

# LAFAYETTE JUNIOR RIFLE CLUB

# SHARPSHOOTER

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## POINTS OF INTEREST

### September

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

**16** LGC High/Low Power Rifle  
Match – 100 yd. Range - **0800-1500**

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

**30** NRA 3-P Match – ASB  
Range – **0900-1400**

### October

**15** NRA Dewar Match – 50 and  
100 yd. ranges – **0900-1200**

**21** LGC High/Low Power Rifle  
Match - 100 yd. Range - **0800-1500**

**28** NRA Smallbore Prone  
Match – 50 yd. Range - **+0900-1200**

### November

**12** Smallbore Benchrest Match  
50 yd. Range – **0900-1200**

**18** LGC High/Low Power Rifle  
Match – 100 yd. Range – **0800-1500**

**25 30** NRA 3-P Match – ASB  
Range – **0900-1400**

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 arrelay for the second and third relay. Match fee for NRA 3-P Matches are \$8.00 a match. The Junior Shotgun Program meets on odd numbered Saturdays from **0800-1100**

## Eye Blinds

An eye blind serves to block the vision of the non-shooting eye without blocking light or affecting the vision of the shooting eye. It allows the shooter to keep both eyes open, preventing squinting and facial distortion caused by trying to close the non-shooting eye. These facial distortions can cause muscle fatigue and even distort the vision of the open eye.

There are several easy ways to make an eye blind which will serve the purpose and be inexpensive. One way is to use tape on the lens of the protective glasses in front of the non-shooting eye. If opaque tape is used, one put one strip across the width of lens. Cut a piece of tape—plastic medical tape works best—to the precise measurement of your lens. Then get into your shooting position. Once in position, determine where your non-shooting eye focuses through the lens and place the tape horizontally over the lens in that exact spot. This will allow light to reach the non-shooting eye without disrupting the shooting eye. This works very well if you only shoot in prone position, but many shooters find that their point of focus through their glasses changes slightly with a change in position from prone to standing to kneeling. This can be avoided by using translucent tape (scotch tape) across the entire lens of the safety glasses in front of the non-shooting eye. This prevents visual images from entering the non-shooting eye in any position but allows light to reach that eye.

A second way is to fasten an eye-blind to the bill of a baseball cap. To do this, cut a 2x3 inch piece of cardstock. (Be sure to check the rule book of the discipline you are shooting for the allowed size of eye blinds.) Take the cardstock and attach it to the bill of your baseball cap with a binder or bulldog slip. Allow the blinder to hang down over the non-shooting eye. To be sure that the eye-blind is hanging in the correct place, get into your shooting position. Open both eyes, and then close only the shooting eye. If the eye-blind is in the correct position, the cardstock will block the vision in your non-shooting eye completely. If it does not, then move the cardstock and the clip until the view is completely blocked. This has the advantage that the position of the blind can be altered to suit each shooting position.

A third eye blind can be fastened to the rear sight of the rifle. Cut an egg-shaped piece of plastic milk carton about 2 ½ inches long by 1 ½ inches wide. Use a hole punch to make a hole centered in the narrow end, about 3/8 of an inch in from the edge. Unscrew the rear sight aperture from the sight, place the blind on the sight, with the aperture holder protruding through the hole. Screw the rear aperture back into place. Adjust the blind so that it protrudes sideways from the rear sight to block your non-shooting eye.

With your new eye-blind in place, the muscles of your face will relax, while your shooting eye will receive enough light to see a clean, crisp image of the front sight

## 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**

Matthew Dudek  
Elizabeth Narney  
Matthew Brewer

**Marksman 1<sup>st</sup> Class**

John Kravitz

**Sharpshooter**

Ryan Crandol  
Celia Pincus

**Bar**

Charlotte Good - 8

**Expert****Distinguished Expert Pending**

Matt Black  
Willie Teller  
Joshua Springer – International Air

**Thanks for donations**

The Junior Rifle Club wishes to thank the following members of Lafayette Gun Club for their donations to our programs; Jack Lorensen for \$30.00 given with his annual dues; Jim Monahan for a recoil pad for shotgun shooters; and Ed Self for a shooting jacket

**Benchrest Match**

One Junior fired in the August Benchrest Match with the following results:

<u>Shooter</u>	<u>Iron Sight</u>
Jonathan Underwood	161-1x; 145-1x; 161-1x

Jonathan will tell you there was a very tricky wind. Come out in September and see if you can do better.

**HIGH Power Match**

One Junior fired the High Power Match in August, 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	89-0	95-3	95-2	189-6	468-11	93.6

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

**AIR Teams for 2006-2007****Lafayette Blue**

Willie Teller | Co-  
Dani Foster | Captains  
Jenny Medeiros  
Braden Owens  
Josh Springer  
Nathan Switzer

**Lafayette White**

Zack Foster | Co-  
Tim Teller | Captains  
J. J. Lafond  
Carlos Negron-Cruz  
Marisol Negron-Cruz  
Jessie Schmidt

**Lafayette Red**

Charlotte Good  
Zachary Sowel  
Emily Stumpf  
Jeremy Teller  
Jonathan Underwood

**Air matches**

The Air Teams will fire a Sporter Match in Buckingham, Virginia on September 30. All three teams will travel to Buckingham for this match. Good luck! The regular ODJRL Air Rifle season starts in October.

The Junior Rifle Team welcomes new members during the month of August: Ben Chong, Matthew Brewer, Elizabeth Narney, Timothy Rice, Emily Rice, Elisabeth Paul, Nicholas Major, Morgan Kitchen, and Michelle Kitchen.