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**2015 Service Rifle State Championship**

**Racine County Line Rifle Club**

**August 8, 2015 - Racine WI**

Wisconsin FORCE thanks all Match Officials and workers for their hard work. Match Director Steve Suhr and crew did a great job.

Congratulations to the winners and all who competed.

Winners received a trophy, Wisconsin FORCE cap and AR15 keychain bottle opener. The State Champion also received a DuraCoat finish kit, compliments of DuraCoat. More on page 6



**2015 Wisconsin FORCE Junior Raffle**  
**CMP Garand Winner - Bill Albright - Appleton, WI**

Drawn August 8, 2015



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**2015 Wisconsin FORCE Junior Raffle -- All Proceeds support the Wisconsin FORCE Juniors – West**



**Stevens Model 520 Tactical 12 ga. Shotgun** Used – Unfired Like New Condition

Drawing Aug. 30, 2015 **\$10 per ticket 3/\$20 Limited to 300 Tickets!**

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**Contact** Chris Petersen 608-386-6990. Must be 18 years of age to win.

### From the Executive Director

1993 was my first year at Camp Perry. I had little or no experience in shooting a rifle match, shooting past 300 yards, and having only shot at 600 once or twice before. Did I hit the target? Sure, but with little to no support at my home club, I was very ignorant of the things needed to compete. I was a regular competitor in USPSA (action) matches and wanted to shoot service rifle so I registered with the Civilian Marksmanship Program, then called the Department of Civilian Marksmanship (DCM), to shoot the Presidents 100 and National Trophy Individual (NTI, "Leg Match"). My first year's experience? Awesome. I rented a bunk in an old WWII prisoner of war hut at Camp Perry Ohio, the home of the Nation's since 1907. I was bunking with three strangers, some I still see each year at the matches, that were extremely helpful and supportive. That support continued right out onto the range. Everyone was great, and I have not missed a year since then. If you shoot in Wisconsin, you will be able to shoot with some of the best in the country along with many of our nation's heroes that serve or have served in the military. Camp Perry takes you to another level. You will very likely shoot with or be next to a top shooter, military shooter or with a vet. This year during the NRA National Match Championships I was squaded next to a Vietnam Vet (Hero). Ira had several purple hearts and still has a bullet in his hip and shrapnel from a Chinese 20mm Rocket in his leg from a battle near Khe Sanh, that is now working its way out (he showed me the lumps on his leg). In the pits, two days later, a piece of shrapnel decided to work its way out through an artery! The match was stopped and a medic applied a tourniquet to stop the bleeding. Not wanting to risk a rough ride in a Humvee or commercial ambulance, they brought in a helicopter from a Toledo hospital and flew him out, our prayers going with him. After being patched up, the next day he was back, shooting the match. I asked him, "They let you out?" He replied he wanted to shoot the match! Can you say Marine? Camp Perry should be on your bucket list!



Teach Freedom – Jeff



### Have a great time while supporting our shooting heritage!

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### 2015 Wisconsin FORCE Outdoor State Championship Bulls-eye Pistol Championships – August 29 - 30

Beloit Rifle Club, Beloit WI - For More information go to [www.beloitrifleclub.org](http://www.beloitrifleclub.org)

Click on Calendar or Disciplines/ Bullseye - [Match Program](#)

Contact: Contact Rick Hartman at 608-362-9774



### Area 5 USPSA Championship – Aug. 27-30, 2015 - Winnequah Gun Club, W10219 Larson Dr., Lodi, WI 53555

Come join the competition at the Winnequah Gun Club August 27-30, for the 2015 USPSA Area 5 Championship! We still have some limited room. The Area 5 Championship is a USPSA Level III annual championship pistol match. The course of fire consists of 14 stages of competition including a low light stage in our indoor range, and a chrono stage.

Round count is 315 rounds. The match fee is \$175 for an adult or \$75 for a Junior with paid adult. We still have some limited 'self squadding' available. Match can be shot in one full day or two half days. Call for availability.

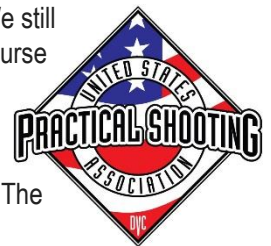
USPSA is an exciting and safe sport that requires a competitor to deal with a variety of challenging shooting stages. The competitor is timed and your success is measured in a combination of speed, accuracy, and power.

Winnequah Gun Club is a beautiful facility situated on 410 historic acres between Lodi and Harmony Grove. The folks at Winnequah always put on a first class event, so if you are looking for a professionally run tournament with a wealth of quality competitors, you have found your match. If you don't wish to compete, but want to see what USPSA competition is all about, stop by and watch the action. There will be plenty of action. Who knows? Next year you could be among the competitors.

If you do come by to spectate, be sure to bring and wear eye and ear protection.

Questions? Contact Dan Pawlak, Match Director, at [dpawlak58@gmail.com](mailto:dpawlak58@gmail.com) or at 608-345-8540

Note - Jeff Nass: You can shoot with me on Friday, August 28. There are currently slots available on my squad. After signing up, go to self-squadding.- Squad 17



### Promote Safety, Wisconsin FORCE, and your club or business

Pictured is the safety flag that Dave from Holub Machine and Repair gives to each of his customers. The cost is only \$0.60 each when you order 250. You can also order them at \$0.50 each without your logo – 50 piece minimum.

Improve safety and give your deer rifle site-in customers a valuable tool to help ensure a safe hunt and range experience. Please contact Jeff at [jeff@wisconsinforce.org](mailto:jeff@wisconsinforce.org) or (920) 687-0505 to order or with any questions.

# The Sound of Freedom is heard here!

## Education, Training, Safety, & Marksmanship

### On the Range - Jeff Nass

Wisconsin FORCE is again working on another bill that will again enhance range protection in the state of Wisconsin. We also are your source for guidance when upgrading your range(s). Our advice is based on site, use, and club, needs and wants. Your leadership makes the final call, but we help them by giving ideas and pointing out potential problems. Our goal is to continue to have the best ranges and accessibility in the country.

We can guide you on the state laws and connect you directly with the great minds at NRA legal when needed.

Wisconsin FORCE is your resource for range upgrades, improvements, and expansions. Wisconsin FORCE is the best resource in Wisconsin for range advice which can save you headaches and much needed funds. Contact us first and throughout your project to utilize the wealth of experience.

For Range and Club issues contact Jeff at [jeff@wisconsinforce.org](mailto:jeff@wisconsinforce.org) / 920-687-0505

### Not for Profit, doesn't mean, Not Prepared!

1. Always keep the gun pointed in a safe direction.
2. Always keep your finger off the trigger until ready to shoot.
3. Always keep the gun unloaded until ready to use.
4. Always treat a firearm as if it were loaded.

## Wisconsin FORCE in Madison – 2015

### Knife Bill

Wisconsin FORCE continues to work with Representative Bernier on passage of Assembly Bill 142. The bill eliminates unnecessary burdens on the use of humankind's first tool -- a tool carried by Wisconsinites across the state on a daily basis.

**Wisconsin FORCE has its eye on Madison – Always!** Please do your part and support Wisconsin FORCE, the state's lead organization in protecting our future. Please use the donation form on the last page or go to [donations](#) on the website.

## The Need for National Reciprocity - Minnesota

Because Minnesota politicians took advice from very poor source(s) when writing their concealed carry laws, many non-residents use non-resident Utah permits that were, up until just recently, accepted in Minnesota. Minnesota's wisdom continues. Wisconsinites will again have to travel to Minnesota and get a Minnesota Permit to Carry. Please [Click Here](#) to see the details.

## Pistol Competition – Pistol Coordinator Rob Kovach

Wisconsin's pistol shooters have a lot to look forward to at the end of August: The Wisconsin FORCE State Pistol Championships for Bullseye/Precision pistol at Beloit Rifle Club is on August 29 and 30, and for Action Pistol, the USPSA Area 5 Action Pistol Championships are being held at Winnequah Gun Club from August 27-31.

This year's outdoor conventional pistol season saw much higher participation than in previous years with full or nearly full firing lines at several venues. Several new shooters and familiar faces from all over the state had lots of fun shooting.

Wisconsin was well represented at the National Pistol Championships at Camp Perry, Ohio this year. Honorable mentions to Bo Marciniv with a 9th place in Sharpshooter Class, George Potter with 5th Place in Marksman Class, and Steve Monroe for bringing home a President's 100 award for Wisconsin. Scott Soik also turned in an impressive 1st Place finish for his 198-10x in the .45 timed-fire match.

Two Wisconsin Pistol Teams represented Wisconsin well with "Lambeau's Rambos" scoring 1st in .22, Centerfire, and 3rd place in .45 in the Sharpshooter class. Team "Not So Badger" dominated all three stages in the Marksman class.

Be sure to check the Wisconsin FORCE calendar and "find NRA near you" search engine to find more end-of-the-season matches while the weather holds out for outdoor shooting. The indoor pistol season is right around the corner.

As always, contact me with any questions about pistol shooting--I'll do my best to get you an answer!

Email: [kovach\\_robert@hotmail.com](mailto:kovach_robert@hotmail.com) or 608-445-6816



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## CMP CANCELS AUGUST MINNESOTA GAMES EVENT

Gopher Rifle & Revolver Club will still be hosting a Vintage match Saturday Aug. 22 and a Leg match August 23..

CAMP PERRY, OH – The Civilian Marksmanship Program has canceled the 2015 Minnesota CMP Games event scheduled for August 19-23 at the Gopher Rifle & Revolver Club near the city of Harris.

“Unfortunately, registrations for the matches and clinics are falling short of our expectations, and it’s necessary for us to redirect our resources in August,” said Christie Sewell, CMP’s Programs Chief.

“We thank the management of the Gopher Rifle & Revolver Club for organizing the event, but sometimes our best laid plans do not pan out,” she said. Refunds will be provided to all competitors who registered and paid for the event in advance.



### Wisconsin FORCE Junior Service Rifle Team – Sara Holub

Next year, the Wisconsin Junior Service Rifle Team will have a different look. For the past six years, Dan Hall of Green Bay, Wisconsin has been a mainstay of the team. This is Dan's last year as a junior. When Dan was 10 years old, his uncle Bob, a highpower shooter, brought him to Nicolet Rifle Club for small bore night. Dan excelled, and soon joined the De Pere Sportsman Club. Dan was soon winning matches and competing on the national level at Camp Perry and Colorado Springs. Dan's work in small bore and air rifle netted him a scholarship to join the shooting team at Moorhead State University.



At 14, Dan added highpower to his resume. At 15, Dan made his first trip to the National Trophy Rifle Matches. (Dan's Senior picture above) Dan's experience in smallbore made him an offhand machine in high power. Over six trips to Camp Perry with the Wisconsin Juniors, Dan's impressive resume included: three top ten finishes in the National Junior Trophy Team Match including a third place finish in 2014, making the President's 100, making the National Junior 6 Man Team, anchoring the third place junior National Trophy Team Match in 2015, winning the Camp Perry Air15 Challenge, and earning his Distinguished Rifleman's Badge (pictured below).



Perhaps Dan's greatest contribution to junior shooting in Wisconsin was his tenacity. Five years ago, there was no Wisconsin Junior Rifle Team. Dan, along with Joey Sabah and then first year coach Kaleb Hall, took it upon themselves to enter a two man team at Camp Perry. With no direction or outside support, the team finished 7th out of 80 teams. This group's dedication to high power inspired adult shooters around the state to form the Wisconsin FORCE CMP Juniors. Without Dan, Joey, and Kaleb, the current program would likely not exist.

While Wisconsin FORCE CMP Juniors will miss having Dan on the team, we thank him for his dedication to the program, and we look forward to welcoming him back as a coach in 2016.

**You are invited to the fifth annual Governor's Small Business Summit**, set for Eau Claire on Wednesday, September 9, 2015. Join Governor Scott Walker, Lt. Governor Rebecca Kleefisch, and leaders from across the public and private sectors for an engaging, energizing day focused on job creation for Wisconsin's small and medium businesses. Registration is only \$50, including lunch, and seats are limited and filling up fast, registration deadline is August 31st—head to [www.WisconsinSummit.com](http://www.WisconsinSummit.com) today to register.

## Wisconsin FORCE Junior Service Rifle Team - How YOU can Help

Plans are already being made for the 2016 Nationals. Next year's calendar has not been set and there will be changes. Tentatively, the National Trophy Rifle Matches will run Saturday-Saturday (July 23-July 30 or July 30-August 6), instead of Tuesday-Wednesday. Please consider attending all or some of the week. Attendance during the team phase (Wednesday-Friday) would be most helpful.

As you know, the Wisconsin Junior Service Rifle team is completely run by volunteers. We have had great support, but we cannot expect the same level of support from those few people year after year. In order to maintain the quality of team activities, we need to spread the work around to more people. Please consider volunteering for one or more of the following duties:

If you can travel to Camp Perry, your help could be used in:

- \*Arranging helpers and coaches for team matches
- \*Chaperoning junior shooters
- \*Picking up team cards from the CMP office
- \*Pulling pits, scoring or coaching
- \*Serving as "Captain Fun" (organizing trips into town for ice cream or other team activities)
- \*Arranging clean-up (KP) schedule for juniors to help after dinner each night
- \*Packing lunches for pit pullers on team match days
- \*Tending the lunch cooler and state/team flags on the range

If you are unable to attend Camp Perry, you could help by:

- \*Donating money to hire a pit puller for the team matches (we usually have volunteers, but if we need to hire helpers, they are paid between \$100 and \$250)
- \*Helping shooters find transportation to Camp Perry
- \*Organizing paperwork for the tune up match
- \*Running the line/pits or doing match registration for the team tune up match
- \*Helping with junior team practices prior to Camp Perry

If you are unable to help the team participation at Camp Perry, or have little shooting experience, you could:

- \*Organize sales of team raffle tickets (Sara and Dave would get the tickets and arrange the prize- you would keep track of tickets and distribute them to team members to sell)
- \*Scheduling juniors and supervision to work at gun shows (only in your area or across the state)
- \*Write monthly updates for the Wisconsin FORCE Trigger newsletter
- \*Take pictures at local and state matches
- \*Collect team paperwork (CMP Waivers, Team Contracts, and medical forms)
- \*Store (indoors) the team trailer during the fall, winter, and spring months
- \*Solicit donations for the team (equipment, ammunition components, money, etc.)

To volunteer, donate or for more information contact Dave and Sara at [juniorservice@wisconsinforce.org](mailto:juniorservice@wisconsinforce.org)

## Store Owner uses Semi-automatic Rifle to Repel Armed Robbers, WISN - 07/27/15

Rami Murrar, owner of Bouchard's clothing store in Milwaukee, Wisc., was tending to his establishment when at around 4 a.m. a van smashed into the security doors and concrete posts protecting his store. A daring organized heist; after the van broke through the doors, three armed men attempted to gain access to the store. Murrar responded to the threat by retrieving a semi-automatic rifle and firing at the armed intruders, striking one and causing all to flee. A short time later police caught up with one of the suspected robbers at a local hospital. Following the incident, Murrar told a local news outlet, "It was a lot of guys out there. So I believe if they would've gotten through that door, I would've been dead, so that's the reason I reached for my gun." Despite his successful experience with armed self-defense, Murrar made clear he did not relish the position he was placed in and showed mercy towards his attackers, stating, "I'm glad the guy made it. Again, I didn't come to work that night or that day to kill somebody, so I hope he recovers from what happened, and he learns a lesson and be a good message for all the young guys out there." (WISN, Milwaukee, Wis. 07/27/15, WITI, Milwaukee, Wis. 07/27/15)

<http://www.wisn.com/news/man-charged-after-brazen-robbery-attempt-at-bouchards/34378820>

<http://fox6now.com/2015/07/27/video-shows-attempted-burglary-shooting-at-bouchards-owner-says-i-dont-come-to-work-to-have-a-shootout/>

## Hawaii: Honolulu Police Department to Destroy Guns Worth \$500,000 – 8/10/15 – NRA/ILA

The Honolulu Police Department and City of Honolulu recently decided it will destroy \$500,000 worth of fully-functioning handguns, rather than selling them for revenue. This decision comes after the department signed a contract for new service handguns to be used by officers. By destroying these guns, the City is throwing away nearly half-a-million dollars of tax-payer money over the irrational fear that these guns will "[end up on the streets of Honolulu.](#)" This assumption appears to be in line with an anti-gun agenda. Further, the department doesn't even trust the highly trained HPD officers to purchase their own previously used service guns back for personal use, let alone private citizens looking to exercise their constitutional rights.

At this time, it is undetermined how much tax payer money is going to be spent by the city of Honolulu to destroy these firearms, some of which are brand new and still in their boxes. This is a poor use of Honolulu's tax-payer money and resources. *continued on next page*

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Law-abiding gun owners should be allowed to purchase these surplus handguns and bring nearly \$500,000 of revenue to the city. Please contact Mayor Caldwell and voice your disappointment in the way the city is handling this situation.

Mayor Caldwell (808) 768-4141 [Contact the Mayor Website](#)

## 2015 Wisconsin FORCE Service Rifle State Championship



Match Winner: Tim Klauer (IL) 787-30 x



### State Champions

High Master: Jim Schonke 772-19 x

High Expert: Brandon Swanson (WI-NG) 772-19x

High Sharpshooter/Marksman: Riley Stewart 745-9 x

High Woman: Sarah Holub 735-9 x

High Junior: Josh Hanrahan 771-18 x

High Senior: Dave Holub 752-11 x

Picture left, Match Director Steve Suhr and High Woman and Wisconsin FORCE President Sara Holub.

Pictured right, Steve and High Junior: Josh Hanrahan



### Service Rifle LEG Match - Racine County Line Rifle Club - August 9, 2015 - Racine WI

(Unofficial, until confirmed by the CMP) Winners will receive a medal from the CMP.

Match Winner: Tim Klauer 485 - 20x

Earning LEG Points: Silver: Liam McKenna 482-11x - Bronze: Bryan Wulff 477-10x - Bronze: Brian Rautanen 475-10x

First Leather: Riley Stewart 474-9x -- No CMP Award but received 1000 small rifle primers from Holub Machining



Picture left to right: Riley Stewart, Bryan Wulff, Tim Klauer, Brian Rautanen, Liam McKenna

### Ron Johnson introduces Armed Forces Self-Defense Act - 7/28/15

WASHINGTON — Sen. Ron Johnson (R-Wis.), chairman of the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, introduced a bill Tuesday to end the restriction on service members carrying certain firearms on military installations. The bill, the Armed Forces Self-Defense Act, would:

- Ensure that qualified, trained and certified military personnel will be permitted to carry their privately owned firearms on military installations, including reserve centers and recruitment offices.
- Codify current policy that Department of Defense personnel shall be appropriately armed and have the inherent right to self-defense.
- Make it the stated policy of the Department of Defense to permit trained military personnel to carry personal firearms while on military installations in the United States.
- Repeal any specific provisions within conflicting regulations, directives, rules or orders that restrict or prohibit members from carrying personal firearms on military installations. *continued on the next page*



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The bill addresses an apparent rise in the targeting of military facilities in the United States. CNN recently reported that “nearly a third of the 119 Americans accused of plotting an attack inside the United States since 9-11 were alleged to have plotted to attack U.S. military targets.” Johnson commented in particular on the possibility that a service member who were to use a weapon to defend against such an attack could be disciplined. “These are heroes,” Johnson said. “We entrust them to defend us. They shouldn’t be left vulnerable when it comes to defending themselves and their fellow soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines. This shortsighted regulation has failed and resulted in enough casualties.” Johnson said he plans to work with other senators to advance his legislation. “There are a lot of ideas floating around on the best way to address this problem,” he said. “Other members have proposals in mind. I plan to collaborate and ensure we get a bill with all the best ideas that a bipartisan group of senators can rally around to deter future terrorist attacks on military personnel.”

Related Files [S. 1821 Armed Forces Self Defense Act.pdf](#) (542.6 KBs) [AFSDA One Pager.pdf](#) (547.2 KBs)

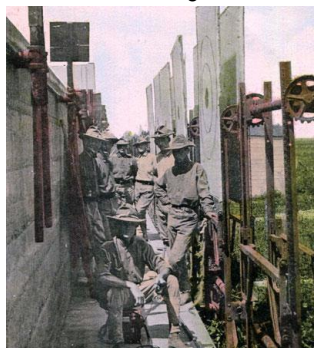
## A Short History of American Target Development and Evolution NRA SI - Hap Rocketto – 7/5/15



The first competitive shooting target in the United States was little more than a black circle drawn on a blazed tree trunk with a piece of charcoal pulled from a campfire. Frontiersmen would pace off a distance, perhaps eight, nine, or ten rods, shoot three or five shots at the mark, insert pegs into the holes, and stretch a string around them. In the end, the rifleman with the shortest string was the winner.

With the formation of the National Rifle Association of America in 1871, long range target shooting changed remarkably. Riflemen would assemble at the NRA Range at Creedmoor, Long Island, and launch massive .45-caliber 530 grain soft lead bullets, propelled by 90 grains of black powder at a stately 1400 feet per second, towards iron plates arranged at up to 1000 yards. Even before the smoke cleared, the clanging of the lead slug against the metal target gave a satisfying feeling to competitors on the firing line waiting for the target marker to signal the location and value of the shot.

At 200 and 300 yards they shot at the "third class" target, a six-foot by four-foot cast iron slab with an eight-inch black bullseye worth five points, four points were earned by hitting the 26-inch "center" ring. A hit inside a 46-inch circle was an "inner" or "magpie", worth three points, while any shot outside of the rings, but still on the target face, was worth two points and called an "outer."



*The "pits" were dug in front of the target. For 25¢ a session, young men would mark the shot location and value with a paddle and then, with a brush attached to a long stick, dab a little paint over the pockmark to offer a clean target for the marksman's next shot.*

The "second class" target was used at 400 to 600 yards. Painted on a six-foot by six-foot plate was a 22-inch bullseye which was surrounded by a 38-inch "center", a 54-inch "inner" and, a 70-inch "outer." Anything outside of the rings was a miss. Beyond 600 yards, they aimed at a "first class" target; a six-foot tall 12-foot wide rectangle of cast iron. The 36-inch bullseye was surrounded by a 54-inch concentric "center" circle. A six-foot square surrounded the circles and formed the "inner". The "outer" was a three-foot by six-foot wing on each end. A deep pit, from which comes our modern term for the area where targets are serviced, was dug in front of the target.

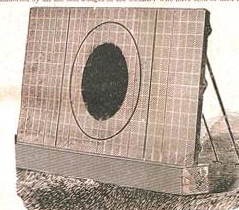
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Cast iron targets were the norm in competitive shooting, prior to the advent of paper targets.

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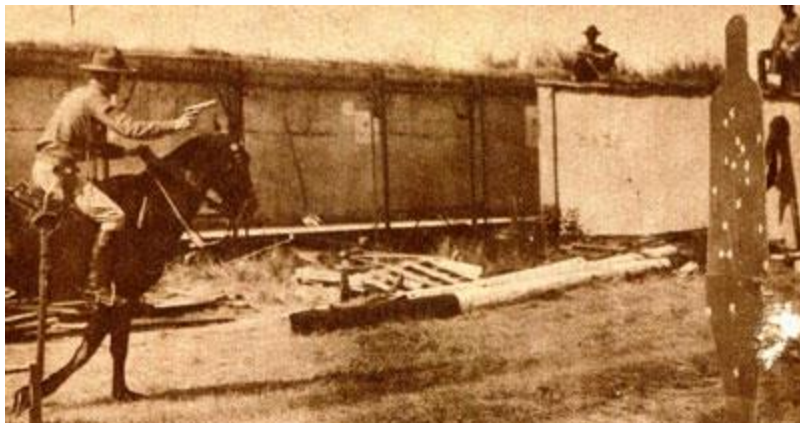
In it crouched, according to A.H. Gildersleeve, one of the Gilded Age's prominent long range shots and an NRA President—an "intelligent country boy" working as a target marker. For as much as 25¢ a session, a princely sum at the time, the lad would mark the shot location and value with a paddle and then, with a brush attached to a long stick, dab a little paint over the pockmark to offer a clean target for the marksman's next shot. A simple code that was used for scoring consisted of colored discs that communicated a shot's value.

### **From Iron to Paper**

With the introduction of printed paper targets, the iron target faded away and the more familiar window sash target frame became popular for its practicality and economy. The Sliding, or Brinton Target, so called because it was first employed on the Brinton Rifle Range, near Elizabeth, NJ, is a familiar piece of range equipment, virtually unchanged for six generations, to military and civilian riflemen alike.

*As late as World War II, U.S. Cavalry troopers were required to shoot dismounted, single handed, at 15 and 20 yards on the Army Target "L". After they qualified on foot, they would then repeat the course of fire, this time astride a horse at the gallop.*

Paper targets were fixed to a heavy muslin, called target cloth, using wheat paste. Pastors, named for the glue used to apply them, were patches of black or buff colored paper used to cover shot holes. Later some unknown innovator developed the "Paster, Target, Gummed," a 42-foot coil of black or buff colored paper, one inch wide with perforations every inch, packed into a 1¾-square pasteboard box. One side was covered with a rather peculiar tasting mucilage that hinted of horse hoof and abattoir with a rough tannic finish. One simply tore off a one inch square, moistened it with the tongue, and patched the hole with what generations of riflemen came to know as "Lick 'em and Stick 'em" pasters. Self-adhesive pasters became common in the early 1880s. Competitor's tongues rejoiced.



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Ammunition quality of the era improved with the advent of the Model 1903 Springfield rifle. Concurrently, the Target "A", for 200 and 300 yards, replaced the third class target with a black center, 12 inches in diameter, worth five points, a 24-inch four ring, and a 36-inch three ring. Shooters were soon racking up perfect scores and a method to break ties was required

so, in 1922, a six-inch scoring ring was inserted into the target's center to solve the problem. Some classically trained soldiers, who were familiar with both the five ring target and the Latin language, recalled that five in the ancient tongue was represented by a "V" and that would be a good designation for the new ring.

At 600 yards riflemen now took aim at a 20-inch five, 37-inch four and 53-inch three ring Target "B" mounted on a six-foot square frame. The 1,000 yard Target "C" retained the same appearance as the old Class One target but with a 36-inch bullseye, 54-inch four ring, six-foot square three rectangle, with two-foot by six-foot wings worth two points.

September 2, 1958 was a watershed day in high power history when Marine Corps Technical Sergeant Michael Pietroforte shot the first possible 250X250 score on the National Match Course. The icing on the cake was that he did it in the premier High Power Match, the National Trophy Individual Match (NTI) at the National Matches. It was the first sign that the target was being overtaken by advances in firearm and ammunition technology and improved training techniques. By the early 1960s perfect scores on the 5V target at all distances, if not always in the aggregate, became a regular enough occurrence to warrant designing a more discriminating target.

The 5V target was military in origin and design, and so a committee of anonymous soldiers, perhaps from the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit or the Infantry School, met and came up with the "Military Target, Rifle, Competition, Short Range" which was designated as "SR", for short range. In keeping with classical tradition, the tie-breaking ring inside of the ten ring was designated as the X-ring. The new target used the Minute of Angle (MOA) as its base of measurement. A MOA is a unit of angular measurement equal to 1/60th of a degree. At one hundred yards, a minute of angle subtends 1.047 inches. Shooters commonly round this distance to one inch, calling it "one minute", and use it as the standard for measuring the accuracy of a firearm. The quest for the Holy Grail of shooting, such as a rifle and ammunition combination that will shoot a group of less than one minute, seems never ending.

The SR target, with its six scoring rings, three-inch X through 37-inch five ring, made its first appearance in competition in 1967. As originally designed, the SR target had a 13-inch/6.5 minute MOA aiming black, X through nine ring, at 200 yards but it was also used for 300 yard rapid fire where it had a four MOA aiming black. The MR-1 target—MR stands for Mid-Range—used at 600 yards, had a 24-inch/four MOA aiming black from the X through eight ring.

In 1980, it was determined that the aiming black at 300 and 600 yards was too small. In response, the SR target's aiming black was expanded to the eight ring, creating a new target for 300 yards, the SR-3. The MR-1's black was expanded to cover the X-ring to the seven ring.

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The 1,000 yard 5V target "C" eventually went the way of the "A" and "B" as a domestic competition target in 1974. It was replaced by the NRA Experimental 1,000 yard target center which debuted in the 1975 Leech and Wimbledon Matches.

The original LR target has a six-foot by six-foot buff background upon which appears a ten-inch/one MOA X-ring, a 20-inch/two MOA ten ring, a 30-inch/three MOA nine ring, and a 44-inch/4.4 MOA eight ring. All shots outside of the eight ring hitting the background paper were scored a seven. In 1979, "Experimental" was dropped from the target's nomenclature and a 60-inch/six MOA seven ring was added. Hits on the remaining target face are worth six points. The Palma Council adopted the LR target in 1992 for all future Palma competitions.

Two of the most common smallbore outdoor competitive rifle targets, the 50-yard A-23 and the 100 yard A-25 are currently proportional with a four MOA aiming point. Such was not always the case. Taking his lead from Great Britain's Society of Miniature Rifle Clubs (SMRC) National Match Director Ned Crossman, used the SMRC's "Roberts" targets at the first United States National Smallbore Championship held at Caldwell, NJ, in 1919. The use of the SMRC's rules and targets by the United States was more than a matter of convenience. Crossman was also the Dewar Team Captain and wanted the United States team to be familiar with the target used in the prestigious International Prone Postal Match sponsored by the SMRC. The only difference between the targets was the size of the aiming black. The English target's aiming black only went out to the nine ring while the U.S. target's black encompassed the eight ring.

The scoring rings, originally called counting rings, for the 100 yard target, were the same in 1919 as they are today with a two-inch ten ring, called a 'carton' by the British. There was no X-ring to break ties at the time but the one-inch X circle, or 'inner carton', would be introduced in 1933 by the British and would be a regular feature on U.S. targets by 1938. The 50-yard target's dimensions were exactly one half of the 100 yard target and would remain so until 1927 when the dimensions, again following the SMRC lead, were reduced by 0.11 inches, half of the diameter of a bullet, which made the targets proportional.

The X-ring of the A-21 is one inch in diameter, one MOA. However, NRA Smallbore Rule 14.3(a) states that, "A shot hole, the lead edge of which comes in contact with the outside of the bullseye or scoring ring of a target, is giving the higher value." This means that in edge scoring, a shot scored as an X can have its center as far as 0.11 inches away from the edge of the ring. If you have two such shots, one at three o'clock and one at nine o'clock the X-ring dimension is actually 1.22 inches. This explains why the 50-yard X-ring is 0.39 inches in diameter for 0.39 inches plus 0.22 inches is 0.61 inches; one half of the 100 yard nominal X-ring diameter.



Some of the early paper targets were not circular, but elliptical. The earliest Distinguished Marksman Badges display the elliptical targets that were used in these early days, rather than the modern circular target. Source: *Marksmanship in the US Army* by William Emerson.

The A-26 smallbore target is a 1/6th reduction of the ISSF 300-meter target used at 50 meters in conventional prone shooting. It came to the United States in 1933 as the required target for the Rheinische-Westfalischen-Sprengstoff Challenge Trophy sponsored by the German ammunition company of the same name. Originally produced without an X-ring, it had one added in 1946 when a tie-breaking mechanism was needed as shooters began to clean it regularly. Its black was expanded to the X-ring in 1948.

The most ubiquitous of all smallbore rifle targets is the NRA 50-foot A-17, the "Bucket Bull." There is probably not a rifle shooter in the United States who has not shot at least one match on this venerable icon of smallbore competition. Originally it was called the "50-Foot Slow-Fire" target and its dimensions have never varied, although in its early days the aiming black only extended to the 1.150-inch seven ring as opposed to the current 2.483-inch X-ring.

Prior to the familiar format of a center sighting bull surrounded by a guard ring and ten record bulls arranged in three columns, the bulls were arranged in alternating rows of three and two with no sighting bull. The A-17 also exists in two training and qualification formats as the A-1/TQ-1, which is a single bull, out to a two ring on a seven-inch by nine-inch card, and the five bull A-5/TQ-5 on the same size card.

The now obsolete A-36 "Dot" target, used in international gallery competitions for so many years, was replaced in 2006 by the USA/NRA 50, a scaled down version of the current ISSF 50-meter target containing ten record bulls. Two sighting bullseyes surrounded by a guard box with black triangles in the upper right corner of the guard box, to prevent confusion with record bulls, fill the center of the target. In the center of the bullseye is a barely visible dot representing the ten ring but the dimensions are such that edge scoring is impossible. The only accurate way to score tens is to use an outward scoring plug. The outward plug has a large flange around the 22-caliber plug and if the outer edge of the flange does not exceed the outside edge of the seven ring the shot is scored a ten.

U.S. Cavalry troops were required to shoot dismounted on the Army Target "L". Even though they carried sabers and carbines, revolvers and pistols were the primary arms of the cavalry. Just as foretop men aloft in the rigging during the days of sail was admonished, "One hand for yourself and one for the ship," so it was with the cavalryman, one hand for the horse and one for the pistol and that is why conventional pistol shooting is a one handed affair. After qualifying on foot, troops were required to repeat the course of fire while on their horse.

*Source: "Fanciful Target" 15th Infantry Sentinel cover July 15, 1927.*

The Army Target "L" was pretty big, six feet tall and four feet wide. A five-inch aiming black, worth ten points was surrounded by seven concentric circles at intervals of 8.5 inches, 12 inches, 15.5 inches, 19 inches, 22.5 inches, 26 inches, and 46 inches and of descending value nine through three points. Any hits on the remainder of the frame were worth two points.



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On the left side were large numbers, five through two, from top to bottom, and six through nine on the right for scoring purposes. The conventional pistol is fired both outdoors, at 25 and 50 yards, and in the gallery, at 50 feet, using .22 caliber, centerfire-usually a .38-caliber pistol but the use of a .45 caliber is also quite common, and .45-caliber handguns. The pistol National Match Course (NMC) is the fundamental match from which all others are derived. The NMC features a slow fire stage-ten shots in ten minutes, followed by a timed fire stage-ten shots in two strings of five shots each in 20 seconds, and a final rapid fire stage shot like the timed fire stage but with just ten seconds for each string.

The slow fire pistol gallery target, the B-2, fired at 50 feet is a reduction of the 50-yard Standard American Target, the B-6, with a three-inch black aiming point. Fifty foot timed and rapid fire is shot on the same target, the B-3, which is slightly larger than the B-2 with the aiming black extending to the nine ring.

The 25-yard targets are all the same with the one exception being the size of the aiming black. For slow fire the B-16 has a black 5.32 inches in diameter while the timed and rapid fire B-8 has a smaller, 2.6-inch aiming black. The 50 yard Standard American Target, B-6, used for slow fire has black filling all rings through the eight. Outdoor pistol targets, like high power, also have replacement centers and can be hand printed on paper or tagboard, which is a light cardboard.

#### Conclusion

The evolution of targets continues to meet the needs of the competitor measuring his skills. Double Distinguished Smallbore Rifleman and noted shooting historian Paul Nordquist (see Paul's article on Guns of the 1920s in last month's issue ) mused that, "The target is a measuring device one used to measure the abilities of a shooter. As with all measuring devices you pick the one most suitable to the task. No matter which one you pick there is an element of arbitrariness involved."

With that in mind, and with all of what has been said about target development and evolution, there is one constant through all the years of organized competitive marksmanship in the United States. The object of the game has always been to hit the center of the circle. Dimensions of the target and aiming black, width of the rings, or the distance at which the target is engaged matters not. What is important to remember is that the target has almost always been a circle and, no matter what size the circle, the center is still the center.

## Obama Plan Could Ban 4.2 Million Social Security Recipients from Owning Guns

AL.com on 7/20/15 – Leada Gore

The Obama administration is taking steps to keep some Social Security recipients from owning guns, the [Los Angeles Times reported Sunday](#).

Let's talk about that:

**What's the plan?** According to the report, the White House wants to expand prohibitions from owning guns to those whose Social Security payments are handled by others.

Specifically, the plan would require the Social Security Administration to report those recipients to the [National Instant Criminal Background Check System](#), or NICS, the same process used to prevent guns from being sold to felons, drug addicts, immigrants in the country illegally and others.

**How can that happen?** In 2013, President Obama issued an order directing all federal agencies to improve their reporting to NICS. Under that directive, the [prohibitions were expanded to include the Social Security Administration](#).

Federal gun laws already in place prohibit certain people from owning guns, including those with "marked subnormal intelligence, or mental illness, incompetency, condition, or disease." Under the terms of the proposal, Social Security beneficiaries who are unable to manage their own affairs would be included in that prohibited group.

**Already going on in the VA** That same background check process is already used by the Department of Veteran Affairs to prohibit some veterans from owning firearms. [According to a 2013 Senate report](#), the VA is responsible for reporting more than 143,000 beneficiaries, including about 83,000 veterans, to the "mental defective" category of NICS. [According to the Times](#), more than half of the names on the VA list are of people 80 or older, and are often suffering from dementia.

**How many people could be affected?** As many as 4.2 million adults receive monthly Social Security benefits that are managed by someone else, known as "representative payees."

**But wait...** So that means someone who has trouble balancing their checkbook could be prohibited from owning a gun? Maybe, and some think that's not fair.

"Someone can be incapable of managing their funds but not be dangerous, violent or unsafe," [Dr. Marc Rosend told the LA Times](#). "They are very different determinations."

**And that brings us to the opposition...** The NRA said it will fight the plan.

"Unfortunately, this fits a pattern of abuse within the Obama Administration which is clearly hell-bent on destroying the Second Amendment in any way possible," [NRA said on its website](#).

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## **NRA Supports Legislation To Stop Obama Administration From Denying Constitutional Rights of Millions of Veterans and Social Security Recipients - 8/5/15 – NRA/ILA**

Fairfax, Va. – The National Rifle Association's Institute for Legislative Action (NRA-ILA) today announced its support for legislation that would protect the constitutional rights of millions of veterans and social security recipients. The Mental Health and Safe Communities Act, sponsored by U.S. Senator John Cornyn, contains provisions that would stop the Obama administration's efforts to deny millions of veterans and social security recipients their Second Amendment rights without due process.

"The NRA is fighting to stop the Obama administration from denying millions of veterans and social security recipients their Second Amendment rights for no other reason than they want assistance in managing their financial affairs," said Chris W. Cox, NRA-ILA executive director. "We thank Senator Cornyn for his leadership in standing up to the Obama administration and introducing legislation that will take meaningful steps toward fixing America's broken mental health system."

President Obama's Department of Veterans Affairs has denied more than 100,000 veterans and dependents their Second Amendment rights because they use a "fiduciary" to manage their benefits. Veterans who the agency determines need help administering their compensation are then labeled "mental defectives" and reported to the National Instant background Check System (NICS), which prohibits them from purchasing or possessing firearms. The process of assigning a fiduciary does not require the VA to consider whether a veteran poses a danger to himself or others.

In addition, the Social Security Administration announced that it is moving forward with a proposal that would strip the Second Amendment rights of more than 4.2 million people, by reporting social security recipients who use a "representative payee" to help them manage their benefits to the NICS.

Details of the legislation include:

- The bill will stop the Obama administration's Social Security Administration and other agencies from defining as "prohibited persons" those who meet arbitrary criteria such as having a representative payee assigned to their account.
- The bill will stop the Obama administration's Veterans Administration (VA) from throwing veterans into NICS simply for having a fiduciary assigned to their account.
- Veterans who have been swept into NICS under previous VA rules will be given the opportunity to have their case reviewed in a full hearing. Requires a specific finding that the veteran is a danger to self or others. Veterans who are not found to be a danger will have their rights restored and will be removed from NICS.
- Requires that real adjudications take place before an individual can be determined a prohibited person under federal law. Full notice, hearing, the right to participate, and the right to counsel are required.
- Provides funding for the states to forward records of mental health adjudications which meet the new due process requirements outlined in the bill.
- Recognizes state orders restoring the firearms rights of individuals under state law.
- Requires AG to remove individuals from NICS in cases where rights have been restored or procedures failed to provide adequate due process protections, as with the VA program.

## **Social Security Update: Agency Backpedals as NRA and Pro-Gun Officials Press for Answers – NRA/ILA 8-14-15**

Last month, [we reported](#) on [a story by the L.A. Times](#) that indicated the Obama White House is eyeing ways to use the Social Security Administration (SSA) as a source of records for NICS, which includes a federal database of persons prohibited from possessing or receiving firearms. One option the story discussed was SSA's adoption of a model employed by the Veteran's Administration, which reports to NICS as "adjudicated as a mental defective" beneficiaries who have been assigned a "fiduciary" to manage their benefits. This has resulted in some 177,000 VA beneficiaries being reported as prohibited persons to NICS, without the necessity of any judicial finding whatsoever as to their propensity for dangerous or violent behavior. According to the L.A. Times, a similar move by the SSA would have far broader reach, involving as many as 4.2 million beneficiaries with "representative payees."

[View Related Articles](#) we [also noted](#) that Rep. Sam Johnson (R-Tex), Chairman of the Social Security Subcommittee of the House Committee on Ways and Means, spearheaded [a letter joined by 19 members of Congress](#) to Carolyn Colvin, Acting Commissioner of Social Security. The letter cautioned that using the assignment of representative payees as a basis for reporting SSA beneficiaries to NICS "would be a dangerous overreach." Accordingly, the letter urged the agency "to abandon any such plan." It also asked Ms. Colvin to specify whether or not SSA intended to pursue such a policy.

Ms. Colvin responded to Rep. Johnson's inquiry in a letter dated Aug. 7. According to that letter, "SSA has not provided any names of beneficiaries to the NICS and is not considering sending names based solely on the beneficiaries having representative payees." Ms. Colvin did acknowledge, however, that "we are currently determining how we must comply with our NICS reporting obligations under Federal law" and "are looking at possible implementation scenarios." None of those scenarios, according to Ms. Colvin, "would refer all SSA beneficiaries with representative payees to the NICS."

A careful parsing of Ms. Colvin's language, however, still leaves ample room for concern. For example, it does not rule out assignment of a representative payee as factor in reporting beneficiaries to NICS. Rather, it merely states that it will not be use as the "sole" determinant and that not "all" such persons will be reported.

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This could mean, for example, that SSA would not report beneficiaries who are assigned representative payees solely because they are minors. It also raises the question of what other possible pretext SSA might use to strip its clients of their Second Amendment rights. Given these ongoing concerns, your NRA continues to work with pro-gun members of Congress to ensure one of America's largest entitlement programs is not transformed into the Obama administration gun ban dream machine.

Also on Aug. 7, Sen. Mike Crapo (R-Idaho) led a coalition of 27 senators in [another letter to Acting Commissioner Colvin](#). Once again, the letter expressed concern about SSA's apparent intention to report beneficiaries with representative payees to NICS. "It is not at all clear," the letter stated, "how this misguided intention is intended to be carried out or how SSA will serve as adjudicator of risks posed by beneficiaries utilizing its representative payee system." It also asked for a report "on the basis for SSA's intention to develop such a plan." Further, the letter admonished, "Old age or a disability does not make someone a threat to society," and closed by urging SSA "to halt any steps to provide information on Social Security beneficiaries or Supplemental Security Income recipients to the NICS."

Meanwhile, your NRA has been actively engaged with members of Congress on ways to statutorily preempt use of the nation's entitlement programs as a basis for stripping Americans of the right to keep and bear arms. [As we reported last week](#), Senator John Cornyn (R-TX) has introduced S. 2002, a bill that would halt the VA and SSA, or any other agency for that matter, from forwarding individuals to NICS without proper adjudications which find an individual a danger to themselves or others. Law-abiding recipients of benefits for which they are legally eligible should not have to worry about choosing between monies or services they are due under the law and their fundamental constitutional rights. All options remain on the table to prevent such abuses.

In the meantime, if you have not already registered your concern, your senator and representative needs to hear from you NOW that you will not tolerate use of the Social Security Administration to strip Americans of their Second Amendment rights. You can use the "[Write Your Lawmakers](#)" feature at [NRAILA.org](#) or call the Congressional Switchboard at (202) 224-3121.

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