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**PRESIDENT'S LETTER**

It looks as if summer is here with the increased temperatures and blue skies. Time to get out and burn some powder at the range and polish your marksmanship skills that are suffering from a case of "Winter Disuse". Start practicing now for the coming hunting seasons so you can harvest your limits and fill your tags.

I want to thank all that sent in their renewals and membership data updates. We have been entering the data into the database and appreciate the current information. Those of you who have not renewed or updated your information, please take a few minutes and do so soon as we are going to start removing persons who do not have current membership. Please don't become one of the "lost".

I have been reviewing the information that I collected at the SHOT Show that was held in Las Vegas in February. For those of you who are not familiar with the SHOT Show, it is the "Shooting, Hunting and Outdoor Trade Show" and is held by the National Shooting Sports Foundation each January or February in such places as Orlando, FL; New Orleans, LA; or Las Vegas. Las Vegas is usually the host alternating years. Virtually all manufacturers in the field exhibit their wares and introduce their new products there each year.

I and other members visited many exhibits and we will attempt to highlight some of them for you in

the coming issues of the Marksman. I hope that you find the new products as interesting as we did.

Good news about the new Clark County Shooting facility announced by Senator Reid is that there will be fifteen million dollars available for construction of the first portions of the range. Please thank the members of our congressional delegation for supporting this project who have worked several years to bring it to us.

Until next issue, good shooting.

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President, N.S.R.P.A.

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**NRA To Hold 'Fourth National Junior Air Gun Championship' in Pocatello, Idaho**

(FAIRFAX, VA) -Junior shooters from around the United States will test their marksmanship skills at the NRA's fourth annual National Junior Air Gun Team Championship and Training Summit, to be conducted in Pocatello, ID, July 7-11 at the Ramada Inn & Conference Center, and Idaho University.

The tournament will be conducted in three divisions--Precision Air Rifle, Sporter Air Rifle, and Air Pistol. The match is open to four-member rifle teams, and three-member pistol teams selected by NRA-affiliated state associations, the Army, Marine Corp, and Navy Junior ROTC programs and other cooperative organizations.

In addition to competing in a national-level championship, contestants are treated to a round of seminars designed to help shooters improve their skills and advance to higher levels of competition. Topics this year include training plans, rule book usage, shooting opportunities in college, and others. Adults accompanying the team members attend the same round of training sessions and may also take part in a grant workshop to help acquire funding for their teams.

Key to the success of the tournament is the help of the NRA's State Associations and other organizations that select youths to compete in the championship. The criteria used to select teams is determined individually by each state or sponsoring organization. Many State Associations use a series of tournaments to determine who is chosen. Others use the junior sectional

tournaments and take the high scorers from their state to represent them at the national level. The Army, Marine Corp, and Navy Junior ROTC programs also have their own selection criteria. It should be noted that a team must be selected by a national youth shooting organization in order to participate. This ensures that the top shooters from around the country are able to compete.

"This tournament is a rare chance for a junior to earn national recognition, but it's also become a major step toward competing at higher levels, to earn a college shooting scholarship or even pursue Olympic dreams," said Craig D. Sandier, Executive Director of NRA General Operations. "The training seminars held in conjunction with the match make this an exceptional learning opportunity for athletes and coaches as well."

For more information on this tournament or on starting an air gun program in your area, contact **John Venskoste at (703) 267-1477** or send an e-mail message to: [rifle@nrahq.org](mailto:rifle@nrahq.org).

### ***News of the world:***

#### **REID HAILS \$15 MILLION IN FEDERAL FUNDING FOR CLARK COUNTY SHOOTING RANGE**

(Via E-Mail) Washington, D.C. – Senator Harry Reid announced today that \$15 million from the Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act Special Account has been allocated to begin the construction of the Clark County Shooting Range.

The shooting range was recognized by a community-based working group as one of the highest priorities for expenditures of the Special Account. The U.S. Secretary of the Interior will review the working group recommendations this summer.

"I appreciate the support that this important project has received from shooting enthusiasts, sportsmen, the BLM and other Nevadans," said Reid. "I am glad the working group saw fit to recommend the shooting range for funding."

In 2002, Congress approved Reid's legislation to dedicate 2880 acres of public land for a public shooting range, sports park and firearms training facility in Clark County. Reid championed the cause in response to the rapid loss of safe, traditional shooting areas due to rapid urbanization of the Las Vegas Valley. Passage of Reid's legislation, which enjoyed the bipartisan support of Senator Ensign, Congressman Gibbons and Congresswoman Berkley, led the Bureau of Land Management to transfer ownership of the land for the shooting range to Clark County.

"As the Las Vegas area continues to grow, so does the need for a shooting range to serve as a world class facility for sportsmen's groups, law enforcement training, and general recreational purposes. This Special Account funding comes at a critical time and

will help make this shooting range a reality," Reid added.



#### **News on the Ben Avery Shooting Facility**

(Forwarded by Chas Musser )

From: Landis Aden

Sent: Monday, April 19, 2004 9:40 PM

Subject: AZ HB 2158

Governor Janet Napolitano has signed HB 2158, the shooting range preservation bill, into law. Today, 19 April, 2004.

Special thanks to Rep. John Nelson, and Phoenix Councilman Dave Siebert. Without their dedication and hard work, this bill would have never made it. Let alone becoming a bipartisan effort with votes of 57 - 0 and 29 - 0. You cannot underestimate the effort it takes to get those kind of votes.

It's not over yet.

The struggle to keep BASF alive and well has taken a major step forward. But, there will be issues yet to come. That will need your continued participation and work to be overcome.

Working together, we can do it, and we will.

Thanks to all who have helped.

ASR&PA Legis. Div.

The City of Phoenix takes great pride in the Ben Avery Shooting Facility and its tourism capabilities. April 20, 2004

Friends,

I was invited to attend the Phoenix City Council meeting today along with other nominees of the various places nominated for the City of Phoenix "POINT OF PRIDE" award.

I am very pleased to personally inform you that the Ben Avery Shooting Facility was voted in as a POINT OF PRIDE!!

The other two awards recipients were the Pappas School, and the Japanese Garden. BASF by far received the highest number of votes.

A formal ceremony will be held later on in May. The "official" Az Game and Fish Department announcement will be made later this week.

My sincere thanks go out to all of you who voted for BASF, both by mail and by email. Emails of support were received from England, from many other countries, and from almost every state.

I also want to thank Phoenix City Councilman Dave Seibert who was one of those who nominated BASF for the award.

It is so neat having our shooting range recognized by a major City. Thank all of you very much for your support, and for keeping BASF as your Point of Pride!!

Please pass this along your email "circuit."  
Sincerely and personally,  
Don Turner, BASF Chief Rangemaster

Thanks for the update, Chas.



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**Ruff Gets Going Toward Kansas Concealed Carry**  
(NRA) A Kansas State legislator plans to introduce right-to-carry legislation this year and plans for it to pass by such a wide margin that Gov. Kathleen Sebelius will be unable to stop it.

"It's ridiculous that we don't have this," Rep. Candy Ruff told the Lawrence Journal-World. "Its time has come regardless of who the governor is. A strong majority of Kansas citizens are interested.

"My whole take on this is to work to make it veto-proof in order not to involve the governor," Ruff said.

Gov. Sebelius, though supportive of the prospect of allowing retired law enforcement officers to carry firearms, claims that law enforcement officials have told her a broad right-to-carry law would not reduce crime, and that major state interests such as Hallmark Cards feel it would be dangerous.

But Ruff, who is herself married to a Leavenworth policeman, knows that states that have passed right-to-carry laws have seen a decrease in violent crime and, though she herself doesn't plan on carrying a firearm if the bill passes, has put the interest of her constituents before unfounded fears or corporate persuasion. Kansas is one of only five states that disallows all carrying of concealed firearms.



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### Raising Funds By Banning Guns

(NRA) Maryland Democratic State Delegate Neil F. Quinter has found himself in the crosshairs of the Maryland Republican Party and pro-gun activists for his chief sponsorship of a state-level "assault weapons" ban.

"The Maryland Republican Party has put me on its 'target list' for defeat," Quinter told supporters in a fundraising message recently. "I also recently found out that a group of pro-gun activists met at Howard County Republican Party headquarters for the sole purpose of coming up with a strategy for defeating me because of the Maryland assault weapons ban that I am sponsoring in the house."

Quinter is a first-term Democrat from Howard County, and was chief counsel for gun-ban Sen. Dianne Feinstein from 1995 through 1999.

But while Quinter may indeed be a strident anti-gunner, many believe that his sponsorship of the assault weapons ban may just be a ploy to garner funds. Though state Republican Chairman John Kane denies Quinter is on the groups "target list," he told The Baltimore Sun, "It's amazing how many of these guys want to be on a list, because it helps them with fundraising."

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### Marylanders' Rights Assaulted

(NRA) Maryland Gov. Robert Ehrlich has said he is opposed to a statewide ban on "assault weapons" that Democratic leaders are pushing through the state legislature.

"My thoughts have always been to direct resources, time, attention and money to bad guys who have illegal guns and obviously the guns that cause crime," Ehrlich

told reporters in February. "We devote our time, money and resources to things that work, not things that are politically correct."

Fearful that the national ban will sunset without Congress extending it by Sept. 13, some Maryland gun-ban lawmakers are attempting to pass a statewide ban of the 19 firearms currently on the federal list, plus an additional 26 others.

"This is something that works, not a politically correct statement," Neil E Quinter, the bill's lead sponsor in the House, told The Washington Post. "This is something designed to save lives, and if (Ehrlich) cares about saving lives, he will sign this bill."

Of course, the banning of firearms due to cosmetic criteria has nothing to do with saving lives. Studies have concluded that the "assault weapons" ban has had no impact in lowering crime, but has everything to do with curtailing citizens' rights.

Maryland just does not seem to be very friendly to the ideas that surround firearms. There is a bit on some of those ideas toward the end of this edition.



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**One Flip-Flop Legislator Scraps Wisconsin Carry**  
 (NRA) Thanks to one legislator changing his vote on the issue, Wisconsin citizens will be denied passage of right-to-carry legislation for this session.

Rep. Gary Sherman, D-Port Wing, one of the co-sponsors of the bill, changed his vote and voted against the veto override, becoming the one-vote margin needed by anti-gunners to deny Wisconsin citizens their right to protect themselves and their families.

Sherman's switch left the Republican-run assembly one vote short of the 66 it needed to achieve a two-thirds majority that would have completed an override of Democratic Gov. Jim Doyle's veto. The Senate overrode the veto last month by a 23-10 vote.

Sherman said he changed his vote to protect his governor and what limited power the minority Assembly Democrats have. He also acknowledged the vote could cost him his job.

"I don't think it will, but I don't think it's inconceivable," Sherman told the Wisconsin State Journal.

One thing is for sure. Sherman won't get the votes of those Wisconsin citizens who are killed by violent criminals due to their right of self-protection continuing to be denied-thanks to Sherman's single off-target vote putting politics above the wellbeing of Wisconsin citizens.

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**Australia: Few Crimes Worse Than Gun Ownership**

(NRA) Guidelines for Victoria's new home detention program for prisoners show where legal gun owners, now turned illegal by strict gun control measures, stand in the overall scheme of things.

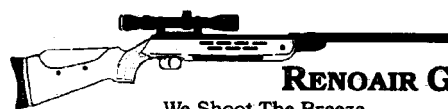
Home detention recently became a sentencing option for magistrates and judges because Victoria's prison system is at crisis level. The government has said all along that it will only be an option for low-risk offenders and not for those convicted of more serious crimes.

Now let's just see what those crimes are. Under the new guidelines, persons convicted of the following could receive home detention: credit card social security fraud, shoplifting, minor driving offenses and breaking and entering. However, criminals convicted of more heinous crimes, for example violent, sex-related or firearm offenses (including illegal gun possession, made illegal by the draconian laws) will not be considered for the more lenient sentencing.

Breaking and entering a lesser crime than gun ownership? Only in Australia.

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**Canada Gun Registry Facing Native Challenge**

(NRA) Some Native Indians should not have to participate in Canada's billion-dollar gun registry, a Saskatchewan, First Nations group believes.

And it's taking that belief to court.

The Firearms Act not only interferes with constitutionally entrenched treaty rights, it creates a hardship for isolated aboriginal hunters and even

makes it difficult to give ceremonial gifts of firearms, a long-standing tradition, the organization argues.

"We were told they would never interfere with our sustenance, they would never interfere with our style of life, our culture," Lawrence Joseph, vice-chief of the umbrella group for the province's status Indian people, told the National Post. "Quite clearly, the spirit and intent of those treaty promises have been and will be violated if this is enforced against us."

Few First Nations people in Saskatchewan have registered their guns. And although the provincial government has chosen not to enforce the legislation, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police has charged several aboriginal people with violating it, Joseph said.

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### TV Crime Fighter Supports More Gun Control Walsh Speaks Out Against Armed Citizens

(NRA) Although Right-To-Carry laws have been proven to lower crime rates wherever they have been instituted, TV "crime fighter" John Walsh, prior to a veto override vote, called Wisconsin's proposed law a bad idea that should be rejected. Walsh, of the "America's Most Wanted" television show, spoke during a press conference at the Wisconsin Sheriff's and Deputies Association conference.

To better protect the public, sheriffs should forge alliances with television stations to create local "Most Wanted" shows that profile fugitives and encourage the public to call in with tips, Walsh said.

Of course, such programs attempt to catch criminals only after a violent crime has been committed, whereas right-to-carry enables law-abiding citizens to protect themselves before a crime is committed.

Walsh added that people should "get past all that NRA (propaganda)" and put aside the emotion because "no one can take away your right to bear arms."

Maybe he should tell that to the good, defenseless citizens of Washington, D.C., New York City and other places in the United States where possession of firearms has been banned or tightly restricted.



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### "We Couldn't Believe It, Either." Those Self-Defense "Bastards!"

(NRA) A British Radio Show asked listeners to suggest a piece of legislation to improve life in Britain.

However, after BBC Radio 4's program received 26,000 votes on the issue, the winning proposal was denounced as a "ludicrous, brutal, unworkable blood-stained piece of legislation" by Stephen Pound, the very MP whose job it is to try to push it through Parliament.

What kind of proposal could be so terrible as to get that kind of response from politicians? The winner was a plan to allow homeowners "to use any means to defend their home from intruders"-a basic human right here that has been taken away from subjects to the crown.

"The people have spoken," the Labour MP replied to the program, "... the bastards."

"We are going to have to re-evaluate the listenership of Radio 4," he told The Independent. "Do we really want a law that says you can slaughter anyone who climbs in your window?"

Brits to Mr. Pound: "YES!"

When in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them

with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Natures God entitles then...

## **Off With His Head!**

### **Doing away with the High Priced Gunsmith.**

By: Terry Tussey, With Jon Jewett

A well known publication recently ran a "how-to" article. The article was about work on your new 1911 style Smith & Wesson. "It is so easy that you could do it without a high priced gunsmith." Unfortunately, in this case it was "a little knowledge isn't a good thing"!

The "tip" described modifying the grip safety. The line of thinking was that in a moment of stress, you might not fully depress the grip safety and it would not raise enough to allow the trigger bow to move. The suggestion was to grind off underneath the extension of the grip safety until only a small movement would allow the trigger bow to move and trip the sear/hammer.

Well, the above advice was only about half-true and not too smart. The first caveat deals with changing the safety. Once you do that, you assume all liability for any safety malfunction. That's not too bad if the pistol is used only for punching paper, but for a service or self-defense pistol it's not a wise thing to do. And, if you ever sell it, your liability travels with the gun. The second caveat deals with the function of the grip safety. On this particular model S&W and a pistol with the Schwartz style safety, notably the Kimber, the grip safety has a second function. It releases the firing pin block.

If you have modified the grip safety for quick release you will probably never notice the difference in routine use. You will probably grip the pistol firmly enough to depress the grip safety all the way. But, in a moment of stress you may depress the grip safety only enough to allow the hammer to fall but not enough to release the firing pin. I would find it disheartening to have my gun fail while someone was shooting at me! Also, some people are inclined to polish things. If you polish too much off of the top of the extension, it won't reach up to release the safety either.

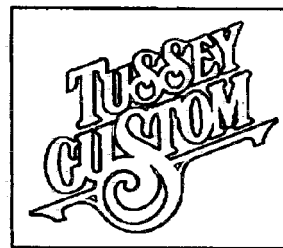
Colt, Para-Ordinance, and the new Sig-Sauer 1911 style pistols all have a similar characteristic. The movement of the trigger serves two functions. The obvious function is to release the hammer. The less obvious and equally important function is to release the firing pin block. Adjusting the over travel screw may limit the travel of the trigger for a "good feel" but too much adjustment can prevent the firing pin block from being released. Again, the pistol may not fire. I set my pistols up so that the customer can not easily adjust the over travel screw, because I worry that they will make their pistol inoperative.

On occasion, I have seen pistols that have been worked on by other gunsmiths. The customer had the last guy take out all travel from the trigger, both slack (or take up) and over travel. Should all travel be taken out, it can negate another safety function. It can prevent the sear from dropping into the safety notch of the hammer. Should the sear/hammer engagement

wear, the pistol could go fully automatic. That's another event known to cause great excitement on the firing line!

Even a simple task like changing the grips can be problematic. The new grips can interfere with the thumb safety, slide release, or the magazine catch. Old screws on new grips can be too long and extend into the magazine well, causing a problem inserting magazines.

I understand that shooters have a natural inclination to work on their guns. And since I have a year's back log, I am not worried about "loosing business". So I am considering presenting a one day class about working on 1911's. Tentatively, it would be on a Saturday in my shop and cost about \$50. Also, Martin Scott is interested in presenting a similar program on revolvers. Martin and I have both taught our respective specialties in the gunsmith program at the Lassen Community College, Susanville, CA. Give me a call at the shop or send me an email to express your interest: 775-246-1533 ttussey45@aol.com



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Oh, and one more thing: everybody makes mistakes. (My wife says that even I do, although I can't remember any.) So, if you have done something to your pistol that now seems inadvisable, bring it in. I can probably fix it. The same goes for work done by another gunsmith that just didn't meet your expectations.

Terry Tussey

Thanks, Terry.

Your other article will be in the next issue.  
Please keep them coming.

By the way, what can be done with a Springfield XD?

### Match Results

#### STILLWATER FIREARMS ASSOCIATION

(Tom Urquhart) The Association is considering the purchase of the necessary equipment to run Falling Plate Matches. To be voted on at the May meeting. They are also considering Bowling Pin Matches. The biggest problem being a supply of bowling pins.

March 21: Police Pistol Course Match: 6 firing positions, in 4 classes. 25 shooters participated.

April 4: Buffalo Shoot. 500 Yard course, 3 classes. 7 shooters. **First Place:** J.B.Baily

Greetings Everyone, Mr. Jeff Sanders was recently warmly welcomed to Fallon and *Stillwater Firearms Ass'n*. He is a qualified firearms instructor, ex marine (oops, I know - no such thing as an "ex" marine, but you know what I mean) and minister.

Also, Mr. Sanders will be offering the Nevada CCW course soon. See: <http://spts.us/index.html>

You're all welcome to attend!!!

Larry Rhodes

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#### MACHINE GUN MATCH 3/14/04

(TONY DEE) It was a beautiful morning for this special match. We were joined by several new shooters from the UZI Talk Forum that were in town for a get together. We welcomed these fellow shooters and hoped that they had a great time. A short three stage match was set up using a turning target along with a reactive hostage target. The shooter had to deal with these two setups first before moving to another stage where several steel targets had to be neutralized. The shooter then moved forward to another stage where shooting through a barrel had to shoot some pins, steel and finally a stop plate. The match was reset for the second run that was a bit easier. A team event was held after the main match that was great fun. Special awards were given for the UZI members and we hope that we see these nice people again next time.

#### STOCK CLASS

Scott Sproul	UZI	100.25	1 <sup>st</sup> "A"
Tom Wright	UZI	101.74	

Jane Dee	Beretta 38A	102.70	
Bob Shaft	Beretta 38A	106.79	
Dave White	MP40	106.82	
Jeff Cook Jr.	UZI	121.81	
Jason Rada	UZI	137.24	1 <sup>st</sup> "B"
Chris Weiser	UZI	141.06	
Mike Duke	UZI	159.45	
Steve Baker	MP-5	171.01	
Daryl Waters	UZI	179.89	
Scott Rockwell	UZI	197.24	
Dave Gaboury	UZI	207.60	1 <sup>st</sup> "C"
Jon Renfro	UZI	209.44	
John Ilgenfritz	MP-5	211.09	
Jeff Cook Sr.	UZI	241.06	
Bob Day	MP-5	247.20	
Etsuo Morohoshi	UZI	DNF	

#### UZI FORUM MEMBERS

John Wylie Jr.	UZI	78.40	1 <sup>st</sup> Pl.
Irv Falkoff	UZI	97.40	2 <sup>nd</sup> Pl.
Scott Sproul	UZI	100.25	3 <sup>rd</sup> Pl.
Tom Wright	UZI	101.74	
Jeff Cook Jr.	UZI	121.81	
Mike Kebles	UZI	123.09	
Jason Rada	UZI	137.24	
Mike Duke	UZI	159.45	
Steve Baker	MP5	171.01	
Daryl Water	UZI	179.89	
Dave Gaboury	UZI	207.60	
Jon Renfro	UZI	209.44	
Jeff Cook Sr.	UZI	241.06	

#### OPEN CLASS

SHOOTER	GUN	TIME	PLACE
John Wylie Jr.	UZI	78.40	1 <sup>st</sup> "A"
Jack Wylie Sr.	UZI	89.78	
Irv Falkoff	UZI	97.40	
Mike Lauterborn	STEN	101.40	1 <sup>st</sup> "B"
Spencer Smith	MP-5	113.19	
Jason Palacios	MP-5	113.36	
Mike Kebles	UZI	123.09	1 <sup>st</sup> "C"
Larry Reimer	M16 9mm	124.39	
Tony Wright	MP-5	156.74	

#### TEAM EVENT

1 <sup>st</sup> Place	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	4 <sup>th</sup> Place
Time 10.80	Time 17.33	Time 23.48	Time 40.18
Spencer	Jon R.	Mike L.	Tony W.
Bob S.	Chris	Mike K.	Larry R.
Jason R.	Daryl	Bob D.	Tom
Roger	Dave G.	Jason P	Gail
Scott S.	Jan	Irv	Steve B.

**UPCOMING GUN SHOWS****2003 Southern Nevada****Gun Show Schedule**

May 20-22, 2004

Wallace Beinfeld Productions, LLC

**Las Vegas Antique and International Sporting Arms Show**

Mandalay Bay Resort &amp; Casino

July 3-4, 2004

Claude Hall's Show Productions

**Las Vegas Gun Show**

Las Vegas Cashman Center

**Gun Show Schedule**

May 22-23, 2004

Day Productions

**Gardnerville Gun Show**

Gardnerville Fairgrounds

June 12-13, 2004

Crossroads of the West

**Reno Gun Show**

Reno-Sparks Convention Center

June 12-13, 2004

Top Gun Show Promotions

**Boomtown Gun Show**

Boomtown Casino

June 26-27, 2004

Day Productions

**Fallon Gun Show**

Fallon Community Center

July 10-11, 2004

Day Productions

**Reno Gun Show**

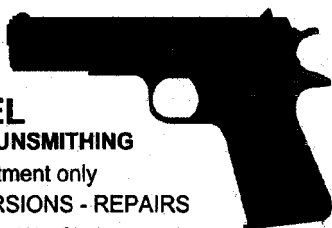
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For other club activities, visit the respective web-sites and newsletters.

**Palomino Valley Gun Club***Washoe County Shooting Facility*

Chris Nyberg: 775-358-5014

*McQueen High School ROTC Rifle Range*Wednesdays, 7:00-9:00: *PVGC Members Only*. 22 cal shoot

Bob Ralston: 775-747-5087

**Junior Rifle Program**Joe Melcher: 775-324-4349 [joef@uisreno.com](mailto:joef@uisreno.com)1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday, 7:00-9:00: Intermediate Level2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday, 7:00-9:00: Novice/Beginner Level

Saturday Outdoor Steel Fun Shoots

Bring your own .22 or use a club rifle. 10 am, Washoe Co.

Shooting Facility. 5\$ per shooter. Membership in PVGC required.

May 1, June 5, June 26, July 31, August 14, August 28, October 2

**Stillwater Firearms Association***Fallon*J. L. Rhodes (775) 427-4563 [varminter22@charter.net](mailto:varminter22@charter.net)

Earl Brabender (775) 423-9249

Meeting first Friday of each month.

**Carson Rifle & Pistol Club**

Ken Bobbett: 775-883-1348

Cris Hill: 775-267-3356

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month

100 yd. High Power

**Silver State Shootists Cowboy Club**

Carson City

Don (Bull Moose) Shiffer: (775) 841-1928 [bullmoose@775.net](mailto:bullmoose@775.net),Bill (Tahoe Bill) Banning: (775) 586-9178 [wilbann@yahoo.com](mailto:wilbann@yahoo.com),

From Silver State Shootist:

The match date and location is changing as of June 2004.

This is for the regular monthly match only, the Buffalo shoot will be held at its usual location in Oct.

Check out their web page for current information

<http://www.nevadacas.com/ssss.htm>**French Ford Gun Club***Humboldt County Shooting Facility*

Ric Abrego: 775-623-4883 (pistol match)

Glenn Alexander: 775-623-0679 (rifle match)

**Steel Plate Shooting**

(Carson City) Scott Rindal: 775-882-2206

(Lovelock) Ed Sequeria: 775-273-7741

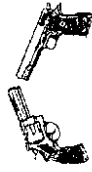
Ash Holbrook: 775-273-0531

(Winnemucca) Tony Troutman 775-625-2586

Robert Thomason 775-623-2193

# Bowling Pin Shooting Match

## Saturday, May 22, 2004



Registration 8:00 - 9:00 a.m.  
Match begins at 9:00 a.m.

Entry fee: \$10

### The Match

Shooters will be classed by shooting ability (Classes: Master, A, B, C). Awards for each class.  
Any centerfire handgun with open sights allowed. Spare magazines or speed loaders highly recommended.  
Course of fire: Two firing positions; from eight yards, each shooter has five bowling pins to engage. The first shooter to clear his table of pins WINS that match.

Each registered shooter will also receive a ticket to win a drawing prize!

Eye and ear protection REQUIRED. Commands of the Range Master and Safety Observers MUST be obeyed. SAFETY FIRST!

Bring plenty of ammunition!  
Some shade provided; bring sunscreen as required  
Bring snacks/lunch. Water, soft drinks will be available.

Stillwater Firearms Association  
P. O. Box 665  
Fallon NV 89407

For more information, call:

# 427-4563 or 423-9249



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Git yur mule a packed and yur family aloaded cuz Them thar Lakes crossing folks are havin themselves a ronyvoo And you and yurn are invited to have a galdurn good time We'll even get Early out to make breakfast for yall Monday  
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May 29-31

### Nevada Rangers

Jean, Nevada

'Hick': [olecowboy@cox.net](mailto:olecowboy@cox.net)

June 17-20, 2004: Western States 2004, Fernley, Nevada

Contact: High Plains Drifters

August 12-14: "Nevada Utah War"

### Boulder Rifle & Pistol Club

(702) 293-1885 BRPCL.org

The Courtesy Range is closed Mon. Wed. and Fri. of each week except for Monday Holidays

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday: Range Orientation, 9:00 A.M.  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday: High Power Silhouette, 7:00 A.M.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday: 3 Gun Shoot, 9:00 A.M.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday: NRA High Power, 7:00 A.M.  
(Member Ranges Closed)  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays: 1000 Yd., 7:00 A.M.  
Practice Range closed until 10:00 A.M.  
3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday: Juniors Shoot, 8:00 A.M.  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday: High Power Practice, 7:00 A.M.  
(Member Ranges Closed)  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday: ICOR Match, 7:00 A.M.

March 27: Range clean up  
April 17<sup>th</sup>: NRA Pistol & Pers. Protection Instructors Class (Classroom), 8:00 A.M.  
April 18<sup>th</sup>: NRA Pistol & Pers. Protection Instructors Class (Range), 8:00 A.M.

## 911 Machine Gun Run

Charity Machine Gun Shoot and  
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T-Shirt and Tri-Tip Steak Dinner  
Magazines for each full-auto gun \$7 to \$20

For Information Please Contact:

*Badlands Custom Cycle*

140 Vesta St.  
Reno, Nevada

**775-826-0944**

In the planning stages at the present time is the "911 Machine Gun Run", a charity machine gun shoot and motorcycle run. Sponsored by His Royal Priesthood, a Christian based motorcycle club, through Badlands Custom Cycles of Reno, Nevada, all proceeds raised through this event will be donated to the Northern Nevada Food Bank.

This full auto event will feature a wide variety of full auto guns ranging from the infamous 1919 Thompson "Tommy Gun" to the more modern MP5

and MG 34. Last years event hosted over 40 sub-gun, motorcycle enthusiasts and expended well over 5000 combined rounds of ammunition. At the event, magazines of ammunition sell for between \$5 to \$20. Sponsor tickets for \$20 are being sold through Badlands Custom Cycle and include an event T-shirt and Tri-tip dinner. To reserve your tickets and see this most worthy event off to a great start, please contact: **Badlands Custom Cycle, 140 Vesta St. Reno, Nevada. 775-826-0944**

### **NRA Is On Target**

(NRA) The highly respected research firm Zogby International has conducted the first installment of its 2004 Zogby Values Poll, surveying 1,200 voters nationwide on issues that included firearms and hunting issues.

And the results will doubtless be surprising to both anti-hunters and gun ban activists.

Working with the Tower Center for Political Studies at Southern Methodist University and the O'Leary Report, Zogby's questions interestingly examine differences in thinking between people living in the states that voted for George Bush in 2000 (Red states) and Al Gore (Blue states).

Voters were asked: "Do you agree or disagree that American firearm manufacturers who sell a legal product that is not defective should be allowed to be sued if a criminal uses their products in a crime?"

Voters in both Red and Blue states strongly oppose such lawsuits-74 percent of the former and 72 percent of the latter. In fact, a majority in every demographic group opposed the lawsuits; the most strongly opposed, at 83 percent, were current members of the military and their families.

The survey also examined how Americans feel

about Right-to-Carry laws, with the pollster asking: "Currently 36 states have laws that allow residents to qualify for a permit to carry a firearm to protect themselves if they pass a background check, if they participate in firearms training and pay a fee to cover administrative costs. Do you feel this is a good law or a bad law?"

Voters overwhelmingly favor these self-protection laws by a margin of 79 percent to 18 percent. Right-to-carry drew more than 70-percent support in every demographic group, with even non-gun owners indicating their backing by 73 percent to 23 percent.

The survey also asked: "Which of the following two statements regarding gun control comes closer to your own opinion? Statement A: There needs to be new and tougher gun control legislation to help in the fight against gun crime; Statement B: There are enough laws on the books. What is needed is better enforcement of current laws regarding gun control."

By a better than two-to-one margin-66 percent to 31 percent-voters nationwide agreed with Statement B. Only self-identified "liberals" called for more laws, by a 53-percent to 44-percent margin. "Moderates" solidly favored better enforcement, 62 percent to 34 percent.

Voters were asked: "Do you agree the NRA is right to fight gun control on both the federal and state levels?" NRA's support stood at 64 percent, with a party affiliation breakdown showing Democrats siding with NRA 54 percent to 42 percent and Republicans 73 percent to 22 percent.

Voters were also asked about hunting: "Which of the following statements comes closer to your opinion? Statement A: Killing wild animals for food or sport is an American tradition and an essential part of wildlife management. Statement B: Hunting is a cruel sport and should be outlawed." Statement A was chosen by 92 percent of gun owners and 73 percent of non-gun owners.

The survey also addressed wildlife overpopulation, asking: "Some states in America are being overrun with growing populations of deer, bear or wolves. When this happens, which of the following do you feel is the best option to take? 1) The state should lengthen hunting seasons; 2) Non-lethal methods of control should be used; 3) People should learn to live with wildlife."

Lengthening hunting seasons was the overwhelming response, chosen by 61 percent of the voters, while only 18 percent said use non-lethal methods, and 16 percent opted for coexistence.

### **N.H. Senators Consider Repealing Permit Requirement**

(NRA) A new measure under consideration in the New Hampshire Senate would allow citizens to carry firearms without the permit now required.

"Society is safer when criminals don't know who is

armed," Sen. Norman Bernier, of Concord, told the Associated Press.

Right now, a woman who is threatened could be forced to wait up to 14 days to get a license to carry a firearm, Bernier said. Her attacker could kill her before then, he said.

Bernier added that making it harder to carry guns legally "creates a safe working environment for the robber and rapist."

### ***Editorials & Pot Shots***

The opinions expressed in the Letters to the Editor column are the views of the Author, and do not necessarily reflect the views of the Nevada State Rifle and Pistol Association, its officers or Directors, or any other party.

The Editor retains the right to edit all Letters to the Editor for length, content and grammar. The Nevada State Rifle and Pistol Association reserves the right not to publish letters, or responses to the same.

All comments in this typeface floating about this newsletter may be considered as from The Editor.

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### **NEVADA ASSOCIATION OF CERTIFIED FIREARMS INSTRUCTORS**

1819 No. Carson Street, Ste 3  
Carson City, Nevada 89701

To Whom it May Concern:

A few certified Instructors have gotten together and formed the above association, that has been Chartered by the Nevada Secretary of State.

We feel that it is necessary to preserve our rights protected under the second amendment and our state and local rights. Also for the purpose of insuring quality firearms instruction in the State of Nevada.

We feel, that by working together, we can have a positive effect in the formation of gun laws and regulations in our Great State.

Here are a few things we would like to do as a chartered organization.

It is our desire to work with the Sheriffs and Chiefs of Police Association and other agencies that certify

instructors and develop criteria for firearms training and licensing programs.

Assist the legislature in an advisory capacity when they are considering laws and rules that have an effect on all certified instructors and gun owners and Carry Concealed Weapons Permit (CCW) holders in the state of Nevada.

To assist youth groups in their shooting programs.

Assist agencies in developing training qualification and certification criteria.

Assist and support shooting clubs.

#### MEMBERSHIP ELEGIBILITY:

All instructors that are:

- Currently certified by a Law Enforcement Agency, a Military organization, active, guard or reserve, the NRA or other approved state or national agency or organization.
- Demonstrated the ability to create harmony in the shooting and firearms industry.
- Been supportive of the shooting fraternity.
- Are members of the Nevada State Rifle and Pistol Association.
- Are members of The National Rifle Association.

The chartered officers are:

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Executive, Nomination and Membership Committee;

Two of the Principal Officers

Two of the Board of Directors

Two Members at Large.

Elections to fill these positions will occur as soon as the membership is large enough.

Of course, we want your input on these and other issues that you may want to address.

In order to become a member, please submit a short resume to include your name, the type of certification and instructor experiences, copies of your certification(s) and membership cards to the above address.

Questions pertaining to this organization will be addressed by calling 775-721-2063 or Faxing, 775-

841-1191.

Respectfully,

Dwayne E. "Doc" Cottom

Charter President, NACFI

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#### Gun Ownership Saves Lives

From "Concealed Carry Magazine."

- Gun ownership also saves money. Nationwide, each one percent increase in the number of people owning guns reduces crime victim costs by over \$3 billion.
- Concealed handgun carry by private citizens reduces violent crimes, including rape, murder, aggravated assault and robbery, throughout the entire community and in surrounding communities.
- When a state passes a right-to-carry law, crime reduction is immediate and substantial, and crime-reduction benefits continue to grow the longer the law is in effect.
- The greater the number of concealed handgun permits issued, the greater the reduction in crime.
- Mass shootings in public places are reduced to virtually zero within four or five years after right-to-carry laws are passed – except in designated "gun-free" zones, such as schools, where self-defense is known to be prohibited.
- The largest drops in violent crime from concealed handgun carry occur in the most urban areas with the greatest populations and the highest crime rates.
- Citizens who do not carry guns benefit equally from the crime reduction that results when other citizens carry guns. The people who benefit most from this "halo" effect are women, children, the elderly and blacks.
- Of all the methods studied by economists, the carrying of concealed handguns is by far the most cost-effective method for reducing crime. Each and every concealed handgun permit issued reduces total economic losses to crime victims by \$3000 - \$5000.
- Accident and suicide rates are unaltered by the presence of concealed handguns.
- The effect of increased penalties for using a gun in the commission of a crime is small.
- The Brady Law, other mandated waiting periods, safe-storage laws and one-gun-a-month laws all increase crime, especially rape.
- Background checks, training requirements and age restrictions have no crime-reduction benefits.

## Nevada State Rifle and Pistol Association (NSRPA) Membership Application

Make payment to the Sec / Treasurer at: NSRPA, PO Box 7512, Reno NV 89510-7512; Tel: 775-762-1494

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### Membership Type

**Note: Membership not valid until approved.**

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NSRPA is a Nevada, Non-Profit Corporation. Your membership dues and contributions are Federally tax-deductible.

Individual Life and Silver, Gold or Diamond Ram Memberships: (Please circle your choice, and include your check.)

	Life	Silver	Gold	Diamond
Under age 21-	\$500	\$700	\$950	\$1200
21-30	\$480	\$680	\$930	\$1180
31-40	\$450	\$650	\$900	\$1150
41-45	\$420	\$620	\$870	\$1120
46-50	\$390	\$590	\$840	\$1090
51-55	\$360	\$560	\$810	\$1060
56-60	\$330	\$530	\$780	\$1030
61-Up	\$300	\$500	\$750	\$1000

(\*\*note\*\*) Individual Life Member may elect the deferred payment plan of 20% down with eight subsequent quarterly payments. Quarterly payments shall be due by March 30, June 30, September 30 and December 31 until the balance is paid. The Secretary shall establish the starting dates, which shall be no later than four and one half (4 ½) months after the application and initial payment is received, for each new Life or Ram Member's payment schedule. The Secretary will forward a payment agreement within 30 days after the application and initial payment is received.

If the member is already an Individual Life Member, \$200 may be deducted from an upgraded Individual Ram Membership price.

1. A conditional payment plan may be established for Ram life membership payments.
2. \$25.00 of the Full Life Membership payment or the conditional first payment for any conditional memberships shall go to the General Fund to process the membership. The balance of the payments shall go to the Life Fund.
3. Conditions of Annual membership payments, Full Life Payments, Deferred Life Payments and Deferred Ram Program Payments: No refund of payments. All payments credit the General Fund except as otherwise noted. Deferred Life or Ram membership credentials shall be held by the Secretary until the account payment record is complete. The payment schedule shall be completed within two years.

**Opinion/Essay:** (Mark Robertson. Editor)

I found a book, "The Wisdom of John and Abigail Adams," that has a few things worth noticing. Here is one of them:

"Yesterday the greatest question was decided, which ever was debated in America, and a greater perhaps, never was or will be decided among Men... It is the Will of Heaven, that the two Countries should be sundered forever. It may be the Will of Heaven that America shall suffer Calamities still more wasting and Distresses yet more dreadful. If this is to be the Case, it will have this good Effect at least: it will inspire Us with many Virtues, which We have not, and correct many Errors, Follies, and Vices, which threaten to disturb, dishonors, and destroy Us. The Furnace of Affliction produces Refinement, in States as well as Individuals. And the new Governments we are

assuming, in every Part, will require a Purification from our Vices, and an Augmentation of our Virtues or they will be no Blessings. The People will have unbounded Power. And the People are extremely addicted to Corruption and Venality, as well as the Great. I am not without Apprehensions from this Quarter. But I must submit all my Hopes and Fears, to an overruling Providence, in which, unfashionable as the Faith may be, I firmly believe.

John Adams to Abigail Adams.

3 July 1776"

As a glance at the current news will show, calamities still beset us. Both from without and within. I have written some about this over the last few issues, and lacking space here will forbear. Suffice to say we still need the guidance of Providence to see us through. Despite, and because of, what some are trying to do to our society.

**You Might Be A Gun Nut If...**

... your wife tells you that you can't subscribe to any more gun magazines until you do something with all the old ones you're keeping.

... most local gun shops know you by name. You're friends with 90%-100% of the employee's at every one of those shops. When you stop in, they ask you questions like "how was work?", "how's the wife and kids", "we're gonna order some food, ya want in?", etc...

... your other friends refuse to see ANY films containing firearms with you.

**Submissions:**

Submission are snail-mailed, or e-mailed directly. The preferred format is 'Word Document' but other text documents can be read/downloaded directly. As usual, the Nevada Marksman reserves the right to edit for length and content. I.E. Not all that is submitted will be used.

**Length:** News items: 500 words, give or take. Articles: Varies, depending on content and need.

**Images:** Black and White preferred. Color prints will be scanned to gray-scale.

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Thanks.

The Editor

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