

## Arizona's Rico, Provine and Kendrick Begin College Careers at U.S. Academies

Congratulations to Tyler Rico, Alexandria Provine and Joey Kendrick who have not only raised the bar in Arizona's organized shooting programs, but have also been extraordinary ambassadors for the nation's Junior shooting sports.

"We are proud to honor these young teammates and are fortunate to have supported their growth and success in our junior rifle divisions that include high power, smallbore and air rifle," said Tom Kirby, a veteran shooting coach and a Junior Division director for the non-profit, Arizona State Rifle and Pistol Association (ASRPA).

Kirby announced that the junior rifle trio were offered appointments to the three US military academies for scholastic achievement and rifle shooting accomplishments, and have joined their academy's collegiate NCAA rifle teams. Rico, Provine and Ken-

drick will represent the Air Force Academy, West Point Military Academy, and Annapolis Naval Academy, respectively.

The teammates completed their individual basic cadet fitness training and started their four-year officer-in-training classes in mid-August. They will graduate from the academies as second lieutenants or ensign and then will transfer into active duty military assignments.

The rifle teammates were supported by Rio Salado Sportsman's Club in Mesa, and the Tucson Rifle Club, in Tucson, both members of the Arizona's ASRPA.



## McGill Displays JROTC Leadership Skills

*By Barbara Shew, Oregon CMP Director*

KLAMATH FALLS, OREGON - Prior to graduating from Henley High School, JROTC competitor Angela McGill took on the ominous task of being Match Director of a CMP sanctioned 3P Air Rifle Match as a senior school project earlier this year.

It gave Angela an excellent view of the other half of what a match is, besides just showing up, shooting, and letting the coach be in charge. She put together a match program, rounded up officials, prepared targets, prepared the range, answered questions, rounded up and presented awards.

There were four relays of mixed Marines and Air Force JROTC cadets competing. Angela kept score using the Orion scoring system. When she had a break from scoring she was busy checking on the match, talking with competitors and visiting with parents.

My other half, Nelson, was the Range Officer and I was Angela's mentor. My job was easy – I stayed back and just watched a very competent individual complete her task.

Besides doing the above, she kept busy appearing as Eddie Eagle when they conducted the Eddie Eagle Gun Safety Program and has planned, organized and run "Marksmanship Day Camps" for elementary school age kids with classroom instruction in the morning and mock competition on the range in the afternoon.

Angela met us when we arrived in town and showed us to our room. Klamath Falls reminds me of Denver, Colorado, with high mountains and lots of snow. The match was well run; she met the challenge and is now getting on with more projects, including getting her NRA Level 2 Coach credentials.

Henley HS JROTC instructors deserve kudos for their work in the JROTC program and the job they are doing in turning out some fine future leaders.



*Oregon CMP Director Barbara Shew with Angela McGill.*