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CMP ANNUAL REPORT



Our Vision

To lead the nation in marksmanship excellence providing safe, high quality and innovative programs with a focus on youth.





CIVILIAN MARKSMANSHIP PROGRAM

CMP Growth

The CMP works diligently to remain a frontrunner in marksmanship. Internally, the organization has adopted the CMP Values listed to the right, along with a new slogan -- Home of Marksmanship. Our leadership continues to find ways to grow programs and attendance, while maintaining the elite events for all marksmanship attendees.

In FY23, CMP hired a full-time Chief Information & Technology Officer and is currently upgrading our CMP E-Store. CMP purchased two Laser Shot Simulators, which are currently set up in the Gary Anderson CMP Competition Center. Two additional mobile simulators will also be available in Alabama. The future of the simulator is in line with the future of youth shooting sports and is a good tool in introducing junior competitors to other marksmanship opportunities outside of their own disciplines.

This year, for the first time, the CMP Smallbore program utilized a new 50-meter, KTS (Kongsberg Target Systems) E-Score system, with success. The system's targets present instant scoring, displayed on monitors at each firing point, while allowing online viewers to watch live firing from their devices. Inside the Competition Centers in Ohio and Alabama, the CMP enhanced its airgun ranges with Megalink electronic targets. With the update, the CMP is now able to partner with USA Shooting while also posing the potential to host future NCAA marksmanship events.

Other additions for FY23 included the Mid-Range National Match, which had an outstanding attendance of 110 competitors. Match sanctioning was also expanded to allow CMP Affiliated Clubs to host their own Mid-Range Matches at their local facilities. In pistol, the CMP continued the unparalleled tradition of the historic Bianchi Cup Action Pistol match by hosting the event in 2023 for a group of 135 competitors from around the world. The CMP also hosted the inaugural Premier Shooting Expo, held at the CMP Talladega Marksmanship Park in October. The Expo connected consumers and vendors face-to-face, to test current products in a hands-on, controlled environment. Over 100 guests attended the Expo, where they were able to meet with 17 different marksmanship industry and non-industry retailers.

Chairman and CEO Gerald O'Keefe congratulates Cris Stone, former CMP Board Member, and his daughter, Kristine, on earning medals during the Talladega 600 Matches, which saw record-breaking attendance in 2023.

Marksman Medal in 2023. Brian Williams, CMP Highpower Specialist, earned Medal #1 and was the top competitor in the 2023 National Carbine Match. Adding even more competitive outlets in 2023, the CMP introduced the Club League Matches program, which ranks competitors each month alongside others throughout the U.S. A total of 23 clubs and 197 participants competed in FY23.

The CMP is also in charge of the International Distinguished Badge Program, which awards athletes who show excellence in International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) Championships or in World Shooting Para Sport/Parapan American Championships. In 2023, nine athletes earned their badges. Read about them at <https://thecmp.org/nine-usa-shooting-athletes-earned-international-distinguished-badges-in-2023/>.



Andrew Hall, from the Garand Collector's Association, awarded Brian Williams with Master Marksman Medal #1 in 2023.



Athletes who earned the International Distinguished Badge in 2023 included Rylan Kissell (left) and Katie Zaun (right). Kissell currently lives and trains as a Resident Athlete at the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Training Center in Colorado Springs. Zaun is a sophomore at Texas Christian University and is a member of the school's NCAA rifle team.



Corporation for the Promotion of Rifle Practice and Firearm Safety, Inc. The Civilian Marksmanship Program 2023 Annual Report



Chairman/CEO's Message:

As CMP's Chairman and CEO, I, along with the Board of Directors and Officers of the Corporation for the Promotion of Rifle Practice and Firearms Safety (commonly known as the Civilian Marksmanship Program), hereby present our 2023 Annual Report.

Over the last year, we've continued to fulfill and further our role as a devoted ambassador of marksmanship and safety programs for all citizens through our variety of events, competitions, training opportunities and sales. The CMP certifies that it has complied with all provisions of its Federal enabling legislation in Title 36 USC, §40701-40733, subsequent legislation, and the current Memorandum of Agreement with the U.S. Army.

2023 in Review: The CMP has devoted the last year to continuing the expansion of its programs for the betterment of marksmanship opportunities for all. Through innovative technology and enhanced program initiatives, the CMP is taking positive measures to ensure the continuity of the sport for generations to come.

Such innovation in 2023 included the introduction of electronic targets during the National Smallbore Matches held at Camp Perry in July. This was the first time in the history of the annual National Matches that electronic targets were used for the smallbore events. Another first for the National Matches was the inclusion of a mid-range rifle competition during the National Long Range events. Both the smallbore and long range series had strong participation and represent an encouraging indicator as the CMP works to grow and improve the competition and experience of the century-old National Matches.

Also on display at the 2023 National Matches were CMP's new Laser Shot Simulators at the Gary Anderson CMP Competition Center at Camp Perry. These realistic simulators provide opportunities for training while allowing competitors to try other shooting disciplines in a cost-effective environment. The CMP has firm plans to acquire additional simulation systems for our Alabama facilities in 2024.

To stay on the theme of technology, the CMP also upgraded both Alabama and Ohio competition centers with new Megalink electronic targets. The CMP hosted the Olympic trials event at Alabama's Judith Legerski CMP Competition Center in January 2024.

Within the CMP Pistol Program, we boosted our Action Pistol footprint by hosting the CMP Bianchi Cup in Missouri with the Green Valley Rifle & Pistol Club. The event, taken over by the CMP in 2023, is the second-longest running pistol championship in the world. Over 135 individuals attended the CMP Bianchi Cup, with competitors hailing from as far as Australia, Barbados, Germany and more. The CMP is planning to again host the event in 2024, with new Rimfire and Provisional Divisions.

Down south, the CMP's 500-acre Talladega Marksmanship Park continued to set the National standard for training, competitions and shooting technology. The facility, known as the "Home of Marksmanship," not only preserved its pioneering highpower ranges, shotgun areas, pistol bays, pneumatic steel targets, club house pro shop, Unknown Distance Range and 3-D Archery Range for thousands of visitors, but made several upgrades as well. The range went on to host the inaugural Premier Shooting Expo in October – welcoming dozens of industry leaders and consumers with hands-on displays. Talladega also saw record-breaking attendance at its annual Talladega 600 rifle and pistol match in November. The event was just one of the CMP's many national-level competitions held at the Park throughout the year.

The CMP's unwavering commitment to safety and educational programs remained a central focus in 2023, with the continuation of our basic rifle and pistol courses at select CMP events. These hands-on introductory classes feature classroom instruction and live range firing. Other traditional classes, such as the Advanced Maintenance Clinic, JROTC Marksmanship Instructor Course, Range Officer certification, Master Instructor Training and the Junior Air Rifle Camps, trained countless individuals.

Always at the forefront of support for junior athletes, the CMP awarded \$250,000 in scholarships to 114 graduating seniors from JROTC, 4-H, American Legion or other scholastic programs in 2023 – recognizing those who demonstrated well-rounded excellence in marksmanship, academics and citizenship.

Gratefully, the CMP maintained its strong partnership with the Department of the Defense and the Department of the Army through Interservice and other involvements in 2023. The CMP is equally appreciative of the support provided by the Ohio Army National Guard to the National Matches and through the close working relationships with the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit and National Guard entities in Alabama, North Carolina and Vermont.

As always, the aforementioned improvements have been made possible by CMP's dedicated staff members. We proudly reflect on another flourishing year in this CMP 2023 Annual Report and hope you have enjoyed another year of marksmanship excellence through our offerings.

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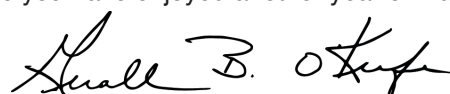
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Chairman & CEO



CIVILIAN MARKSMANSHIP PROGRAM

CMP History

The Civilian Marksmanship Program traces its origin to 1903, when Congress and the President established the National Matches and National Board for the Promotion of Rifle Practice. The program gave life to a concept advanced by President Theodore Roosevelt and other national leaders that marksmanship skills developed through regular practice and competition contribute to the nation's defense and security.



As the program expanded to make its competitions and military support available to civilians, it became identified as the "Civilian Marksmanship Program." As U.S. Army interest in marksmanship diminished after WWII, the CMP mission increasingly

focused on fostering youth development through marksmanship. Then in 1996, after 93 years of Department of Defense and U.S. Army administration, Congress privatized the program by creating a federally chartered, not-for-profit corporation known as the Corporation for the Promotion of Rifle Practice and Firearm Safety, Inc.

Today, the program is popularly recognized as the Civilian Marksmanship Program or CMP. The marksmanship heritage inherited by the CMP in 1996 included the National Matches, Pistol & Rifle Marksmanship 101, and a network of affiliated state associations and clubs. The 1996 legislation (36 USC §40701- 40733) states, in part, that the functions of the CMP are 1) *to instruct citizens of the United States in marksmanship*, 2) *to promote practice and safety in the use of firearms* and 3) *to conduct competitions in the use of firearms*.



In 1966, the USAF National Pistol Team poses with the Gold Cup Trophy after sweeping the National Matches.

The law goes on to state that *"in carrying out the Civilian Marksmanship Program, the corporation shall give priority to activities that benefit firearms safety, training, and competition for youth and that reach as many youth participants as possible."*

A National Leader in Firearm Safety and Marksmanship

Since 1996, the CMP has continued to build upon its marksmanship heritage to become the national leader in firearms safety and marksmanship training and competition. In the 27 years since the CMP became a non-profit corporation, its board of directors, administrative officers and staff have launched numerous safety, marksmanship training and competition programs that fulfill the corporation's statutory mission.

The CMP has become recognized as a national leader by emphasizing safety and basic marksmanship instruction, encouraging mass participation in its competitions, applying technological innovation and providing outstanding constituent service. This **CMP 2023 Annual Report** provides summary data on CMP programs and activities that took place in FY23.

CMP SALES

CMP operations, warehousing, inspection & repair, test firing, sales order processing and distribution activities are headquartered in Anniston, Alabama.

In 2023, the CMP took over the world-renowned Bianchi Cup action pistol event in Missouri. The event was met with great participation from domestic and international competitors alike.



The CMP operates three successful retail stores that are popular destinations for CMP customers. The first CMP Store opened at Camp Perry, Ohio, in April 2002; the second opened in Anniston, Alabama, in June 2006 and, in April 2018, a CMP Store opened at the CMP Talladega Marksmanship Park. While most purchases are made online, the stores give CMP customers an opportunity to personally inspect government surplus rifles before deciding which rifle to purchase. The stores now account for about 20% of all CMP sales revenue. The CMP also conducts on-site sales at the CMP Travel Games in Arizona, North Carolina, Vermont and occasionally at other venues.

Individuals who wish to purchase government-surplus rifles from the CMP must be members of a CMP-affiliated organization.



CMP Talladega Marksmanship Park held several monthly tournaments throughout the year, including Archery, Shotgun and Action Pistol matches.



The CMP South Store reopened in Dec 2022 and continues to operate weekly, offering a selection of rifles, equipment and memorabilia.

The CMP Custom Shop opened for business in October 2013 and provides a wide variety of repair, upgrade and custom services for a wide range of U.S. Military rifles, especially those issued in early eras. The CMP Custom Shop completed 342 work orders in FY23.

ENDOWMENT FUND

The CMP is committed to providing its safety, education and competition programs well into the future.

The federal law that established the new CMP authorizes the Corporation to sell military surplus .30 and .22 caliber military rifles, parts and ammunition to qualified U.S. citizens for marksmanship. Subsequent law authorized the Department of the Army to transfer certain numbers of M1911 pistols to the CMP on an annual basis.

Accordingly, the CMP sells government-surplus M1 Garands, .22 caliber target rifles, small quantities of

other rifles and M1911 pistols to qualified purchasers. Net revenue from CMP sales is used to fund operations and programs and, when possible, to supplement the endowment.

The Corporation recognizes that its primary source of income, the sale of surplus government rifles and pistols, is not necessarily enduring. To assure that CMP programs have a stable funding source in the future, the Board of Directors established a permanent endowment fund in 1999.

All funds generated from CMP sales that are in excess of requirements for current operations are transferred to this fund. Professional investment advisory firms operating under the supervision of the Board of Directors' Investment Committee manage the endowment fund.

In FY23, CMP again promoted the CMP Planned Giving program, which allows donors to donate cash or name the CMP as the beneficiary of their will, living trust or qualified retirement plan. Donated funds are beneficial to continuing CMP's mission of providing marksmanship opportunities for all.

CMP Armorers teach several clinics throughout the year and attend CMP matches and events, not only performing proper instruction in the classroom, but ensuring each firearm meets competition standards and safety requirements.





CIVILIAN MARKSMANSHIP PROGRAM

ANNUAL FINANCIAL AUDIT

An independent accounting firm performs annual audits of CMP finances and operations. The FY23 CMP audit of financial statements and operations is currently underway.

SUPPORT FOR THE U.S. ARMED SERVICES

Because the CMP was once a Department of Defense agency and the sale of government surplus firearms is a primary source of CMP program funding, the CMP maintains close supportive working relationships with many Department of Defense organizations.

Much support for the military and veterans is provided at no cost. Examples of these programs are the CMP's support of Army, Marine Corps, Navy and Air Force JROTC marksmanship, ceremonial rifle acquisition and repair for veterans' organizations, scholarships for junior competitors and upgraded infrastructure at Camp Perry – the Ohio Army National Guard post where CMP program staff is based.

CMP proudly supports the U.S. Army's TACOM Life Cycle Management Command's Static Display and Ceremonial Rifle program by servicing and shipping M1 Garand rifles to eligible veteran service organizations for ceremonial purposes, at no cost. Between FY10 and FY23, CMP has produced and shipped over 26,636 such rifles.

CMP armorers inspect, repair, test fire, install blank firing adapters and ship ceremonial M1 Garand rifles to TACOM at no charge. The CMP has been providing volunteers to inspect and repair ceremonial rifles at veteran organizations since 2003.



Marksmanship is a sport for everyone. The CMP prides itself in finding ways for all to discover their potential on the firing line by including several opportunities for para-athletes at many of its events and facilities.

MARKSMANSHIP TRAINING AND COMPETITION PROGRAM SUMMARIES

CMP training and competition programs serve a growing population of youth and adults.

National Matches

The National Matches were established by an Act of Congress in 1903; the CMP plays a leading role in the preservation and expansion of the Matches that take place every year at Camp Perry, Ohio. The Matches have been held at Camp Perry for more than 116 years.

This year 3,761 individuals participated in 12,359 event entries including various schools and competitions at the National Matches. CMP National Matches events offer championship competition in rifle and pistol, as well as national level competitions with rimfire sporter rifles, smallbore rifles, as-issued military rifles, air pistols, air rifles and mid and long range rifles. Several clinics and camps are also offered during the CMP National Matches.



The National Matches offers several disciplines throughout the 6-week event. Junior Kacie McGowan poses with her Palma Rifle. She cleaned one of the Long Range Matches, shooting a 200-8x.

Gun Safety Programs

The CMP believes that gun safety training is the foremost method of ensuring the safe and responsible use of firearms and airguns. Every CMP program has a teaching component that includes safety doctrine, safety training and safety controls. Every CMP training course includes a safety presentation. The use of gun safety flags is mandatory in all CMP events. Rifle purchasers must show proof of marksmanship activity where safety training was given. Gun safety locks are available for all rifles sold by the CMP.

CMP Talladega Marksmanship Park

The CMP's "Home of Marksmanship" welcomed 22,787 daily use marksmen and match competitors and over 3,000 spectators in FY23. This included two of CMP's major Legacy Matches, the Talladega 600 and the annual D-Day Matches. The Park



also hosted Talladega Quarterly Matches, the Alabama Speed Shooting Championship, World Speed Shooting Championship, 4-H State Rimfire Match, a 5K Range Run, GCA National Convention, a Premier Shooting Expo, the Dixie Double Smallbore Match, several Archery, Sporting Clays and Shotgun Tournaments, two USPSA Carry Optics Nationals, the USPSA Back to Back Nationals, the SASP (Scholastic Action Shooting Program) Nationals, the Glock Sport Shooting Federation Annual Match and Armorer's Courses and the SSSF (Scholastic Sport Shooting Federation) Nationals. An additional 161 basic marksmanship and safety classes were held at the Park throughout FY23. Over 50 corporate and charity events brought in over 1,600 competitors along with several local Police Departments utilizing the ranges for training.

CMP Petrarca Range

CMP Targets are set up at Petrarca Range at Camp Perry for open public marksmanship and matches. In FY23, 497 marksmen made use of the range.

CMP Games Events

CMP now offers 21 CMP Games matches which allow competitors to reenact military and marksmanship history and enjoy camaraderie in a relaxed, fun-filled, yet challenging experience.

Marksmanship 101

Participation in the CMP's Marksmanship 101 course included 578 students who received introductory safety and marksmanship instruction in Rifle and Pistol. Students learn from the most accomplished military instructors and competitors



The CMP purchased Simulators to allow youth to experience other marksmanship avenues. Through a variety of firearm replications and range scenarios, participants may gain skills in a safe and fun environment.



Upgrades to the CMP Talladega Marksmanship Park in FY23 included 15 covered stations at the Sporting Clays 1-Mile loop.

in the nation. The courses were held during the CMP Travels Games and at Affiliated Clubs.

Sanctioned Competitions

The CMP sanctioned more than 2,510 matches for approximately 11,555 competitors in 2023. The CMP's sanctioned match program offers competitions in Excellence-In-Competition (EIC), State Championships, CMP Match Pistol, CMP Mid-Range, CMP Long Range, CMP Smallbore, John C. Garand, Springfield, Vintage Military, Carbine, Modern Military, Vintage Sniper and Rimfire Sporter events. To govern all of these target shooting disciplines, the CMP now produces seven different rulebooks.

Marksmanship Clinics

A total of 325 juniors and adults received expert instruction by CMP certified volunteers at 23 special clinics this year. CMP affiliated clubs have conducted 30 marksmanship clinics and trained an estimated 136 new shooters in 2023. The CMP has now trained 938 Master Instructors who serve as rifle clinic instructors in their home clubs. The CMP provides training curriculum for use in these clinics.

Advanced Maintenance Clinics

The CMP Advanced Maintenance Clinics for 2023 were not held due to constrained resources. Our Custom Shop staff stayed busy with a wide variety of repair, upgrade and custom services for customers.

Range Officer Training

The CMP Range Officer Program trains individuals to conduct safety and range operations. One hundred eight individuals completed the online Level I



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Air Pistol continues to be a popular event. This father-son duo traveled from Spain to partake in the 2023 Air Gun National Championships at Camp Perry, taking home many new memories and experiences to share.

Course and are now certified CMP Range Officers - able to go on to work closely with and assist CMP staff at the Camp Perry National Matches and assorted CMP Games, while also possessing the ability to serve their local marksmanship club events. An additional 82 individuals completed the CMP Range Officer Level II Course.

Three-Position Air Rifle Junior Competitions

Air rifle target shooting is now the most popular youth shooting sports competition activity in the U.S. In addition to sanctioning 316 state and regional competitions for over 23,400 junior competitors, the CMP supported 9 major national junior competitions in 2023 in cooperation with the American Legion; Army, Marine Corps, Navy and Air Force JROTC Commands; the National 4-H Shooting Sports; the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit and USA Shooting.

Competition Tracker

The CMP is a world leader in using computer technology to manage competition events and provide live results to the shooting sports public via the Internet. In FY23, the CMP Competition Tracker website received over 146,000 visitors and over 2 million pageviews.



The first Smallbore Three-Position Distinguished Badge was awarded in July 2023 to Brandon Evans, 19, of Poquoson, Virginia. The CMP now has 10 Distinguished Badges for competitors to earn.

State Directors

CMP-appointed State Directors coordinate the delivery of CMP youth programs in their states. There are 57 Directors serving in 48 states with the CMP actively working to fill current vacancies.

JROTC Marksmanship Training

The CMP is responsible for training JROTC instructors and certifying JROTC ranges. Twenty-eight JROTC Marksmanship Instructor Courses (JMIC) have taken place since March 2005. One hundred sixty-one Master Instructors are currently certified. JMIC Master Instructors continue to teach gun safety and air rifle marksmanship to cadets in their JROTC units. Over 3,463 Instructors have been trained and certified.

CMP now offers an online JMIC Course open to all Cadets, Junior Shooters and Coaches, as well as JROTC Instructors. A total of 1,102 individuals completed the online course in FY23.

CMP Air Rifle Postal Match

Over 1,370 junior air rifle competitors participated in the 12th Annual CMP Air Rifle Postal Match, with 423 athletes participating in the CMP Three-Position Air Rifle Championship.

JROTC Competitions

The CMP cooperated with the Army, Navy, Marine and Air Force Cadet Commands to conduct JROTC postal and regional marksmanship competitions. During the 2022-2023 school year, 6,354 cadets participated in these competitions with 222 athletes participating in the 2023 National JROTC Championship held at CMP facilities at Camp Perry, OH.

Smallbore Program

The CMP Smallbore Program was enhanced in FY23 with the use of electronic targets. The targets were used at several matches including the National Smallbore Matches. This year, a total of 251 competitors participated in the National Smallbore Matches, with 18 competitors attending the Small Arms Firing School. CMP continues to sanction matches at local CMP Affiliated Clubs.

Scholarships

The CMP awarded a total of \$250,000 in scholarships to 114 graduating seniors based on their competitive shooting, academic and community service achievements and contributions. CMP awarded four, repeat \$5,000 scholarships (totaling \$20,000 over four years) to those applicants who best represented the ideals of CMP's Scholarship



Program. The next 20 excelling students received \$5,000 in scholarship money and the next top 20 awardees received \$3,000 in scholarship money of which \$2,000 was provided from the Garand Collectors Association. The final 70 scholarship recipients received \$1,000. The CMP is proud to support these extraordinary student athletes as they transition to higher education and, for many, continue to compete in the shooting sports.

Junior Air Rifle Distinguished Badges

The CMP awarded 202 Junior Air Rifle Distinguished badges in FY23. A total of 1,731 badges have been awarded to junior competitors, since its inception.

Junior Rifle Camps

The CMP junior rifle camp staff, comprised of U.S. Olympians and leading collegiate shooters, conducted 19 summer sports camps this year that taught advanced rifle marksmanship skills to 564 school-age youth, accompanied by 192 adult leaders. Additionally, a CMP junior highpower service rifle camp, staffed by the Marine Corps Rifle Team at Camp Perry, Ohio, taught advanced service rifle skills to 45 juniors. A Junior Rifle camp and Smallbore camp taught an additional 38 juniors marksmanship at Camp Perry.

CMP Competition Centers

The CMP Competition Centers are located in Anniston, Alabama, and Port Clinton, Ohio, and are equipped with advanced electronic targets. Over 23,000 individuals visited the CMP Competition Centers in 2023, including novice marksmen, world-class athletes and spectators.

Affiliated Clubs

There are 4,260 clubs, schools, teams and other shooting sports organizations currently affiliated with the CMP. Clinics and instruction offered by affiliated clubs are important ways for the CMP to deliver gun safety and marksmanship programs to U.S. citizens.

On the Mark

The CMP publishes and distributes its quarterly magazine for youth shooting sports leaders and JROTC instructors.



The Winter 2023 edition of On The Mark showcased some of CMP's latest advancements, like the new electronic targets within its Competition Centers.



The CMP Support Team is essential in operating the National Matches. Aaron Causey (red shirt) is not only a respected Wounded Warrior but a full-time staff member at the CMP Talladega Marksmanship Park in Alabama.

Mail circulation for *On The Mark*, the nation's preeminent juniors shooting publication, includes 4,019 mail recipients. Additional copies of *On the Mark* are available at the CMP ranges and stores.

The First Shot Online

The CMP posted over 172 new feature articles and provided periodic (usually bi-weekly) issues of this electronic online newsletter to 85,141 email subscribers. CMP Sales updates are also provided to 95,642 subscribers. Electronic communications are the CMP's primary means of communication with program participants.

CMP Social Media

The CMP actively engages and communicates with customers and participants through social media. The CMP has over 110,000 Facebook followers and robust Twitter, Instagram and YouTube accounts, along with a CMP Forum where individuals can ask questions and post comments.

CMP Electronic Mobile Range

The CMP Electronic Mobile Range continues to travel around the U.S. to bring the highest level of competition equipment to competitors around the country. The CMP Mobile Range accommodated 1,514 total competitors in 11 states in FY23.

Training Materials

A major part of the CMP's educational effort is the design, production and distribution of training materials that are available in print or as online downloads through the CMP website. This year's distributions included 500,000 printed training and program items, plus several hundred online downloads.



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CMP Gives Back and Supports U.S. Army

There are several areas where the CMP gives back to the U.S. Army through its initiatives, such as through the Ceremonial Rifle Program, CMP Scholarships, JROTC training and competition support. The CMP also supports the Wounded Warrior Games and the Interservice Championships for both Pistol and Rifle. The CMP continues to work closely with the U.S. Army, teaming up, each year, with the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit to host the Small Arms Firing Schools (SAFS) during the National Matches. The SAFS courses introduce marksmanship to new competitors, while the coinciding advanced class trains more experienced marksmen. The CMP has always been a supporter of junior marksmanship and is proud to follow many youth on their career paths, to include those who choose the military route.

2023 NATIONAL MATCHES



Firing the First Shot in the National Matches opening ceremony is considered an honor and officially marks the beginning of the historic, month-long event at Camp Perry.

Sgt. 1st Class Green posed with DCM Emeritus, Gary Anderson. During the 2023 First Shot Ceremony, Green fired the same M70 bolt rifle used by Anderson to set the National Matches 200-yard standing record in 1971. In 2023, during his last National Matches with the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit, Sgt. 1st Class Green helped other members of his unit bring home the Dogs of War National Rifle Trophy for winning the coveted National Trophy Rifle Team Match.



In 2023, the CMP National Rimfire Sporter Rifle Match honored HM3 Corpsman Maxton W. Soviak, CMP Competitor, Friend & Hero. Corpsman Maxton William Soviak was KIA on August 26, 2021, by a suicide bomber at the Abbey Gate of the Kabul airport in Afghanistan. The National Rimfire Sporter Match saw 270 entries this year and continues to be a popular match for families and youth groups.



JROTC NATIONAL AIR RIFLE CHAMPIONSHIP

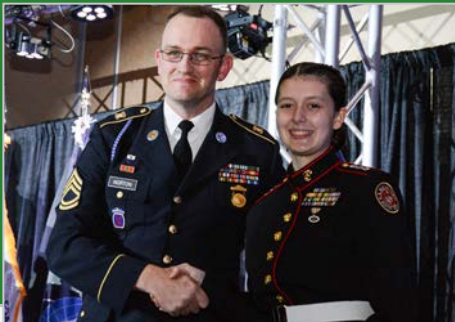


The 2023 guest speaker was Maj. Gen. Antonio Munera (pictured at right). As the Commanding General, Munera leads the U.S. Army Cadet Command at Fort Knox, Kentucky.

The JROTC awards ceremony, held at Kalahari Resorts Convention Center Sandusky, Ohio, celebrated the hard work of the 225 young cadets who made it to the JROTC National Championship. This year's ceremony included several exciting additions, including a photo booth for family and friends, pyrotechnics and a live streaming service.



ARMY RECRUITING TABLES AT CMP EVENTS



The CMP welcomes recruiting tables at all events. CMP's Chairman & CEO, Gerald O'Keefe, is pictured (at right) with Army representatives SSG Nathaniel Mueller and SSG George Norton. SSG Norton (left) and SSG Mueller visited with juniors during the 2023 JROTC Nationals, held at the Gary Anderson CMP Competition Center in Ohio.



U.S. ARMY MARKSMANSHIP SUPPORTS CMP

The CMP partners with the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit in training hundreds of individuals during the year through Marksmanship 101 courses around the country and a variety of Small Arms Firing Schools during the annual National Matches at Camp Perry, Ohio.



Each Marksmanship 101 and Small Arms Firing School includes personal, one-on-one training with certified and experienced individuals like current members of the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit.





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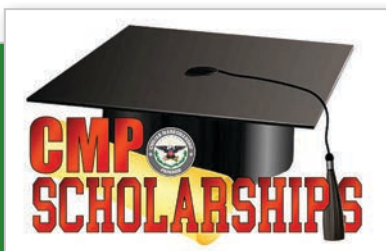
CMP SUPPORTS WOUNDED WARRIOR TRIALS

The CMP supported the marksmanship portion of the 13th annual Marine Corps Wounded Warrior Trials, held at Camp Pendleton in California, Feb. 28 to March 12, 2023. The CMP was hired to control the electronic targets used during the event. Staff members also facilitated training. Over 60 rifle and pistol athletes participated, from Battalion East and West, the UK, Italy, France, Colombia and the country of Georgia.



CMP EMPLOYEE AARON CAUSEY

Always in support of our veterans, the CMP was proud to bring Sgt. 1st Class Aaron Causey onto our staff at Talladega Marksmanship Park. Causey served in the U.S. Army and was injured Sept. 7, 2011, while serving his third deployment in the Middle East. He lost both legs above the knee and suffered multiple injuries after being hit by an improvised explosive device. After two years of recovery at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, Aaron retired as a Sergeant First Class with nearly thirteen years of service as an EOD technician in two branches of military. For his bravery, Causey earned a Purple Heart and a Bronze Star. Aaron works as a Range Officer at Talladega and helps to call the National Pistol Matches at Camp Perry. He works with several Veterans programs that include hunting and marksmanship and he enjoys working with Retirees and learning from their experiences.



CMP SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

In 2023, the CMP presented 114 scholarships to junior marksmen and women through the CMP Scholarship Program for the 2023-2024 school year. Along with a \$30,000 contribution from the Garand Collectors Association, CMP awarded \$220,000 in scholarships to remarkable young individuals from around the country. The amount included \$1,000, \$3,000 and \$5,000 one-time scholarships as well as four repeat \$5,000 scholarships totaling \$20,000 over four years for each recipient.





ALABAMA NATIONAL GUARD BEST WARRIOR COMPETITION

On Friday, Dec. 8, 2023, the CMP hosted the Alabama Army National Guard (ALARNG) Best Warrior Mystery Event at the Talladega Marksmanship Park in Alabama. A total of 14 competitors had the opportunity to fire the M1 Garand Rifle in this mystery/surprise event.



CMP SUPPORTS INTERSERVICE CHAMPIONSHIPS



The CMP continues to support the Armed Services by assisting with the Annual Interservice Pistol and Rifle Championship Matches. Pictured to the right is the 2023 Overall Pistol Champion, SFC Ryan Franks, USA. Pictured on the left is the USAR Rifle Team preparing to fire in one of the team matches. Pictured below is the firing line during the Interservice Pistol Championship.



UPCOMING COMMERCIAL FIREARMS AT TALLADEGA

Starting Summer 2024, the Talladega Marksmanship Park will begin selling commercial firearms within its Pro Shop. Inventory will include a variety of pistols from several reputable gun manufactures like Glock, Tisas, Kimber and Sig Sauer. In addition to the new pistol selection, the Pro Shop will continue the sale of its current offerings and will look to expand its firearm catalogue as demand evolves.



CIVILIAN MARKSMANSHIP PROGRAM

Board of Directors and Officers

A 10-person Board of Directors, representing a wide range of expertise, governs the Corporation. Current members of the Board of Directors and CMP Officers are:

Gerald O'Keefe (Chairman) joined the CMP Board in September 2019. His career highlight was serving on active duty in the Army for 27 years. After concluding his military service in 2008, he served in several Department of the Army Senior Executive civilian positions, including Administrative Assistant to the Secretary of the Army from 2013-2018. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree from the United States Military Academy, a Master of Engineering in Operations Research and Industrial Engineering from Penn State University and a Master of Science in National Resource Strategy from the National Defense University, Industrial College of the Armed Forces. He is also a licensed Professional Engineer.

Carmen Allegra M.D. (Vice Chairman) is an emeritus professor at the University of Florida Department of Medicine. He is deputy editor of the *Journal of the National Cancer Institute* and a senior clinical investigator for NSABP Foundation Inc. Dr. Allegra knows the CMP well, as a longtime volunteer and collector, and is pleased to have been selected to serve on the CMP board.

Lieutenant General Gary H. Cheek, U.S. Army (Retired), (Treasurer) is a 38-year veteran of the U.S. Army. His notable assignments: Director of the Army Staff in the Pentagon, Deputy Commanding General, Central Command and brigade commander in Afghanistan. After the Army, he served as the inaugural Director of the Bass Military Scholars Program at Vanderbilt University. He is a graduate of the United States Military Academy, School of Advanced Military Studies, the Army War College and the U.S. Army Airborne and Ranger schools. He says the CMP's focus on



Dr. Carmen Allegra presented the Military & Police Pistol Match Plaque to SSG Robert Farrell, USAR, during the Talladega 600 Matches.

youth is a natural connection, and he is honored to serve on the Board.

Launi Meili (Secretary) is the head coach of the Air Force Academy's rifle program, where she has led the Falcons to eight straight appearances in the NCAA National Championships, with 30 team members earning All-American honors in smallbore and air rifle events. She was a USA Shooting athlete for 10 years, participating in two Olympic Games, two PanAm Games and a World Championship. She produced three world records, three Olympic records, a world team championship and won the Olympic Gold Medal in Barcelona in 1992, becoming the first American woman ever to win gold in smallbore. She is a seven-time national champion in 3P rifle. She has authored **Rifle: Steps to Success**, a how-to book for shooters, available on Amazon. Meili is honored to serve on the Board of the CMP, which she says is THE quality organization in marksmanship and safety training.

John Carson is the former President/Vice Chairman of Raymond James Financial. He served on the Executive Committee and as head of the Fixed Income, Public Finance, Corporate Development and Strategic Accounts divisions until 2022. He joined Morgan Keegan & Co. in 1994 and became CEO in 2008. He served on the ALCO and Management committees of Regions Financial Corporation from 2007 to 2012. He began his career at Chase Manhattan Bank in New York and in Caracas, Venezuela, where he focused on correspondent banking and currency arbitrage. At Morgan Stanley, he traded repo, U.S. agency debt and mortgage-backed securities in New York and Tokyo. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Dartmouth College, with a double major in International Economics/History, and an MBA from Harvard Business School.

Regina Chavis has over 30 years of experience in public accounting and the nonprofit industry. As the Chief Financial Officer at the Military Officers Association of America, she believes in the motto of "never stop serving," which she has done throughout her career, not only for veterans and their families but the communities she has lived in all over the world. She is the child and surviving spouse of U.S. Air Force Retirees. She is a CPA and holds a Bachelor's degree in Accounting from Walsh College in Troy, Mich. She has enjoyed the opportunity to travel the globe, from the time she was born in Germany to the time her spouse retired in the Washington D.C. area.



On Friday, March 17, the Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP) held a ribbon cutting and champagne toast to officially mark the renaming of its South Competition Center in Alabama as the Judith Legerski CMP Competition Center, in honor of former Board Chairman and CEO, Judith Legerski.



Dan Durben has been a competitive shooter since he was 13 years old, competing in smallbore rifle, air rifle, highpower and biathlon. He is a National Champion (smallbore and air rifle), World Champion (air rifle) and Olympian (smallbore), representing the USA in the 1988 Seoul Olympic Games. He was the National Rifle Coach of the 2000 Sydney and the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Teams and the Shooting Coach of the 2004 Athens and 2008 Beijing Paralympic Teams, with his athletes winning two Gold and two Silver medals. He is most well-known to the CMP community as the Director of the CMP Junior Rifle Camp program for 15 years – playing a role in the development of a generation of junior athletes. Durben retired as a USA Shooting coach in 2021, with a career spanning more than 40 years. Additionally, he recently completed his career as a Physics professor



Dan Durben congratulates a medal winner during the 2023 CMP Three-Position Air Rifle Regional Championship.

at Black Hills State University with over 50 research publications and conference presentations. He was also the school's Faculty Athletics Representative for over a decade. He serves as CMP's Chair of the Scholarship Committee.

Mark House is a 1980 graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point. He is the Director of Strategic Projects of The Beck Group and works as a senior partner – directly responsible for over \$1B in architecture/construction in Florida and the Caribbean. He served more than five years active duty in the military, reaching Master Parachutist and Ranger qualifications. Upon leaving in 1985, he began his commercial construction career in Tampa. In 1989, he started a specialty contracting company that was listed in Inc. Magazine's "500 Fastest Growing Private Companies in America." He sold the company in 1996 and remained as President until 1999. He has held several other Board positions at West Point and in the Tampa area.

Fabian Lobera is a 30+ year business professional with experience in finance, operations, marketing and sales. For the last 15 years, his focus has been with startups. He also works to mentor youth in developing workforce-ready skills. He serves as the Governor Appointed Chair of the Wyoming Workforce Development Council. As a competitive trap and skeet shooting college national champion, he is perfectly aligned with the mission and values of the CMP.

Ed Newell is employed by the Wyoming Judicial Branch, where he has spent 25 years as a prosecutor in Fremont

and Sweetwater counties. His prosecutorial career included many murder cases, including two capital cases. He enjoys officiating high school soccer competitions and shooting rifle and handgun competitions. He holds a B.A. degree from the University of Iowa and a J.D. from the University of Wyoming.

Administrative Officers

Gary Anderson, Director of Civilian Marksmanship Emeritus, retired as the full-time CMP Director at the end of 2009. He continues to work with CMP as the senior marksmanship instructor. During his competition career, he won two Olympic gold medals, seven World Championships and 16 National Championships. In 2018, he stepped down as Vice President of the International Shooting Sports Federation after 40 years of service. He is a Past President of USA Shooting and a former Nebraska State Senator. In 2012, the International Olympic Committee awarded him its highest honor, the Olympic Order "for outstanding services to the Olympic Movement."

Jim Sumpter joined the CMP in July 2022 as the Corporation's Special Projects Officer and Inspector General. His professional career spanned 42 combined years as an active duty U.S. Marine Corps officer and U.S. Department of Defense leader. He holds undergraduate degrees from the University of Oklahoma in Biomechanical Engineering and Exercise Physiology, a Master of Science degree from The Ohio State University in Leadership Management, Psychology and Counseling as well as a Doctorate in Sports Psychology from Leland Stanford Jr. University. He and his wife, Theresa, founded and operate multiple 501(c)3 nonprofit organizations in Michigan, including the Detroit Pit Crew Dog Rescue and the Animal Protection and Wellness Services Veterinary Hospital.



The CMP's daily operations are led by (left to right) Christie Sewell, CMP Chief Programs Officer, Dana Lynd, Deputy Chief Programs Officer, Gina Johnson, Chief Business Operations Officer and Greg Raines, Chief Commercial Officer. Scan the QR code to read more.





Honoring the Shooting Champions of 2023

The federal law that established the CMP gives it statutory authority to conduct national competitions. To fulfill that mission, the CMP conducts national, regional and sanctioned competitions. CMP competitions and the numbers of 2023 participants were:

- National Matches with Service & Match Pistol, Service & Match Rifle, Vintage Rifles, Rimfire Sporter, Smallbore, and Air Gun events: **3,761 competitors.**
- The CMP Travel Games with As-Issued Military Rifle and Service Rifle events: **1,484 competitors.**
- JROTC Air Rifle Championships with Postal and Service Championship events: **6,354 competitors.**
- CMP National Air Rifle Championships with Postal events: **1,370 competitors.**
- National Three-Position Air Rifle Council sanctioned competitions: **22,500 competitors.**
- CMP Sanctioned Matches for Service Rifle and Pistol, As-Issued Military Rifles and Rimfire Sporter: **11,555 competitors.**



Granbury High School from Texas led the precision team event for the sixth consecutive time at the JROTC National Air Rifle Championship.



Cecilia Ossi claimed the 3P Air Rifle and Smallbore Aggregate and the 3P Smallbore competition at the National Matches held at Camp Perry.



South Carolina's Nation Ford High School claimed the National Title for the sixth consecutive year at the CMP National Air Rifle Championship. Nation Ford also claimed the Sporter Team Championship during the JROTC National Air Rifle Championship.



Staff Sgt. Verne Conant dropped only one point to earn the overall win in the 2023 President's Rifle Match.



1st Lt. Lisa Emmert Traciak earned multiple awards at the 2023 National Trophy Pistol Matches, many of which were from repeat honors.



Siblings Thomas and Kacie McGowan, along with Coach Kaleb Hall, received the Freedom's Fire Trophy plaques for placing 1st in the National Trophy Junior Team Match.



Makenzie Larson celebrated after taking the top spot in the CMP Precision Air Rifle Nationals elimination final. Makenzie currently holds three national records for her incredible score of 599-57X.