

ROCHESTER RIFLE CLUB FALL 2015 NEWSLETTER



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SAFETY FIRST AT THE ROCHESTER RIFLE CLUB

For over 102 years, we have promoted safety on our ranges - years ago we had access to some outdoor ranges as well as the former Commercial Street range.

WHEREVER we were, safety was the emphasis. Through our participation in NYS Hunter Safety (over 40,000 trained) and our RRC Youth programs (hundreds of youth trained in Basic Marksmanship and Safety), and our New Member Safety Training & Orientation, we

reach almost 200 new people each year.

And yet..... a small number of people still manage to forget about our range rules. Here are a few reasons WHY some folks have lost their membership with the RRC.

- 1) Pointed a handgun towards the sides (not down range). The violator lost his membership for this and a few other reasons.
- 2) Shots were fired at target not at the proper distance, so the shots

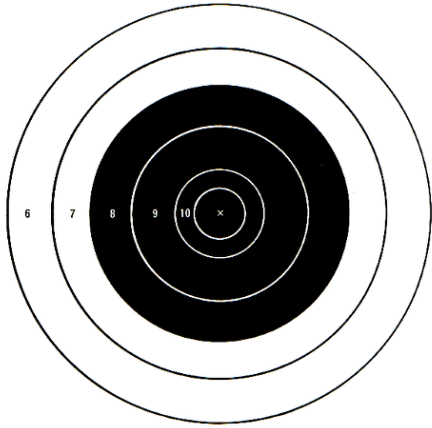
were not hitting the backstop (ricocheting into ceiling or wall).

- 3) Seat Boat Cushion!!! NOT an authorized target. (I don't remember if we caught this person.)
- 4) Used Center-fire (high power) rifle on the RRC range. Damaged backstop... Billed violator for damages... Ouch... The ONLY rifle allowed is a .22.
- 5) Used Shotgun wads or pellets. (Shotguns not allowed on RRC range)

A Thank You From NYS DEC to the RRC

Jim Crittenden has sent along his thanks from DEC for the RRC hosting another DEC Hunter Training series of classes in August. The Air Conditioning was much appreciated too !!





CONSTRUCTION ON WINTON ROAD

Yikes! We have been surrounded by construction this summer. Work near the railroad tracks on Winton just south of Brighton-Hen TL Road has been completed but the construction on the bridge over the canal (restricted lanes) make getting to the club a little more challenging. The bridgework (running behind) is estimated to be done this fall.



INVITATION TO JOIN A LEAGUE

Handgun Shooters are invited to join the **Community Pistol League**. The league meets at the RRC on Wednesday evenings starting around 4:30pm, and tends to wrap up around 9pm -depending on how many relays of shooters.

You do not need to be a member of the RRC to participate in that league but you do need a valid NYS Pistol permit. It is a great place to meet beginners and people with expertise who would be happy to get you started.

The first Wednesday practice and "Meet & Greet" will be **Wednesday, Sept. 9, 2015.** Match #1 on Sept. 16th.

For more information e-mail cpl@RochesterRifleClub.org

.22 Rifle Shooters are invited to join the **Sporterifle League**, which meets on Thursdays at the RRC starting around 6pm. Their first Thursday night is **Thursday, Sept. 24, 2015.**

Please note that we also have a **Youth Sporterifle Open House** on **Sunday, Sept. 20th** from 1-2pm. Youth ages 12-18 may also shoot Sporterifle on Sunday afternoons (starting Sunday, Sept. 20) with practice from 2-4pm.

Once the matches start, if enough youth show up to field a youth team, the top 5 youth scores count in the weekly postal match.

Youth do not need to have any equipment. We can supply the use of the .22 rifle, however all youth must have a waiver signed by the youth and their parent/guardian. The RRC also arranges a free safety session for new youth shooters.





RRC JUNIOR CLUB / PRECISION MARKSMANSHIP HOLDING OPEN HOUSE

On **Sunday, September 27, 2015** we are holding our annual Junior Club Open House at 4:00pm. Plans and programs of the Junior Club (ie precision .22 rifle shooting, airguns) will be outlined for youth ages 12-20 and questions answered. The first of a 7-week (required) Marksmanship Safety program begins at 5:00pm for all new youth. The 7 classes will end before 7:00pm each Sunday. Please RSVP for the 7-week class through Jeff at juniors@RochesterRifle Club.org

THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

As you probably know, our RRC Officers and Directors are volunteers. Member-volunteers do the vast majority of maintenance chores around the RRC. **Tom** coordinates volunteers in the fall through the spring to keep the bullet traps emptied. **Mr. Simkin** mows our grass with a walk-behind mower. Then there are the program volunteers. **Jeff and Don** coordinate a half dozen volunteers to help with the Junior Precision Rifle program and tournaments. **Dave and Jerry** organize the Sporterifle League and work with Sporterifle youth. Tom and his family help with CPL. **Ed Cerra**, our RRC President, has taught numerous Pistol Marksmanship courses. There are many volunteers that we probably don't even know about. Thank you to all who keep our range going!!!! This August we had 10 volunteers work on scraping/painting the building, trimming/re-framing the shed door, or maintaining the water pump. Special thanks to volunteer painters: **Greg Miller , Clay Johnson, Marc Cirigliano, Randy Sparrazza, John Comins and Jean Comins**, plus Dave, Jeff, Don and Mike.

The *next half-day work party will be Sat., Sept. 19, 2015* from 8am—1pm. If you can volunteer several hours that morning (mostly painting – including some interior painting), please call Mike at 226-9357 or e-mail mjdrexler@frontier.com. We could use about 7 or 8 volunteers that morning.



DATES COMING UP FOR AREA SPORTSMEN

Thursday, September 17, 2015

S.C.O.P.E's Constitution Day

Dinner at the Diplomat Party House, 1956 Lyell Ave. Gates, NY 14606. Speaker: Monroe County Clerk, Cheryl Dinolfo.

\$30 Donation, 6:00pm Cash Bar, 7:00pm dinner. Get your tickets online at <http://www.scopeny.org/constitution-day-dinner-sept-17th>

Saturday, September 26, & Sunday, September 27, 2015

National Hunting & Fishing

Days 10am-4pm both days. Please note **NEW LOCATION**. DEC Region 8 East Avon is **not hosting** this year! NHF Days will be hosted at Mumford Sportsmen's Club, 8667 Gulf Rd., Mumford, NY 14511. Free parking on-site. Exhibits, demonstrations, a Sportsmen's flea market, and food & drink available at the event. Trap shooting, archery, Crossman airgun gallery, fly-casting and canoeing. Sat. only: Duck decoy contest at 12pm and FLCC Woodsmen Lumberjack demonstrations. Sponsored by

Livingston County Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs.

Saturday, September 26, & Sunday, September 27, 2015

The Rochester Gun Show

presented by Empire State Arms Collectors Association. \$8.00 for admission, or \$12.00 for a weekend pass. No cameras. Show hours for public entry will be 9am-4pm on Saturday and 9am-3pm on Sunday. LOCATION: Hemlock Fairgrounds (Buildings A, B & C). Show attendees use Gate 5, which is one street south of Water Street. Watch for signs. See the web site for more info www.esaca.us

Saturday, October 17, 2015

Letchworth Region **FRIENDS OF NRA** Dinner 5:00pm at the Lakeville Exempt Club, 5939 Stone Hill Rd., Lakeville, NY 14480. **Cost \$35** per ticket. Buy tickets online at <https://www.friendsofnra.org/event/tickets/Events/Details/33?eventID=51951> or contact Ed Reich at 585-346-2995, e-mail ewr2005@sbcglobal.net.



Saturday, October 17, 2015

S.C.O.P.E. 50th Anniversary – 2015 Annual Awards Banquet.

Lucarelli's Banquet Center, 1830 Abbott Rd., Lackawanna, NY 14218. Cocktails 5:30pm, Dinner 7:00pm. Keynote Speaker: Rob Astorino (2014 Gubernatorial candidate). Check out www.SCOPEny.org for ticket information. \$55 / person, \$105 / couple, \$500 / table of 10.

REMINDER SPOUSAL & JR RENEWAL

REMINDER -Regarding Spousal & Junior Members on your renewal. RRC must have a record of all members (including spousal and junior members) having had some form of basic firearms training before becoming a member and using the range. IF we have a record of such training, the spouse or junior member's name will be typed by us on the renewal notice. If the name is not on the renewal form, then we are missing a record of the required training and waivers. We cannot renew the spousal or junior's membership until the training is arranged or waivers completed. Please contact Dave Vogel, RRC Membership Director, if records are in error or to schedule training: 585-657-5413 or e-mail membership @rochesterrifleclub.org

Another Member

Renewal Reminder

Some members need proof of RRC membership for their affiliation with the Civilian Marksmanship program (CMP) or other agencies. IF you need proof of RRC membership, write on your renewal form:

"PLEASE SEND PAPER MEMBERSHIP CARD".

TWO THINGS TO THINK CAREFULLY ABOUT

1. This past spring S.C.O.P.E. – Erie County Chapter had a presentation by an attorney – "**What Happens to My Guns When I Die?**" – **Estate Planning for Firearms Owners and Their Families.**

So..... You thought maybe your son or daughter or grandchild would someday inherit your prized shotgun, rifle or handgun. Hmm. Not so fast. Police in Buffalo have made plans to seize guns of a person within days following their death. Obviously, 2nd Amendment advocates are upset about this as much of the law protecting one's guns are not shared with the survivors. What if the survivor does not have a pistol permit or is too young? Ow! There are a number of things you need to plan for. The presentation handout can be found online at the S.C.O.P.E. web site.

2. This fall, remember to thank the legislators who have supported your 2nd Amendment rights. Special thanks should go to **Bill Nojay** who was also recognized by the NYS Rifle & Pistol Association as their "**Legislator of the Year.**" Bill was one of two speakers at their Annual Meeting in Poughkeepsie. So thank those who are doing a good job *and* Remember to VOTE this November.

2015 RRC 5-GUN RAFFLE

This fall we are having just one BIG Raffle. In the fall membership renewal mailing, members will receive one ticket for the 2015 5-Gun Raffles. Those who return \$10.00 and the completed ticket stub portion will be entered into the drawings in December. **(PLEASE send raffle monies separate from renewal.)** Winners must be Brady Law compliant and 18 or over. See the next page for info on ordering additional raffle tickets. You do not need to send money when ordering more tickets, only send money when the portion of the ticket stub is returned. THANKS for your support!!

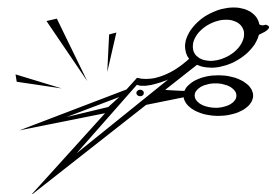
- 1st Prize SPRINGFIELD 1911 .45 Target Model - stainless steel barrel
- 2nd Prize SMITH & WESSON 15-22 .22 (AR-15 Style rifle.. modified to be NYS compliant)
- 3rd Prize RUGER SR9C 9MM (NYS compliant)
- 4th Prize RUGER MK III .22 with Red Dot sighting system
- 5th Prize SMITH & WESSON Model 642 .38 Special revolver



Every RRC member will receive one Raffle ticket in the fall renewal mailing. Return the **5-Gun Handgun / AR-15 Rifle Raffle** stub and \$10.00 payment **by December 1, 2015**. Checks payable to "R.R.C.". Please do not enclose other fees with this payment.

Please mail completed raffle stub and raffle payment to:
RRC Raffle Committee, PO Box 20617, Rochester, NY 14602-0617.
PLEASE do not include in membership renewal. Send separately to above address.

2015 RRC 5-GUN RAFFLE ADDITIONAL TICKETS ORDER FORM



If you would like to **order more Raffle tickets**, please fill out the below form or e-mail mjdrexler@frontier.com. (Send no money if only ordering tickets. ONLY return money with completed stubs.) Order forms may be mailed to **RRC Raffle Committee, PO Box 20617, Rochester, NY 14602-0617**

R.R.C. 2015 5-Gun Raffle # _____ tickets at \$10.00 each

Your Name _____ Address _____

Newsletter Dedication from Mike

This Newsletter is dedicated in memorial to **Fred & Winifred Aumock.**

Background: In 1947 Bud & Dorothy Warden were teaching Hunter Safety classes two years before NYS Gov. Dewey signed a Hunter Safety Law. They had high standards. In 1964, Fred Aumock took over Hunter Safety at the RRC and ran six sessions each fall, winter, spring and summer.

Fred was also a strong advocate of the Sporterifle program (begun at the RRC by Olin LeRoy in the 1940s). With his contacts, Fred helped build the Sporterifle League - which ran across NYS and northern PA. In 1967, when the RRC was without our own indoor range, Fred helped with arrangements at the Goodman Street Armory, the U of R, and R.I.T. so Sporterifle could continue. As soon as the RRC completed the building of the Winton Road Indoor range in 1975, Fred scheduled 9 Hunter Safety classes!

Concurrent with his RRC duties, Fred was NYSR&P Association Sporterifle Director 1973-1976 and NYSR&P Assoc. - President 1977-1979. Fred was a RRC Director for many years including a stint as RRC President ending in the 1984 / 1985 year. "Winnie" (Winifred) his wife was RRC Membership Director for over a decade.

Around 1982, Don Drexler witnessed over 32,000 Hunter Safety cards from Fred's files. These files were then turned over to the DEC. Fred passed away in 2006 at the age of 86. Winnie passed away in 2008.

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