the Second Amendment that have not been identified here because they died in committee without making it to the floor of the respective branch of the legislature for a vote

## PCGC Junior Rifle Team Report

1. **Buckeye Junior Rifle League @ OSU**  
3 Position Smallbore Match  
1/22/17 - 10 Shooters – 3 PCGC Shooters, Mitchell Nelson, Alex McCallister & Bryce Ward.  
2/26/17 - 19 shooters – 3 PCGC Shooters, Mitchell Nelson, Alex McCallister & Adam
2. **NRA Sectional Indoor Championship @ OSU**  
18-19 March PCGC will shoot 19 March. Smallbore & Air Rifle

4 PCGC Shooters for Smallbore, Mitchell Nelson, Alex McCallister, Adam Holton & Bryce Ward.  
3 PCGC Shooters for Air Rifle, Mitchell Nelson, Alex McCallister & Adam Holton.

### 3. **Buckeye Junior Rifle League @ OSU**

3 Position Smallbore Match  
3/26/17 - 15 shooters - 3PCGC Shooters, Mitchell Nelson, Alex McCallister & Adam Holton.

### 4. **Upcoming Matches**

1. **Spring Fling @ NRA Headquarters**  
4/8&9 - 3 Position 50 yard Smallbore Match
2. **Ohio State 3P Championship @ OSU**  
4/21 & 22
3. **PCGC Junior Smallbore Camp @ PCGC Range**  
6/3 & 4
4. **NRA Conventional Smallbore Prone & 3P Combo Match - Metallic Sights @ PCGC Range June 10-11 2017**  
PCGC 2800 point Conventional Prone Match - Metallic Sights  
PCGC 2800 point Conventional Prone Supported Match - Metallic Sights
5. **NRA WV State Conventional Prone Championship**  
24 June - **Metallic Sights**  
25 June - **Any Sights**  
PCGC 3200 point Conventional Prone Supported Match **Metallic Sights**

### Contact Information for Our Senators

Write, email, and call Senator Manchin and Capito and ask them to oppose any gun control scheme that would erode our 2nd Amendment right! Keep this contact information by desk and write, email and call every time a new bill is introduced, one call will not end this madness!

#### **Senator Joe Manchin**

303 Hart Senate Office Bldg  
Washington, DC 20510  
Phone: 202-224-3954  
<http://manchin.senate.gov>

#### **Senator Shelley Moore Capito**

172 Russell Senate Office Bldg  
Washington, DC 20510  
Phone: (202) 224-6472  
<http://capito.senate.gov>

*Want contact information about your club in this newsletter? Join WWSRPA and send us your club's name, physical location, contact information, and website.*

#### **Roane County Gun Club**

301 Tuckers Run Road, Spencer, WV

#### **Salem Rifle and Pistol Club**

Benchrest: contact Kenna Williams at 304-782-1766,

Shotgun: contact Nick Pinti at 304-622-6296.

NRA Classes: contact Brian Satterfield at 304-7821872.

Women on Target: contact Lorie Doll at 304-873-3523.

Friday Night Fun Shoots: Art Rohrbough at 304-622-1083 or Jim Nicholson at 304-782-4140.

Doddridge County 4-H: contact Lorie Doll (304)873-3523

Archery Shoots: contact Wade Balis at 304-782-2074.:

#### **White Horse Firearms & Outdoor Education Ctr**

Peeltree, West Virginia

PO Box 2091

Buckhannon, WV 26201

304-623-6093

Email: [whitehorsecenter@gmail.com](mailto:whitehorsecenter@gmail.com)

<http://whitehorse.thomassmith.us/index.htm>

#### **Pistol Matches and Clinics**

#### **All Pistol Events Sponsored by WV Brassmasters**

Contact: Charles Vandegrift, President

[www.whitehorsecenter.org](http://www.whitehorsecenter.org) then, click on the Brassmasters Tab

email: [brassmasters10x@gmail.com](mailto:brassmasters10x@gmail.com)

#### **Beckley Gun Club**

Website: [www.beckleygunclub.com](http://www.beckleygunclub.com)

Email: [beckleygunclub@outlook.com](mailto:beckleygunclub@outlook.com)

Location: Beckley

Contact: Billye Front @ 304.255.5334

#### **Ft. Boreman Rifle Club**

Location: Parkersburg

Contact: 304-485-6972

#### **Lewis Wetzel Rifle & Pistol Club**

Location: Wheeling

Contact: [fhempelmann@yahoo.com](mailto:fhempelmann@yahoo.com)

#### **Lincoln County Jr. Marksmanship Program**

Chris Dunlap, Coach

388 Midway Rd.

Alum Creek, WV 25003

(304) 756-2856

[lincolncojmp@yahoo.com](mailto:lincolncojmp@yahoo.com)

#### **Little Kanawha Rifle Club**

Location: Located between Mineral Wells and Elizabeth just off of State Rt. 14 on the Camp Barb/Oak Hill Rd.

Contact: J.R. Hill @ 304-422-6131 or

[wvshooter@hotmail.com](mailto:wvshooter@hotmail.com)

#### **Lumberport Rifle & Pistol Club**

Location: Lumberport

Contact: Lee Martin @ 304-592-1313

#### **Mountain State Sportsmens Association**

Location: North of Parkersburg

Contact: J.R. Hill @ 304-422-6131 or [wvshooter@hotmail.com](mailto:wvshooter@hotmail.com)

**Putnam County Gun Club**

Location: Eleanor  
 Contact: Dave Isner @ 304-553-3084  
 Website: [www.putnamcountygunclub.com](http://www.putnamcountygunclub.com)

**Salem Rifle and Pistol Club**

Location: Salem  
 Contact: see "Scheduled Events"

**Tuckers Creek Rimfire Rifle Club**

Location: near Elizabeth  
 Contact: J.R. Hill @ 304-422-6131 or  
[wvshooter@hotmail.com](mailto:wvshooter@hotmail.com)

**WV Junior Marksmanship Team**

Location: Buckhannon  
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<i>District 3 --</i>	<i>Doddridge, Harrison, Lewis, Marion, Monongalia, Upshur - <b>Mike Moore</b></i>	304-472-0296	<a href="mailto:headspace50@aol.com">headspace50@aol.com</a>
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<i>District 5 --</i>	<i>Berkeley, Grant, Hampshire, Hardy, Jefferson, Mineral, Morgan – OPEN</i>		
<i>District 6 --</i>	<i>Jackson, Kanawha, Mason, Putnam, Roane, Clay - <b>Ed Nelson</b></i>	304-343-5326	<a href="mailto:bullseye@citynet.net">bullseye@citynet.net</a>
<i>District 7 --</i>	<i>Braxton, Fayette, Nicholas, Pendleton, Pocahontas, Randolph, Webster <b>Delores Williams</b></i>	304-619-4590	
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<i>District 9 --</i>	<i>McDowell, Mingo, Raleigh, Wyoming <b>David Gruver</b></i>	304-763-0609	<a href="mailto:dagruver@frontier.com">dagruver@frontier.com</a>
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### West Virginia State Rifle and Pistol Association

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## Membership Application

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

DOB \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Are you an NRA Member? *Yes No* If yes, are you an annual or life member? *Annual Life*

Has any of the above information changed since your last renewal? *Yes No New Member*

Membership Dues: \$20/year; \$55/3 years; \$90/5 years; Junior \$10/year (18 & Under)  
\$250/Life; \$125/Senior Life (65 & Older);

Club Affiliation Dues: \$25 per year

Make checks or money orders payable to: **WV State Rifle & Pistol Association**

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Phone number & email address in case we need to contact you:

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Shirt size and number of each

Shirt without pocket: \_\_\_Medium \_\_\_Large \_\_\_X-large \_\_\_2X

Price: \$15 for M, L, XL; and \$17 for 2X Shipping: \$3.95 per each shirt

Hat w/ logo...\$10 each ..... Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

Decals: ... \$2.00 each or 3 decals for \$5.00 ..... Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

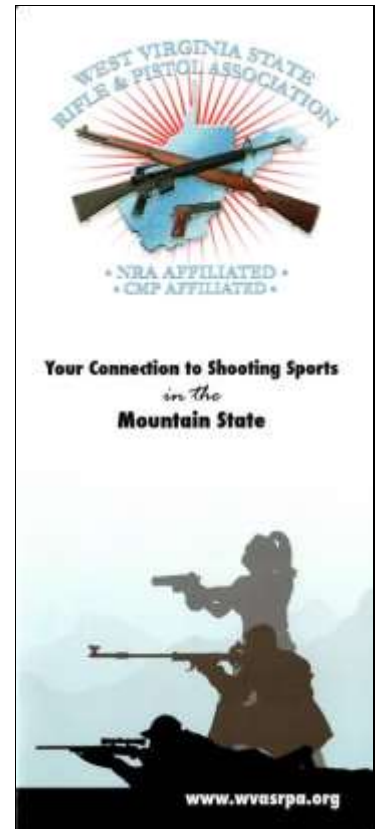
Bumper Stickers: ... \$2.50 each ..... Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed: \$\_\_\_\_\_ DO NOT SEND CASH

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Thanks to the NRA for a recent grant in which we were able to have full color tri-fold brochures made. If you or your club would like to have some to share with others in your area, please contact us at [wvsrpa@gmail.com](mailto:wvsrpa@gmail.com) or write to us at P.O. Box 553, Charles Town, WV 25414 and we will gladly get those in the mail to you. **Help us spread the word about the State Association.**



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