

LAFAYETTE JUNIOR RIFLE CLUB
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POINTS OF INTEREST

July

15 LGC High/Low Power Rifle Match – 0800-1500

22 Smallbore Benchrest Match 50 yd. Range – 0900-1200

29 NRA 3-P Match – ASB Range – 0900-1200

August

19 LGC High/Low Power Rifle Match – 0800-1500

26 Smallbore Benchrest Match 50 yd. Range – 0900-1200

September

10 Smallbore Benchrest Match 50 yd. Range – 0900-1200

16 LGC High/Low Power Rifle Match – 0800-1500

23 NRA Smallbore Prone Match – 50 yd. Range – 0900-1200

30 NRA 3-P Match – ASB Range – 0900-1200

Low Power Matches are shot during the third relay on the 100 yard range. Match fee:\$4.00. Benchrest matches: Match fees: \$4.00 a relay. NRA Prone Matches have a match fee of \$7.00 a relay for adults, with Juniors only paying \$4.00 ar relay for the second and third relay. Match fee for NRA 3-P Matches are \$8.00 a match.

The Junior Shotgun Program meets every Saturday from 0800-1100. Weekly dues are \$2.00.

HOW TO HANDLE A GREAT ACCOMPLISHMENT

After months of work, with no apparent success, suddenly a shooter will reach a new level with no problem. This achievement is not just the result of “dumb luck.” Most often, the “luck” happens to a shooter who has been putting forth a maximum effort for a long time. Good shooting does not happen to shooters who do not work to develop their skills or otherwise put forward the effort to shoot well.

More important than the immediate accomplishment is what the shooter will do with this success when it is achieved. A shooter needs to be aware of bot the mental and physical elements of accomplishment. On the physical side , the shooter must make note of any subtle changes in technique. Maybe something a small as a change in the grip of the hand of the rhythm of the shoots made the difference that spelled success. Or consider the tension of the sling, or relaxation of certain muscle groups as part of the success. A shooter should also be aware that different guns may require slightly different techniques to be shot at their best.

On the mental side, the shooter must accept the success. Shooters who shoot very well often seem surprised. But the shooter must remember that such shooting is well within his or her capability. Remember, “If I can soot one 10, I can shoot two. If I can shoot two 10s, I can shoot three,” and so on. A superior performance level also involves accepting that level as the new standard. For some shooters, shooting at the new, high level does not automatically lead to better shooting at all times. This is usually a problem of self-image. The shooter does not really believe that the good performance came from improved personal skills, but was the result of some element of luck. Therefore, ability did not bring on the success. Review what led up to the success. Did you put in a lot of practice? Did you ask for and accept suggestions for small changes (in position, equipment, hold, etc). Once you recognize how you got there, you will have gone a long way toward achieving the success again and again

Notices

Juniors are selling **Lafayette Gun Club patches** at \$12.00 for one patch or \$20.00 for two. Also for sale: breech safety flags for \$2.00 each, and Lafayette Jackets for \$15.00 each. We are raising money to support all the Junior teams attending away matches. See Patty Harris.

The Junior Rifle and pistol Teams

The Junior Rifle Team meets every Friday starting at 6:00 PM. This is a community service of LGC, and parents of interested young people ages 5 – 18 need not to be members of the club. **A new shooter should be accompanied by a parent (Legal Guardian) the first time they attend and should plan to arrive by 6:00 PM that first time.** The first evening is free. After that, Juniors contribute \$2.00 each time they attend, which is used to defray the cost of ammunition and of awards earned by Juniors. The Junior Pistol Team meets at 8:00 PM every Friday night. Shooters should already be Rifle Team members before joining the pistol team. The cost is also \$2.00 each time a shooter attends.

AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN SHOOTING**Pro-Marksman****Marksman****Marksman 1st Class****Sharpshooter**

Josh Ledoux

Bar

John Rochelle - 2

Emily Stumpf - 5

Michael Brooks - 2

Emily Stumpf - 6

Christopher Stumpf - 2

Jonathan Underwood - 6

Expert**Distinguished Expert Pending**

Matt Black

Willie Teller

Chris Melochick

Joshua Springer - International Air

Benchrest Match

One Junior fired in the Benchrest Match in June, with the following results:

<u>Shooter</u>	<u>Iron Sight</u>	<u>Any Sight</u>	<u>Two Gun Aggregate</u>
Joshua Springer	198-11x; 193-10	195-8x	393-19x

The top four shooters in the Two Gun Aggregate were only separated by one point and the x-count. This was a very close match. The next Benchrest Match is on July 22. Come on out and learn what wind is all about.

HIGH Power Match

One Junior fired the High Power Match in June, with the following results:

<u>Shooter</u>	<u>SFS</u>	<u>RFS</u>	<u>RFP</u>	<u>SFP</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Jason Lee	94-1	100-3	97-0	191-5	482-9	96.4%

The next High and Low Power Matches are on July 15, 2006.

National Guard Match

The Lafayette Junior Sporter Air Rifle Team--Jenny Medeiros, Joshua Springer, Chris Melochick, Willie Teller, Dani Foster and Zack Foster—took Second Place in the National Match at Western Kentucky State University.

The Lafayette Precision Air Rifle Team—Jenny Medeiros, Joshua Springer, Willie Teller, Dani Foster, and Nathan Switzer, return to Western Kentucky next week for the USA Shooting-CMP match..

The Junior Rifle Team welcomes new members during the month of April: Liam Byrne, Thomas Wheelless, Joshua Ledoux, Zachary Ledoux, Andrew Hernandez, Gregory Galland, Ben Galland, Brian Boeh, Kevin Boeh, and Charlotte Good.