

WRPCNews

Spring:

May 2008

Board:

- Don Valerio: President
- Lon Snook: Vice President
- Vicki Porter: Treasurer
- Mark DeRuyter: Secretary

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Bill Dadson
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Committee Heads:

- Indoor Silhouette: Marty Walther
- Outdoor Silhouette: Ron Pesta
- Sporterifle: Dave Gadoury
- Bullseye: Bob Stevens
- Tactical/Action: Dale Swarts
- Fun Shoot: Carol Snook
- Youth Shoot: Bob Stevens
- NRA's Women on Target: Vicki Porter
- Grounds/Maint: Bill Dadson
- Kitchen: Tom Hearn

An NRA Affiliated Club located on River Road in Waterloo, NY (315) 539-3361

WRPC Youth Shoot Gaining Steam

The WRPC Youth Shooting Program is scheduled for three days this summer. Building on the success of the program last year, **Ron Pesta, Bob Stevens** and **Don Valerio** have agreed to devote their energies and time to continuing the program in 2008.

Dates for 2008 are June 07, June 14, and June 21. The program is open to member and non-member youths ages 12-14. The focus is on learning the rudiments of shooting the .22 rifle, with an engaging balance of instruction and practice. We are attempting to "mine" the local 4-H membership for participants. While the 4-H organization has a comprehensive shooting program of its own, their program is not offered locally. Our focused advertising has been aimed directly at 4-H to take advantage of their mailing list with two effects: 1) Recruit new shooters for our program; 2) Test the waters for a full-on 4-H shooting program. If response is strong enough, WRPC could become the site for the established 4-H program with a steady stream of students each year.

Neither outcome is being developed as a money making venture. While a nominal fee may be charged for later programs, the goal now is to fulfill our club mission statement to promote the shooting sports. Such outreach programs also put WRPC in a good position to apply for Not-For-Profit status later as well as validate the passage of the house bill that would remove property tax burden of shooting clubs.

If you would like to assist on this far-reaching activity this year, contact Bob Stevens at: 315-539-2819.

---Kris Whiteleather

Tactical/Action Shoots to Begin Under New Management

Dale Swarts will take on the popular Tactical/Action shoot program this year. Dates are set for the first Sunday of each month:

May 04-June 01-July 06-August 03 September 07-October 05-November 02.

If you have never shot the Tactical/Action course, come down to the outdoor range between 9:00 and 1:00 with a .22 rimfire carbine or any type of handgun (no magnums). Scoped or not, the registrar will help you find the proper category. The Range Officer will guide you safely through the process from beginning to end.

For more info, contact Dale Swarts at 315-539-0147 or dswarts@rochester.rr.com

Indoor Silhouette Shoots Finished!

The 2008 Silhouette season is finished! Marty Walther and his crew had a slow start but in the end managed to process 85 rifle entries and 169 pistol entries. Congratulations and welcome to the thirty-nine shooters who either joined the ranks or moved up in the class ranking. A big thank you goes out to all the WRPC members who made the Indoor season a success.

Top Shooters in February with 79 Entries:

• Light Rifle: L Morse-M; A Pluretti-AAA; R Green-AA; C Ward-A; R Everhart-B

Open Sights Rifle: E Wertz-AAA

• Hunter Pistol RF Scope: L Snook-AAA; W Gillette-AA; T Headley-A; J Saeva-C

Hunter Pistol RF OpSight: L Snook-AA; D Valerio-A

Hunter Pistol CF Scope: L Snook-AAA; W Leanen-AA; H Headley-A; W Gillette-B; J Saeva-C

Hunter Pistol CF OpSight: B Semenza-B; J Post-C

Top Shooters in March with 41 Entries:

Light Rifle: L Morse-M; C Reed-AAA; R Green-AA; C Ward-A; P Guarino-B

Open Sights Rifle: K Norris-A

Hunter Pistol RF Scope: C Reed-AAA; E Everhart-AA; P Guarino-A

Hunter Pistol RF OpSight: L Snook-AA; B Butler-A

Hunter Pistol CF Scope: L Snook-AAA; B Semenza-B

Hunter Pistol CF OpSight: S Backer-C

Top Shooters in April with 41 Entries:

Light Rifle: D Valerio-AAA; B Dadson-AA; R Casella-B
 Hunter Pistol RF Scope: L Snook-AAA; W Gillette-AA; T Headley-A
 Hunter Pistol RF OpSight: L Snook-AA; D Heukrath-A; R Casella-C

Hunter Pistol CF Scope: J Williams-AAA; W Leanen-AA; H Headley-A; T Headley-B

Hunter Pistol CF OpSight: J Dollison-B

Outdoor Silhouette Season Underway

Ron Pesta will take on the Outdoor Silhouette program this year. There is a flyer inserted in this newsletter with all the pertinent information.. Help us get the word out by posting it on your "fridge" or hanging it on a bulletin board where passersby may see it.

There will be a work party to put the finishing touches on the Silhouette range on Saturday May 10th from 9:00 to 12noon. WRPC members are invited to put in some time and help the cause while reducing their annual dues.

For more information, contact Ron Pesta at 315-781-1782 or rpesta@rochester.rr.com.

QUICK Shots!

- Hot Shot! It seems that we should be on the look-out for flying pigs and icy conditions in hell...Andy Fegely (the elder) has shot a perfect "100" on an official Sporterifle target. Andy tells me that this is his first officially scored "100" after 14 years of shooting in the competitions. Since his start in Sporterifle in 1994, he has shot nearly 1000 official targets, and countless practice targets. His 98s and 99s have been accumulating, but the perfect target always eluded him. Using his trusty Japanese-made Browning A-bolt and a 4x scope, Andy says that he wasn't even sure how well he had done until member Ed Wertz scored the targets. As I understand it, there is still one last shooter on the WRPC Red Team to achieve the elusive "100".
- Women on Target: another success. Under the management of Vicki Porter and Carol Snook the April 27th edition of WOT guided 16 women through the rudiments of firearms training and maintenance. The program has taken on a polish that I would not have expected based on our rough beginnings. Each segment has been effectively trimmed to keep the day moving along without sacrificing quality. The official program takes place indoors, but an optional outdoor session has been added to let the students knock down steel on the Tactical Range.

Vicki says that the program could not have gotten done without the help of: Pam Bloss, Ron Brink, Gail Butler, Bruce Butler, John Christensen, Bill Dadson, Dick Eaton, Rosemary Eaton, Chuck Irland, Kathy Irland, Debra Najar, Lloyd Northrup, Ron Pesta, Art Pluretti, John Prebis, Lisa Reynolds, Carol Snook, Lon Snook, Bob Stevens, Don Valerio, and Charlie Ward. Thanks to everyone who helped!

- Bill #A02663 is wending its way through the halls of bureaucracy. This is the bill that would erase property taxes for the first \$100,000 of property value of "small conservation and rod and gun" clubs. The bill was introduced by Joe Giglio in 2006 as an effort to protect the future of outdoor activities, like hunting and fishing, by removing some of the financial burden of small shooting clubs. It is currently (as of 11 Mar 2008) "held for consideration in real property taxation", which is one step closer to success than in 2007. If passed, the bill would take effect immediately.
- Be sure to check the shoot schedules for the club <u>before</u> you pack up to do some target practice. Generally the outdoor ranges are closed when there is an outdoor shoot. During Tactical/Action shooting, the Silhouette range is off-limits. During the Outdoor Silhouette shoots, you can still use the Tactical range and the Pistol Practice Range. During the Youth Shooting Program you can still use the Silhouette Range and Pistol Practice Range.
- WRPC will be hosting a Veterans program of airgun shooting. Each Tuesday from 9:00-10:00am the
 clubhouse will be closed so that a group from the VA can train for an airgun competition. Thanks to Mark
 DeRuyter for getting us in touch with the organizers.

Treasury Report: Current Data		
	Incoming	Outgoing
Dues	2420.00	245.00
Shoots/Range	2284.81	454.70
Fundraising	4065.00	671.94
Buildings/Grounds		2118.00
Equipment		1197.92
Utilities		1993.21
Taxes		911.91
Other	20568.12	542.89
Totals	29337.93	8135.57

Ongoing Shoots

Outdoor Silhouette: Third Sunday of each month from 9:00-1:00. Handguns and rimfire rifles are welcome. For more information: *Contact Ron Pesta 315-781-1782*

Tactical Action Shoot: First Sunday of each month from 9:00 to 1:00. Handguns and rimfire carbines are welcome. For more information: *Contact Dale Swarts 315-539-0147*

Youth Shooting Program: June 7, 14, and 21 from 9:30 to 12:30. To sign up or help out: *Contact Bob Stevens 315-539-2819*

Notes and Updates from the President's Desk

Sporterifle Success Story

The 2008 Sporterifle State Shootoffs were held at WRPC March 30th under the supervision of State Sporterifle Director (and club member) **Dick Eaton**. Our shooters had another good year and were well represented in the standings. **Lisa Reynolds** and **Rosemary Eaton** both won in their respective classes among women shooters. Our Red Team posted the second highest score in the state and will probably retain its position in the league containing the top teams in the state. And I am very proud to announce our club has produced another junior state champion: **Mason Hawk** of *Team Pluretti*.

Dick Eaton introduced a new online pre-registration system this year which worked great and alleviated a chronic problem of long waits for shoot times. WRPC provided a large pool of experienced and knowledgeable workers and the event went off like clockwork. Helping out with the event were: Tim Baxter, John Breese, Ron Brink, Charlie Davis, Andy Fegley (elder), Andy Fegley (younger), Chuck Hanzel, Tom Hearn, Anthony Pluretti, Art Pluretti, Zach Ramirez, and Lisa Reynolds

Members Taking on Maintenance Projects

Andy Fegley (the elder) installed the new numbers over the shooting stations on the indoor range. This was to alleviate potential confusion among our guests at this year's shootoffs. The club extends its thanks.

At the last meeting we failed to mention that **Dave Eannetta** replaced the outdoor pole mounted light fixture. This was possibly done with some assistance from a large local utility company...ahem! Every club needs a guy like Dave.

WRPC Solves Identity Crisis

The club finally adopted a new logo. The original concept was submitted by **Bob Stevens** and was rather stylized. With some tweaking and artwork by **Ron Pesta** it became more literal. There was a strong sentiment from members that the figures have distinct gender, and that this reflect a sense of welcome to all shooters regardless of sex. People will view the logo from their own perspective and take from it what they will. To me it suggests competitive shooting among a fellowship of enthusiasts. The question of hats, jackets, shirts etc. is still up in the air and no official colors or garments have been adopted. In the meantime I think Ron Pesta can make you about anything you like.



New Plate Rack Installed

The membership spoke and the board listened. The second plate rack has been purchased and installed on the Outdoor Practice Pistol range. We jazzed it up with bottles and smaller geometrics for targets to irritate...errr...challenge you. There is spray paint stored in the lockers on the Tactical Range AND the Practice Pistol Range. Put a quick coat of paint on the targets if you have a chance. Every current member has the locker combination on the back of their membership card. If you use the paint turn it upside down and clear the nozzle when you are finished.

The Gun Shop: For Sale & Wanted

FS: Thompson Center 15 inch pistol Barrel .243 with Weaver base \$200 OBO. Call Dr. Watson 585-394-2186 jcwatson@frontiernet.net

FS: Kimber .45 ACP with Ceiner .22 rimfire conversion, red dot sight and mount, four mags, 400 cases, 500 oregon trail 200 gr Irn bullets, 200 230 gr jacketed bullets. \$975. Will sell with Hornady lock and load progressive press for total of \$1150 (will sell press alone for \$275) Call John Anderson after 6:pm 568-2490.

FS: Like NEW CZ 453 American 22lr rifle . Less than 500 rounds. \$375 firm. Call Rick 568-5595

FS: Reloading equipment: .17Rem neck sizer-\$10; .338 Win neck sizer-\$10; RCBS primer pocket swager-\$10; Lee 22/250 3-die set-\$20; RCBS 30/30 Win full length 2-die set-\$15; RCBS .223 full length 2-die set-\$15; RCBS .223 full length small base 2-die set-\$15; Hornady 6mm-223 full length sizer-\$5; RCBS 7mm Rem Mag full length 2-die set-\$10; Lyman multi-expand charge die with mandrels-\$10; RCBS 38/357 3-die set (needs decapping rod)-\$10; Forster 25/06 full length 2-die set (needs decap rod and button)-\$10. Call John Anderson after 6:pm 568-2490.

FS: Remington 870 12ga 20" slug barrel. Rifled with sights and matte finish. Unfired. \$75. Call Don Valerio 585-526-5561

FS: Remington 870 20 ga slug gun black stock cantilever barrel used 1 season. \$275 OBO. Call Dr. Watson 585-394-2186 jcwatson@frontiernet.net

FS: Ruger MKIII Hunter 22/45. Volquartsen accurizing kit, 5 mags, Tasco optima red dot sight. Comes with paperwork and original trigger parts. \$425. Call Joe Fracassi 585-342-9665.

FS: TC Contender .44mag 14" bbl. Early frame with pattern on sides. Comes with synthetic grips, original walnut grips. \$365. Can include Weaver 2x38 scope with caps, scope rings, scope base and sling for \$555 total. All in mint condition. Call Bill Longo 315-568-8546

FS: TC Custom 10" .357 Herrett barrel, reloading dies, 1.25-4x Scope. \$200. Call Bruce 539-9058.

FS: TC Encore .223 Ackley improved. Comes with 12ga 3" shotgun barrel, Bushnell Legend 4-12 scope, Tasco red dot sight, extra thumb hole butt stock, extra forend, Lee .223 Al die set, Wilson bullet seater, improved cylinder and full screw-in choke, 75 primed and sized brass. \$850. Call John Anderson after 6:pm 568-2490.

FS: Thompson Center Encore blue 50x209 Black Powder Barrel. \$200.00 OBO. Call Dr. Watson 585-394-2186 jcwatson@frontiernet.net

Wanted: 38 Special and/or 357 Mag brass. Call Rick 568-5595

Wanted: Thompson Center Encore Barrels in .270, .25-06 or .300 win mag. pistol or rifle. Will consider other calibers. Call Dr. Watson 585-394-2186 jcwatson@frontiernet.net

FS: RAFFLE Tickets! I have 4 books of 2008 WRPC Raffle Tickets left. \$10 per book of three. The June drawing is coming fast, so don't miss this chance to get the last of the entries. Call Kris at 315-789-6952 or e-mail me at WaterlooRPC@AOL.com

If you want to add a listing, or if your item has sold send us a note at: WaterlooRPC@AOL.com.

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Mission Statement:

The WRPC is a members-only organization dedicated to the shooting sports.

Our goal is to provide a safe, friendly atmosphere for the promotion and support of firearms use for experienced and emerging shooters.

Important Raffle Update!

Yowza! Those raffle tickets are gone, gone, gone! Members were doing well selling tickets to their friends, but when **Ron Brink** and **Jim Daddona** got permission from Gander Mountain and Bass Pro set up a ticket booth at their store fronts the tickets simply flew out the door. We even set up shop at the Rochester Outdoor Show in March. Later in the month I asked Joe Hessney (Hessney's Auction House) if I could set up a table at the Andy Foster Gun Auction, fully expecting him to say "no". The morning of the auction I read an e-mail from Joe that said essentially "What a great idea! I was thinking the same thing myself." I bolted out the door and managed to get set up just before the actual auction started. It was a stunning success.

Everyone involved with the commercial set-ups agrees that the same sites should be used next year. The only thing to do differently is produce three high-quality portable displays. We should be able to go to a site and hang a WRPC banner, prop up boards advertising the raffle and our club, lay out our club literature and sell tickets. We were working two sites at once on several occasions this year, so multiple display packs are needed.

Not only does the commercial site-approach to selling tickets benefit the club, it gives members a chance to get in a lot of work party hours. Ideally each site would use 2 or even 3 members for a whole day. It sure beats carrying buckets of stone dust to the berms!

If you have unsold tickets that you are not planning to buy, please turn them into Don Valerio so we get them out to the public.

Kris Whiteleather

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