



CMP State Directors

Bruce Bowler

Hometown: Juneau, Alaska

Points of interest:

- Married to Judy, 4 children
- Bachelor of Science, Aviation Engineering; Michigan State University's Rifle and Hunter Safety Instructor Course certified as an instructor by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (and NRA) in 1974
- Taught Hunter Safety/Education courses in 4 states: Oregon, Michigan, Illinois, and Alaska; Alaska First Lady's Volunteer of the Year award 1990; Western Region Volunteer Excellence Award by the University of Hawaii in March, 2000 President's "Points of Light" Award June 2000, Alaska State Troopers Lifetime Achievement Award, USCG Certificate of Merit and a couple others
- Current certification as a Chief Range Safety Officer, Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun and Black Powder Instructor with the National Rifle Association, and as a Law Enforcement Shotgun and Pistol Instructor
- National Level 2 'Rifle Coach' and Level 1 "Pistol Coach" appointment (ASEP certified), and serve as the Rifle coach for the University of Alaska SE. Appointed 10/9/2004 as the Civilian Marksmanship Program Alaska State Director
- 4-H "National" training; club leader and state 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Training Council through the University of Alaska Fairbanks
- NRA "Training Counselor" since 1985
- Professional background: Federal Law Enforcement and military; Range Master and Training Officer for the Alaska Peace Officers Association; currently employed by the State of Alaska DOT&PFHQ and the University of Alaska in the state capitol. Team Manager: SEADOGS Search and Rescue team; Certified Instructor: National Association for Search and Rescue, Bureau of Indian Affairs, NRA, USA Shooting, USAF Master Instructor;
- ADF&G Hunter Education program instructor since 1985 (awarded "Top 10 Instructor" twice and served on the state Hunter Education Steering Group); and an all around nice guy.

State Director Biography:

1. Name: L. Bruce Bowler

2. State Affiliation: Alaska

3. Background/resume in the sport of shooting/marksmanship:

- 10-11 years old, summer camp .22 program
- 12-18, Elks junior rifle club, competitions
- 18-19, Oregon State University
- 20-24, USAF Rifle & Pistol (Air Police/General, expert badges)
- 24, college club
- 28 and on, Federal Law Enforcement Clubs, NRA instructor (1974), NRA training counselor (1985), 4-H shooting sports state team (Alaska, 1985-present), BSA Merit Badge/ State Advisory Team, Level 1 & 2 Rifle Coach (USAS), Level 1 Pistol Coach (USAS), Alaska Peace Officers Association Firearms Trainer/Range Master, Head Rifle Coach at University of Alaska SE

4. Personal Information (married, children, hobbies, interests):

I've been married to my wife, Judy, for 34 years – and counting.

5. Reasons for Becoming a State Director:

I became a State Director to serve the state and pull it together.

6. Goals/Hopes for the Future of Junior Shooting in your State:

My goal is to get Alaskans talking to each other and working towards expanding the sport.