

WRPC News

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Moving Forward

by Ron Pesta

Well, Cuomo has begun his second term as Governor. Those of you who didn't vote or didn't think he could be beat...shame on you! (Read the SCOPE article on page 4.) We wonder what the future holds in store for our Second Amendment rights. What do we, as law-abiding (I hope) firearms enthusiasts, do now? How do we as gun club members continue to fight the SAFE Act/SAFE Act II... or do we?

There may be a glimmer of hope. The Governor <u>must</u> have the rent control bill (NYC) passed and the Republicans control the State Senate. So there should be some major negotiating (or pleading by Cuomo). Maybe we should pay more attention to what's going on in Albany a bit more closely.

As you now know, we are in the beginnings of our gun raffle. You have received a letter, 5 books of tickets and a poster. This is our only fundraiser, so please participate. Your options for the tickets are stated in the letter. We hope all members will ask for more tickets to buy or sell. Let's make this raffle our most sucessful yet!

If I haven't said it before or enough, I want to thank our Shoot Directors for the outstanding jobs they are doing. Our Club events are smoothly run with safety as priorty one and well attended with participants stating how well things are here at WRPC.. Well done!

Our newer members who don't think they are ready for our friendly competitions, continue to discover exactly what our facilities have to offer. The Board of Directors, along with many members, tries to maintain a decent, orderly facility for all members and guests.

With this in mind, I want to remind all members to use Club approved targets and to pick up after themselves when they are finished shooting. The past few months have produced some unsavory sights on our outdoor ranges. Remember, we <u>all</u> took an oath to obey Club rules and respect Club property. If you can't adhere to these simple ideals... turn in your key! If you can't understand why we ask what we do... attend a Board

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meeting (last Monday of the month), attend a membership meeting (first Monday of the month (except when noted) and ask what the problem might be.

This is the time of year (the winter doldrums/cabin fever) when there are plenty of things to do. Bring your family to the Club and introduce them to indoor shooting, clean your firearms, attend the various gun/outdoor shows, help sell tickets at these shows, continue hunting. We will be holding our winter Military Shoot on January 31st beginning at 9am. Please check the website for more details.

The Board is thinking of holding a "garage sale" in our Clubroom for a few hours on a Saturday to be determined. We would allow Club members to bring in firearms related items no longer used/wanted and sell them. NO firearms will be allowed! Space is limited. What do you think? Drop me an email at <u>rpesta@rochester.rr.com</u> with your ideas.

I hope you have a successful and safe year shooting at Waterloo Rifle and Pistol Club.

Pistol License Recertification

by Ron Pesta

Those of you reading your email, have received many bits of information from me including this one. Questions have been asked, hopefully this will clarify. Please READ CAREFULLY!

NY Penal Law - Art. 400.00/10 (b): "All licensees shall be recertified to the division of State Police... by the licensee on or before January 31, 2018...."

Recertification is required by the SAFE Act of 2013. It requires you (licensee) to recertify by providing to the NY State Police your name, date of bitrh, gender, race, residential address, SS number, and firearms (handguns) possessed together with an

affirmation that the licensee is not prohibited from possesing firearms. Note: <u>email address</u> is at the option of the licensee. (Hint - forget it).

Let's make sure we understand this...I "recertify" myself as NOT being prohibited from owning a handgun in NY State. But why do I report recertification of myself, by myself, to NY State? Perhaps the State wants a database of all handguns!

Nothing in the statute confers upon the State Police the authority to approve or disapprove recertification. It is only the local <u>licensing officer</u> (e.g. judge) who has the authority to issue, deny, or revoke a pistol license in most jurisdictions.

Currently only residents of three counties are receiving these invitations as a trial. If in the near future you receive a letter with an "invitation" to recertify, it will state to do so <u>immediately</u>. The "invitation" will be to recertify <u>on-line</u> (thus you can provide the State with your personal information in a database format). It is <u>NOT necessary to do either</u>.

If you understand the above, when you receive this letter, **this is what you may do legally**:

Go to the State website listed in the letter and print a hard copy of the form.

Mail the form via Certified Mail thus confirming it was mailed and received.

Mail the form on Monday or Tuesday, January 29 or 30th, 2018

NO recertifications are legally required prior to January 31, 2018.

The only option against this pre-recertification scam is to wait until the last possible moment, January 30, 2018. Remember, the goal of the State is to have as many people recertify electronically as possible. Our (legal gun owners) goal should be to have the fewest or none of all licensees recertify prior to the January 31, 2018 deadline. We should comply with the law when we have to...not before!

Sporterifle

by Paul & Renate Dewa

We are about two thirds of the way through the 2014/15 Sporterifle season. Sporterifle is an off-hand, single-shot, bullseye .22 caliber competition. We shoot against teams from other clubs across the State in postal style matches. Our team shoots indoors every Tuesday and Friday nights from September through March. We have four teams competing this year: Red Team - our most seasoned shooters, White Team - our newer and improving shooters, Blue Team - our youth shooters, and the Eagless - our women's team.

As of match 14, our teams stats are: Red - 13 - 1, White - 9 - 5, Blue - 5 - 9, and Eagless 1 - 13. Unfortunately, the Blue and Eagless teams have forfeited matches when unable to field five shooters.

Our equipment requirements are quite modest: a .22 caliber rifle with scope that weighs less than 7.5 lbs. or one with iron sights with an unlimited weight.

The new season begins in September. As usual, we encourage families to join us so we may increase the number of youth and women shooters. New shooters will receive instruction in safety and marksmanship prior to any competition. We hope to see you there.

Tactical/Fast Action

by Art Pluretti

This year's Tactical schedule is as follows - May 3rd, June 7th, July 5th, August 2nd, September 6th and October 4th. These are the first Sundays of each month beginning at 9am. The price for shooting these matches will be \$5/gun and \$4 for re-fires.

So, dust off those guns you haven't shot in a while and come on down for some shooting fun. Looking for more revolver shooters to join us.

Anyone needing work party hours please contact me at <u>free2glock@yahoo.com</u>. We will be cleaning and painting the range buildings and shooting stations this May and June.

Employment at WRPC

by Ron Pesta

Need a job? Waterloo Rifle and Pistol Club is looking for a couple of folks to work on a special project. Sound intreging? Call me at 315-719-2453 or email *rpesta@rochester.rr.com* for details.

Join the NRA Today! Help the sport and your Club!

WRPC will receive a financial reward for each new or renewed NRA membership that comes through our official recruiter.

Contact Art Pluretti for more information at: free2glock@yahoo.com

S.C.O.P.E.

by Ron Pesta

What was accomplished in the 2014 election? Many of the SCOPE members who worked hard and long were deeply disappointed at not only the outcome, but also at the incredibly low voter turnout (lowest ever). If you didn't vote SHAME ON YOU!!

Many of us felt that our efforts were in vain or that our work didn't matter. With all the certified numbers in, I suggest that each of you take a hard look at the size and breadth of this organziation, versus the size and breadth of the battle we fought... akin to David vs Goliath... that's an understatement. If you feel that your efforts didn't matter... I think you're wrong.

Look at the State-wide stats -

NYS has 62 counties (5 make up NYC)

36 of these counties have a Republican majority of active voters

26 of these counties have a Democratic majority or active voters

SCOPE is represented in 41 counties by chapter or committee.

Astorino won 46 counties by an average of 57% with 48% of active voters (33 of these counties averaged 59% for Astorino with 48% of active voters voting)

Cuomo won 11 counties by an average of 53% with 45% of active voters voting

Cuomo won NYC (5 counties) by an average 75% with 25% of active voters voting

Cuomo outspent Astorino 15:1, includes taxpayer funded feel-good ads

SCOPE represented counties, on average, turned out noticeably higher percentages of active voters with noticeably higher winning percentages for Astorino than did counties with no SCOPE representation.

Perhaps you should re-think your affiliations - join SCOPE. Help us and yourselves out - 2018 will be here before you realize it!

PS - Did you know that your 2nd Amendment rights are NOT stated in NY State's constitution?

Bullseye

by Al Hermann (with permission)

In the last 20 years or so, a series of new pistol shooting sports has grabbed the attention of the shooting public. These matches include the Bianchi Cup, the Second Chance and the Steel Challenge which have become well-publicized big-money events.

A lot of shooters are surprised to find that Bullseye, three-gun or conventional pistol, whatever name you choose, is still the most popular of the pistol shooting games. It's hard to say what prompts new interests, but suspicions indicate a combination of things. Of them, the increasing use of red-dot sights is an important factor. This type of sight makes it possible for many shooters to continue, or start, shooting after the age when they begin experiencing difficulty seeing iron sights.

While this may be hard to prove, another reason is that Bullseye competitors simply get to shoot a lot. Many of the popular speed and practical shooting events feature a little shooting and a lot of waiting. Even though these games are challenging and fun, shooting for 30 seconds and then waiting an hour or so for the next stage in them can be tedious.

Conventional pistol is a lot easier for both the competitor and the tournament director - for the competitor because no holsters and other accessories are required, and for the director because only one range officer can control an entire line of shooters. Small indoor ranges throughout the nation host regular leagues and tournaments that require little time and organization.

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Waterloo Rifle and Pistol Club 2014/2015 Match Schedule www.waterloorpc.com

Indoor Silhouette (Chuck & Kristi Ward - 315-709-9914 or chuckacp45@hotmail.com) 3rd Sunday of the month; January - April @ 9am - approx. 1pm

<u>Sporter Rifle (Paul Dewa - pdewa@rochester.rr.com</u> <u>or rdewa@rochester.rr.com)</u> every Tuesday & Friday of the month; September - March @ 7pm

Outdoor Silhouette (Mark Barrett (315-398-9104).

3rd Sunday of the month; May - September (October - weather permitting)

@ 9am - approx. 1pm (5/19, 6/16, 7/21, 8/18, 9/15, 10/20)

<u>Club Defensive Handgun Dave Lockett - (315-651-8750)</u>
4th Sunday of the month @ 10am (indoors & outdoors)

Fun Shoot (Al Roher - al.roher@co.ontario.ny.us)

1st Sunday of the month; January - April @ 8am

IDPA (Scott Bourgeois - momndad@rochester.rr.com)
2nd Saturday of the month @ 10am (indoors & outdoors)

Bulls-eye Pistol (Al Hermann - 607-341-5338) every Thursday of the month; October - March @ 7pm

<u>Tactical/Fast action (Art Pluretti - free2glock@yahoo.com)</u> 1st Sunday of the month; May - October @ 9am

ALL MATCHES ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Come Out and Join Us!

Clip & Save

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But if there's a primary reason for Bullseye's popularity, The belief is it's the challenge that appeals to competitors. Bullseye could be rivaled only by international free pistol as a test of precision shooting ability. Bullseye is deceptively simple, but offers challenging competitive opportunities all the way up to the national level.

While I think the popularity of Bullseye pistol is on the decrease, since this article was written by Charles E. Petty, it is still a great sport.

Join us Thursdays at 6:30 pm and find out.

Indoor Silhouette

by Chuck & Kris ward

Our first match of the season had 20 shooters with five being newbies. Great turnout! The results are:

Rimfire Pistol

Open sights - 3 shooters with R. Stevens

classifiying in B-class

Scoped - 6 shooters

Centerfire Pistol

Open sights - 2 shooters

Scoped - J. Breese classifiying in C-class

Rifle

Small targets:

Open sights - 1 shooter

Scoped - A-class:

R. Green, Kaleb

R. Dewa classifying in B-class M. Yost classifying in AAA-class

Large targets (Club rifle):

Open sights - 4 shooters

with S. Roshia & B. Lyon classifying in A-class

Scoped - 13 shooters:

Master - C. Reed, J. Breese

AA - K. Ward

The following shooters classified in -

AAA - S. Roshia, M. Yost

AA - A. Dewa (Jr.), V. Porter

A - R. Dewa

As seen above many of our shooters wish to remain anonomous, but a good time was had by all. As indicated on page 5, our shoots for this season are: February 15th, March 15th, and April 19th - Come join us!

IDPA

by Scott Bourgeois

It looks like the beginning of a great year. The last couple of indoor matches have doubled in participation. I would like to think that it's the stages we put together; but it must be that the word is getting out that WRPC actually holds matches during the winter months... on an indoor range, or maybe it's just cabin fever.

In case you're wondering how the word was spread, there is a new Facebook page that communicates upcoming matches in the area, the results of the these matches and breaking stories that affect our 2nd Amendment rights. This Facebook page is aptly named CNY Competition Pistol. Currently there are 5 clubs participating: Waterloo RPC, Fulton, Tioga, Cortland, and GCL. We expect the number of participating clubs to grow as the weather breaks and they come on line.

CNY Competition Pistol is a closed group site which eliminates unwanted communication from the anti-2A lobby. If you would like to be invited, drop us an email (wrpcidpa@gmail. com) with your Facebook username and we'll send you out an invite.

Shoot straight and shoot often! See you at the range.

Club Logo Wear

Embroidered shirts, jackets and sweatshirts are available for purchase. Ballcaps are coming soon. Ron Pesta, Club member and owner of Eagle Graphics Custom Embroidery is taking orders. Show your support for the Club and place your order today. <u>Remember, a portion of the cost for each item is donated back to the Club.</u>

A minimum of 12 pieces are needed to place an order (cost effective). Contact your shooting buddies/partners and get an order together.

Polo Shirts (50/50 or 100% cotton) **HOT ITEM!!!**

Colors - white, black, ash, forest green, maize, maroon, navy red & royal blue S - 3XL - \$23.00

Sweatshirts (90/10)

Colors - ash, black, forest green, navy & royal blue S - 3XL - \$25.00

Hooded Sweatshirts (90/10)

Colors - ash, black, forest green, navy & royal blue S - 3XL - \$30.00

1/4 zip Fleeece Pullover (100% poly)

Full zip Fleece (100% poly)

Colors - charcoal, black, forest green, navy, red, grey S - 2XL - \$35.00 3XL - \$36.00 4XL - \$37.00

3-Season Jackets HOT ITEM!!!

Colors - black, forest green, navy, red, royal,

S - XL \$52.00 2XL - \$54.00 3XL - \$58.00 4XL - \$60.00 Large embroidered logo on back - add \$45.00

Place your order by:

- filling out the order sheet at the Clubhouse
- call/fax Ron at 315-781-1953 (Eagle Graphics)
- email info@eaglegraphicsembroidery.com
- or visit his website at eaglegraphicsembroidery.com.

Be proud of your Club, wear the logo!

Myths and Facts

by Ron Pesta

As of 2012; did you know:

Myth -

Guns are not a good deterrent to crime.

Facts -

Guns prevent an estimated 2.5 million crimes a year or 6,849 every day.

During a crime, often the gun is never fired and no blood (including the criminal's) is shed.

Every day, just showing a gun prevents 550 rapes, 1,100 murders and 5,200 other violent crimes. In less than 0.9% of these instances is the gun ever actually fired.

Myth -

Privately owned guns are used to commit violent crime.

Facts -

90% of all violent crimes in the U.S. do not involve firearms of any type.

Even in crimes where the offender possessed a gun during the commission of the crime, 83% did not use or threaten to use the gun.

Less than 1% of these firearms will ever be used in the commission of a crime.

On A Lighter Note...

Nudity

A Mom was driving with her three young children one warm summer evening when a woman in the convertible ahead of them stood up and waved. She was stark naked!

As the Mother was reeling from the shock, she heard her 5-year old shout from the back seat... "Mom, that lady isn't wearing a seat belt!"