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National Shooting Sports Month 2021 / Bridgeville Rifle and Pistol Club Family Day at the Range

Hosted by Bridgeville Rifle and Pistol Club Co-Sponsored by Bruce Smith's BKK Firearms/BKK Defensive Systems (Bridgeville, Delaware), this event was a huge success. Even though it was extremely hot and VERY humid, over 600 people made the trip to the range, arriving from New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Vermont, Virginia and all over Delaware, (including Newark and Wilmington).

Special thanks goes out to all the VOLUNTEERS, The Well-Armed Women's group, and all the incredible RSO's who made sure everyone was safe and other members of the club who helped make it a success. Thanks to the Woodbridge High School ROTC, who made sure all magazines were loaded cars were parked, and all equipment was sanitized after each use. Huge thanks also to Karen Johnson (Bridgeville Library) for getting news articles to many different publications and social media, as well as to Dave Hampton and his awesome wife for all of their help both before and after the event. Special thanks to George Carson and Nikki O'Donnell for all their incredible help with everything. Many Thanks to Jeff Hague for making sure the Delegates, etc. were there and for ensuring that articles advertising the event went into the DSSA newsletter and Bridgeville Club newsletter, as well as for his unswerving dedication to the Club, DSSA and the Shooting Sports in general.

There were several vendors present including USCCA, Century Arms (Canik Pistols Manufacturer) from Vermont, DSSA (Delaware States Sportsmen's Association), several firearms/ammunition shops, a 2nd Amendment jewelry maker, a wooden sign/ flag carver and others. Representatives of several shooting disciplines were also present, including Long Range Shooters, IDPA (International Defensive Pistol Association), and Cowboy Action (all displaying some of the firearms that they use). IDPA and Cowboy Action shooters did several live-fire demonstrations during the day, which drew a good crowd of interested attendees.

Also present were several of our elected Senator and Representatives including Senators Brian Pettyjohn and Dave

Wilson, and Representative Danny Short. We also had several candidates present who are or will be running for Delaware offices, including Lee Murphy and others.

Participants were able to get some great food from food trucks brought in by: Mojo's To Go, Vanderwendes' Ice Cream and My-T-Fine BBQ.

There were several shooting stations available for participants, including airguns, rimfire rifles and pistols, pistol caliber carbines, AR 15's and 9 mm Pistols. All firearms were provided by Family Day Director, Bruce Smith. We had lots of kids, teens and adults who had never experienced the fun and safety of shooting before come away with big grins and likely a better appreciation for the shooting sports. This was only possible because of the dedicated and experienced Safety Officers/Instructors who were on hand to guide each person through the safe handling and specifics of shooting a firearm. Those RSO's did an incredible job especially considering the high heat conditions during the day. I wish I could name everyone who helped, but my sincere thanks go out to all of them. I am pretty sure that everyone, but especially the kids, had a great time and that all who participated learned something.

An addition to having fun, and getting to shoot something new or different, there were quite a few really nice door prizes that were given away to attendees, including triggers, upper receivers, and other shooting-related goods and services.

As the day wound down, Senator Wilson in his other role as auctioneer presided over an auction of TWO Glock pistols and an NRA License plate (NRA 34), the proceeds of which go to benefit the Bridgeville Rifle and Pistol Club

As we look forward to 2022, I hope to be able to move this family day to a little cooler time of year (September, perhaps?). I look forward to seeing you there!

Hawaiian Felon Proves Just How Useless Gun Control Is By: Ton Knighton in 'Bearing Arms' Submitted By: Vickie Prickett

https://bearingarms.com/tomknighton/2021/08/03/guncontrol-11-n48370 Gun control advocates always have an excuse for why their proposals fail. Either there are just not enough laws or guns are being funneled in from states with more permissive gun laws. There's always something.



It's never because gun control is a bad idea.

In fact, based on what we keep hearing from most American gun control advocates, the problem with guns in so many cities with strict gun control measures is because there are states that aren't as strict. In fact, you'd think listening to them that if they were an island or something, criminals simply wouldn't be able to get guns.

Luckily, we can test this.

You see, Hawaii has pretty much every measure a gun control advocate could reasonably want. It's also an island, which means no one comes in from another state without having to pass through some kind of security that generally isn't going to allow guns to come through. They're as isolated as you can get.

And yet, this happens...:

https://www.hawaiinewsnow.com/2021/08/03/bail-set-660k-hawaii-island-felon-after-raid-turns-up-guns-drugs/

- Prosecutors charged Loran Gross of Mountain View with 22 offenses after a massive bust at his home last week Friday.
- Detectives found over 27 pounds of dried marijuana, more than 230 live marijuana plants, 14 rifles, and more than 20,000 rounds of ammunition in his possession.
- Police also found a semi-automatic hand gun, along with drug paraphernalia.

Now, Gross has 10 prior felony convictions, meaning there's no way he purchased those 14 rifles and the one semi-automatic handgun lawfully. He just couldn't.

So, with all of Hawaii's advantages, just how did he manage to get his grubbing little paws on them?

After all, we're told that gun control works and the only reason places like New York or Chicago are having issues now isn't because gun control fails, it's because of all those other states. People just drive the guns into the Big Apple or the Windy City and sell them, thus negating all the good gun control supposedly does.

Yet Hawaii doesn't have that going on. You simply can't blame Indiana for criminals owning guns in Honolulu. As previously noted, you can't get there without going through some kind of security, either via ship or plane. Ain't no one driving there. If they are, I'm interested to know how.

No, Hawaii's problems are their own, the same as everyone else's. They just don't have the luxury of blaming another nearby state. The only thing they share a border with is the Pacific Ocean, after all.

The truth of the matter is that Gross, as a felon, was willing to break the law to obtain firearms. Unless you can make all guns disappear from existence in an instant, you're always going to have armed criminals. That's not going to end.

What gun control does, though, is inhibit ordinary citizens from arming themselves and having the means to defend themselves from those criminals. That's all that happens and all that will ever happen.

Gun control isn't a serious policy position. It's a fantasy masquerading as policy. The sooner people come to realize it, the sooner we can start talking about real solutions.

Factchecking The Media's Antigun Factcheckers

From the Second Amendment Foundation's Investigative Journalism Program By: Lee Williams <u>https://thegunwriter.substack.com/p/factchecking-the-</u> medias-antigun-factcheckers



For today's media, factchecking is an entry-level job. Most media factcheckers are liberal, woke, in their early 20s and politically biased. Most have never even touched a weapon, yet they wade into gun and Second Amendment issues as though they're the reincarnation of Jeff Cooper or Bill Jordan. But unlike these distinguished gentlemen, the factcheckers usually get it wrong.

This is the problem, because even though most factcheckers are fresh out of college and lack any real journalism experience, they wield tremendous power. If a factchecker determines that a progun story is false or misleading, social media giants like Facebook or Twitter will limit its reach and the story won't be seen on any feeds. It will go largely unread. That's a lot of power for a kid who's usually not old enough to even purchase a firearm.

The legacy media's sudden obsession with factchecking wasn't caused by any journalistic desire to seek and publish the truth. For at least one media giant, it was a financial decision.

Case in point: Gannett's factcheckers for hire

In March 2020, Gannett announced it was partnering with Facebook to "identify misinformation."

"As a media organization with unparalleled local-tonational reach, we take our commitment to providing people with truthful information very seriously, and factchecking is integral to the journalism being done by USA TODAY and in Gannett newsrooms across the country," Maribel Perez Wadsworth, Publisher of USA TODAY, said in a press release.

USA TODAY, Gannett's flagship paper, created a dedicated factchecking page on their website, and assigned a managing editor to oversee the project.

Facebook was jubilant.

"Continuing to expand our fact-checking program is an important part of our work to fight misinformation," Keren Goldshlager of Facebook Integrity Partnerships said in the press release. "We welcome USA TODAY to the program and value their cross-country coverage and perspective on misinformation spreading at the state level."

What the public wasn't told — what I learned while I was still working at a Gannett newspaper — was that Facebook paid Gannett millions of dollars for the partnership. Gannett couldn't have cared less about the "distribution of false information on social media." They viewed this payoff as their due, because Facebook had cost them millions of dollars in lost advertising revenue. These were dollars Facebook "owed us," Gannett editors were told. Facebook benefitted because they were able to tout that they had enlisted actual journalists as factcheckers. Most of the stories they chose were political. Many involved President Trump — many still do.

Today, Gannett's factcheckers are young and inexperienced; since seasoned journalists want to write their own stories, rather than being a whiny hall monitor censoring other people's work. As a result, the only folks available to fill the positions are the aforementioned kids.

Case in point: Biden's 9mm handgun ban

During a CNN townhall July 21, Joe Biden said he wanted to ban 9mm handguns.

"The idea you need a weapon that can have the ability to fire 20, 30, 40, 50, 120 shots from that weapon, whether — whether it's a 9 mm pistol or whether it's a rifle, is ridiculous," Biden said. "I'm continuing to push to eliminate the sale of those things."

The NRA wrote about Biden's statement. The Citizens Committee for the Right to Keep and Bear Arms wrote about it. House Republicans issued a statement. I wrote about it. Dozens of other progun sites wrote about it, and millions of Americans shared and discussed Biden's comments on Facebook and other social media.

Turns out we were all wrong, according to David Funke, a 20-something factcheck reporter who covers online misinformation for USA TODAY. According to his bio, Funke previously worked for the Poynter Institute's PolitiFact. He has never worked as a real journalist.

"Independent fact-checking organizations, gun policy experts and the White House have debunked the claim that Biden wants to ban 9 mm pistols," Funke wrote.

He then found an expert to agree.

"President Biden has never proposed the ban of 9 mm pistols or other caliber pistols," Daniel Webster, director of the Johns Hopkins Center for Gun Violence Prevention and Policy, reportedly told Funke in an email. "He certainly has never taken pistols away from people who are legal gun owners."

Professor Webster is not exactly the unbiased expert Funke would have you believe.

Webster is also the Bloomberg Professor of American Health and a Professor in the Department of Health Policy and Management. His areas of study include "the prevention of gun violence, gun policy, gun acquisition and carrying by underage youth and other prohibited persons, intimate partner violence, and youth violence prevention. He developed one of the first courses on violence prevention in a school of public health. Dr. Webster was also co-editor and contributor to Reducing Gun Violence in America: Informing Policy and Evidence and Analysis."

Webster actually believes background checks will keep guns out of the hands of criminals.

"When criminals get guns, they get them from friends, family, or from an underground market source. Without universal background check requirements, there is little deterrent to selling guns to criminals or gun traffickers. State laws mandating universal background checks deter the diversion of guns to criminals," Webster wrote in in a June 26, 2014 article titled: "Guns Kill People. And If We Had Universal Background Checks, They Wouldn't Kill So Many." An examination of Funke's factchecking topics reveals he is as biased as his so-called expert.

Funke's stories have targeted: MyPillow CEO Mike Lindell, Donald Trump, QAnon, election fraud, anti-vaxxers, gun owners and the NRA, while providing cover for Biden, Kamala Harris, mask mandates, mandatory vaccinations and Dr. Fauci.

Funke did not respond to several requests seeking his comments for this story.

"I'm a reporter/editor who fact-checks and writes about online misinformation for USA TODAY. When I'm not debunking viral memes, tracking disinformation or editing fact checks, I'm probably cycling, binge-reading or walking my hounds," his LinkedIn page states.



Daniel Funke

Biden has proposed banning the sale and manufacture of assault-style firearms and high-capacity magazines – not all 9 mm handguns



Fact check: Biden didn't 'gift' weapons to Taliban, hasn't proposed banning pistols

President Joe Biden was fielded key questions on the economy, infrastructure and more in the CNN town hall. Staff Video, USA TODAY usafoday.com

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Politics, not science.

Factchecking is nothing new. For more than 100 years newspapers, and especially magazines, have employed factcheckers, although they operated behind the scenes, before stories were published. They weren't public-facing like their counterparts are today, and they certainly never wrote bylined stories.

Today's factchecking process is far from scientific — keep in mind they factcheck editorials, opinion pieces, satire and even memes.

Once a checker finds a story they don't like, usually because it offends their leftwing politics, they call a likeminded source or two, get a couple quotes and then, as young Mr. Funke demonstrated, label the entire story false. To be clear, these are judgment calls by young reporters of stories they cherry-picked themselves. Once the story is published, it's not a kid like Funke saying the story is wrong, it's now USA TODAY, the Washington Post or the Associated Press labeling it false. In Funke's case, millions of Americans heard Biden say he wanted to ban 9mm pistols, yet a 20-something reporter and an anti-gun professor concluded we were all wrong. The gun banners know this, and they tout every progun story the factcheckers label false. They use them as ammunition in their calls for more antigun laws and regulations.

There are other concerns.

In a scientific paper published in January, two journalism scholars found that for more than one-third of all factchecking stories published by PolitiFact that involved a "complex proposition" — statements that involved multiple claims — PolitiFact assigned only one truth rating to the entire statement, rather than singling out the false portion of what was said. "This is problematic as the reader might misinterpret the truthfulness of an individual claim. PolitiFact also checks claims that we considered uncheckable," the authors noted. Labeling a complex statement as entirely false, is, again, cherry-picking and deceptive.

The "uncheckable" stories the authors referenced are clearly opinion pieces. For example, if I write a column that says guns save lives, the factcheckers may not agree with my opinion, but the column is not false. It is my opinion. Labeling opinions as false makes even less sense than factchecking memes.

The new censors

"The media's the most powerful entity on earth. They have the power to make the innocent guilty and to make the guilty more innocent, and that's power. Because they control the minds of the masses."

Malcolm X said that of the news media in the 1960s, and it's even more true today. He'd be shocked by the political powerhouse today's media has become.

Nowadays, the antigun left — aided and abetted by their supporters in the legacy media — are using factcheckers to shut down any speech they disagree with. That's censorship, pure and simple, but they don't care. They consider anything they find offensive false, untrue, a lie, something that needs to be concealed from the public. They consider the public nothing but a bunch of ignorant rubes who need to be shielded from offensive statements, because they're too stupid to decide for themselves what is true and what is false. The media considers it their duty to be society's sole arbiter of the truth. I've always considered this elite, ivory-tower and paternalistic attitude one of the media's greatest failings.

Readers should be able to decide the truth for themselves. They don't need it rammed down their throat, especially by kids who are barely old enough to shave. In short, the ability to make up one's own mind is freedom, and we all know how the antigun left feels about freedom. Today's media has short-circuited one of journalism's most basic tenets, which says the best way to counter any offensive speech is by more speech. Unfortunately, if the speech involves guns or gun owners, today's media prefers to censor rather than debate.

Good Guy With A Gun Ends Armed Robbery Early Sunday



By: Staff Writer Submitted By: Vickie Prickett

The Delaware State Police are investigating the robbery of a Newark area gas station that occurred this morning, according to Public Information Officer, Senior Corporal Jason Hatchell.

Hatchell said the incident occurred at approximately 12:48 a.m., Sunday, August 22, 2021, at the Shell gas station, located at 1184 Christiana Road in Newark, when troopers responded to a knifepoint robbery. The investigation determined a male suspect entered the store and confronted a male employee behind the sales counter.

The suspect displayed a knife and demanded money from the register said Hatchell. The employee complied and the suspect fled the store with an undisclosed amount of cash. Upon the suspect running into the parking lot, a good Samaritan who witnessed the incident held the suspect at gunpoint which caused him to drop some of the proceeds. The suspect was then able to return to his vehicle and fled the scene in a blue sedan. The employee was not injured as a result of the incident.

The suspect was described as a white male approximately 5'8"-5'10" tall, 220 lbs., wearing a light-colored shirt, khaki shorts, and a black baseball hat.

Bridgeville Long Range F-Class at the NRA Nationals By: George VanWhy

This year, six members of the Bridgeville long range team attended the NRA F-Class National competitions held at Camp Atterbury in Edinburgh, Indiana. Team members Dave Kokaszka, George VanWhy, Geof Slichter, were shooting in the F-Open category while Todd Strasavich, Ramsey Abid, and Josh Driessen were shooting in the F-T/R category. We also had Matt and Gwen Basalla join in from Reade Range to shoot on our F-Open team matches.



F-Open is the less restrictive of the two with the only restrictions being a maximum rifle weight of 22lbs, a maximum forearm width of 3 inches and a caliber maximum diameter of .35 inches. This leads to some very exotic firearms on the line!

The F-T/R (Target Rifle) is more restricted, with a maximum weight of 18lbs including the front bipod that is attached to the rifle and a caliber restriction allowing ONLY .308 Winchester and .223 Remington. These restrictions lead to a more challenging adventure for the shooter!

Both categories fire at the same size target. The Mid-Range (600 yard) target has a three-inch center X-ring and a six-inch 10-point ring, while the Long Range (1000 yard) target has a five-inch X-ring and a ten-inch 10-point ring. These equate to approximately one half of a minute of angle at that distance.

The Mid-Range portion of the Nationals consisted of three days of individual matches at 600 yards. Participants shoot 3 strings of 20 shots for record each day. Additionally, there was a day of 4-man team matches. Each 4 man team member shoots 2 strings of 20 shots each. This year Bridgeville sponsored an Open and FTR team.

Dave Kokoszka, Geof Slichter, and Ramsey Abid all competed in the mid-Range individuals. Dave was very competitive this year finishing eighth overall in the Grand aggregate with a very nice score of 1795-119X out of 1800-180X. Master Class shooter Geof Slichter finished 31st overall with a score of 1774-86X. F-T/R shooter Ramsey Abid finished in 16th place among the T/R shooters with a score of 1749-67X. Attendance at the Nationals was fairly low, with a total of 26 participants for F-Open and 22 participants for F-T/R. Both Bridgeville Open and F-T/R teams finished 6th overall this year in the Mid-Range teams' portion.

The Mid-Range competitions were followed by the Long-Range matches. This consisted of two days of 3 individual strings of 20 shots matches each day, then a day of Team matches firing two 20 shot stings per team member, and finishing with a final day shooting two 20 shot stings for individuals. F-Open team member George Vanwhy finished 27th overall with a score of 1572-60X with Geof Slichter finishing in 60th place with a 1528-37X, out of a possible 1600-160x aggregate. F-T/R team member Josh Driessen finished 38th with a score of 1500-27X, while Ramsey Abid finished 44th with a score of 958-20X, and Todd Strasavich finished 47th with a score of 572-17X. It is important to note that both Todd and Ramsey did not complete all days of shooting due to the extreme heat conditions on the range. Unfortunately, the range at Atterbury has no available shade and it gets hot in central Indiana in the middle of the summer! There were a total of 71 individual participants in F-Open and 51 individuals competing in F-T/R.

The F-Open team with help from Matt and Gwen Basalla finished 5th out of 10 teams with a score of 1561-67X. The F-T/R team finished 3rd out of three teams with a score of 1528-37X.

Even with the poor conditions (90+ degrees, high humidity and no shade available) at the Nationals this year the scores were very high. Mild winds contributed to many clean (200 out of 200-point) targets. Next year the F-Class Nationals are scheduled to be held in Phoenix, Arizona at the Ben Avery Shooting Facility.

The Bridgeville F-Class teams always welcome new shooters, feel free to stop into the range and talk about F-Class shooting and watch or participate in some shooting!

2021 NRA National Fullbore Championships By: Jon Howell

Along with all the other NRA National Championship disciplines, the National Fullbore Championship was held from August 1st to August 6th. The year 2021 commemorated the 150th year of the NRA Championships and consequently the NRA held all the Championships events at Camp Atterbury, Indiana from July 6th through August 28th, 2021. Normally the US Fullbore Championships are hosted by the Bald Eagles Rifle Club in September in Raton, New Mexico, but this year it was at Camp Atterbury.

The match is called International Fullbore because the US rules are similar to those used by the International community. The caliber is limited to 0.223 Remington and 0.308 Winchester in match and service rifle with bullet weights limited to 91 grains for 0.223 and 156 grains for 0.308. No SCOPES on the line, only Iron Sights. Sighting shots (you only get two) are convertible and may be used as part of your score shots if you desire (and shoot good sighting shots...).

The team match course of fire is 2 convertible sighters (which I like) and 10 shots for record at 300, 600, 900, and 1000 yards. The individual matches are shot over 4 days, with each day shooting 2 convertible sighters and 10 shots for record at 300, 500 and 600 yards with either a 900 or 1000 yard 15 shot component (again with 2 sighters) at the end of each day (alternating). The combination of the mid-and long-range shooting then adds up to an 1800 point aggregate.

For the first time in my experience, other than in actual international competition, the NRA conducted an 8 person team match. The US Veterans team was well represented by 12 shooters, coaches, and team leadership. We shot one 8 person team match and one 4 person team match. It was a

great experience and excellent training for the next world championships. The Americas match was also scheduled for the US for 2021 but Covid-19 prevented the travel of other International Teams so that match was cancelled.

The match was an intimate affair with only 38 shooters, but still attended by some of the best Fullbore shooters in the United States. Four Bridgeville Rifle and Pistol Club members attended the match; Jon Howell and Tom Snodgrass from Delaware, Don Phister, now living in North Carolina, and Mike Schallow now living in Tennessee. (Editor's Note: Jon managed a 7th place finish overall, unfortunately dropping 6 points on the final 1000 yard string and having a final aggregate of 1788-85X. That result put him just 4 points behind the leader. Jon also had a **very** good third day aggregate of 450-22X (clean) for a third place overall on the third day.) Tom Snodgrass came in at 17th place overall with a nice 1774-80X. Don Phister came in 30th overall at 1737-53X with Mike right behind him at 1736-60X.

Tom had a very nice last day aggregate of 444-17X, with Jon two points and one place lower with a 442-22X.

The overall Fullbore winner was Dan Altman of Ohio winning the match with a very nice aggregate score of 1792-100X. Matt Griffin and Larry Sollars were right behind him at 1791-113X and 1791-101X, respectively.

Bridgeville Rifle and Pistol Club Highpower Report By: Frank Nedza

July 10th, Across the Course (XTC): Saturday, July 10th saw 11 shooters come out for our 1000 point aggregate across the course match. For those that don't know, this match format proceeds as normal except for an additional opportunity to shoot from prone at 600 yards. The weather and conditions were pretty good, all things considered (it was July after all).

At any rate, Kevin Umbreit ended up on top with a really nice 982-38X, closely followed by Roman Podshivalov at 977-26X. Nice shooting guys! In the Master Class, Shannon Moriarty was the class winner with a very nice 958-25X, topping Dad, who pulled in a 945-22X. Nice shooting Shannon! In Expert/Sharpshooter class, Chris Angell fired a nice 900-13X, followed by Ron Robinson at 874-7X. We hope to see you all at our next XTC match on Saturday September 11th.

July 11th, 3 x 600 Mid-Range Match: Another nice day for shooting! This match saw 42 shooters on the line, with a 20/22 split between sling shooters and F-Class shooters.

On the F-Open side of things, Andy Amber led the way, with a VERY nice 597-40X. That, my friends, is a really nice score on a pretty tough target. He was closely followed by John Sigler at 595-31X, and Dave Kokoszka at 592-30X. In Master Class, Frank Lawrence was the class King, at 585-15X, followed by Brandon Newman and Ken Truex at 581-14X and 75-11X, respectively.

In F-T/R, Todd Strasavich was the class King at 590-28X, closely followed by Jim Crofts at 589-30X, and Karl Tabb at 587-20X.

On the sling side of things, Master Class (but not for long...) shooter Chris Moriarty took the win with a <u>very</u> nice 596-40X. Well done Chris! He out-X'ed High Master Rich Kussman for the win at 596-33X. Rich was followed by Jeff Hague, firing a 595-19X. In Palma Rifle class, Joe Fogg was the class King, firing a 595-28X with his .308, followed by my second favorite Marine, Tom Snodgrass at 592-27X (also shooting .308). Clay Miller did well in Master Class, firing a 586-17X for second in his class.

Ron Robinson and James Lee did well in Sharpshooter/Marksman and AR-Tactical as well, firing 550-10X and 525-7X respectively.

We hope to see you at our next Mid-Range Match, which will be fired on September 12th.

Delaware Long-Range State Championship August 28-29:

This match was a designated fundraiser for DSSA, and attracted a grand total of 43 individual shooters, raising almost \$800.00 for the DSSA! A HUGE thank you to all our shooters for their willingness to contribute to defending out right to Keep and Bear Arms in Delaware! As you might expect for August, it was HOT, and HUMID that weekend, but our shooters did their best, and shooting was from our covered shoothouse, so it wasn't as bad as it could have been.

On the F-T/R side, Keith Trapp led the way with a nice 1162-34X, followed by Master Class shooter Todd Norfleet at 1161-31X. Josh Driessen took second in the Master Class with a nice 1157-23X. In F-Open, George VanWhy (who has been shooting quite well lately), took the F-Class win, with a very nice 1185-44X. Nicely done George! - must have been all that experience at Atterbury, right? He was followed by Dave Kokoszka at 1174-45X and Matt Basalla at 1171-40X. In the Master Class, Joe Spina (who has ALSO been shooting very well), took the class win with a nice 1171-55X. He was followed by Mike Drass and Jack Neith at 1162-35X and 1156-32X, respectively. It should be noted that Dave Kokoszka fired the ONLY clean target of the weekend on Saturday, a 200-7X. It didn't 'look' like there was much going on downrange as far as conditions, but there clearly was, and Dave saw right through it for that one. Well Done, Dave!

One the sling-side, the Any Rifle/Any Sight category was won by Rich Kussman, who fired a nice 1185-54X for the win. He was followed by Jon Howell at 1180-50X and Joe Fogg at 1172-47X. In Palma class, Nate Guernsey fired a nice 1184-49X for the category win, followed by Curt Bohlman at 1180-49X, and Kent Shomber at 1179-48X. Remember, they were firing .308 Winchester and using iron sights (If I remember correctly, they were all shooting 155 grain bullets as well! Curt and Kent came all the way out from Oklahoma City to shoot with us this weekend. I hope you guys had fun, and I hope to see you both on the firing line, somewhere, again soon. In Master class, Chris Moriarty fired a nice 1161-32X, with, I am pretty sure, a .223 Remington, for the class win.

I hope to see you at our next Long-Range Match, which will be fired on September 24-26th.

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

This time of the year finds hunting season starting again. September 1st is the beginning of the white-tail deer season, with archery the method of take. Waterfowl season is also beginning. It also finds the General Assembly not in session. So things are good all around. At least it isn't necessary to report on legislative matters.

DSSA had the first of at least three fund raisers on September 3rd, at the Cheer Community Center in Georgetown. A little over 200 sportsmen and ladies attended a good meal, silent auction and live auction. A good time was had by all.

The keynote speaker was Chuck Welch, Esq. Chuck has announced his candidacy for Attorney General of the State of Delaware. The election is of course in 2022, but candidates are already getting started. Somewhat unique about this announcement is that Chuck is a member of the Board of Directors of DSSA. His qualifications are many. He was a legislator representing the 29th House district. He was majority whip for a few years and went on to become a judge on the Court of Common Pleas in Kent County for over 18 years.

I believe he is uniquely qualified to help bring Delaware back to where crime is again criminal. Unlike our current Attorney General, he will hold criminals responsible for their actions and not release them back on the street without bail. Needless to say, Chuck can use our support and contributions. Donations can be made to Welch for AG, 5 Bunker Court, Dover, DE 19904.

The next DSSA fund raiser will be in Wilmington at the Nur Shrine Temple on Friday, October 29, 2021. Tickets will be available soon. The new President of the NRA, Charles Cotton, will be the keynote speaker.

Jeff Hague, President.

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10:15 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. RECENT DELAWARE DECISIONS ON THE RIGHT TO BEAR ARMS Francis G.X. Pleggi, Esquire Delaware Office Managing Partner Lewis Brisbois Biegaard & Smith

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UPDATES ON DELAWARE LEGISLATIVE DEVELOPMENTS Delaware State Representative William Bush, IV, Esq. and Jeffrey W, Hague, President Delaware State Sportsmen's Association

11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

LEGAL ETHICS Judge Charles W. Welch, III, Retred

12:30 p.m. CONCLUDING REMARKS AND ADJOURNMENT

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