

Check us out on our web site at: <https://www.wisconsinforce.org/>  
 Check us out on Facebook @ Wisconsinforce

July 15, 2018

## Upcoming Events

Lodi  
80 shot NMC League Grand

Finale  
 August 4, 2018

Racine  
YMCA match  
 August 4, 2018

Lodi  
Mid-Range 4-gun 600 yd  
Approved  
 August 5, 2018

Lodi  
80 shot NMC (200,300,600  
yards)  
 August 11, 2018

Lodi  
Three 1000 yd matches  
 August 12, 2018

Green Bay  
80 Shot reduced  
 August 18, 2018

WI Rapids  
Vintage Team Sniper Match  
 August 18, 2018

Beloit  
80 Round Reduced  
 August 19, 2018

LaCrosse  
Mid-Range 4-gun 600 yd  
State Championship  
 August 25 & 26, 2018

Beloit  
Garand/Springfield/Vintage/Mod  
ern Military  
 August 26, 2018

Eau Claire  
Mid-Range 4-gun 600 yd  
 September 1, 2018

See Calendar on web page for  
 other events:  
<https://www.wisconsinforce.org/>



**WESTGATE**  
 sportsman's club

Member owned since 1960. We at Westgate Sportsman's club are dedicated to promoting shooting sports, hunting, and wildlife conservation. We also work towards education and safety in hunting and use of firearms.

Our facility is spread out on sixty-nine acres of land overlooking the beautiful Chippewa River. We offer a banquet hall with a full bar and catering for weddings, parties and other functions.

For shooting sports, we have a trap range with year-round trap shooting, indoor archery in the winter, an indoor pistol range, and an outdoor pistol and rifle range.

Westgate Sportsman's Club Trap Range and enjoy the exciting sport of Trap Shooting. We offer a safe and fun environment for the new shooter to the experience shooter.

The Junior Rifle Club is open to ages 12-19 and is designed to get young people involved in the shooting sports. The club shoots .22 rifles in an indoor range that is well supervised. Westgate's Junior Small-bore has produced some good shooters that have brought home state trophies.

If you want to learn more about Westgate sportsman's club go to:  
<http://www.ecwestgate.com/>



# Cast Bullet Military Rifle Matches

By Jeff Rowsam

Shooters who want to keep their favorite vintage military rifles on the range but don't want to struggle with military sling straps, shooting coats and expensive bullets and lots of recoil should consider trying a local match with cast lead bullets.



The Cast Bullet Association (CBA) has for many years sponsored organized bench rest rifle matches. About 15 years ago the CBA created official rules for Military Rifle Matches. Events are held around the country and here in Wisconsin. Several local gun clubs in Wisconsin host regular matches. The Lincoln Gun Club near Merrill recently held a match and others are fired at Van Dyne (near Oshkosh) and at Rice Lake during the summer.

Old time shooters in the days before factory manufactured jacketed bullets all made their own ammunition by casting soft lead bullets. The bullet casting segment of hand loading diminished as factory loaded ammunition with jacketed bullets became popular. The smaller and smaller caliber cartridges demonstrated the "need for speed". The high velocity craze (which continues to this day) pushed the idea of accurate ammunition well beyond the lower velocity of traditional cast bullets. Bullet casting with modern technology and a little casting practice can still produce very accurate bullets that can be fired in your favorite surplus military rifle or any other popular modern or vintage firearm.

Any current reloading manual will provide safe and accurate "cook book" loads with jacketed bullets. Developing an accurate load combination with cast bullets takes some extra time at trial and error. Making consistent bullets with a good lead alloy fitted to the rifle bore and using the right powder combination will make accurate cast bullet match ammo. When the right component combination is reached, shooters will find they have great accuracy, lower ammunition cost, less recoil from lower velocity and they can reduce the wear and tear on that prized arsenal or factory original rifle barrel.

The CBA Military Rifle Match is mostly a bench rest contest. A minimum of equipment is required.

Ammunition of course must be cast lead bullets. Firing is done off the supported bench. Matches allow sighting shots and 20 rounds for record at 100 yards and sighters and 20 rounds for record at 200 yards. All slow fire single loading. Shooters can also enter a separate cast bullet match the same day fired in the standing position. Usually 10 or 20 shots are fired in the offhand matches.



Jeff Heeler is the match director for Cast Bullet Military matches at the Lincoln Gun Club west of Merrill in north central Wisconsin. At Jeff's invitation I decided to see what it was about and after casting and load development, I met Jeff at the range on a Saturday in June to shoot my first Military Cast Bullet match.

Jeff answered all my questions and showed me the ropes. He explained the different rifle classes. In addition to "as issued" service rifles, there are categories for modified (sporterized rifles with iron sights) and scope sighted guns. And an open cast bullet completion for anything else you can carry to the firing line.



# CAMP PERRY SEES MAJOR IMPROVEMENTS TO HISTORICAL BUILDINGS IN 2018

*By Ashley Brugnone, CMP Writer*

CAMP PERRY, Ohio – The Camp Perry National Guard Training Base, home of the National Trophy Pistol and Rifle Matches since 1907, is currently undergoing significant upgrades to some of the most celebrated areas of the grounds.

“There will be a different feel when people come onto post,” said MAJ Michael Yates, base operations manager of the Camp Perry facility since 2014.

Since his time at Camp Perry, MAJ Yates has overseen a considerable amount of projects totaling multi-millions of dollars, which have included structural, functional, aesthetic and historical developments. He admitted the renovations being conducted in 2018 have been years in the making – featuring major additions to base facilities and a substantial restoration in the historical theatre.

“We’re doing so much to continually improve the post and make it better,” he said. “Our predecessors have made it better, and we want to take it from there and continue to make it that much better for everyone to use.” He added, “It’s been a century-plus of things going on here – people training up for World War I, to a POW camp for Italian and German prisoners during World War II, to all the different schools and people, soldiers, shooters coming through here. We want to ensure that they understand that we always keep an eye to this and want to show our legacy. Not only holding to it, but improving on it. That’s what we strive for.”

Even with the significant construction going on this year at Camp Perry, there is still plenty of improvements in store as MAJ Yates and his crew continue to plan for the future.

“There will be more to come,” he said.



The berms at 300 and 600 yards were redone to allow more comfort for competitors.

300 and 600 Yard Shooting Berms on Rodriguez Range Completed in November 2017, improvements were made on all of the berms by adding more room on top, to help those who train and hold competitions. MAJ Yates and his team partnered with the 200th Red Horse, Air National Guard Unit within the Ohio National Guard on the project – setting a solid 10-foot shooting platform to ensure everyone will be more comfortable.

The old lakeside cottages are being replaced with new structures that all allow a view of the lake.

“The Point Project”

The old lakeside cottages, located behind the beach on base, are being phased out. The nearby tennis courts have been removed, and roads and walkways have also been repaved. Five new cottages are being built – totaling \$2.25 million from the capital budgets.

All new infrastructure has been put into the area, including brand new sewer, water, electric and gas lines. The cottages will sleep eight, with three bedrooms, two and angled positioning of the buildings to give everyone a view of the lake from the porch to the kitchen.

“They are absolutely fantastic. Everyone gets a great view,” said MAJ Yates.

The modular style homes were built in a warehouse and brought in two parts, then set up and put together. The homes are designed with insulated style siding, plus insulation within to make them comfortable during the winter months.

Offering competitive pricing that is more affordable than the surrounding areas, the new cottages will be available to rent at Camp Perry 365 days out of the year.

“This is the best kept secret in all of Ohio,” said MAJ Yates. “People will get to see what a great stay Camp Perry is. It’s going to be a great upgrade to the facilities.”



MAJ Yates will be requesting for fiscal year 2019-2020 capital budgets to finish the rest of the cottages and replace existing buildings – demoing the rest and adding in 10 more houses.

The new cottages are planned to be finished sometime in the spring.

The last cottages were built in the 1950s, based around tent pads that used to be on the grounds in the early days of Camp Perry. According to MAJ Yates, they were not energy-efficient and needed winterized – it was just time for an upgrade.

“We have done the best we possibly can with those facilities, and they have been great to us in the past, but it was time to make a step forward and to give everyone a great place to go to enjoy all of the local surrounding areas,” he said. “This is going to benefit everyone.”

The Club House next door can hold 350 people for parties and events. Located on the water, with a chapel on post and the cottages right next door, Camp Perry has become a sought-after destination for weddings. The mural of the auditorium and other historical aspects will remain in the theatre, along with the addition of past photos and other Camp Perry artifacts.

### The Hough Theatre

Considered one of the most exciting projects on base, the Hough Theatre has received upgrades to entranceways, restrooms, seating, lighting and the interior as a whole – totaling \$1.3 million. Some of the stage is being improved upon as well, including the orchestra pit, and existing offices and classrooms backstage will be updated, with the hopes of being utilized in the future.

“We have worked heavily with the state historical and preservation society to ensure that we have the historical feel to the auditorium itself, but with modern comforts,” said MAJ Yates.

The old auditorium seats of Hough Theatre were torn out and will be replaced with more up-to-date seating.

Construction on the Hough Theatre will not only improve the auditorium interior, but will also enhance classrooms and other areas of the building.



The original theatre seats were completely gutted from the building. The new seating will have the effect of the historical seating, but with more padding and comfort – designed for the modern world. The famous mural cascading across the walls around the theatre will remain intact, with much of the interior upgraded or kept as-is.

“It’s an amazing facility, and to bring it up to where it deserves to be is fantastic,” said MAJ Yates.

The Hough Theatre is an important landmark in the history of Camp Perry. Originally the second brick facility built on the post, the inside has seen many distinguished guests during its century-old reign, including countless military and civilian heroes like General John Pershing after World War I and Bob Hope.

The new entranceway of the theatre will throw homage to its incredible history, displaying true photos and artifacts for guests to enjoy. With a projected completion date slotted for the spring, the building will be ready in time for the National Matches ceremonies.

“This has been many years in the coming, and I’m really excited to see what this is going to look like,” said MAJ Yates.

### Reconstruction to Bldg 2009

Camp Perry’s Bldg 2009, the long, large building before the historical park when entering base to the north, has undergone an exterior renovation for \$640,000.

First constructed in 1903, a new roof, exterior doors and windows have all been installed on the building. MAJ Yates worked with a historical society to again ensure the facility was restored to the times, with modern upgrades, but still within the guidelines of historical restoration.

“Keeping with our history is a big part of what we do here at Camp Perry. We work with our environmental department and state historical society. Everything that we do here, we ensure that we hold to our historical section,” he said.

### Demolition Across the Post

Demolition of the rest of the old POW huts by existing two-story barracks on the west side of post will continue until completion. Eight other facilities will also be coming down to clean up post, ridding those that are not used or are passed where they are able to be reutilized. The project should be completed in June 2018.

# WISCONSIN FIREARM OWNERS

RANGES • CLUBS • EDUCATORS

## Photo Contest

Send in your best pictures to me at: [james@wisconsinforce.org](mailto:james@wisconsinforce.org)

If they are good enough, I will showcase them in the Trigger, Facebook and the website.

Please send a caption of who took the picture, place taken and maybe a short story.



A vintage photo of Camp Perry Ohio.

Send me your Photo and if they are good enough I will put them in the Trigger. I look forward to seeing what you have.



### Contact Info:

#### Officers

President-Mike Stewart: [president@wisconsinforce.org](mailto:president@wisconsinforce.org)

Vice President-Dave Holub: [dave@wisconsinforce.org](mailto:dave@wisconsinforce.org)

Treasurer- Kaleb Hall: [kaleb@wisconsinforce.org](mailto:kaleb@wisconsinforce.org)

Secretary- James Melville: [james@wisconsinforce.org](mailto:james@wisconsinforce.org)

#### Board of Directors

John Durhan: [john@wisconsinforce.org](mailto:john@wisconsinforce.org)

Dale Anhalt: [dale@wisconsinforce.org](mailto:dale@wisconsinforce.org)

Sara Holub: [sara@wisconsinforce.org](mailto:sara@wisconsinforce.org)

Paul Reynolds: [preynolds@new.rr.com](mailto:preynolds@new.rr.com)

Jim Schonke: [jim@wisconsinforce.org](mailto:jim@wisconsinforce.org)

Jeff Rowsam: [jeffr@wisconsinforce.org](mailto:jeffr@wisconsinforce.org)

Brady Westling: [brady@wisconsinforce.org](mailto:brady@wisconsinforce.org)

## News from the Board

Next Board of Directors Meeting September 29, 2018

Help us protect your second amendment rights in Wisconsin! Join **Wisconsin Firearm Owners**, Ranges-Clubs-Educators today!

This is cheap insurance to assure your gun, range, hunting, self-defense rights and your Freedom in **Wisconsin**.

**Wisconsin Firearm Owners** is 100% volunteer organization.



# WISCONSIN FIREARM OWNERS

RANGES • CLUBS • EDUCATORS

## Junior Supporters

 <p><a href="https://www.friendsofnra.org/">https://www.friendsofnra.org/</a></p>	 <p><a href="https://kriegerbarrels.com/">https://kriegerbarrels.com/</a></p>	 <p><a href="http://www.nosler.com/">http://www.nosler.com/</a></p>	 <p><a href="http://www.bruxbarrels.com/">http://www.bruxbarrels.com/</a></p>
 <p><a href="http://www.vortexoptics.com/">http://www.vortexoptics.com/</a></p>	 <p><a href="http://www.hodgdonreloading.com/">http://www.hodgdonreloading.com/</a></p>	 <p><a href="http://www.halltitle.com/">http://www.halltitle.com/</a></p>	 <p><a href="http://www.wisconsintrigger.com/">http://www.wisconsintrigger.com/</a></p>
<p><b>Wood County Rifle and Pistol Club</b></p> <p><a href="http://www.wcrifle.org/">http://www.wcrifle.org/</a></p>	 <p><a href="http://my.rclrc.net/index.php">http://my.rclrc.net/index.php</a></p>	<p><b>HOLUB MACHINE &amp; REPAIR, LLC</b></p> <p><a href="http://www.newhighpower.com/">http://www.newhighpower.com/</a></p>	<p><b>Central Wisconsin Gun Collectors Association</b></p> <p><a href="http://www.centralwisconsin.org/">http://www.centralwisconsin.org/</a></p>
<p><b>Chippewa Brass &amp; Aluminum Foundry LTD.</b></p>  <p><a href="https://www.chippewafoundry.com/">https://www.chippewafoundry.com/</a></p>			

## Wisconsin Firearm Owners (WFO)

### Mission

To promote and support the purpose and objectives of the National Rifle Association, while protecting and defending the Constitutions of the United States and the State of Wisconsin.

### Securing Our Rights

The assaults on the rights of today's firearms owner have never been stronger. These attacks on our civil rights come from anti-hunting, anti-gun, and anti-civil rights organizations. We must stand together to preserve the rights guaranteed to all free citizens under the Second Amendment, the U.S. Constitution, and the Wisconsin Right to Keep and Bear Arms. WTO has a constant presence in Madison helping to ensure your voice is heard. Whether it is the right to self-defense, micro stamping or hunting regulations, we are involved. Combine your voice with that of thousands like you in Wisconsin; our united voice cannot be ignored.

### Club and Range Support

We are the experts in the State advising the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, clubs, and businesses in upgrading, improving, and the design of ranges.

### Competitions

Matches and events are listed on our calendar. Match Directors can also utilize our on-line registration. NRA discipline championships are authorized and promoted by WTO. **Please join us today!**



# SOUTHPORT MASTERS

Indoor Pistol and Rimfire Rifle Range



NRA GOLD MEDAL CLUB

SOUTHPORT GUN CLUB, INC.

7401-75th Street, Kenosha, WI 53142

(262) 694-9939

[www.southportgunclub.org](http://www.southportgunclub.org)

Known well by regional Bullseye competitors, over the last few decades the Wisconsin Indoor Pistol Championships have been alternately sponsored by Kenosha's Southport Gun Club (AKA "Southport Masters") and the Beloit Rifle Club. Each takes the responsibility for three consecutive years. Southport ran the event this last April with Dora Potekin serving as Match Director.

## Wisconsin State Indoor Open Pistol Championships "Results Bulletin"

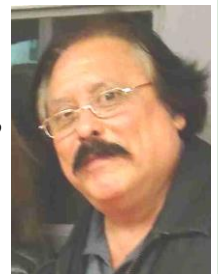
By Dora Potekin, Match Director

April 2018



Match Winner, Dan Gutknecht, from Illinois, (left) also a Southport member, scored: 1706 - 39x

WI State Champion: Ed Delgadillo, (right), a Southport member, also served as Range Officer for the Friday evening relay.



### Place Winners:

High Master: Dan Gutknecht	1642 - 26x
High WI Master: Ashliegh Grosshuesch	1609 - 30x
High WI Expert: Ed Delgadillo	1642 - 26x
High Sharpshooter: David Florczak	1636 - 37x
High WI Sharpshooter: David Grace	1538 - 16x
High WI Marksman: Alex Jushchyshyn	1547 - 28x
High WI Woman: Dora Potekin (SS)	1576 - 24x

*We had 39 total shooters. The snow on Sunday forced seven cancellations. I hope you all enjoyed the match and your trip home was safe and comfortable. Thank you once again for attending our match. Dora*

Southport Masters will be sponsoring the Wis. Indoor Pistol Championships for the next two years. All Bullseye shooters are encouraged to visit our website for details. [www.southportgunclub.org](http://www.southportgunclub.org)



Plaques were presented to club members at the May regular meeting. Ginny Price, (left) was High Woman Marksman and Dora Potekin, (right) was High Wisconsin Woman (SS) for the 2018 Wis. Indoor Pistol Championships.



- **Wisconsin Firearm Owners** gives you a voice in Madison to protect your Second Amendment Rights.
- We are the only **NRA** State Chartered Association in Wisconsin.
- **WFO** and the **NRA** led the lobbying efforts for Right to Carry and The Shooting Ranges Protection Act.
- **WFO** provides Club and Range support for those looking to expand and improve their ranges.
- As your **NRA** and **CMP** State Association, **WFO** sanctions State Championships for multiple shooting disciplines.
- Our lobbying efforts have helped to clean up Wisconsin's handgun restrictions.
- Advancing hunter rights and mentored hunting in Wisconsin.

JOIN US TODAY TO HELP PROTECT YOUR GUN RIGHTS. [www.wisconsinforce.org](http://www.wisconsinforce.org)

## WISCONSIN FIREARM OWNERS

RANGES • CLUBS • EDUCATORS

### MEMBER TYPE:

#### Individual:

- Annual \$20  
 Life \$250  
 Junior Membership FREE (under 18)

#### Club or Business:

- Regular Annual \$30  
 Patriot Annual \$250

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Payment:  Check  Paypal (Online Only) \_\_\_\_\_

#### Mail To: Wisconsin Firearm Owners

PO Box 130

Seymour, WI 54165

I certify that I am not now, and never have been, a member of any organization which has in any part of its program, the attempt to overthrow the government of the United States by force or violence, and that I have never been convicted of a felony, crime of violence, or misdemeanor domestic violence, and I am not otherwise prohibited from owning firearms. If admitted to membership in Wisconsin Firearm Owners, Ranges, Clubs & Educators Inc. I will fulfill the obligations of good sportsmanship, and I will uphold the Constitution of the United States of America and the Second Amendment thereto.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Donations to Wisconsin

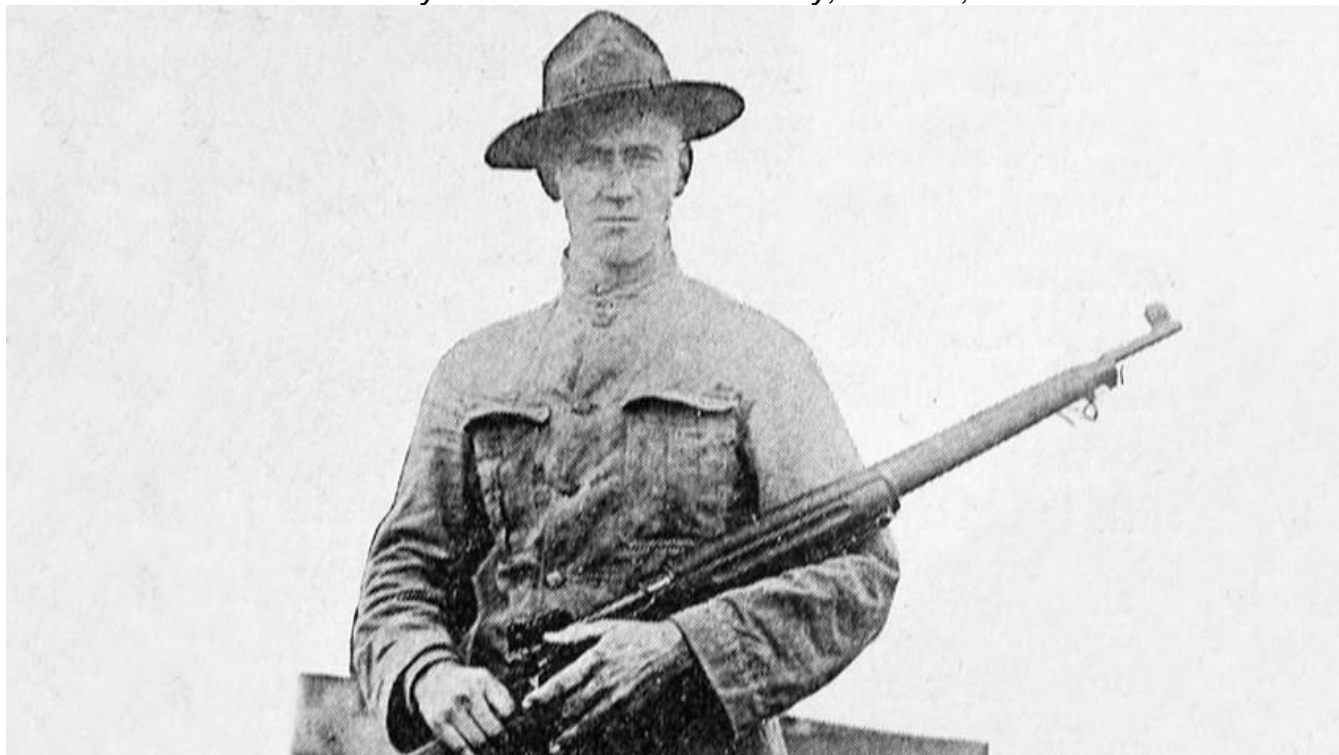
FORCE are not refundable or transferable and are not tax deductible as charitable contributions for tax purposes.





# Enfield Rifles at the National Matches

by J.B. Roberts Jr. - Thursday, March 8, 2018



*Above: Competitors equipped with 1917 Enfield rifles were successful at the 1918 National Matches, such as Marine Sgt. H.J. Hoffner, who used one to win the President's Match that year.*

Ben Comfort, who won the 1935 [Wimbledon Cup](#) using a custom-built Model 1917, U.S. military rifle, was not the first shooter to shoot an ["American Enfield"](#) at Camp Perry, not by a long shot. That first occurred in 1918.

The Small Arms Firing School (SAFS), in 1918, was different from the school as it operates today. In 1918, the SAFS trained personnel to act as rifle marksmanship instructors. The course lasted a month, with a new class beginning every two weeks. Most students were military officers learning how to run a marksmanship program and conduct range operations as well as learning how to shoot and how to teach the fundamentals of marksmanship. Classes numbered 500, more or less.

Over and above the regular schedule of classes, a special 10-day SAFS session was held at Camp Perry. This special class was attended by 54 16-person teams—representing 36 of the then-current 48 states and the District of Columbia; the Arkansas National Guard, the Army (2), Navy (2), Marines (2), and the Navy Rifle Range Service (10). In addition, 400 Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) students attended, representing various U.S. colleges and universities. Instead of Springfields, most of the students in this special class drew Model 1917 U.S. Enfields and reported directly from graduation to the range, where they participated in the [NRA National Championships](#), and the National Trophy Individual and Team Rifle matches. The ROTC students were divided into four groups and issued Model 1917 rifles, Model [1903 rifles](#) fitted with one of two types of experimental sights, or standard issue Model 1903 rifles as a control. As an extra bonus, the ROTC students were entered in a special match—20 shots prone slow fire at 500 yards range—the first prize for which was a Winchester rifle. Cadet Edward Parkhouse, of Tulane University, won the Winchester with a score of 97 on the 100-point course. Parkhouse used a Model 1903 rifle fitted with a Warner experimental sight (a modification of the military rear sight that had dial-in changes for major range increments from 200 out to 600 yards plus a standard elevation drift slide for longer ranges).

Shooters' reaction to the Model 1917 rifles began as "cool," but warmed up as shooters began to learn

the rifle. The chief objections were to the rifle's "cock-on-closing" bolt and to the lack of a windage adjustment on the rifle's rear sight. The former was a matter of familiarity. Since the adoption of the Krag-Jorgensen in 1892, American military rifle shooters had a rifle that cocked the firing mechanism as the bolt handle was lifted to unlock the action. British designers of the precursor to the Model 1917 rifle elected to use a mechanism that cocked as the bolt was pushed forward to chamber a cartridge and close the action. Either system had its strong and weak points. The advantages of a cock-on-closing mechanism do not begin to become obvious until firing a rapid fire string. And, in the rapid fire matches, Enfields won unreserved praise.

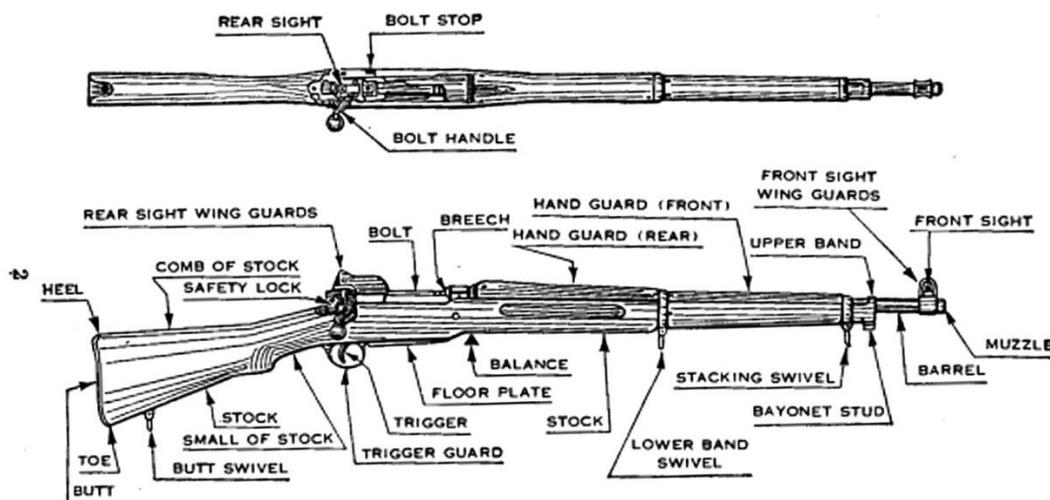


FIGURE 1.—U. S. rifle, caliber .30, M1917.

*United States Rifle, cal .30, Model of 1917. Photo from the Army FM 23-6 Basic Field Manual, October 1943*

The sights were another matter, though, and caused something of a division among the student marksmen. Shooters generally from east of the Mississippi River (and presumably familiar with the windage adjustable sights of the Krag and the Springfield) denounced the lack of a windage adjustment on the 1917 rear sight and had trouble holding off, or "favoring" to compensate for changes in the wind. Shooters from out West (and presumably familiar with the non-adjustable sights found on Winchester and other sporting rifles) had little difficulty adapting to the generally excellent aperture rear sight used on the Enfield. They simply applied what is generally referred to as "Kentucky windage" and fired away accurately and effectively.

What about results? We already know that the winner of the special match for ROTC students used a Model 1903 rifle albeit one fitted with experimental sights. Again, one must presume that he was able to compensate for changing wind using the wind gauge on the Springfield rear sight. Also, shooters who attended the NRA Championships, and brought their rifles with them, shot Springfields. And, in those matches fired to test the adequacy of the SAFS, use of the Model 1917 rifle was required. That included both rapid fire matches, 200 yards sitting and 300 yards prone, the President's Rifle Match and the National Trophy rifle matches. Only in one match was Springfield pitted against Enfield. That was the NRA National Individual Rifle Championship, 10 shots sitting rapid, 10 shots prone rapid, 20 shots prone slow from 500 yards, and 20 shots prone slow from 600 yards—60 shots for a possible score of 300 points. H.J. Mueller, a civilian from Terra Haute, IN, who attended the SAFS as part of the Indiana team, won the contest with a score of 289, using a Model 1917 rifle. On the other hand, the Leech Cup, shot then with the service rifle, went to Seamen 2nd Class F.A. Cantieri, USN, and the Wimbledon went to Marine Corporal Frank Branson. Branson won the Marine Corps Cup as well. Both contestants are pictured in *Arms and The Man* for September 28, 1918, holding Model 1903 rifles.

Comfort was not the last shooter to use a Model 1917 rifle at Perry, either. The first year this author went to Perry as a reporter, in the 1970s, one of the LaBerge brothers was shooting a 1917 Enfield in the [long range](#) matches.