# GAZETTE

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*Squam Lake, Holderness, NH*

# 2018 Schedule of Events

Ready for SPRING 2018? We are! We have a lot planned for the upcoming season and are gearing up for Pemi's busiest season yet. Events may be added, and some might change, The club website (www.pemi.org) is up to date with the latest schedule of events. Please note, that set-up occurs on Fridays for some matches and one or two ranges may be closed while that's going on so check the website for range closures and event updates.

**Sat., March 3**

**Winter Biathlon**
200-yard range
8am - 4pm
Contact: Toni Piper

**Sun., March 4**

**Archery**
3D Course
Contact: Dave Mazur

**Fri., March 23**

**Annual Club Elections**
+ Dinner Meeting
Clubhouse 6pm
Contact: Jon Heinonen

**Sat., March 24**

**Winter Biathlon**
200-yard range
8am - 4pm
Contact: Toni Piper

**Sat., March 31**

**Precision Rifle**
200-yard range,
8am - 4pm
Contact: Alex Roy

**Sat., April 7**

**Basic Handgun Shooting Class**
Clubhouse 8am
Contact: Bill Keaney
+ Cindie Pals

**Sat., April 7**

**Mud Season Match**
100-yd range
8am - 2pm
Contact: Randy Enger

**Sun., April 8**

**Class 3 Shoot**
200-yd range
8am - 4pm
Contact: Bob Klimm

**Sat., April 14**

**3-Gun Test + Tune**
50 & 100-yd range
8am-2pm
Contact: Josh Horowitz

**Sat., April 14**

**Personal Protection in the Home**
Clubhouse 8am
Contact: Bill Keaney
+ Cindie Pals

**Sun., April 15**

**3-gun Intro class**
Clubhouse +
50-yd range
8am - 5pm
Contact: Josh Horowitz

**Sat., April 21**

**Friends of NRA**
Contact: Stuart Pitts

**Sat., April 21**

**Silhouette 200**
200-yard range
8am - 4pm
Contact: Ron Carter

**Sun., April 21**

**ATA Match**
Trap Field
200 yard range
8am - 3pm
Contact: Jon Heinonen

**Sun., April 22**

**Long Range Gong Shoot**
200 yard range
8am - 4pm
Contact: Peter Saladino

**Sun., April 22**

**Archery**
3D Course
Contact: Dave Mazur

**Sat., April 28**

**Club Clean-Up Day**
ALL RANGES CLOSED
All Day
Contact: Jon Heinonen

**Sun., April 29**

**CMP Clinic #1**
Clubhouse: 8am - 12pm
200-yard range: 11am -5pm
Contact: Randy Enger

**Fri., May 4**

**Cowboy: Set Up**
200 yard range
Contact: Joe Morris

**Sat., May 5**

**Cowboy: Wild Bunch Match**
200-yard range
8am - 4pm
Contact: Joe Morris

**Sun., May 6**

**Cowboy Match**
200 yard range
8am - 4pm
Contact: Joe Morris

**Fri., May 11**

**Royal Rangers**
Shooting Weekend
Various ranges
Contact: Bruce Paquette

**Fri., May 12**

**Royal Rangers**
Shooting Weekend
Various ranges
Contact: Bruce Paquette

**Sun., May 13**

**CMP Clinic #2**
Clubhouse: 8am - 12pm
200-yard range: 11am - 5pm
Contact: Randy Enger

**Sun., May 13**

**NHHPRL#1**
200-yard range
8am - 2pm
Contact: Randy Enger

**Sun, May 13**

**Royal Rangers**
Shooting Weekend
Various ranges
Contact: Bruce Paquette

**Sat., May 19**

**Women On Target**
Clubhouse
8am - 12pm
50-yard range
10am - 3pm
Contact: Ev Tate

**Sat., May 19**

**Biathlon**
200-yard range
8am - 3pm
Contact: Toni Piper

**Sat., May 19**

**3-Gun Setup**
200-yard range
3am - 7pm
Contact: Josh Horowitz

**Sun., May 20**

**3-Gun Match**
200-yard range
8am - 4pm
Contact: Josh Horowitz

**Sun., May 20**

**Conventional Prone Small Bore Rifle Match**
100-yard range
8am - 2pm

**Sun., May 20**

**Whippersnapper Day**
50-yard covered range
11am - 3pm
Contact: Bob Anderson

**Sat., May 26**

**Try-a-Handgun Day**
50-yard range
11am - 3pm
Contact: Billl Keaney
& Cindie Pals

**Sat., May 26**
**Silhouette 200 CLA**
200-yard range
until mid-afternoon
Contact: Ron Carter

**Sun., May 27**
**Long Range Gong Shoot**
200 yard range
8am - 4pm
Contact:
Peter Saladino

**Sat., June 2**
**3-Gun Set-Up**
200-yard range
8am - 12pm
Contact: Josh Horowitz

**Sun., June 3**
**3-Gun Match**
200-yard range
8am - 4pm
Contact:
Josh Horowitz

**Sun., June 6**
**Fish + Game Training**
50 + 100 yard range
9am - 12pm
Contact:
Jon Heinonen

**Sat., June 8**
**Cowboy: Set-Up**
200-yard range
12pm - 4pm
Contact: Joe Morris

**Sun., June 9**
**Cowboy:**
**Wild Bunch Match**
200-yard range
8am - 4pm
Contact: Joe Morris

**Sun., June 9**
**ATA Match**
Trap field
8am - 3pm
Contact:
Jon Heinonen

**Sun., June 10**
**Cowboy Match**
200-yard range
8am - 4pm
Contact: Joe Morris

**Fri., June 15**
**Royal Rangers**
Remote Camping
remote campsite
Contact:
Bruce Paquette

**Sat., June 16**
**Royal Rangers**
Remote Camping
remote campsite
Contact:
Bruce Paquette

**Sat., June 16**
**Biathlon**
200-yard range
8am - 4pm
Contact: Toni Piper

**Sun., June 17**
**Long Range Gong Shoot**
200 yard range
8am - 4pm
Contact:
Peter Saladino

**Sun., June 17**
**Royal Rangers**
Remote Camping
remote campsite
Contact:
Bruce Paquette

**Weds., June 20**
**Fish + Game Training**
50 + 100 yard range
9am - 12pm
Contact:
Jon Heinonen

**Sat., June 23**
**Silhouette 200**
200-yard range
until mid-afternoon
Contact: Ron Carter

**Sun., June 23**
**Basic Handgun Shooting Course**
Clubhouse
8am - 12pm
50-yard range
12pm - 5pm
Contact: Billl Keaney
+ Cindie Pals

**Sat., June 24**
**NHHPRL #2**
200-yard range
8am - 2am
Contact: Randy Enger

**Sat., June 30**
**3-Gun Set-Up**
200-yard range
8am - 12pm
Contact: Josh Horowitz

**Sun., July 1**
**3-Gun Match**
200-yard range
8am - 4pm
Contact: Josh Horowitz

**Fri., July 6**
**Cowboy: Set-Up**
200-yard range
12pm - 4pm
Contact: Joe Morris

**Fri., July 7**
**Cowboy:**
**Wild Bunch Match**
200-yard range
8am - 4pm
Contact: Joe Morris

**Sun., July 8**
**Cowboy Match**
200-yard range
8am - 4pm
Contact: Joe Morris

**Sun., July 8**
**Archery**
3D Course
Contact: Dave Mazur

**Sat., July 14**
**Personal Protection In The Home Course**
Clubhouse:
8am - 5pm
50-yard Range:
8am - 1pm
Contact: Billl Keaney
+ Cindie Pals

**Sat., July 14**
**Silhouette 200**
200-yard range
8am - 4pm
Contact: Ron Carter

**Sat., July 15**
**NHHPRL #3**
200-yard range
8am - 2am
Contact: Randy Enger

**Sat., July 20**
**Archery: Setup**
ALL RANGES
ALL DAY
Contact: Dave Mazur

**Sun., July 21**
**Archery:**
**Outlaw 50**
ALL RANGES
ALL DAY
Contact: Dave Mazur

**Sat., July 22**
**Long Range Gong Shoot**
200-yard range
8am - 4pm
Contact: Peter Saladino

**Sun., July 22**
**3-Gun Intro**
Clubhouse
8am - 12pm
50-yard range
12pm - 4pm
Contact: Josh Horowitz

**Sat., July 28**
**Clambake**
Clubhouse
10am - 3pm
Contact: Jerry Thibodeau

**Sun., July 29**
**Ruger .22**
**Steel Challenge**
8am - 4pm
200-yard range
Contact: Peter Saladino

**Sat., Aug 4**

**3-Gun Set-Up**

200-yard range
8am - 12pm
Contact:
Josh Horowitz

**Sun., Aug 5**

**3-Gun Match**

200-yard range
8am - 4pm
Contact:
Josh Horowitz

**Sun., Aug 12**

**NHHPRL #4**

200-yard range
8am - 4am
Contact:
Randy Enger

**Fri., Aug 17**

**Silhouette 200**

Friday Event
200-yard range
8am - 4pm
Contact: Ron Carter

**Sat., Aug 18**

**Basic Concealed Carry Course**

Clubhouse
9am - 12pm
50-yard range
12pm - 4pm
Contact: Billl Keaney
+ Cindie Pals

**Fri., Aug 19**

**Long Range Gong Shoot**

200-yard range
8am - 4pm
Contact:
Peter Saladino

**Sat., Aug 21**

**FRACAS Setup**

200-yard range
ALL DAY
Contact: Joe Morris

**Sat., Aug 22**

**FRACAS Setup**

200-yard range
ALL DAY
Contact: Joe Morris

**Sat., Aug 23**

**FRACAS Setup**

200-yard range
ALL DAY
Contact: Joe Morris

**Sat., Aug 24**

**FRACAS Setup**

200-yard range
ALL DAY
Contact: Joe Morris

**Sat., Aug 25**

**FRACAS Event**

200-yard range
ALL DAY
Contact: Joe Morris

**Sat., Aug 26**

**FRACAS Event**

200-yard range
ALL DAY
Contact: Joe Morris

**Sun., Aug 26**

**Silhouette**

50-yard range +
100-yard range
8am - 4pm
Contact: Ron Carter

**Sun., Sept 2**

**Long Range Gong Shoot**

200-yard range
8am - 4pm
Contact:
Peter Saladino

**Sat., Sept 8**

**3-Gun Set-Up**

200-yard range
8am - 12pm
Contact:
Josh Horowitz

**Sun., Sept 9**

**3-Gun Match**

200-yard range
8am - 4pm

**Sun., Sept 9**

**Mini- Palma**

Small Bore
Rifle Match
100-yard range
8am - 2pm
Contact: Tom Bubolz

**Sun., Sept 14**

**Royal Rangers**

Remote Camping
remote campsite
Contact:
Bruce Paquette

**Sun., Sept 15**

**Royal Rangers**

Remote Camping
remote campsite
Contact:
Bruce Paquette

**Sun., Sept 15**

**Silhouette**

200-yard range
ALL DAY
Contact: Ron Carter

**Sat., Sept 15**

**Basic Handgun Shooting Course**

Clubhouse
8am - 12pm
50-yard range
12pm - 5pm
Contact: Billl Keaney
+ Cindie Pals

**Sun., Sept 16**

**Royal Rangers**

Remote Camping
remote campsite
Contact:
Bruce Paquette

**Sat., Sept 22**

**CMP Clinic #3**

Clubhouse
8am - 12pm
200-yard range
11am - 5pm
Contact:
Randy Enger

**Sun., Sept 23**

**NHHPRL #5**

200-yard range
8am - 2am
Contact:
Randy Enger

**Sun., Sept 23**

**Silhouette**

50-yard range +
100-yard range
8am - 4pm
Contact: Ron Carter

**Sat., Sept 29**

**50m Smallbore Prone - Practice**

50-yard range
8am - 1pm
Contact: Tom Bubolz

**Sat., Sept 29**

**Biathlon**

200-yard range
8am - 4pm
Contact: Toni Piper

**Sun., Sept 30**

**International Plymouth Match**

50-yard range
8am - 3pm
Contact: Tom Bubolz

**Sun., Sept 30**

**Class 3 Shoot**

200-yd range
8am - 4pm
Contact: Bob Klimm

**Sat., Oct 6**

**Women On Target**

Clubhouse
8am - 3pm
50-yard range
10am - 2pm

**Sat., Oct 6**

**3-Gun Set-Up**

200-yard range
8am - 12pm
Contact: Josh Horowitz

**Sat., Oct 6** — **3-Gun Set-Up**
200-yard range
8am - 12pm

**Sun., Oct 7** — **3-Gun Match**
200-yard range
8am - 4pm

**Sat., Oct 13** — **Sighting-In Day**
200-yard range
10am - 2pm
Contact:
Bob Anderson

**Sun., Oct 14** — **NHHPRL #6**
200-yard range
8am - 2am
Contact:
Randy Enger

**Sat., Oct 20** — **Biathlon**
200-yard range
8am - 4pm
Contact:
Toni Piper

**Sun., Oct 21** — **Long Range Gong Shoot**
200-yard range
8am - 4pm
Contact:
Randy Enger

**Fri., Oct 26** — **Fall Dinner + General Membership**
Meeting
Clubhouse

**Sat., Oct 27** — **3-Gun Set-Up**
200-yard range
8am - 12pm

**Sun., Oct 28** — **3-Gun Match**
200-yard range
8am - 4pm

**Fri., Nov 2** — **Cowboy: Set-Up**
200-yard range
8am - 12pm

**Sat., Nov 3** — **Personal Protection In The Home Course**
Clubhouse
8am - 5pm
50-yard Range or indoor range
8am - 1pm

**Sat, Nov 3** — **Cowboy: Wild Bunch Match**
200-yard range
8am - 4pm

**Sun, Nov 4** — **Cowboy Match**
200-yard range
8am - 4pm

## Quick-Contact List

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## CLUB GOALS:

- Conservation of habitat, fish, and wildlife
- Good sportsmanship, safety, and outdoor ethics
- Proper management of fish and wildlife resources
- Preservation and promotion of the shooting sports

# From The Firing Line

As the days slowly get longer and winter begins to wane we can start looking forward to a new season at the Pemi. This year we are adding several new programs. For the archery shooters we are going be holding the new Outlaw 50 match in July. It will be a weekend event offering cash prizes, food, and fun. This will be an offering that is a new format.

Rifle shooters can look forward to a precision rifle program. This is distance shooting from behind barricades of all types of configurations while being timed. We have already had a good response and look forward to expanding this program as the season progresses.

As I have said before we have revised the range rules to help make the ranges a safer place for everyone. Please take some time to review this booklet. There have been changes made that you may not be aware of that are important. To help with education there is a mandatory orientation program for new members. Please contact Jerry Thibodeau to make an appointment to complete your orientation. If you are not a new member but wish to take this orientation to understand our procedures, please feel free. It takes about an hour to complete.

The annual meeting will be on March 23,2018. This is your opportunity to vote for the Officers and Board of Directors that run your club. We will be having a catered dinner, a raffle, several door prizes, and a presentation on club improvements. Tickets are now available from any of the board members or officers. Please come share a meal, fellowship, and fun while you help support your club.

There have been many renovations and improvements completed in the last several years. As you walk around the club you will see many of them. We have more things that need work. As the weather get milder we will be starting up the Tuesday work party program. If you would like to be involved, please send an email to Jerry Thibodeau and he will put your name on the list to receive project emails. We have had some challenges with our web site and online calendar. We are in the process of upgrading these as well as the way we handle our membership program. For now, we ask for your patience. We will be sending out emails to help keep you informed as to upcoming events. You should also contact your activity directors to verify any dates for events that may be in question. You may also want to look at our face book page for information.

We hope that we will see you at the club this summer. Come and enjoy all we offer and as always be safe.

*Jon Heinonen*
Pemi Fish & Game Club President

# Patrons of Pemi

The Pemi Fish and Game Club wishes to thank those that have donated to the Club, Over the past three years, there has been renovations and upgrades to Club Buildings and property afforded by member donations. New Septic System, repairs to Club House, ungrades to the Indoor Range, all the ranges including Trap and much more. Thank you for your continued support.

Aboujaoude, Jodi
Alby, William
Allen, Michael
Ames, Allan
Anderson, Chuck
Anderson, Robert
Anderson, Steven
Andresen, Clifford
Armstrong, Alexander
Baldwin, Todd
Bane, Michael
Barry, John
Bartlett, Laurence
Bastanzuri, Blanca
Baumann, Michael
Baybutt, James
Bean, Sid
Bellerose, Marc
Berger, Anton
Berger, SR., Anton
Berry, Robert
Bertagna, Peter
Beswick, Kirk
Bielefield, Richard
Blessin, Robert
Boggess, Trent
Bowly, Marlene
Brewer, James
Brigandi, Paul
Bristol, Walter
Brodie, Peter
Bujalski, Stanley
Bull, Thomas
Calistro, Tyson
Campbell, Crawford
Canning, Mike
Carbone, Joe
Cardarelli, Jr., Raplh
Casale, Mark
Chinetti, Susan
Chinnici, Russell
Chinnici, Russell
Cilley, Glenn
Cipriano, Ralph
Colella, Robert
Colgan, Sumner
Conley, Glenn
Conley, Nathaniel
Costa, Walter
Cranshaw, George
Crawford, Raphael
Crawford,Terrell
Crusco, Mark
Dadian, Abraham
Dalzell, Gregory
Darr, Stephen
Davies, James
Davis, Michael
Deal, Kerry
DeLayo, Leonard
Derven, Samuel
DesMarais, Steve
Dever, III, John
Dineen, John
Dodge, William (Jerry)
Donlon, Michael
Donnelly, Thomas
Doyle, Kevin
Drouin, Francis
DuBois, Brian
Dudek, Jillian
Dugas, Joseph
Dumont, Donald
Dunklee, John
Durling, Matthew
Eaton, Daniel
Elder, Samuel
Elwell, Dawn Marie
Elwell, Debra
Enger, Randy
Englert, Frederick
Ernst, Vincent
Fernandez, Gerry
Fillebrown, Brian
Fischer, John
Fisher, Joel
Fitzmorris, David
Forshee, Robert
Forshee, Robert
Frahm, Jeffrey
Frasier, Robert
Gagnon, Jeffrey
Gaitskill, Russell
Gardinier, Bruce
Gashi, Mark
Gatherum, Thomas
Gaudette, John
Gerossie, Garry
Getter, Lisa
Gilbert, William
Giovanni, Andrew
Girard, Sr., William
Glennon, John
Goldman, Howard
Goodwin, Robert
Grand, Charles
Graves, John
Gray, John
Green, Jonathan
Greene, John
Greene, William
Greenwood, Dodie
Griffin, Patrick
Grutter, Gregory
Harrington III, Patrick
Haskell, Edward
Hegarty, Ed
Henderson, David
Hicks, Richard
Higham, Lee
Hill, James Whittredge
Holmes, Harold
Hooper, Rodrick
Horowitz, Joshua
Howe, Charles
Huestis, Thomas
Hummel, Michael
Hungerford, David
Isaac, Andrew
Jacobson, Charles
Jamele, Steven
Kaplan, Neil
Kaslander, Dennis
Keaney, William
Keezer, Roger
Keller, Henry

Keller, Trace
Kendall, Paul
Kendricken, William
Kent, David
Kincaid, Robert
Kinsella, Richard
Kloetz, Andre
Knight, Gary
Kopacz, Mitchell
Krom, William
LaCarte, John
Landroche, Brian
Lapham III, Bev
Lavallee, Stephany
Laverack, Tristan
Leathers, Glen
Ledoux, Mike
Leland, Christopher
Lemire, Kevin
Levesque, Neil
Lobacz, Richard
Locke, David
Lucas, Theodore
Lynn, John
Lyon, William
MacArthur, Colin
Makowski, Robert
Malone, Mike
Maloney, Robert
Mancuso, Bryan
Mandelbaum, Ed
Mankus, David
Marchione, Fred
Marcotte, Henry
Marino, Michael
Marshall, Stephen
Martin, Brian
Mason, Stephen
Maxwell, Gregory
Maybeck, Harold
Mayhew, Peter
Mazzei, Eugene
Mazzola Jr., Salvatore
McCain, Richard
McCarthy, William
McCauley, James
McGrath, Richard
McKay, David
McNamara, David
McNamara Jr., Thomas
Mechem, Dennis
Mellen, John
Mellor, Ernest
Menard, Russell
Mendzela Donald
Merhill, Joseph
Mertz, Kenneth
Micalizzi, John
Middlemiss, Earl
Monahan, Mark
Moulton, Taylor
Moulton, Tucker
Mowry, Brooke
Mudgett, Jeff
Murphy, Daniel
Murray, Thomas
Musheno, Jeff
Nadon, George
Noyes, Paul
Olisky, Jason
Olson, Ronald
Ouellette, Geoffery
Papetti,Christopher
Papetti, Christopher
Papetti, Robert
Parrott, Christopher
Passanante, John
Patenaude, Bob
Paterson, Edmund
Patterson, Edmund
Patz, George
Paul, Alan
Payeur, Michael
Peavey Jr.,Raymond
Perkins,Ted
Perron, Richard
Picard, John
Piper, Toni
Polewarczyk, Paul
Potaznick, Walter
Potter, Robert
Pouliot, Roch
Quaranta, Andrew
Restucci, Jeremy
Reuscher, Thomas
Robbins, Blake
Robinson, Richard
Rogers, John
Romeo, Joseph
Rooney, James
Rousseau, Jacques
Rowley III, Charles
Ruescher, Thomas
Ruggiero, Louis
Ryan, Jr., Walter
Ryea, Harold
Saggese, Cindy
Sargent, Dale
Saunders, Jack
Schoor, Gene
Schroeder, Charles
Sharpe, Ted
Shaunessy, Robert
Sheehan, Eddie
Shine, Robert
Sinyak, Alexander
Skiffington, Joseph
Slavik, John
Snow, Craig
Stafford, Barry
Stauffer, Edward
Strycharz, Anthony
Sullo Jr., Joseph
Swift, Michael
Tanguay, Denis
Tate, Ev
Tavares, Antonio
Taylor, Daniel
Thibodeau, Jerry
Thomas, Ronald
Thurston, Scott
Valentine, Mike
Verdecchia, Kenneth
Vomacka, Kenneth
Vrooman, Mark
Walsh, Joanne
Warhola, Michael
Wayrynen, James
Webster, Robert
Weintrob, Harvey
Wheaton, Norman
Whitman, Mark
Widman, Phil
Wiggett, Bruce
Williamson, Andrew
Wilson, Steve
Wilson Jr., Edward
Wingate, Barry
Wish, Seth
Wright, George
Zentmaier, Kurt

# Granite State Silhouette Cowboy Classic

*By Ron Carter*

There are 3 cowboy silhouette categories for this event:

• **Cowboy Lever Action Rifle** shot at 200 Yards or meters at full size targets.

• **Pistol Cartridge Lever Action Rifle** shot at 100 Meters at thick half size targets and

• **Smallbore Cowboy Rifle** shot at 100 Meters at thin half size targets

For the first time we shot all 3 disciplines over 3 days during an event we called the Granite State Silhouette Cowboy Classic. The event brought in shooters from near and far. We had our local shooters as well as shooters from PA, TN, CT, MA and SC. The GSSCC was a joint venture between Pemigewasset Valley Fish and Game and Pioneer Sportsman Club.

## *Cowboy Lever Action was shot on Friday at Pemi, the only CLA range in New England.*

This was a 40 shot event due to only having 4 firing points.The weather was not very cooperative. It was a steady to hard rain all day. We were very fortunate to have several members of the Boy Scouts of America Troop 50 as target setters. The rain did not slow them down and they did a fantastic job!

A BIG thank you to BSA Troop 50! A couple of the high points of the day were Kim Clingan from Chattanooga TN knocking over all 10 of her chicken targets.This gave her the opportunity to go for a "Long run record" at the conclusion of the match to see how many chicken targets she could hit in a row. With a little coaxing she agreed. Some good spotting was provided from her husband Dale and she shattered the record of 34 set back in 2001, hitting 54 chicken targets in a row! *Congratulations Kim. Excellent shooting!*

At the end of the day the top spot went to Al Foust from PA with a score of 35/40. Second place went to Mike Haynes from PA with a score of 31/40.Third place went to Randy Ent from PA with a score of 30/40. These guys meant business!

On Saturday the shooting moved to Pioneer Sportsman Club, the premier shooting club for the 100 Meter Silhouette events due to its uninterrupted firing line set up for this event to accommodate 16 firing points with 4 banks of each animal.

This was the *Pistol Cartridge Cowboy Lever Action* event and was an 80 shot event. Al Foust won the Pistol Cartridge Cowboy Lever Action with a score of 71/80. Randy Ent took second place with a score of 69/70 And Mike Haynes took third place with a score of 67/80. Congratulations!

On Sunday an 80 shot Smallbore Cowboy Rifle Match concluded our event with the following results:

**Al Foust shooting a 67/80**
**Randy Ent shooting a 64/80**
**And our own Mark Head from NH shooting a 63/80**

*Al Foust swept the aggregate winning all 3 events and was presented with the Lucas McCain Award as well as 3 first place medals.*

This is quite an accomplishment considering this was the first time he had shot at these ranges with only an hour of practice time before the event.

The US Naval Sea Cadet Corps were target setters at Pioneer Sportsman Club for the both events for the second year, and did an excellent job!

I would like to thank everyone who helped with this event with a special thanks to Pioneer Co-Chairs Jim Doolittle and Phil Thalheimer. For 2018 the GSSCC is scheduled for August 17th at Pemi and 18th & 19th at Pioneer.

This is the only preregistered Silhouette event. Shooters can sign up to shoot 1,2 or all 3 events. Space is limited for CLA due to having one set of animals. We picked up some new shooters this season and have seen some of our regular shooters really excel this year. For 2018 there will be six CLA and two 100 Meter matches scheduled.

*I look forward to seeing new and familiar faces on the silhouette range in 2018.*

*Ron*

# Women on Target

*Ev Tate*

We run **"Women on Target"** introductory handgun clinics for women twice a year, in May and October. These classes are designed for women who want to learn something about safe gun handling. Usually about half of the students have no firearms experience at all, and the others have tried shooting a few times but need to review (or learn) the basics. It's about three hours, and includes both classroom lecture / demo and live firing at the outdoor range using club guns. Everyone gains confidence, and has a great time in the process.

*Our next clinic is scheduled for Saturday, May 19, and still costs only $15, which includes everything you need.*

For information, or to sign up, send me an email: evtate@verizon.net. And look for information on the club's calendar. I'd like to thank our coaching "staff" -- club volunteers who give up some time on Saturdays to help beginners learn to shoot safely. Some of these folks are NRA instructors, but many are ordinary club members who are comfortable with handguns and like to help other people learn. The more volunteers we have, the more ladies we can train. Volunteers in 2017 were: instructors Bill Keaney and Cindie Pals, and assistants Arthur Arford, Addie Armstrong, Margot Ashcraft, Tom Bubolz, David Casper, Randy Enger, Dick McGrath, Rick Notkin, Paul Rheinhardt, and Harvey Weintrob. Could you see yourself doing this some Saturday? I'd love to have your help; drop me an email.

And, please pass the word about our Women on Target program to any women you know who would benefit from this kind of beginner class. They don't have to be Pemi members to attend.

*Ev*

evtate@verizon.net

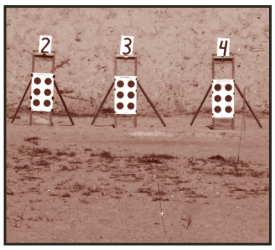
# The Inter-Plymouth Match 2017

*Ev Tate*

The very first Inter-Plymouth match was held in September 1951, as part of the Festival of Britain, a national exhibition and fair with events throughout the United Kingdom. A team in Plymouth, England competed against three U.S. Plymouths (Michigan, Pennsylvania, and Indiana). The U.S. teams shot at their home ranges, and sent the scores to the UK. The Brits won decisively.

*Fifty years later, in September 2001, John Alexander of the UK revived the match, and it has been held annually ever since.*

Pemi Fish and Game, representing Plymouth New Hampshire (well, that's our mailing address) has shot the match every year since 2002. The course of fire is 60 shots for record, fired on metric-style targets at a distance of 50 meters. The rifles are .22 rimfire with iron sights (no scopes), and all shooting is in the prone position. The target is a tough one; the 10 ring is 3/8" in diameter, and the X ring is only 3/16" in diameter. The top six scorers for each club make up a "team of six", and the highest scoring team of six is declared the match winner.



When Tom Bubolz – a serious smallbore competitor – became Pemi smallbore director a few years ago, he had the idea to invite shooters from other NH clubs for the Plymouth match. That stretched the definition of "Plymouth" a little, but since the population of Plymouth UK is about three times that of all of Grafton County, it seemed justified. So for the last few years, some of the best junior smallbore shooters in NH have competed on our team. NH won in 2014, but usually the Brits come out on top. Most of us spread out our shooting activity among multiple shooting sports – but the UK guys do only smallbore, and they become very good at it.

This year, we shot our side of the match on October 1. (The UK team had shot their match a few weeks earlier, but didn't tell us their scores until our match was over.) We had a great turnout of shooters from all over New Hampshire, including the junior programs in Hudson (coached by Bill Dutton) and Keene (coached by Larry Parker). All told, we had 22 shooters on three relays. Tom Bubolz ran the line, and Randy Enger and Ev Tate did the scoring.

When the email from John Alexander arrived at the end of the day, we knew that we had won another rare victory. USA!
Perhaps it helped that we had held a couple of practice sessions ahead of time. It definitely helped to have some serious junior shooters with their great eyesight, plus their great coaches!
Thanks to everyone who came out to shoot, and see you next year.

| | Teams of Six | Total | Xs |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Plymouth NH USA-A | 3470 | 113 |
| 2 | Plymouth UK-A | 3435 | 105 |
| 3 | Plymouth NH USA-B | 3400 | 104 |
| 4 | Plymouth UK-B | 3340 | 69 |
| 5 | Plymouth NH USA | 3262 | 65 |

# Self-Defense Insights

## NH Family Security, LLC

*Bob Klimm*

We live in interesting times. Gun ownership and concealed carry are at all-time highs while violent crime is near all-time lows. In spite of these trends, there are numerous threats to our safety:

- *Political and racial tensions are rising – along with the use of violence as a tool to underscore ideology*
- *Acts of terrorism are spreading from Europe into the US*
- *Domestic terrorism in the form of mass shootings are on the rise*
- *Drug related crime has become prevalent in our local communities*
- *Society seems more fragile than ever – with the potential for breakdown in the event of an international conflict, natural disaster or financial crisis*

Since starting a firearms training company in 2015, I have worked with a number of people who were concerned about these problems and decided to acquire or improve their self-defense skills. Note that I use "self-defense skills" rather than focusing only on the use of a firearm. Experts agree that the most important aspects of self-defense are ranked as:

1. ***Awareness*** *– being able to spot potential threats before they become reality*
2. ***Tactics*** *– knowing when and how to avoid a fight as well as how to use movement and cover to survive.*
3. ***Skills*** *– the ability to hit your target under stress, around cover, while moving, etc.*
4. ***Equipment*** *– gun, holster, ammunition, etc.*

Unfortunately, gun owners often focus on only 1 or 2 of these topics. Collectors and competitors tend to focus on equipment and skills. People who own a gun for protection often believe they are prepared based on an occasional range visit - standing in a line shooting at a stationary target with no time pressure.

In reality, a self-defense situation is likely to unfold very quickly, very close and very violently. The more I have studied and trained, the more I appreciate that effective self-defense is based on a combination of mental and physical skills.

• **On the mental side** – you must be self-reliant – understanding that you are your own first responder. You must be willing to use deadly force to defend innocent lives. You must accept that humans can be devoid of empathy and willing to hurt anyone in their path. You must be alert and perceptive about the people around you. You must understand the legal aspects of using lethal force and the legal consequences after defending yourself with a firearm.

• **On the physical side** – you need to develop strong safety habits and marksmanship skills. You must train sufficiently so that gun handling, accuracy, movement, use of cover and dealing with equipment failures becomes second nature. You must have the gun secure but accessible – in the home or when carrying concealed. Beyond firearms skills - you should be reasonably fit and have some basic unarmed skills since you can't always employ a weapon.

Like many people, I started shooting with my father and had a basic understanding of self-defense. Over the years I gravitated toward several types of firearms competition as a means to improve my skills and simply to have fun. As I have gotten older and perhaps wiser (certainly less able to move quickly) I have become much more interested in formal self-defense training. I was hooked with my first course and have been a student ever since. This education has included:

- Training with the Massachusetts Auxiliary Police Academy, Massachusetts Firearms School, Massad Ayoob Group, Sig Academy, Defensive Strategies, On Target Training, Interactive Gunfighting, Tactical Night Vision Company and Long Gun Training.
- IDPA Safety Officer and Certified NRA Instructor for Pistol, Rifle, Personal Protection Inside and Outside the Home and Refuse to be a Victim.
- Service in the Air Force and several years with the Auxiliary Police in Chelmsford, MA.
- Former match director for IDPA and 3 Gun and past Pemi President and board member.

Now that I am mostly retired, I am committed to helping others achieve a higher level of proficiency for self-defense. I typically work with individuals, families or small groups using a flexible schedule (typically 2-4 hours per session). This approach allows me to tailor the instruction to meet your objectives and move at a pace appropriate to your skill level. You can learn more via my website at www.nhfamilysecurity.com. You can reach me by phone at (603) 630-9408 or email at rklimm@strat-edg.com.

Bob Klimm

# Revisions to Range Rules Booklet Complete

*Dick McGrath*

A much-needed revision and update to the Range Rules booklet was completed over the summer and recently sent to the printer in time for the new rules booklets to be distributed to all new and renewing members with their 2018 membership credentials. With all of the improvements to Club facilities over the last few years, the previous booklet, last revised in July of 2014, had become out-of-date in a number of areas and also did not include some new and important changes for the use of specific ranges. Chief among these changes is the requirement that shooters should plan to bring their own target holders, which must be of the correct height to ensure that all rounds directly impact the end berm of each range, not the range floor or side berms.

The new rules booklet has also been reorganized to make it easier to locate both the general and specific rules that apply to each range, and the format has been updated to improve readability and visual appeal. As in the past, the Range Rules are focused on safety (first, last, and always) and on ensuring an enjoyable experience at our ranges for all members and guests. All members are encouraged to read over the new rules booklet carefully, particularly those rules that apply to the ranges they use most frequently. After reading over the rules, remember to keep the booklet in your shooting bag where it will always be available for reference when using the ranges. Should you need additional copies of the new booklet, they will be available at the each of the range log-in locations.

# Rifle Competitions - Past and Future

*Randy Enger*

This Past Year- It wasn't the best of times, it wasn't the worst of times, but 2017 had its moments and good times. Leading off the season was the Second Annual Mud-Season Match. For a long time the "St. Patty's Day Match" was the first match of the season, but the weather in March can be kind of raw at the Pemi, so we moved the match into early April to get some warmer weather and re-named it the Mud-Season match. Well, April has its raw days, too, and the season starter this year was on one of these days.

Gary Gustafson won the main match, beating Dana Fogarty by 1 point. Gary won the 1-shot bonus match, too. (Later in the year Gary would go on to "leg out", that is, earn his "Distinguished Rifleman" badge from the Civilian Marksmanship Program, usually known as "the CMP").

Next up was the annual CMP clinic in May. We trained 15 shooters in safety, marksmanship, and match operations. The heart of the season, as usual, was a series of "League" matches. Unlike past years, only one of the scheduled matches got rained out. Otherwise, we had good shooting days all the way through our final match in October. The scores get compiled at the end of the season, and as this Gazette goes to press, the League secretary is busy working on them. Overall results will come out early next year.

We also shoot smallbore (.22 rimfire) rifle matches in the spring and fall. The smallbore series culminates with the "International Plymouth" match.This is a postal match against teams in England and occasionally New Zealand. This year the New Hampshire team won it all. Ev Tate's article on page 11 tells the complete story. 2018 will follow the pattern of previous years.

Left: Ev Tate finishes up her second string. Right: Gary Gustafson and the target with the shot that won the 1-shot bonus match.

*We've got the Mud-Season match scheduled for April 7th, the CMP clinic scheduled for May 12th, the first smallbore match on May 20th, and League matches scattered throughout the summer.*

The full schedule is elsewhere in this issue.We've added a special rifle class on April 29th. This is aimed at students in the Plymouth State Shooting Association, and the earlier date is avoid the exam period. Also, there's a date reserved in the fall – September 22nd – for a fall clinic.

And we've got the 2018 Plymouth International Match scheduled: September 30. We're all looking forward to that after this year's success!

# Letter From The Trapfield

*Jon & Phyllie*

We are now coming to the end of winter. Well the ground hog says 5 more weeks. We have had a challenging season so far with the sub zero cold and the snow. We are still open and making each Thursday trap as pleasant as possible. As always open from 4:00 to 8:30 pm. We are offering singles and doubles from the trap line. This will be good practice for the three ATA matches we will be hold this spring.

*The first will be April 21, 2018 the second May 5, 2018 and third will be June 9, 2018. They will be open for registration at 8:00 am. These matches are open to the public.*

Matches will start at 9:00 am. sharp. You must be an ATA member. Memberships will be available at the trap shack the day of the match. The cost for the Match will be $20.00 and a membership is $20.00. As the weather gets better and the days longer we will be offering our Thursday night cook out. Burgers, sausages, hotdogs or grilled chicken sandwiches, a drink, a bag of chips and cookies for $5.00.

Sunday sporting clays have been going well during this winter. The snow has added some challenges. In the next several weeks we will be programing a new format. You will still get all the
different directional presentations but now in different combinations and in a different order. We will be including a station that will add the evil twins back to the program. We are sure you will be talking to yourself as you leave the shooting line after you try this. As always, we are open at 9:00 am. and run till 1:30 – 2:00 pm.

We are hoping to add some additional programs this year. We need more people to help us set up, run the program, and take down after each shoot. If you have an interest in the trap field program and could donate some time to improve and expand this shooting sport, please contact us by email at flatender@yahoo.com. I want to thank all of those who show up early and or stay late to make it easier for us. To advance our shooting opportunities, we will still need more people to participate.

Change things up and come out to the trap field. Dust off that shoot gun and come shoot moving targets for a change. It a whole different world. Hope we will see you this season.

*Jon & Phyllie*

Thanks to the addition of outdoor heaters members are enjoying trap shoots year round.

## Handgun Training

*Bill Keaney & Cindie Pals, Instructors*

Well, the NRA has changed its program regarding basic pistol instruction again, It is now referred to as **Basics of Pistol Shooting** and now students have to pass an open-book written test with at least a 90% score, and shoot groups of 5 rounds into a target at a distance of 10 feet.

*There are two remaining classes scheduled this year: June 23 + Sept. 15 These are all-day classes, where .22 ammo, loaner guns, and eye and ear protection are provided for use if needed.*

This class is particularly designed for the novice, who may or may not have ever even held a handgun. The primary purpose of the course is to afford students the opportunity to learn about the safe handling of firearms, the different basic types of handguns, and how to safely and confidently load and unload them, and to gain a degree of marksmanship ability. The basic underlying theme, though, is safety, throughout the class day.

The classes are limited to 14 students, and are taught by Bill Keaney & Cindie Pals, along with several other accomplished shooting coaches. For more information on these classes, please contact Bill at 603-882-9366, or at wjkeaney@comcast.net.

Cindie Pals working closely with a Handgun Training student.

## Personal Protection In The Home

*Bill Keaney & Cindie Pals, Instructors*

The Pemi will again offer the NRA's Personal Protection in the Home class, with classes scheduled for April 14; July 14; and November 3. This all-day class covers topics such as defensive mindset; defensive shooting concepts and skills; utilizing cover and concealment; making your home safer; confronting an intruder or attacker; firearms defense and the law; selecting a firearm and ammunition for personal protection/home defense; and firearm maintenance.

There will also be a presentation by a NH "firearm-friendly" attorney, who will address the legal aspects of using a firearm in the lawful defense of a person.

There will be several live-fire exercises involved, requiring some movement from one position to another, all relating to home-protection scenarios.

NOTE: A pre-requisite to taking this class is the successful completion of the NRA Basics of Pistol Shooting class, or other NRA-approved handgun experience. For more information on this class, contact Bill Keaney, at 603-882-9366, or wjkeaney@comcast.net.

## Basics of Concealed Carry

*Bill Keaney & Cindie Pals, Instructors*

The Basics of Concealed Carry class is scheduled for Saturday, August 18, from 10:00-3:00 p.m. Class will cover the following:

- **DEFENSIVE MINDSET**

- **PERSONAL SAFETY**
  location (on the body) of concealed carry;
  off-body carry; types of holsters and accessories, pros and cons of each

**PERSONAL PROTECTION FIREARM SELECTION**
NH statutes relating to concealed carry; the legal use of deadly force in defense of a person

Participants will need to bring: eye and ear protection; a strong-side outside-the-waistband belt holster; appropriate defensive-type handgun; at least two magazines or speedloaders, and 125-150 rounds of factory ammunition.

Pre-requisite: prior handgun training, such as an NRA basic pistol course, or similar, and/or significant experience with handguns. For more information, contact: Bill Keaney at 603-882-9366, or wjkeaney@comcast.net.

# Archery Program

*Dave Mazur*

Welcome to archery at Pemi Valley for the 2017/2018 season. We have made lots of improvements in the archery program this year. We have added 3D shoots with the Granite State Bowhunters on April 23rd and June 11th of this year and have two shoots scheduled for early 2018. The 3D shoots are for both beginners and experienced shooters. Bring your compound, recurve or longbow (no crossbows please) and join the fun! The permanent 3D range by the clubhouse is available for use by club members from April through October. The practice area is available for club members year round. Archery Coordinator: davemazur@comcast.net

## Facilities:

Practice Range:

Targets at 10/20/30/40/50 yards

Year Round Practice:

17 yard indoor range

Organized Club Events:

3D ranges

Two (15) target ranges

Clubhouse range

(permanent 3D range for use April - Oct)

Trap range (for use during organized 3D events)

## Scheduled Events

Indoor 3D shoots on Tues nights

April 23rd - Granite State Bowhunters 3D shoot
May 12th - NH Boy Scout Jamboree archeryshoot
June 11th - Granite State Bowhunters 3D shoot

*We are looking to add an "Intro to 3D Archery" class during the summer. Follow the calendar for more details.*

*Please provide suggestions and feedback to grow the archery program. We are always looking for help with the shoot or improving the program.*

## Pemi / Valley Lakes Region Friends of NRA Volunteer Fund Raising Committee

# 20th Annual Fund Raising Dinner and Auction

Once again the Pemi is sponsoring a Friends of the NRA Dinner, on Saturday April 22, 2018 at the convenient Waterville Valley Conference Center. There will be a buffet dinner of beef, chicken and fish along with games, bucket raffles and live and silent auctions!

*As always the dinner committee is seeking additional volunteers to help with the event; both before with ticket sales and seeking donations, and during, to help with games and the auction. Many hands make light work! Any good ideas on how to improve the event are also welcome.*

We are again holding a pre-event raffle. This year it is for a Charlie Daniels signed Red,White and Blue fiddle along with 2 tickets to the Charlie Daniels Band concert held at the Capital Center in Concord, New Hampshire on April 5, 2018. We'll draw the winning ticket the week before and there will only be a maximum of 200 tickets sold @ $10 each! Tickets make a great Christmas present and will be available at Skips Sport Shop in Bristol or you can contact Stuart Pitts, 603-726-3037 (sjpitts@yahoo.com) or any of the committeee volunteers.

This years Gun of the Year is a Kimber Pro Carry ll 1911 45 ACP pistol and a Silver Stag sheath knife with matching grips in a presentation box, a really nice firearm! The Gun of the year as well as many other fine firearms, including a Daniel Defense AR-10 in .308 cal., will be awarded as prizes at the many fun games held during the dinner.

We all had a great time at last years dinner and it was a great success! Our dinner raised $17,500 and thanks to the efforts of committees across the state the NRA Foundation was able to award grants totaling $60,000 to clubs and organizations supporting the shooting sports in New Hampshire. Once again our club has been awarded grants towards its programs in addition to a grant to Venture Crew 58's youth shooting team that is hosted by the Pemi. Supporting the Freinds of NRA Dinner Fundraiser by attending the event or purchasing a pre-event raffle ticket directly benefits our club and others across the state!

## Dinner ticket prices are $45 for one and a table of eight for $320.

Contact Stuart Pitts @ 726-3037 (www.sjpitts@yahoo.com),Paul Selfrige 293-4353, Toni Piper 375-4075 (dzevv@yahoo.com) for more information or tickets. You can also purchase dinner or raffle tickets at Skips Sport Shop in Bristol and view this year's NRA items at www.friendsofnra.org. Hope to see you all there for another fun event!

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## NRA Enrollment

***We Urge you to Join the NRA!***

It remains the strongest barrier protecting this club, you, and your rights from the "Antis" who would take it all away! The Pemi Valley Fish and Game Club is a "Recruiter Club", which has two benefits. You can sign up or renew via this form (or via a link on our web site) and save $10 on an annual member-ship. And the Club receives a small commission for each member who enrolls or renews this way.

*The club is an affiliate member of the NRA as well as GO-NH. Keeping the NRA and GO-NH strong helps keep the Pemi strong. So please support both organizations.*

To renew or enroll on-line, go to our web site: www.pemi.org look for the "Join NRA" logo and click on it. Thank you!

## 3 Gun Program

If you are new to competitive action shooting, you will need to take an **Introduction to Competition** course before your first match. This intro class is scheduled for Sunday, April 15th and Sunday, July 22nd. Please email us to be added to the list for more info. Special thanks to all of the volunteers that put in countless hours to make 3-gun at Pemi a great success. Please come help us to grow 3-gun at Pemigewasset Fish and Game, and action shooting sports in New England as a whole. Contact Josh Horowitz at info@pemi3gun.com.

### 2018 THREE GUN MATCH SCHEDULE

Sunday, 3 Jun-2018 Sunday, 1-Jul-2018

Sunday, 5-Aug-2018 Sunday, 9-Sep-2018

Sunday, 7-Oct-2018 Sunday, 28-Oct-2018

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# WE WANT YOU FOR ANNUAL CLEAN-UP

## Pemigewasset Valley Fish and game Club

The annual club clean-up day will be held on Saturday, April 28th, from 9am to about 5pm. Please donate 2-3 hours or more to the effort to get your Club ready for the season. Bring a pair of gloves, a rake or a broom or brush cutters, and a good attitude. Lunch will be provided! Call Jon Heinonen at (603) 387-3570 for more information.

# CMP – High Power Rifle Instruction

## Saturday, May 12, 2018

The Pemi is hosting a service rifle clinic this spring, sanctioned by the Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP). Attendance at this one day clinic will meet one of the requirements leading to the direct purchase of firearms and ammunition from the Civilian Marksmanship Program. (www.thecmp.org)

All participants must arrive for registration no later than 0800 hours. The classroom portion of the clinic will commence promptly at 0830 hours. Students will receive instruction in US military basic rifle marksmanship.

A non-refundable fee must be received before any student seat will be held: $35.00 per person 18 years of age or older.
Free to persons aged 12-17 years but reservations are required. Any payment postmarked less than three days prior to the clinic date will be returned. Make checks payable to: Pemigewasset Valley Fish and Game Club, Inc. This fee covers target and ammunition costs.

**Students attending the clinic need to bring the following:**

- *eye and ear protection - sturdy shoes or boots*
- *lunch and drinks - pants - no shorts*
- *rain suit or poncho - ball cap/hat*
- *suitable ground cloth or rug to lie on*
- *a pair of gloves made of any material*
- *clothing for warm or cold weather*

**ALL STUDENTS SHOULD BE PREPARED FOR A FULL TRAINING DAY ENDING ABOUT 1830 HOURS.**

The Civilian Marksmanship Program has sanctioned these clinics, therefore the following rifles are permitted: US M1, M14, M16 (type), 1903 (type), 1917 and Mauser (type). A limited number of rifles are available for student use on a first come, first serve basis. Ammo issue is .30-06 or 5.56; all other ammo must be student-supplied.

Clinic reservations are required and should be mailed to:

**Randy Enger**
**33 McLean Drive**
**Sudbury, MA 01776**

Send e-mail inquiries to randyenger@verizon.net
or call 978-443-5429

**AGAIN: NO WALK-ONS, RESERVATIONS ONLY.**

# Pemi Gulch

For those of you who might be interested in joining us for the 2018 cowboy season, participation requirements are two single action pistols, 32 caliber and above, a lever action rifle in a pistol caliber, 25 caliber and above, and a shotgun whose design predates 1898, either a double barreled side by side or a Winchester 97 style pump action. Additionally, minimum cowboy garb is required. Such as a hat, jeans without fancy stitching,a long-sleeved shirts and boots.

If you're interested in Wild Bunch, you'll need a 1911 style semi-automatic pistol in 45 ACP, a Winchester Model 97 style pump action shotgun, a rifle in a pistol caliber, 40 caliber and above. Dress requirement are cowboy garb or WWI military style clothing. For a more complete description of the rules and clothing requirements visit www.sassnet.com.

## 2018 Competition Dates

| Wild Bunch | Cowboy |
|---|---|
| Sat., May 5th | Sun., May 6th |
| Sat., June 9th | Sun., June 10th |
| Fri., July 6th | Sat., July 7th |
| Sat., Nov 3rd | Sun., Nov 4th |

# Small-bore Prone Rifle Shooting at the Pemi

By Tom Bubolz

Small-bore rifle shooting is enjoyed by teenagers through octogenarians. It is a good game to help you build on rifle shooting fundamentals. Reasonably priced used equipment is found at gun stores and ammunition is (again) available and affordable. The following is a brief overview of the features of a small-bore prone rifle match and the procedures used at Pemi to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience. Any rifle may be used that is chambered for the .22 Long Rifle cartridge, can be loaded one round at a time (a magazine can be present, but unused) and operated from the prone position. Chamber flags, hearing protection and shooting safety glasses are required in all small-bore matches. Matches at Pemi are low-key and most folks are shooting for "personal-bests". Small-bore match registration begins at 8am. Match firing commences at 9am and shooting is finished around noon to 1pm. The small-bore range is closed to informal shooting during the match.

Small-bore prone matches require a certain minimal amount of equipment such as the rifle, a shooting mat (a carpet roll will do) shooting coat, a sling and a rifle telescope to see both the bullseye and the holes in the target. If you shoot with Iron sights, then a telescope for spotting the shots is very helpful. Except for the Plymouth International Challenge, all Pemi matches will be "Any-sight", meaning that either Iron sights or telescopic sights may be used. What follows is a brief description of the mechanics of shooting a Conventional Prone small-bore match.

Bullseye paper targets are shot at distances of 50 yards, 50 meters and 100 yards. Targets have a bull at the top of the target for sighting shots and 2 or 4 bulls below it for record shots. Fifty-yard and 50- meter bulls are about 4 inches in diameter; 100-yard bulls are about 8 inches in diameter. In all Pemi-sponsored matches the club furnishes targets and target holders.

A complete Conventional Prone match, as fired at the Pemi, typically consists of three sub-matches called the "50-meter match", a "Dewar match" and a "100-yard" match. Each of the sub-matches will have 40 shots for record for a possible total of 400 points. The complete match will have a possible total of 1200 points.

**The 50-meter match** has two separate targets (called cards) with a sighting-bull and 4 record bulls. Shooters can fire unlimited sighting shots and 5 shots for record on each of the 4 record bulls in a time of 25 minutes. At the end of the firing period the firing line is made safe and the shooters go downrange to retrieve their fired target and to post their second card. Then they get in their gear and go through the process a second time.

**The Dewar match** consists of 20 shots for record fired at a 50-yard 4-bull target and 20 shots for record fired at a 2-bull target at 100 yards. In this match shooters will also move target frames from 50 to 100 yards when they post a second card. Shooters are given extra time to adjust their sights when going from 50 to 100 yards. Typically, the rifle's sight will be elevated approximately 7 minutes over the 50-yard setting to hit the center of the 100-yard bull. The 100-yard target has only 3 bulls, one for sighting shots and 2 for record shots; 10 on each of the two record bulls.

The 1200-point aggregate concludes with a **100-yard match**. We fire two cards of 20 shots each at 100 yards. Almost all small-bore aggregate matches are combinations of these matches.

Each season (from June through September) the small-bore group holds three matches; (1) a Conventional Prone 1200-point aggregate, this year on Sunday, May 20; (2) A simulated Palma match, this year on Sunday, September 9; and (3) a metric match called the Plymouth Challenge, this year on Sunday, September 30. Features of these matches are described below.

The second match, called the Small-bore Palma Match and held on Sunday, September 9, will be fired on the 100-yard range. All shots will be fired at 100 yards at bullseyes of three different sizes. The idea behind this match is to simulate for the small-bore shooter the perspective that Long-Range shooters have when they are shooting in the 800, 900 and 1000 stages of the Palma match fired with the 7.62X51 cartridge.

The third small-bore match, held at Pemi on Sunday, September 30, is the Plymouth International Small-bore Challenge. Shooters from Pemi, as well as other NH clubs, compete against shooters in England by firing 3, 20-shot cards on the small-bore international target. In the Challenge, teams are formed after the firing is complete. Scores are ranked highest to lowest; the top 6 US scores are compared to the top 6 British scores – the same procedure is used for the next highest 6 and so forth. What this means is that everybody's score counts – if you're on the "2nd Six" team you are compared to the British "2nd Six" team. To get ready for this match, the Pemi has scheduled a practice match on Saturday, September 29 from 8am to 1pm. At the 2017 edition of the Plymouth Challenge, Plymouth, USA won all teams-of-six and teams-of-ten matches.

| Match | Date |
|---|---|
| Conventional Prone Sun., 1200 Point aggregate | May 20th |
| Simulated Palma | Sun., Sept 9th |
| Plymouth Challenge | Sun., Sept 30th |

# Try-A-Handgun Day

Bill Keaney

On Saturday, May 26, the Pemi will hold it annual "Try-a-Handgun" Day at the 50-yard covered range. This informal event is geared towards those who have completed a Woman on Target clinic, Basics of Pistol Shooting, or Personal Protection in the Home class, and who are thinking about making a handgun purchase, perhaps for the first time. This event gives people the chance to "try before they buy" a handgun. Others who have not taken these courses but who have some prior training or shooting experience with firearms are also welcome. The event will afford individuals an opportunity to try various handguns out for "fit and feel," pointability, balance, weight, ease of operation, etc., and then fire any that they might wish. Coaches will oversee line safety, as well as answer questions about any of these firearms.

*There will be a large selection of handguns present---some 30 to 40 guns of various types, barrel lengths, finishes, calibers and sizes (including some particularly well-suited for smaller hands.)*

The event will be held from 11:00-3:00 p.m.; club membership not required, but positive photo I.D. is. Range fee is $10.00 per person, and there will be a nominal charge for any ammunition used. This is an advertised event, and has drawn a substantial number of individuals in the past.

For further information, contact Bill Keaney at 603-882-9366, or wjkeaney@comcast.net.

# Indoor Range Renovations Completed

Dick McGrath

By the time you read this, the renovations and improvements to the Indoor Range that have been ongoing for the last few months should be just about completed. The Club now proudly has a new state-of-the-art indoor shooting facility that will provide countless hours of safe and enjoyable recreation for our members and their guests for years to come. Hundreds of hours of volunteer labor and nearly $50,000 of your dues, indoor range fees, and contributions were necessary to effect the many changes and create an indoor range that we can all be proud of. Most importantly, the range now has a technologically sophisticated HEPA (High - Efficiency Particulate Air) recirculating filtration system that removes potentially hazardous lead particulates from the range air and delivers purified air to the shooting stations while allowing heat retention during the winter months.

Last year, amid mounting concerns everywhere over lead-contaminated air in indoor shooting ranges, the Club undertook to improve the indoor range ventilation. The first stage of improvements involved installation of a second exhaust fan downrange near the backstop, along with a more solid barrier wall with "windows" at the shooting stations so the incoming outside air would be channeled at higher velocity past each shooter, carrying exhaust gasses and lead particulates safely downrange. The new arrangements worked well for ventilation, but in the colder months the improved air flow also quickly removed heated air and made for uncomfortable shooting in the winter. Updates to the heating system improved the situation, but didn't totally resolve the problem. After investigations of what other Clubs and ranges were doing (most of them not doing much), and looking into possible solutions to the problem, the Board of Directors approved the purchase of dual HEPA-filtration systems, which were installed in the range attic this past Spring.

The HEPA systems, in combination, draw over 4,000 cubic feet of air per minute from vents in the ceiling immediately in front of the range backstop, creating a rapid flow of air past each shooting position. The air is passed into a 3-phase filter, with the last filter removing particles as small as 0.3 micron (a human hair is about 75 microns in diameter) – effectively removing all particulate lead from the range air.

*HEPA filtration system in range attic.*

The purified air is then ducted back toward the firing line, emerging from vents behind the shooters to be passed forward again. By recirculating and filtering the heated air, it's possible to create comfortable shooting conditions during the coldest winter months without compromising safety. The old exhaust fans will remain in place, to be used instead of the HEPA system during the summer when loss of heated air is not a concern.

In addition to the HEPA system installation, a number of other changes to the range have also been made. New Linatex rubber target backing has been installed behind the target carriers. This self-sealing material is widely regarded as the best target backing for indoor ranges. Purchase of the new backing material, at a cost of several thousand dollars, was made possible by targeted donations, in addition to their regular dues and other fees, from Club members. Also at the downrange area, the target lighting has been replaced and upgraded to extremely bright LED-fixtures that represent a considerable improvement over the older incandescent lamps.

Because the range heat is now retained rather than being exhausted to the outdoors, it made sense to install hard foam thermal insulation throughout both the range proper and the ready room. Back at the shooting stations, the old hardware cloth dividers between positions have been replaced with insulated solid plywood panels, and the panels have been faced with sound-absorbent tiles that reduce reflected sound intensity to less than half of what it was previously. Overhead, the paneling and soundproofing is contoured to promote laminar flow of air past each shooting station. The sound-absorbent tiling has also been applied to all of the walls and the ceiling behind the shooting stations in the range, over the hard foam insulation in the case of the outer walls.

*Upgraded shooting bays.*

The effect on noise reduction for the shooter really has to be experienced to be appreciated. Some upgraded lighting and a bit of fresh paint and varnish complete the transformation.

The wall between the range and the ready room was repositioned to allow a bit more space in the ready room, much appreciated by the Pemi Pistol Team, which has grown to include approximately two dozen shooters each week over the winter months. The wall wasn't simply moved, but was re-engineered to be soundproof, ensuring that persons could rest or score targets in the ready room without being impacted by gunshot noise from the range. The soundproofing involves a mix of materials designed to retard the passage of sound energy through the wall. Starting from the range side, there's the sound-absorbent acoustic tile mentioned earlier, then a plywood layer, a layer of sound-blocking flexible polymer, another plywood layer, a few inches of fiberglass insulation, another layer of plywood, another layer of polymer, and finally a finish layer of decorative wood paneling on the ready room side. The concept is that the many changes in material density make it difficult for sound to pass. The window between the range and the ready room was also re-engineered and enlarged; the window is now a composite consisting of a ¼" piece of laminated automotive safety glass, a nearly 3" air space, and a second ¼" layer of laminated safety glass. Again, the changes in density of materials attenuate passage of sound waves very effectively.

The overall effect is simply amazing – it's now possible to work in the ready room and almost forget that there's someone shooting only a few feet away, or to stand at the window without ear protection and watch, with total comfort, a line of shooters firing centerfire pistols.

*Expanded ready-room.*

In addition, electrical outlets have been repositioned, heating ducts moved for greater effectiveness, two new supplementary heaters installed to provide quick warmup from winter cold, and benches and lockers built into the ready room wall, in addition to a variety of other minor improvements too numerous to list here. All of these improvements make the indoor range a more enjoyable experience, and a facility that is the envy of other Clubs.

*None of this would have been possible without the generous support of and contributions from our membership, and particularly those of you who add $20 to your dues each year to use the indoor range and/or contribute to the Patron fund. Thank you.*

This also would not have been possible without the enthusiastic and unwavering support of your Board of Directors and Officers, who were, and continue to be, prepared to invest a substantial portion of the Club's resources to improve the membership experience at the indoor range and at other Club facilities. Thank you.

And, most importantly, none of this would have been possible without the many, many hours of time donated by a wonderful crew of Club members who gave up much of their summer to improve the indoor range experience for all of us.

Many individuals contributed something, but a select few went far above and beyond. They are: *Steve Morand, Bill Krom, John Bartlett, and Jim Lennon.* Thank you.

# Range Officer Program

By Dick McGrath

In the Fall of 2016, the Board of Directors discussed at length the problem of non-members using, and in some cases abusing, our ranges and other Club facilities. The issue was thought to be particularly problematical when it was necessary to leave the locked access gates open for scheduled events open to the general public. After exploring various options to control range use, including that of having the gates staffed by members during Club events, it was decided to re-establish a trial program of assigned Range Officers (ROs) that had been attempted some years ago but eventually abandoned for various reasons.

At the 2017 Annual Meeting, a call went out for volunteers willing to donate their time, particularly on weekends, to make the Club a better and safer place to shoot by controlling access to the ranges during scheduled events and through educating members on the proper and safe use of the ranges. About a dozen members, including all four of the Club Officers, stepped up to the plate and took on the challenge of becoming Range Officers for the 2017 event season. All of these volunteers attended introductory meetings where the role of the ROs was discussed and various issues and concerns were raised. The Board of Directors voted to purchase a few distinctive Range Officer vests, and name badges to identify the ROs when they were present at the ranges. The ROs were also given the option of purchasing their own vests, and nearly all opted to do so, at a cost of more than $100 each.

The RO Program was rolled out with the start of the intensive calendar of Club events in the Spring, and ROs were present for most of the scheduled events held over the summer, working with the Event Managers to ensure that only properly credentialed Regular and 1-Day Members were using the open ranges while events were ongoing. Toward the end of the summer, the Club hosted an accredited NRA Range Safety Officer training course for the volunteer ROs. The course was taught by Dick Bielefield, who graciously volunteered his time at no cost to the Club or to the RO volunteers. The course was purely voluntary, but essentially all the volunteer ROs gave up an additional day of their time to become NRA certified.

*A quiet morning at the 50-yd range.*

As the summer progressed, it became apparent to the ROs that many of the problems and safety violations observed on our Club ranges were not primarily caused by unauthorized non-members, but rather were due to members being unaware of, or simply failing to observe or comply with, established Club rules for range use. This observation resulted in a subtle but important shift in the focus of the RO program from one of "gatekeeper" to "educator," and the primary role of the ROs is now one of making sure that everyone using the ranges understands and follows the range rules, virtually all of which are intended to make the ranges safe for all who use them.

Looking ahead, the intent is to continue and expand the RO program in 2018 and to make it a permanent feature of the Pemi Club. The NRA course will be given again in 2018 for any new ROs, and additional volunteers are both welcome and needed. Please contact Dick McGrath at rmcgrath@theisogroup.com if you have interest in becoming a Pemi Range Officer, and if you get a chance, say "hello" and "thanks" to the following individuals who donated so much of their time in 2017 to make the first year of this new program such a success:

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