

LAFAYETTE JUNIOR RIFLE CLUB  
**SHARPSHOOTER**

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**POINTS OF INTEREST**

**February**

**3, 10** ODJRL matches – ASB – **0800-1600**

**3, 17** Junior Shotgun Program – Shotgun Range – **0800-1100**

**11** Flyspeck Benchrest Match – ASB – **1100-1400**

**18** Turkey Shoot – 50 yd Range **1300-1600**

**15,18** NRA Precision Air Rifle 3-P Match – ASB **1800-2100 T, 0900-1200 S**

**24** NRA Smallbore 3-P Match – ASB – **0800-1300**

**March**

**3, 10** ODJRL matches, and Virginia State Championship Air Matches – ASB – **0800-1600**

**3, 17, 31** Junior Shotgun Program – Shotgun Range – **0800-1100**

**11** Smallbore Benchrest Match – 50 yd. **080-1200**

**17** American Legion State Air Championships – ASB – **0800-1400**

**24** NRA Smallbore Prone Match – 50 yd. – **080-1200**

**31** NRA Smallbore 3-P Match – ASB – **0800-1300**

Flyspeck Benchrest matches:  
Match fees: \$2.00 a relay.  
Match fee for NRA 3-P Matches are \$8.00 a match.  
Match fee for NRA Prone Matches: \$5.00 a match.

**Travel affects your ammunition**

When traveling guns and ammunition, the effects that travel itself may have on your ammunition need to be considered and the shooter needs to plan to deal with these effects.

One obvious effect is the effect of extremes of temperature on ammunition. When ammunition gets hot (being kept out in direct sun, or stored in the trunk of a car), will raise the pressure and the velocity of the ammunition. This also means that the point of impact will be higher on the target when the ammunition is hot. When ammunition gets cold, (traveling and shooting outside during the winter months), the pressure and velocity of the ammunition will decrease. Therefore, the point of impact will be lower on the target when the ammunition is cold. Finally, really cold temperatures can make ammunition ignition erratic—it may not always fire or you may have a hang fire (slow ignition). To guard against these problems, try to travel your ammunition in a temperature controlled container. (A portable cooler that you leave open at an appropriate temperature and then pack your ammunition and close the cooler while still at a good temperature will help protect your ammunition from extremes of temperature while traveling.

Another problem which comes about with travel is that the elevation of the range above sea level will affect velocity, and therefore change your point of impact. Knowing this, a good shooter is always prepared to re-zero after traveling.

Aside from being careful about how you pack and transport ammunition, what else can you do. You may try to zero your rifle under the conditions (temperature) you expect to find when you arrive. This, however, may not always be practical. (You certainly cannot shoot for zero at a mountain elevation if your home range is Lafayette, (almost exactly at sea level).

Competitors should always expect a shift in zero after traveling a long distance or experiencing a change in weather. Never pass up a chance to sight-in and confirm your zero.

Good luck whenever you travel to shoot!

**Notices**

Starting March 1, the Juniors will be selling chances at a Weatherby 300. Tickets will sell for \$5.00 each, with the drawing to be held in June. Only LGC adult members are eligible to buy tickets. See Patty for information or tickets.

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, pistol and Shotgun CLUB**

The Junior Rifle Club 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 before 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 Club meets at 6:00 PM every Monday night. Shooters should already be Rifle Club members before joining the pistol club. The cost is also \$2.00 each time a shooter attends.

The Junior Shotgun Program meets on odd numbered Saturdays from **0800-1100**.

**AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN SHOOTING****Pro-Marksman**

Nick Anselmo

**Marksman**

Cody Agena

Dalton Dye

Erik Bergstrom

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

Aubrey Wroten

Wesley Nicholas

**Sharpshooter**

Morgan Kitchen

**Bar**

Nick Anselmo - 1

Andrew Hernandez - 2

Timothy Rice - 2

Donna Anselmo - 2

Nick Anselmo - 2

Matthew Brewer - 7

Janes Brewer - 8

Matthew Brewer - 9

**Expert**

Jonathan Underwood

Zack Foster

**Distinguished Expert Pending**

Zack Foster – 4P Smallbore

Jonathan Underwood – 4P Smallbore

Joshua Springer – International Air

Willie Teller – International Air

Chris Melochick – International Air

Dani Foster – International Air

Braden Owens – International Air

**Shotgun AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN SHOOTING****Basic Practical****Pro-Marksman**

Matt Brewer

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

Mitchell Diggs

Jeff Mitchell

**Distinguished Expert Pending**

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**Junior Olympics training Invitations**

Two Juniors have been invited to attend the Junior Olympics Training Center in Colorado Springs in early March. Dani Foster is going for training in air rifle. Willie Teller is going for both air rifle and smallbore rifle. Willie and Dani earned their invitations based on their scores during the JORC Matches shot here in December.

The training program not only includes matches, but a variety of classes and training sessions, and a chance to live in the Olympic Training Center dorms and associate with all the other juniors who have been invited from across the nation.

Also invited are Daniel Cannard and Alan Lewis, both in air rifle. Both Daniel and Alan have shot matches with us, and are now in college, Daniel at the Air Force Academy and Alan at Westpoint.

**NRA Three-position match**

Three Juniors participated in the NRA Three-Position match held in January, with the following results:

<u>Shooter</u>	<u>Prone</u>	<u>Standing</u>	<u>Kneeling</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Willie Teller	197	180	184	561	93.50%
Josh Springer	196	171	181	548	91.33%
Braden Owens	195	169	183	547	91.17%

Willie shot in the Expert range and beat Brooke Selmer! Josh and Braden both shot in the Sharpshooter range, Braden for the first time. There is room for other shooters in the February match, and these three could use some competition.

The Junior Rifle Team welcomes new members during the month of January Robin Roston, Daniel Brewer, Wesley Nicholas, and returning member Evan Hamner.