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PRESIDENT'S NOTEBOOK

by John Thompson
President

So far we have had an interesting time in the Delaware General Assembly. At the insistence of Gov. Markell four anti-gun bills have been introduced, first two in the House and then two in the Senate. All are, of course, only common sense fixes to a serious problem. However, to me they appear as solutions in search of a problem.

In the House we were confronted with House Bills 46 and 48. The first was needed to solve the problem of too many guns remaining in police custody after the expiration of Family Court protection from abuse orders. Although no figures were given it is claimed that evidence and storage facilities are bursting at the seams with abandoned guns. Had I been forced to turn in my guns for a year because of a court order I can guarantee you that on day 366 I would appear at the police station, receipt in hand, demanding the return of my property. Apparently not all as fond of their firearms as I. The original version of HB 46 was nothing more than a short cut to the smelter. At best lip service was being paid to due process; that part of the Constitution that says that the government cannot deprive you of life, liberty or property without notice and an opportunity to be heard. The real motive for this bill and its slipshod process can be found in the governor's own words: Law enforcement officials have repeatedly told us that there are already too many guns on Delaware's streets...Selling or auctioning guns that have the potential to later be used in crimes is contrary to that mission. The approach (destruction) reflected in this bill better protects Delaware's residents. The guns offered for sale at your local gun store are no different from the ones of concern in this bill. They are same as the guns in your home. Do not all have "the potential to later be used in crime?" So according to his logic should they all not be destroyed?

After the adoption of significant amendments HB 46 passed the House on April 14, 2011. As amended the police are required to search several data bases including the Division of Motor Vehicles in order to ascertain the last known address of the owner of a gun they seek to dispose of. Thereafter they are required to send written notice by certified mail. If no claim is made before the expiration of six months they may then dispose of the gun. The bill was amended to include sale as a means of disposal. If there is any dispute over the return of a firearm a legal process to challenge the police is set forth. While it is not law yet we expect that the Senate will act promptly and give it

final passage. As amended the bill will allow the police to relieve themselves of the alleged burden but the property rights of gun owners will be protected.

House Bill 48 has two parts. First, it directs that information regarding the commitment of persons to mental hospitals be shared with the FBI so it can be included in the federal check of firearms purchasers. This is a good thing because we do not want persons suffering from mental illness to possess guns. It is the second part that is objectionable because it eliminates the Delaware Instant Record Check that was created in 1990, eight years before the implementation of the federal system. Because Delaware law is more strict than federal law in certain instances it is my concern that the federal check will not screen for these differences. A loop hole may be created and if history teaches us anything law-abiding gun owners will be blame when someone slips through and does something stupid. If and when that happens I will be standing front and center saying "I told you so."

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Stop Right Now

Check your purse or wallet for your concealed carry permit. When does it expire? If it expires May 31, 2011 you have no time to lose. You need to renew as soon as possible so the Superior Court has time to issue your new license before the end of May. Applications may be obtained from the Prothonotary (fancy word for clerk of the court) or you can download it from the state's website: de.gov. Then click your way to the Superior Court forms and download the renewal form. Do not panic when you get to the question that asks you to specifically describe your reason. A couple of years ago they went to one form for both new and renewals. Since you are renewing you should put in: "Protection of person and property. Renewal." The fee is now \$65.00 but your new permit will be good for five years; that is just \$13.00 per year. Do not panic if your new permit is not in your hands by May 31st. The good news is Delaware law provides you with an affirmative defense if you can prove that you filed your renewal prior to the expiration date. The bad news is that this means you get to explain your case to a judge after you have been arrested by the police. More bad news I doubt the defense will work in another state under reciprocity. The new five year license and the affirmative defense are the result of intense lobbying efforts by the Delaware State Sportsmen's Association. If you are not already a member please join by going to the web site: delsports.net and download an application.

In the Senate we have been confronted with SB 29 and SB 39. According to the the governor we are besieged with an epidemic of persons consuming too much alcohol and/or drugs and then going on shooting rampages. His talking points refer to a list of incidents occurring at or near liquor establishments. I do not recall any of the news stories reporting that the participants checked and found to be under the influence. Given the times and locations of these events it is highly probable that the participants were, because of prior criminal convictions, prohibited from possessing or owning a gun. For some unknown reason the proponents of this legislation believe criminals will be deterred from committing the felony of shooting another person because of fear of the misdemeanor crime of drinking too much while in possession of a gun.

The bill's sponsors very generously exempted persons if they were in their own homes but would convict those who had one beer too many when at their vacation home or hotel room. Same thing for the trailer, motor home or tent. You would also be guilty if you were over the limit a friends home. Their expanded definition of possession made you guilty if you were intoxicated at a bar when your gun was locked up in your motel room. This bill is still pending in the Senate and we are working on amendments to make is less broad and intrusive.

Last but not least is SB 39 which if adopted will close the dreaded gun show loop hole. Although virtually all vendors at gun shows are licensed dealers and are therefore required to perform federal and state record checks for all purchasers and although a research study done for the Clinton Justice Department showed that only 1.6% of criminals obtained their firearms at gun shows this dangerous exception must be eradicated. The real purpose of this a similar bills is to close down gun shows altogether. The alleged problem is too small to be of concern. Law enforcement resources should be directed towards real crime and real criminals. Every day someone is turned down when trying to buy a gun at a gun store. They are turned down only because their criminal record makes it a felony for them to even touch a gun. Yet the police make no effort to investigate this new crime. In spite of the fact that the potential purchaser has filled out and signed both a federal and a state form providing all relevant personal information. In spite of the fact that many stores have video of the person handling a gun. Now to summarize; a convicted felon goes into a gun store, handles a gun, (a new felony) lies about his or her criminal status when filling out the required forms, (another new felony) there are reputable witnesses to both crimes and often video tape, the paperwork has their current address, yet the police do nothing. So instead of arresting a person who has just committed two felonies we need pass a new law in order to really get down on that one unlicensed vendor at the gun show.

These bills expose the fraud of almost all gun control legislation. Better the appearance of doing something than actually doing something by enforcing the laws on the books.

It has been a battle to get meaningful amendments to these bills. We have been able to prevail because you, law abiding gun owners, have called and e-mailed your legislators. Without your efforts my work and that of Andrew Jennison, our NRA-ILA liaison, would be for naught. Your messages tell the legislators

that the voters in their districts are not happy with these bills and they then look to us to fix the problems. Thank you.

How high up does 'Project Gunrunner' go? (Who knew what and when?)

Dave Workman, Seattle Gun Rights Examiner

The Project Gunrunner scandal took another step up the government food chain with last night's disclosure in a CBS News interview with a former senior official with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives that the operation was approved by someone in the Department of Justice "even higher than ATF Director Kenneth Melson."

The question "Who knew what, and when" became part of the national lexicon during the Watergate investigation a generation ago. Now it may become part of the fabric of the Gunrunner probe.

In this morning's Seattle PI.com, columnist Joel Connelly complained about the gun traffic to Mexico, and how efforts to stop the flood have been impeded by the "gun lobby." Gun rights activists suggest he is directing his anger at the wrong people. Instead of railing about the gun lobby, perhaps he should be asking the ATF about all of those guns the agency allowed to cross the border, they contend.

Or, as drug cartels murder thousands in Mexico, nervous Southwest states might be lobbying the feds for measures to obstruct cartels' large-scale gun purchases in the United States.—Joel Connelly, Seattle PI.com

Former ATF senior agent Darren Gil, who was the agency's top gun in Mexico, went public with serious allegations that he and other ATF officials were denied access to agency computer files related to the Gunrunner project and its Operation Fast and Furious, based in the ATF's Phoenix office.

Gil told CBS that part of his job as the attaché to Mexico would have been to approve any operation involving Mexico and he did not approve Project Gunrunner or Fast and Furious. But who did?

In an exclusive interview with CBS News, the lead ATF official in Mexico at the time Darren Gil says somebody in the Justice Department did know about the case. Gil says his supervisor at ATF's Washington D.C. headquarters told him point-blank the operation was approved even higher than ATF Director Kenneth Melson.

"Is the director aware of this," Gil asked the supervisor. Gil says his supervisor answered "Yes, the director's aware of it. Not only is the director aware of it, D.O.J.'s aware of it... Department of Justice was aware of it."—CBS News' Sharyl Atkisson

This morning on the Glenn Beck radio program, National Rifle Association CEO Wayne LaPierre suggested that the Gunrunner operation may be far more than a sting gone horribly bad. He said the same thing in an interview Thursday with this column, asserting that this is beginning to look like a deliberate effort to flood Mexico with American guns.

Referring to the Obama administration, LaPierre told this column that "they kept blaming the Second Amendment...for

actions of Mexican drug cartels, and it sure looks like they did it to lay the groundwork for more gun control."

"Someone set out to turn it into a river of guns over the objection of rank and file law enforcement," LaPierre said.

The full interview will appear in the next issue of Gun Week.

MEANWHILE, Sen. Charles Grassley's inquiry into the project Gunrunner has provided new revelations in a letter to Alan D. Borsin, commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP).

Grassley told Borsin that "CBP officials allegedly stopped Jaime Avila near the border in the spring or summer of 2010. He allegedly had the two WASR-10 rifles in his possession that were later found at the scene of Agent Brian Terry's murder, along with over thirty additional weapons. CBP officials contacted ATF or an Assistant United States Attorney who allegedly instructed CBP to allow Avila proceed without seizing the weapons."

This column has earlier discussed Avila, a key suspect in the Project Gunrunner case, who was arrested the day after Terry's murder in December. It was that slaying, and the linking of the two Gunrunner-related guns that ignited the investigation, which began with National Gun Rights Examiner David Codrea and independent blogger Mike Vanderboegh three months ago.

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An ATF source said that morale in the agency is at its lowest point in memory over the Gunrunner scandal. Now, the source said, ATF employees are wondering just how high the scandal will reach.

President Obama told a reporter for Mexico's Univision that he had no prior knowledge of the operation, and neither did Attorney General Eric Holder. This column wrote about that interview here.

But Congressman Darrell Issa, chairman of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform has asked ATF's Melson for a lot of documents and communications relating to Gunrunner and Fast and Furious, and from the content of his letter, he knows exactly what he is looking for.

WORTH CHECKING OUT

The Delaware Rifle and Pistol Club is a members only club dedicated to the betterment of the shooting sports by;

- Protecting and promoting the right of individuals to keep and bear arms.
- Encouraging organized rifle and pistol shooting by United States citizens and legal residents.
- Increasing knowledge of the lawful and safe handling and proper care of firearms.
- Promoting the proper use of firearms in marksmanship programs, hunting, and self-defense.

One of our newest programs is a course called "Shooting FUNDamentals". This program is designed to help the new

shooter develop the knowledge, skills, and attitude necessary for owning and operating a firearm safely and competently. The need for this program arose out of the observation that many of our prospective new members had minimal or no knowledge of the safe handling of firearms. These same individuals generally had poor marksmanship skills as would be expected from new self-taught shooters.

It was our position as a club that we could offer a program that could bring a new shooter, or a person who might be interested in becoming a shooter, up to speed in a safe, supportive, and FUN environment. With the support of our Board of Directors and a commitment from our instructors, this program was born.

Our first class was launched in July of 2010, and has been growing ever since. Our participants have ranged in age from 14 years old to seventy plus, and includes males and females, with experience levels ranging from never having seen a firearm in person, to those that may have shot "years ago". One thing that all of our participants have in common is a desire to learn how to shoot safely.

The basic premise of the class, which consists of five sessions on five different nights, is to give the students a foundation upon which to build their shooting careers. In the initial class, participants are given a fairly thorough safety lecture with demonstrations on how to determine if a gun is safe, plus explanation and demonstration on how to safely and correctly load, unload, and handle a handgun, while following the 3 NRA rules of safe gun handling. Students are also exposed to the fundamentals of marksmanship, covering topics like Stance, Grip, Sight alignment, Breath control, and Trigger control.

At the end of the lecture/demonstration portion of the class, the students get range time one-on-one with an NRA certified instructor, who is there to help ensure student safety, and to assist the student in developing their fledgling marksmanship skills. Subsequent class sessions start with a refresher safety briefing, providing answers to any questions that have come up since the last session, followed by a range session of approximately an hour, again one-on-one with an NRA certified instructor.

The reviews from our participants have been very positive, with "word of mouth" being one of the most effective recruitment tools. We have had several people transition from the Shooting FUNDamentals class into our New Member training class, where they have been overwhelmingly successful in meeting our membership criteria.

I believe that classes like this can not only provide a potential source of new members to our Club, but more importantly provide positive visibility to our sport, as well as educate new shooters in how to shoot safely and effectively; something that comes a lot harder for the self-taught shooter. I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of the instructors at the Delaware Rifle and Pistol Club -this program would not have gotten off the ground, let alone been this successful, without your help and dedication.

Frank Nedza
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Firearms Curiosa -- Standard Arms Co. Model G

by Tom Shellenberger

Hartford and New Haven Connecticut, Ithaca and Ilion New York, and Springfield Massachusetts are all famous as homes to storied American firearms makers. While Wilmington, Delaware is home to a famous gunpowder manufacturing concern, it is not generally thought of as the home of firearms manufacturing. Remington did have its corporate home in Wilmington, but its manufacturing facilities were elsewhere. In the early years of the last century, however, Wilmington was the home of at least one firearms manufacturer, Standard Arms Co.

From 1909 through 1911, the Standard Arms Co. operated in Wilmington, Delaware. The promotional materials list the address as 111 F Street in Wilmington (a 1914 map of Wilmington shows Standard Arms at the intersection of F and Spruce Streets below the Christina River.) During its brief existence, Standard Arms produced a rifle that was both elegant in appearance and innovative in its design.

Standard Arms manufactured the very first commercial gas operated semi-automatic rifle, the Model G. Available in .25-35, .30-30, and .35 Remington calibers, the semi-automatic Model G could also be operated as a slide-action rifle by closing the gas port located under the muzzle. Figure 1.



To open and close the gas port, Standard Arms provided a special wrench that was shaped like a cartridge but with a knurled area at the neck to enhance the grip. The wrenches are a collector's item in their own right.

Over its short existence, Standard Arms produced perhaps 12,000 firearms. In addition to the Model G., they also made the Model M, which was a slide-action only. The National Firearms Museum reports that there was also a "Camp Model" which fired 50 caliber buckshot or round balls, but this variation was made in very limited numbers.

In addition to its innovative convertible action, the Model G was unusual because of its foregrip and buttplate. These parts were made of bronze and then covered with black lacquer. The

high areas of this "japanned" finish wore quickly, allowing the metal beneath to show through.



As indicated by its short life, the Standard Arms Co. was not a commercial success. Reports indicate that the semi-automatic operation was sporadic and prone to jamming. The gas system was delicate and subject to breaking at critical places. For this reason, it is recommended that anyone shooting these rifles should do so only after the rifle has been inspected by a competent gunsmith. The rifles should only be shot in the slide-action mode.

According to an article in the New York Times in October 1914, Standard Arms Co. turned to the production of motor buses after discontinuing its rifle manufacturing. An unidentified female entrepreneur attempted to get the company back in the gun business during the early days of the First World War, but those efforts were unsuccessful.

For those interested in learning more about these rifles, the internet has a wealth of information. Examples appear for sale from time to time on the major firearms auctions and elsewhere. tdshell@snip.net

Design and History of the .45 ACP

The U.S. Cavalry had been buying and testing various handguns in the late 1890s and early 20th century. The .45 Colt Single Action Army had largely been replaced, even by some double action versions of the same. The Cavalry had fielded some double action revolvers in .38 Long Colt. They determined that the .38-caliber round was significantly less effective against determined opponents, such as the warriors encountered in the Moro Rebellion of the Philippine - American War, than the .45 Colt. The current issue rifle at the time, the .30-40 Krag, had also failed to stop Moro warriors effectively; the British had issues switching to the .303 British, which resulted in the development of the Dum-dum bullet. This experience, and the Thompson-LaGarde Tests of 1904 led the Army and the Cavalry to decide that a minimum of .45-caliber was required in the new handgun. Thompson and Major Louis Anatole LaGarde of the Medical Corps arranged tests on cadavers and animal remains in the Chicago stockyards, resulting in finding that the .45 was the most effective pistol cartridge. They noted, however, that training was critical to make sure a soldier could score a hit in a vulnerable part of the body.

Colt had been working with Browning on a .41-caliber cartridge in 1904, and in 1905 when the Cavalry asked for a .45-caliber equivalent Colt modified the pistol design to fire a .45-caliber version of the prototype .41-caliber round. The result from Colt was the Model 1905 and the new .45 ACP cartridge. The original round that passed the testing fired a 200 grain (13 g) bullet at 900 ft/s (275 m/s), but after a number of rounds of revisions between Winchester Repeating Arms, Frankford Arsenal, and Union Metallic Cartridge, it ended up using a 230-grain (15 g) bullet fired at about 850 ft/s (260 m/s). The resulting .45-caliber cartridge, named the .45 ACP, was similar in performance to the .45 Schofield cartridge, and only slightly less powerful (but significantly shorter) than the .45 Colt cartridges the Cavalry was using.

By 1906 bids from six makers were submitted, among them Browning's design, submitted by Colt. Only DWM, Savage, and Colt made the first Cut. DWM, which submitted two Luger P08 pistols adapted to the .45 ACP Cartridge, withdrew from testing after the first round of tests, for unspecified reasons. One of the DWM pistols, serial number 1, was destroyed in testing; the remaining instance, serial number 2, is considered one of the most desirable collectors handguns in existence.

In the second round of evaluations in 1910, the Colt design passed the extensive testing with no failures. The resulting Colt design was adopted as the Model 1911.

The cartridge/pistol combination was quite successful but not satisfactory for U.S. military purposes. Over the next few years a series of improved design were offered, culminating in the adoption in 1911 of the "Cal. .45 Automatic Pistol Ball Cartridge, Model of 1911", a 1.273 inch cartridge with a bullet weight of 230 grains. The very first production, at Frankford Arsenal, was marked "F A 8 11", for the August 1911 date.

The cartridge was designed by John Browning of Colt, but the most swaying influence over the choice of cartridge for the new Army pistol came from Army Ordnance member Gen. John T. Thompson (who would later design the famed Thompson

submachine gun around the .45 ACP cartridge). Thompson insisted on a real "man stopper" pistol, following the poor showing of the Army's .38 Long Colt pistols during the Philippine-American War (1899-1902)

Information gathered by Dan Lindbergh.
From Wikipedia

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS, MAY - JUNE 2011 by Dan Lindbergh

PLACES TO SHOOT

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| Ommelanden Rt.9 | Trap & Skeet | Wednesday 9:00 a.m.to 8:30 p.m., Last Sign Up 8:00 p.m. Friday - Sunday 9:00 a.m. - 3:30p.m. Last Sign up 3:00 p.m. - Closed Monday, Tuesday & Thursday - 302-323-5333 |
| | 5 Stand | No Evening Hours. Wednesday 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. last sign up 2:30 p.m. Friday – Sunday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Last sign up 2:30 p.m. |
| Eagle Wing Dover, A.F.B. | Rifle & Pistol | Wednesday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday, 9:00 a.m. Last sign up 2:30 p.m., Friday - Sunday |
| | Skeet & Clays | Wednesday 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Manager Chris Smith, 302-677-5553, Range 302-677-6308. To enter the base you need either a military ID or a Skeet Pass. If you need a pass call Chris Smith for details. |
| Alexander's | | Multi Use Range. Rifle & Pistol Wednesday - Sunday 8:00 a.m. til Dusk. Targets to 600 yd. Membership only. Massey, MD 410-928-3311 |

BLACK POWDER

- May 7** Black Powder - Cartridge Shoot - Black Powder Cartridge Firearms - Nanticoke Sportsmen's Club, Bob Tyson 302-539-2666
- 14** N.J. Red Devil Shoot - Brandywine Muzzle Loading Long Rifles - 10:00 am, Southern Chester County Sportsmen's Club, Rt. 926 London Grove, PA, Fred Long 302-731-0473
- 21** Black Powder Muzzleloader Shoots; Percussion, Flint, Revolver, Single Shot Pistol; Nanticoke Sportsmen's Club, Seaford, DE Ray Stevens 302-875-5428
- June 4** Black Powder Cartridge Shoot; Black Powder Cartridge Firearms, Nanticoke Sportsmen's Club Bob Tyson - 302 - 539 - 2666
- 11** Pistol Shoot - 10:00 a.m., Brandywine Muzzle Loading Long Rifles, Southern Chester County Sportsmen's Club, Rt. 926 London Grove, PA, Fred Long 302-731-0473
- 18** Black Powder Muzzleloader Shoots; Percussion, Flint, Revolver, Single Shot Pistol; Nanticoke Sportsmen's Club, Seaford, DE Ray Stevens 302-875-5428

COWBOY

- May 7** Eas'dern Shore Renegades, Delmarva Sportsman's Assoc., Sudlersville, MD, Teton Tracy 302-378-7854
- 4, 11, 18, 25** Indoor Practice for Outside; 7:30 p.m., Delaware Rifle & Pistol, Elsmere, DE, Jack Conomon 302-654-7580
- 15** SASS, Paden's Posse, 9:00 a.m., Nanticoke Sportsmen's Club, Seaford, DE, Dave Bell 302-245-4822
- 1** Cowboy Match, Topton Fish & Game, Topton, PA, Ranger Smith 610-797-7844
- June 5** Cowboy Match, Topton Fish & Game, Topton, PA, Ranger Smith 610-797-7844
- 1, 8, 15, 22, 29** Indoor Practice for Outside; 7:30 p.m., Delaware Rifle & Pistol, Elsmere, DE, Jack Conomon 302-654-7580
- 4** Eas'dern Shore Renegades, Delmarva Sportsman's Assoc., Sudlersville, MD, Teton Tracy 302-378-7854
- 19** SASS, Paden's Posse, 9:00 a.m., Nanticoke Sportsmen's Club, Seaford, DE, Dave Bell 302-245-4822

INDOOR AND OUTDOOR PISTOL

- May 1** Outdoor 2700 Pistol, Boyertown, PA, Keith Davis 610-369-0608
- 2, 9, 16, 23, 30** Silhouette Pistol Indoor, 7:00 p.m., 50 ft.; Delaware Rifle & Pistol, Elsmere, DE, Jim Bowman 302-368-8626
- 3, 10, 17, 24, 31** Indoor Pistol, Bullseye Practice, 22-38-45 -50 ft.; Delaware Rifle & Pistol, Paul Connor 302-995-5657
- 6, 13, 20, 27** Silhouette Pistol & Rifle, Indoor 5:00 p.m., 25yd., Open to Public, \$2.00 Buys 40 Knock Down Targets Delaware State Pistol Club, New Castle, Dan Lindbergh 302-475-4228
- 7** Outdoor 2700 Pistol; 12th Precinct, MD, Garrison Johns 443-994-2102
- 7** Outdoor 1800 Pistol; Millville, NJ, Kim Quigley 609-624-8669
- 14** Outdoor 2700 Pistol; Citizens, NJ, Keith Stern 609-462-9428
- 15** Pistol Combat, 9:00 a.m., Indoor, Open to the Public; DLEMA Delaware Law Enforcement Marksmanship Assoc., Suddlersville, MD Mario Dobrich 302-629-4125
- 15** IPSC Pistol; Topton Fish & Game, Topton, PA, Dean DeTurk
- 21, 22** Outdoor 2700 Pistol; Regional w/leg & DR, Boyertown, PA, Keith Davis 610-369-0608
- 28-29** 2700 Outdoor Pistol; Central Jersey Rifle & Pistol, Mary Badiak 908-788-5503
- June 3, 10, 17, 24** Silhouette Pistol & Rifle; Indoor 5:00 p.m., 25yd., Open to Public, \$2.00 Buys 40 Knock Down Targets Delaware State Pistol Club, New Castle, DE, Dan Lindbergh 302-475-4228
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INDOOR AND OUTDOOR PISTOL

- June 11-12** MD State Championship - w/EIC & DR, 12 Precinct, MD, Garrison Johns 443-994-2102
11-12 Outdoor 2700 Pistol; Central Jersey Rifle & Pistol, Mary Badiak 908-788-5503
12 Steel League; Topton Fish and Game Topton, PA
18-19 2700 Outdoor Pistol, Regional w/leg and Dr, Square Circle, NJ, John Gunn Jr. 609-288-0778
19 IPSC Pistol; Topton Fish & Game Topton, PA, Dean DeTurk
25 Outdoor 2700 Pistol; Citizens, NJ, Keith Stern 609-462-9428
25, 26 Outdoor 2700 Pistol; Regional with leg & DR, Harrisburg Hunters & Anglers, Eric Poole 717-766-3625
26 Service Pistol and DR Champ; Central Jersey Rifle & Pistol, Mary Badiak 908-788-5503
26 Service Pistol and DR Champ; Cherry Ridge, NJ, Mary Badiak 908-788-5503

SMALL BORE & HIGH POWER RIFLE

- May 7** Rim Fire Rifle, Silhouette Match; Quinton Sportsman's Club, Gary Ireland 856-296-4982
7, 14, 21, 28 Jr. Small Bore Rifle; Teach Your Children The Basics Of Safe Gun Handling And Marksmanship, 8:30 a.m., Year Round Class Public Invited, All Equipment Supplied, Delaware State Pistol Club, New Castle, DE, Dave Heckler 302-733-0838
14 High Power Rifle; 1000 Aggregate Regional, Bridgeville Rifle & Pistol Club, Jeff Hague 302-422-0233
15 High Power Rifle; Leg Match, Any Rifle Any Sight P.M., Bridgeville Rifle & Pistol Club, Jeff Hague 302-422-0233
June 4 Rim Fire Rifle, Silhouette Match; Quinton Sportsman's Club, Gary Ireland 856-296-4982
4, 11, 18, 25 Jr. Small Bore Rifle; Teach Your Children The Basics Of Safe Gun Handling And Marksmanship, 8:30 a.m., Year Round Class Public Invited, All Equipment Supplied, Delaware State Pistol Club, New Castle, DE, Dave Heckler 302-733-0838
11 High Power Rifle; 800 Aggregate, Bridgeville Rifle & Pistol Club, Jeff Hague 302-422-0233
12 High Power Rifle; 3- 600 yd. Matches, F-Class Included, Bridgeville Rifle & Pistol club, Jeff Hague 302-422-0233

SPORTING CLAYS

- May 1** Mispillion Rotary, 50 Birds, Owens Station Sporting Clays, 302-349-4334
1 Union Lodge #5, 50 Birds, Hopkin's Game Farm & Clays, 410-348-5287
1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Fun Shoot, 50 Targets, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.; Last Sign Up 12:30, Atglen Sportsmen's Club, Tim McClure 610-721-0114
4, 11, 18, 25 5 Stand, 5:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., Atglen Sportsmen's Club, Tim McClure 610-721-0114
13 NSCA TGIF, 100 Birds, Prince George's Trap & Skeet, 301-577-7178
14 Wye Upper School, 50 Birds, Pintail Point, 410-827-7065
15 Bill Abbott Memorial , 50 Birds, Owens Station Sporting Clays, 302-349-4334
15 Camden, DE, VFW, 50 Targets, Schrader's Sporting Clays, 410-756-1824
18 Denton Rotary, 50 Birds, Schrader's Sporting Clays, 410-756-1824
21 Centerville Rotary, 50 Birds, Pintail Point, 410-827-7065
29 Pittsville Vol. Fire Dept., 50 Birds, Owens Station Sporting Clays, 302-349-4334
29 Big Money Blast, NSCA 100, Schrader's Sporting Clays, 410-756-1824
June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 5 Stand, 5:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., Atglen Sportsmen's Club, Tim McClure 610-721-0114
4 11th Annual Outback Classic, 75 Birds, Pintail Point, 410-827-7065
5, 12, 19, 26 Fun Shoot, 50 Targets, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.; Last Sign Up 12:30, Atglen Sportsmen's Club, Tim McClure 610-721-0114
11, 12 Blue Hen Classic, 200 Birds, Owens Station Sporting Clays, 302-349-4334
18 Havre De Grace Decoy Shoot, 75 Birds, Pintail Point, 410-827-7065
18 Catholic Sportsman, 50 Birds, Price George's Trap & Skeet, 301-577-7178
19 Cecil County Fathers Day Shoot, 50 Birds, Schrader's Sporting Clays, 410-756-1824
24 Great American Prelim., Registered, Hopkin's Game Farm & Clays, 410-348-5287
25, 26 Great American, 200 Birds, Registered- Hopkin's Game Farm & Clays, 410-348-5287
26 Indian River Ducks Unlimited, 50 Birds, Owens Station Sporting Clays, 302-349-4334

TRAP

- May 7** Marathons Shoot, 300 Singles, 200 Doubles, Nonregistered, Wilmington Trap Assoc. One Mile West of Glasgow, DE on Rt. 40 Bill Trone 302-534-9320
22 Delaware State Shoot Warm-Up & County Championships Registered, Wilmington Trap Assoc. One Mile West of Glasgow, DE on Rt. 40, Bill Trone 302-534-9320
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