

LAFAYETTE JUNIOR RIFLE CLUB  
**SHARPSHOOTER**

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POINTS OF INTEREST

June

**17** LGC High/Low Power Rifle Match – **0800-1500**

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

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**

Low Power matches follow the format for high power matches and are shot during the third relay on the 100 yard range. Match fee:\$4.00. Benchrest matches allow shooters to practice sight alignment and trigger control, and learn the effect of wind.. Match fees: \$4.00 a relay. Match fee for NRA 3-P Matches are \$8.00 a match. .

The Junior Shotgun Program meets every Saturday from **0800-1100**. The team is preparing for competition.

NARROW YOUR FOCUS

Much has been written about the need for a shooter to focus in order to be successful. This need for focus has two major emphases.

First, you must be able to concentrate on what you are doing, tuning out other people, distractions, and any thing else on your mind. Any time you let your concentration and focus be interrupted, you will make an error and at least one shot will go where you did not intend it to. This also means that, as a courtesy to other shooters, you must not make noise, move around a lot, or do other things which will distract another shooter. This is especially true when you are on the line, but also applies when you are just near the firing line, anywhere on the range.

Second, you must limit your focus at any point in time to the shot you are firing now. Treat every shot as if it were an entire match. Do your shot preparation, getting settled into position with your rifle, getting you sight picture and sight alignment, using your breath control and squeezing the trigger rather than yanking it when you think your ready. If you let yourself worry about your last shot, or gloat about the last one that was perfect, or if you think about your overall score and what you need to do next, you will not place enough concentration on the shot you are working on at the moment. Worrying about a single bad shot is especially likely to ruin the next several. So after each shot, check where you hit against where you called the shot, plan any correction needed for weather, and then go through the entire sequence of firing the shot as if it were your first shot of the day. F you have to, empty you mind completely after each shot, relax and maybe even close your eyes for a second, and then start a fresh shot sequence.

This narrow focus on only one shot at a time will improve your scores, and limit the impact of outside distractions on you total effort.

**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**Chris Stumpf  
Nic Hause**Marksman****Marksman 1<sup>st</sup> Class**Emily Stumpf  
Kyle Lawson**Sharpshooter**

Nathan Walls

**Bar**

Jonathan Underwood – 5

**Expert**

Chris Melochick

**Distinguished Expert Pending**Matt Black  
Willie Teller  
Chris Melochick  
Joshua Springer – International Air

## DEWAR MATCH

One Junior fired in the Dewar Match on Sunday, May 7, with the following results:

<u>Shooter</u>	<u>50 yd. score</u>	<u>100 yd score</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Joshua Springer	192-7x	193-5x	385-12x	96.25%

The top four shooters were only separated by 6 points total. This was a very close match.

## LOW POWER MATCH

One Junior fired the Low Power Match in May, 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>
Ed Burton	85-0x	40-0x	61-0x	142-1x	328-1x	65.6%

The next High and Low Power matches are on Saturday, June 17.

## NRA PRONE MATCH

Five Juniors, fired the NRA Prone Match on May 27, with the following results:

<u>Shooter</u>	<u>Iron Sights</u>	<u>Any Sights</u>	<u>Sporter</u>	<u>Two-Gun</u>	<u>Three Gun</u>
Joshua Springer	191-9x	196-10x; 193-6x		387-19x	
Nathan Switzer	196-10x	188-6x	170-3x	384-16x	554-19x
Danielle Foster	186-7x	176-0x	190-6x	376-13x	552-13x
Zachary Foster	179-2x, 1178-3x	180-4x		359-6x	
Jonathan Underwood	173-0x	173-1x	168-0x	346-1x	514-1x

For those interested, the Juniors now own a sporter. Come out early some Friday evening, and practice with it a little.

## AIR RIFLE INVITATIONAL MATCHES

The Air Rifle Teams will be traveling to Western Kentucky again this year to participate in the Natinal Guard Match and the USA Shooting-CMP Match.

Daniel Cannard, who is finishing his first at the US Air Force Academy, has been invited to participate in the USA Shooting 2006 National Championships in Georgia from June 11-15. He qualified in the Air Rifle Division.

The Junior Rifle Team welcomes new members during the month of April: Curtis Hause, Andrew Dynan, Kyle Lawson, and Cole Slusher.