

## Anne Arundel Fish & Game Conservation Association

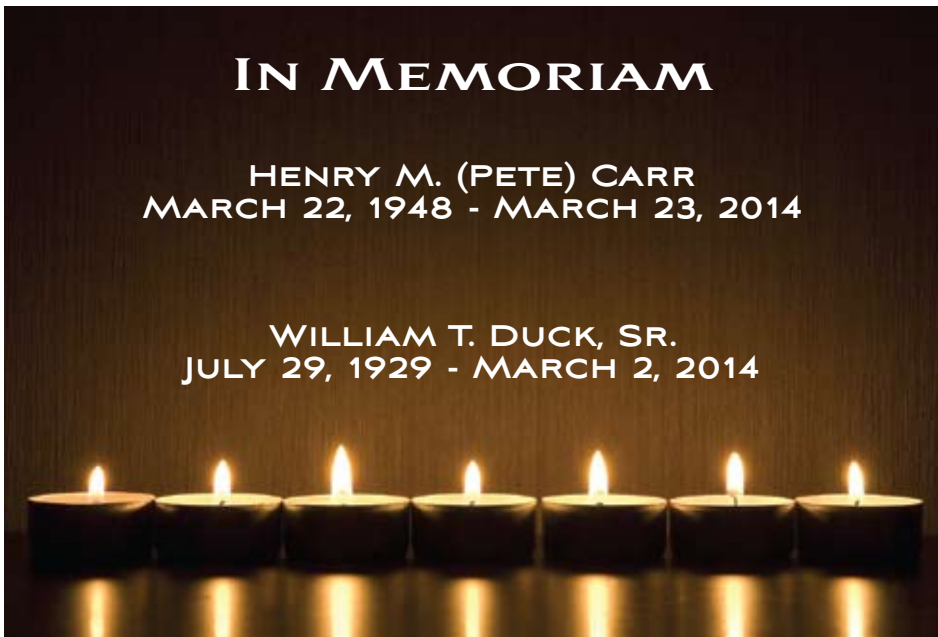
*"The strongest reason for the people to retain the right to keep and bear arms is, as a last resort, to protect themselves against tyranny in government."*

- Thomas Jefferson

### IN MEMORIAM

HENRY M. (PETE) CARR  
MARCH 22, 1948 - MARCH 23, 2014

WILLIAM T. DUCK, SR.  
JULY 29, 1929 - MARCH 2, 2014



### From the President

Hello Fellow Shooters,

It seems winter just won't go away! The good news is, the club continues to be busy. It is all of the usual suspects. Bullseye shooters have been enjoying their new heaters. The Action Pistol bays have not had a Saturday off for quite some time. In fact, to show you how much fun it is shooting any of the Action Pistol disciplines (IDPA, Cowboy Action, Rimfire Action, and USPSA), the action pistol bays were in use every Saturday as long as the snow wasn't too deep. Applesseed was held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> of March. The rifle shooters continue to hold their matches. It is great to see such a dedicated group of shooters who refuse to let the kind of weather we have had this winter season stop them from enjoying the shooting sports they love.

We continue to receive applications for new membership. While you are on the ranges, a Provisional Member may ask if they can shoot with you. Remember, a Provisional Member may not shoot on any range without a full member present on the range. So please, do what you can to help the Provisional Member enjoy the club and understand all of the range rules as they progress towards full membership.

Please note that the Club Calendar is no longer appearing in the SCORE. Be sure to check

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### Special Notice!

The Plinking Range will be closed the afternoon of Saturday April 26<sup>th</sup> starting at 1300 for a work party.



Come join us for our  
**Club Dinner & General Meeting**  
April 10<sup>th</sup>

Dinner ~ 7 PM  
Meeting ~ 8 PM

*Dinner by Mike & Kathy Anderson...  
The Kitchen Committee!*





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410-757-6800

AAF&G Range Rules:  
<http://www.aafg.org/safety.html#rules>

Club Officers & Activities:  
[www.aafg.org/activities](http://www.aafg.org/activities)

2014 Holidays / Shooting Hours:  
[www.aafg.org/hours](http://www.aafg.org/hours)

2014 Orientation Sessions:  
[www.aafg.org/orientation](http://www.aafg.org/orientation)

AAF&G Forum:  
<http://z13.invisionfree.com/AAFandG/index.php>

April Calendar  
[http://www.aafg.org/docs/Score/Calendar\\_April2014.pdf](http://www.aafg.org/docs/Score/Calendar_April2014.pdf)

2014 Gun Shows:  
TBD




## JUNIOR RIFLE PROGRAM

The Orientation Classes for 2014 are June 8<sup>th</sup> and September 7<sup>th</sup>, with students from the wait list being taken first. If you would like information about our program or to be added to the wait list, please email me at [andrea@chesmill.com](mailto:andrea@chesmill.com).

Congratulations to **Courtney Cowger** for earning a place on the four-person air rifle precision team for the NRA Air Rifle National matches. The match was held on March 30<sup>th</sup> in Washington, PA.

On March 16<sup>th</sup> **Courtney** and **Liz Bark** shot at the Queen Anne's 4H complex for a 3P Metric small-bore and Precision Air Rifle match. Courtney had a total small-bore and air rifle score of 1081 and Liz shot a total of 1075. On March 22<sup>nd</sup> team members **David Pitt**, **Alex Kubera**, and **Liz** shot the NRA Small-bore Sectional at the United States Naval Academy. Scores haven't been received yet. Courtney will shoot at the USA Junior Olympics Air Rifle Championship on April 13<sup>th</sup> at IWLA in Damascus. National matches will be held at CMP North in Port Clinton, Ohio on June 28<sup>th</sup>.

The Junior Rifle Program will restart on April 6<sup>th</sup>. We'll have a work party in the morning and a fun shoot in the afternoon.

Have fun shooting and remember: Youth are our future!

*Andrea Miller*, Chairman Jr. Rifle Program

**A**AF&G-appointed Range Safety Officers (RSOs) represent the Officers and Directors of AAF&G on Club Property in enforcing the Range Use and Safety Rules.

**Their decisions and directions must be followed at that time.** Willful violation of the Club Rules or failure to comply with an RSO will result in a review by the Board of Directors, which may lead to the loss of membership and/or visitation privileges.



*Skip Miller*

## Appleseed: URGENCY!



**A** powerful word...A challenging word! It means that you need to do something important. That means getting off the couch. At Appleseed, we do our best to impart the urgency of learning to become a Rifleman and the urgency of getting off the couch to do something, anything, in ways small and large, to participate in this great Nation.

Every day we're losing more and more of those freedoms. The men and women of Battle Road on April 19<sup>th</sup>, 1775, risked ALL, literally, so that you could have recourse without having to do what they did. And here we are, three handshakes later, letting it all slip away without even a whimper. That's why you should get off the couch and join us on the line and learn the real history of this great nation. Sign up now and we'll see you on the line!

<http://appleseedinfo.org/search-states-display.php?qstate=MD&statername=Maryland>

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<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Project-Appleseed-Maryland/264406060313831>

*Brian Swift*

Appleseed State Coordinator/Senior Instructor

# Bullseye Pistol

## Awards and Recognition

On March 8<sup>th</sup>, Bullseye Pistol Chairman **Paul Striffler** presided over the annual **Shrimpfest**. The Shrimpfest is a delicious meal and an opportunity to recognize shooting achievements and contributions to our sport at AAF&G. Over 249,000 rounds have been fired in competition in the last two years! Bullseye League seasonal class championship, class upgrades and personal awards were presented to **Mike McGrath, Fran Filippelli, Steve Peters, Warren Isaac, Jack Walsh, Mike Yates, Pat DiMauro, Ray Allen, Paul LaHaye, Ed Grove, Larry Batstone, Ron Sweet, Susie Dhillon, Mike Kalnoske, Mark Spaulding, Channing Mahatan and Jim Vanghel.**

The most prestigious award is the **Bullseye Pistol Shooter of the Year**. It is awarded to that person who not only performs well, but also contributes to the sport and the club. This year the award was given for both 2012 and 2013. The 2012 winner was **Warren Isaac**. He attained an Expert classification in the league in the spring of 2012, and a NRA classification as Sharpshooter. He has competed at the National Outdoor Conventional Pistol Championship

at Camp Perry, Ohio in 2012 and 2013. He has been a member of AAF&G pistol teams at both the NRA outdoor and indoor National Championships. He has been involved with program planning meetings, tournament preparation efforts, volunteered as a tournament worker many times, and has been a major contributor at range work parties. He put forth the effort to quickly qualify as a league Chief

Range Officer (CRO) and subsequently became a tournament CRO. For the last two years he has been instrumental in running the monthly Army "L" target tournaments.

The 2013 winner was **Mike Yates**. Mike has fired in the National Championships, both indoor and outdoor, in 2012 and 2013, also competing each time as a member of an AAF&G pistol team. His efforts have led to gaining a NRA Sharpshooter classification in mid-2013, and an Expert league classification in the summer 2013 AAF&G league.

Directly involved with all facets of the bullseye pistol program, he has been a steady contributor at work parties, tournament preparation, planning sessions, and as a worker at our NRA sanctioned tournaments. He is qualified as a league CRO and very involved with running the Thursday league. He has also



*AAF&G members who attended the NRA Indoor 22 caliber Pistol Championships: (l to r) 1st row: Dave Perkins, Ray Allen, Fran Filippelli, Jack Walsh, David Hickey, Mike McGrath, Dermott Hickey, Pat DiMauro. 2nd row: John Hollingshead, Warren Isaac, Hank Holder, Paul Striffler, Mike Yates, Ron Sweet, and Frank Calcaterra.*

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## APRIL RSOs and BACKUP RSOs

4/5/2014 Primary: George Imhof  
Backup: Tracy Nolte

4/19/2014 Primary: Paul Bowling  
Backup: Rebecca Newton

4/12/2014 Primary: Tracy Nolte  
Backup: John Sasse

4/26/2014 Primary: Malcolm Blundell  
Backup: Greg Nolte

# MEMBERSHIP DEPARTMENT

## More Provisional Members Accepted as Full Members

The March Board and General Membership meetings saw five provisional members gain full membership.

**TERRY FITZSIMMONS,  
GUY SCHELHOUSE,  
PAUL WOOD,  
JEROME GRAHAM, and  
FRED FARE**

are the most recent provisional members to gain full membership. They completed all the requirements of provisional membership – a minimum of 6 months of participation at AAF&G with demonstrated safe shooting in at least 3 different shooting disciplines – Handgun, Rifle, and Shotgun -, attendance and participation in AAF&G Gun School, and the endorsement of 3 full members in good standing. Congratulations Terry, Guy, Paul, Jerry, and Fred! We hope you have many safe and successful years shooting with us.

## Provisional Members – Gun School

The next scheduled Gun School is set for Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup> at noon. If you are a provisional member and wish to register for the Gun School class in May, please send me an e-mail at [bambam612@comcast.net](mailto:bambam612@comcast.net). I will send an e-mail confirmation that you are registered for the class. You must be a provisional member to attend, i.e., you must have had your interview, safety walkthrough, and have been issued your provisional membership card. Please do not show up for Gun School unless you receive a registration confirmation from me.

We can accommodate up to 20 people in the Gun School class. If the class fills up, a waiting list will be created. Those on the waiting list will be placed into class on a first come, first served basis if there are cancellations. Therefore, it is very important if you are confirmed to attend the Gun School class on May 4<sup>th</sup> and cannot attend, that you notify me by e-mail so that I can place someone from the waiting list into the May class. Otherwise, those on the waiting list will be given priority placement in *the next Gun School class, scheduled for August 10, 2014.*

*Guy Bellanca*

## AAF&G Welcomes Six New Provisional Members

Six new provisional member applications were proposed to and approved for acceptance as members by the Board and the General Membership at the March 2014 Board and General Membership meetings.

The new provisional members are:

**Brandon R. WITTE  
Salvador "Skip" LABELLA  
Ken KLOTZ  
Brian G. DURM  
Paul L. LANGFORD  
Ronald NAIDA**

If you see them on the range after their initial orientation and safety walkthrough, remember that they'll be looking to you for guidance in following the range safety rules, range protocol, range safety, customs, range safety, ethics, range safety, etc., and since they cannot shoot without the presence of a full member on that range, please help them out if you can. Be a mentor. Be a mensch!



**DEADLINE FOR MAY SCORE MATERIALS IS APRIL 24<sup>TH</sup>.**

**Send material to David Hickey at  
[aafg.score@gmail.com](mailto:aafg.score@gmail.com)**

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attained a qualification as a tournament CRO. For the last year he has been responsible for maintaining the center fire league statistics.

Congratulations to all of the award winners. And a special thanks to **Rick Weidman** and **Susie Dhillon** for a memorable culinary experience and, most especially, to **Paul Striffler** for the hard work and leadership that makes it all possible.

## Bullseye Challenge

The date is set. It is April 26<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM. If you can hit something the size of a beer can at 25 yards with your 22 caliber pistol or revolver, you could win an Official Bragging Right (OBR). Possession of an OBR entitles you to legitimately assert you are an excellent shot with a handgun. Friends and family will be impressed. The challenge is: you have to earn it!

No special gear is needed beyond ear and eye protection and a gun. Helpful gear would include two magazines, an empty chamber indicator, a roll of buff masking tape, a staple gun, clipboard, and pen.

Need more information? Review last month's SCORE or email **Mike McGrath** at [mm909@comcast.net](mailto:mm909@comcast.net). Space is limited. If you wish to reserve a position, contact Mike.

## NRA National Indoor Pistol Championships

On March 1<sup>st</sup> AAF&G fielded 16 individual competitors and four teams at the NRA Indoor 22 caliber Pistol Championships in Abbottstown, PA.

**Fran Filippelli** and **Ron Sweet** put on strong performances in the individual portion of the championships. AAF&G Gold, Silver, Bronze and Copper teams acquitted themselves well. The Gold team missed the Winner's Circle by only three points out of 1200.

But the true measure of the AAF&G teams was demonstrated at the Dutch Country Kitchen after the competition. It was here that the hungry, aggressive talent of the AAF&G teams became apparent. Several personal bests were attained.

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the Club Calendar on the home page of the club website for events scheduled for the upcoming month.

I was saddened to hear of the passing of long time member **Pete Carr**. If you didn't know Pete, all you have to do is look around the club grounds. As you look around and see a sign, Pete made it. He will be missed by all who knew him.

Enjoy and be safe,

*Steve Loue*



As many are aware, we stopped shooting trap at AAF&G in November due to issues with the shot curtain. Since that time the board did approve some funds for minimal repairs to replace portions of the shot curtain with a new product from a company named Shot Stop. **Steve Yelton** and I have been working to have repairs done through local contractors, rather than out-of-state companies, that specialize in this type of work. Their prices were very high and not within our budget. We have been working to find contractors and the best way to install the curtains to get the most for our money. We have run into dead-ends and a lot of bad weather, but at this point we do have a contractor to install the curtain and pricing to furnish the fabric with sewing and grommets installed. The fabric will come to us in 6'x50' panels and will require our volunteers to do ground assembly. This will be a challenge, but if we work together we can get it done. At this time I can't, with any certainty, give a date of completion, but I will post it as soon as I know it.

## Safety and instructional clinics will be held at the shotgun field.

**George Imhof**, the membership, and shotgun committee have been discussing ways for shotgun signoff for provisional members while our trap fields are closed. George will be holding safety and instructional clinics at the shotgun field, and upon completion of the clinic you will receive a shotgun signoff. The first clinic was scheduled for 3/29/14 with more to come, so keep an eye out for dates and times.

Thanks, and Safe Shooting,

*Warren Isaac*

[wisaac@atlanticbb.net](mailto:wisaac@atlanticbb.net)

## “QUOTES TO NOTE”

*“A strong body makes the mind strong. As to the species of exercises, I advise the gun. While this gives moderate exercise to the body, it gives boldness, enterprise and independence to the mind. Games played with the ball, and others of that nature, are too violent for the body and stamp no character on the mind. Let your gun therefore be your constant companion of your walks.”*

- Thomas Jefferson



## Eccles Range ~ Club Matches

Next Vintage Military Rifle Match – April 12th from 1000 to 1200 hrs and will be for Semi-Automatic Rifles prior to 1964.

New High Power Rifle Match shooters should consider arriving NLT 0930 in order to familiarize themselves with the course of fire and get guidance in use of the sling. A 5 minute sighting-in period will precede the slow-fire prone, rapid-fire standing-to-prone, and slow-fire offhand stages. For details on high power rifle match requirements, please visit the web page at <http://aafg.org/events.html>.

The next Rimfire Sporter Match will be held on Saturday, April 12th at 1300 hrs.

Note this change from last year's schedule of the third Sunday to the second Saturday. We're hoping those who are already on the range for the Vintage Military Rifle match will bring a .22 rifle under 7.5 pounds and participate in the Rimfire Sporter match.

Scores from the March AR-15, Vintage Rifle, and Rimfire Sporter matches can be found on the AAFG Forum (see Upcoming AAFG Events on the Home Page to enter). You will need the number on the upper left side of the back of your permanent range badge to verify membership if you have not already signed up.

### Away Matches

This is a reminder to all Vintage Military Rifle match participants and anyone owning a vintage military rifle, the Eastern CMP Games will be held from May 2<sup>nd</sup> through May 6<sup>th</sup> and will feature matches for M1 Garand, M1903/1903A3 Springfield, other Vintage Military Rifles US and foreign, M1 Carbine, and Vintage Sniper Rifles. Info about the matches can be found here: <http://www.thecmp.org/Competitions/EasternGames.htm>.



Following the Eastern CMP games, the Creedmore matches for High Power rifles will be held May 7<sup>th</sup> through May 11<sup>th</sup>. Both the CMP matches and Creedmore matches are held at Camp Butner in Butner, NC.

Shoot Straight and Shoot Safely.

*Bill Palk*

Chair, Eccles Range Committee

## Centerfire Shooting Hours

Monday-Friday: 10am - 4pm

Saturday : 10am - 1pm

Federal & State Holidays:

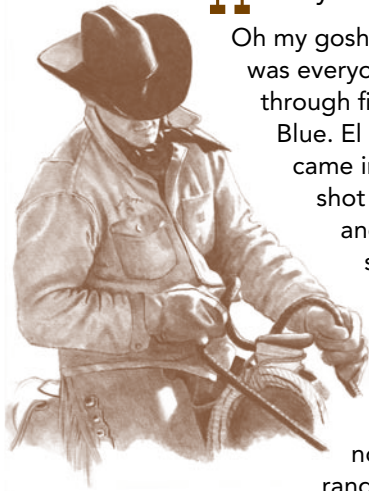
10am - 1pm

Sunday: None

2014 Federal & State Holidays  
Shooting Hours  
10AM—1PM

January 1	New Years Day
January 20	Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday
February 17	Presidents Day
May 26	Memorial Day
July 4	Independence Day
September 1	Labor Day
October 13	Columbus Day
November 11	Veterans Day
November 27	Thanksgiving Day
November 28	American Indian Heritage Day
December 25	Christmas Day

# COWBOY ACTION



**H**owdy Pardners,

Oh my gosh, what a beautiful day to be shooting! Where was everyone? Guy had some great stages and we got through five of them in plenty of time to hit Red, Hot and Blue. El Cid won for the day, Buckeye Squirrel Hunter came in second and had a clean match, Tombstone Ted shot well but had a rifle malfunction on two stages, and Wil Dearborn is improving with his gunfighter shooting. We had a lot of visitors watching that I think are going to get involved when they get their gear together.

Next month's shoot is April 19th, same time, same place, but there will be a price increase: \$7.00 for members and \$12.00 for non-members. Match fees are going up on all ranges in April.

## *Riverboat Bob and Millcreek Mona*

*PS: Remember, there are three kinds of men: the ones who learn from reading, the few who learn from observation, and the rest actually have to pee on the electric fence.*

Rank	Name	Time
1	El Cid	202.1
2	Buckeye Sq Hunter	202.63
3	Sam Killer Miller	206.86
4	Hodge Podge	303.6
5	Oyster Bay Teddy	359.42
6	Tombstone Ted	362.07
7	Millcreek Mona	367.71
8	Buffalo Creek Bob	377.23
9	Wil Dearborn	381.66
10	Riverboat Bob	1245.40

## IDPA

**A**fter more than two months of matches that featured snow, ice, mud, and freezing rain, our third and fourth matches of March were held in good weather. We hope this trend will continue. For safety, we use non-movement courses of fire when weather or ground conditions result in slippery footing. It was a pleasure to be able to offer courses of fire that involved movement. The fourth Saturday of March featured a United States Practical Shooting Association (USPSA) match. USPSA rules are different than IDPA. Like IDPA matches, USPA emphasize speed and accuracy but with less emphasis on concealment and cover while on the course.

Because of the safety requirements that are unique to the Action Pistol Range, all new (to AAF&G IDPA) participants are required to observe a match and participate in a brief range safety course before competing. We offer the training once a month.

*Bill Osborne*

# Rimfire Action

**W**e had 13 hearty souls brave sunny skies and 60 degree temperatures for a nice mid-winter February match. We mitigated the 2-inch deep mud with some sheets of scrap plywood and we were good to go.

The highlight of the day was the performance by first-time Rimfire Action shooter, 13 year-old **K. Chase**. Her gun-handling safety skills were impeccable and, beyond that, she showed a tremendous amount of self-confidence and great marksmanship skills to boot. Once she got past the initial jitters most first-time Action shooters have, she settled in and shot a great match. She didn't even get rattled by the second 2-Gun stage, which was a REAL mind-bender. Kudos to her and also to her father, **Bob Chase**, another first time Rimfire Action participant, who taught her how to shoot as well as how to handle guns properly. After the match, a number of shooters offered their guns to her to try out and she was hitting the center of the targets with everything handed to her to shoot. I hope to see more of them at future matches.

Top shooters for the match were **Bob Yurwitz** finishing 1<sup>st</sup> with a total time of 79.54, **Barry Serfass** was 2<sup>nd</sup> with an 83.61 and 3<sup>rd</sup> was **Matt Nolte**, shooting it in 93.51 seconds. **Mona Yurwitz** was the only one to shoot a clean match. Total match results are posted on the website at <http://www.aafg.org/rimfire.html>.

Upcoming items: 1) We will be raising match fees beginning with the April 13 match. New fees will be: Members & Juniors (under age 18), \$7, Non-members \$10. It should be noted that match fees will be raised across all disciplines at AAF&G this year. 2) Upcoming matches, April 13, rescheduled to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday due to the Sanctioned Weekend on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday and Easter on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday, May 25, and June 29, (rescheduled due to the Sanctioned Weekend on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday).

SHOOT SAFE...HAVE FUN

*Guy Bellanca*