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## High-Powered Juniors Descend on Camp Perry!

Arizona's Fredric Fadeley Earns Leg Points at CMP-USMC Junior Highpower Clinic EIC Match

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# Arizona's Fredric Fadeley Wins EIC Match and Earns Intro Leg Points at 2011 CMP-USMC HP Clinic

*By Steve Cooper, CMP Writer*

CAMP PERRY, OHIO – Fredric Fadeley, 18, of Phoenix, Arizona, capped the 2011 CMP-USMC Junior Highpower Clinic by leading all eligible competitors in the Excellence-In-Competition service rifle match. He ranked fifth out of all shooters which include Distinguished shooters and those who have already earned EIC points.

Fadeley fired a 472-7X aggregate score in the match on 31 July and earned four introductory "leg" points toward his Distinguished Rifle Badge. The match followed the annual junior clinic offered by the CMP and U.S. Marine Corps service rifle team.

The clinic is one of the most popular CMP youth marksmanship programs during the National Matches that was created for a growing number of juniors who

participate in highpower service rifle shooting, usually as members of state association junior highpower teams.

Fadeley fired an 89-0X in standing, a 99-1X in sitting, a 98-4X prone rapid-fire and a 186-2X in the 20-shot prone stage.

Joseph Kendrick, 16, of Gilbert, Arizona, placed second in the EIC points race with a 471-12X aggregate. Lane Ichord, 17, of Waterford, California placed third, tying Kendrick but following with a lower X-count with a score of 471-5X.

The top 10 percent of competitors in an EIC match are eligible to win points toward their Distinguished Rifle Badge. With 102 eligible participants in this year's match, the top 10 earned introductory points. The cut score was 463-2X – here



*Corey Wiegand gathers her ammo during a break at the CMP-USMC Junior HP Clinic. It was her second appearance at the clinic.*

are the 2011 CMP-USMC EIC points winners:

- Fredric Fadeley, Phoenix, AZ
- Joseph Kendrick, Gilbert, AZ
- Lane Ichord, Waterford, CA
- Donnie Smith, Payson, AZ
- Steven Paci, Jr., Centereach, NY
- Kayla Swenson, Mi Wuk, CA
- Paul Kalman Jr., Mandaville, LA
- Daniel Hall, Green Bay, WI
- Lee Greenwood, Ceres, CA
- Blake Earnes, Lafayette, CA

The overall match leader was Sagen Maddalena, 17, of Groveland, California, with an aggregate score of 482-13X, which ties her with last year's record-setter, Travis Burian, for the highest overall score fired in the match. Morgan Fadeley, 16,

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*A Marine Corps instructor explains the importance of consistent, tight placement of the rifle buttstock in the pocket of the shoulder in the standing position. Members of the U.S. Marine Corps service rifle team dedicate valuable time to the clinic each year.*

## ◎ Sighting Shots ◎

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- ◎ **In Memoriam--BILL STEVENS**, 72, passed away Sunday, 3 July. Stevens worked for more than 40 years as Federal Premium Ammunition's conservation manager and helped to increase Federal's support of 4-H and launch the 4-H Shooting Sports Program -- now reaching nearly 200,000 participants each year. He was also instrumental in recruiting other members of the firearms industry to support the 4-H family, the Youth Shooting Sports Alliance and other successful programs.
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- ◎ **In Memoriam--CLINTON LOVELL JR.**, passed away unexpectedly on July 19. Clint was a NRA Life Member, NRA Coach, NRA Instructor (Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun, Range Safety Officer), GSM Instructor, RI Hunter Education Instructor, and long-time Camp Perry volunteer. He was a member of Wallum Lake Rod and Gun Club, Harrisville, Rhode Island. Clint was an avid competitor in the Rhode Island State High Power League and ran the CMP program at Wallum Lake Rod & Gun Club for many years, bringing many new shooters, both young and old to the range. He leaves behind two sons, Kurt and Kole, their wives and many, many friends and associates who will miss him dearly.
- ◎ **High-caliber marksmen come to Wall High for summer practices** - By Jamie Biesiada, The Coast Star - The week of 14th July, the sounds of pellets hitting targets in Wall High School is a common one as experienced, college-age marksmen are visiting the school to teach Wall students, and students from around the state, to fine tune their skills as competitive shooters. Read the complete article at <http://www.odcmp.org/0711/CoastStarArticle.pdf>.
- ◎ **USAMU, Fort Benning to host Paralympic World Cup** - FORT BENNING, Ga. — Fort Benning, in conjunction with USA Shooting, will host the International Paralympic Committee (IPC) World Cup USA October 3-9 at the home of the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit. This event will be the largest Paralympic shooting event on American soil. Paralympic shooters from around the world will travel to Columbus, Ga., for the opportunity to win quotas to the 2012 Paralympic Games. Read the complete article at [http://www.odcmp.org/0811/USAMU\\_ParalympicWC.pdf](http://www.odcmp.org/0811/USAMU_ParalympicWC.pdf).
- ◎ **Open Public Shooting Evenings at CMP Marksmanship Centers** - Shooters, including aspiring new shooters, who live in the Camp Perry, Port Clinton, Ohio area or Anniston, Alabama area, are invited to take advantage of the opportunity to do practice shooting at the Marksmanship Center air gun ranges. Both 80-point, 10-meter air gun range are fully equipped with electronic targets that accommodate air rifle, air pistol or National Match Air Rifle shooting. For more information, please visit <http://www.odcmp.com/3P/PublicShooting.htm>.

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**On the Cover:** Fredric Fadeley takes a break from firing during the 2011 CMP-USMC Junior Highpower Clinic and Championship at Camp Perry. Fadeley was one of more than 130 juniors from across the U.S. who participated in the annual clinic.



## SIGHT ADJUSTMENT AND ZEROING

By Gary Anderson, Director of Civilian Marksmanship Emeritus

Note: This article is one of a series of **On the Mark** articles on **Teaching Rifle Marksmanship to Young Shooters**. This article examines the instructional points that are recommended for coaches to use in teaching new shooters how to adjust their sights and zero their rifles.

Sight Adjustment or zeroing is the act of adjusting rifle or pistol sights so that shots fired with them hit the center of the target. One of the most obvious yet overlooked lessons in shooting is that **shot groups fired from precisely zeroed rifles produce the highest scores**. This should be obvious to all who have even a casual contact with target shooting, but many analyses of targets fired by less experienced rifle shooters show that failure to keep their rifles zeroed is one of their most common and costly errors.

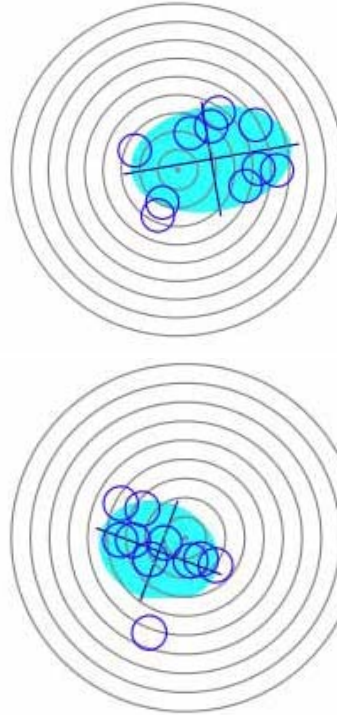
**When to Teach Sight Adjustment.** Sight adjustment, that is, how to precisely zero a rifle and keep it zeroed, is one of the things coaches of new shooters should teach early and well. In fact, if the supported position is used to do introductory or familiarization firing before advancing to the standing, prone and kneeling positions, the ideal time to teach sight adjustment is while new shooters are still firing with a support. Accurate sight adjustment requires that the shooter start with reasonably good shot groups. That is something beginners in standing or even prone may not achieve for some time. **Coaches should teach sight adjustment while the supported position is still being used and as soon as shot groups are nine ring or smaller on the BMC target.**

**Definitions.** When coaches teach sight adjustment to new shooters, several terms are used that should be explained at the beginning of instruction on this topic.

1. **Zeroed Rifle.** A rifle with sights adjusted so that when fired with a correct sight picture, shot groups are centered.

2. **Windage.** Sight adjustments that move shot groups left or right.

3. **Elevation.** Sight adjustments that move shot groups up or down.

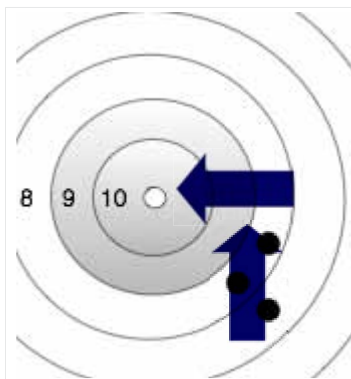


One of the most common new shooter errors is the failure to correctly zero their rifles. Sporter Class junior competitors fired these two shot groups on 10-bull targets and the Orion Scoring System scored them.

Orion functionality also produced these composite groups showing the centers of the groups as well as their vertical and horizontal axes. They illustrate how costly off-center shot groups can be.

4. **Rifle Zero.** The windage and elevation settings on a rifle sight that allow it to hit the center of the target when aimed and fired correctly.

**Sight Adjustment Responsibility.** New shooters should learn early that **shooters, not the coach, are responsible for keeping their rifles zeroed**. One of the outmoded images of junior rifle shooting is where



To move a shot group to the center of the target, the rear sight aperture must be moved in the same direction that the shot group must move.

the coach sits behind the shooters with the team's only spotting scope and tells shooters what sight adjustments to make. Since direct coaching like this is only allowed in BB gun competitions and during sighters in

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Sporter Class air rifle competitions, it is clear that all shooters will reach the point where they are on their own when it comes to adjusting sights and keeping their rifles zeroed. Coaches will do their shooters a big favor by teaching sight adjustment early and making it clear that each shooter is responsible for zeroing their own rifle.

### Sight Adjustment Principle.

The fundamental rule applying to all sight adjustments is that **to zero a rifle, the rear sight aperture must be moved in the same directions that the**

**shot group must move.** If a shot group is low-right, the group must be moved up and to the left so the rear sight aperture must also be moved up and to the left. Conversely, a shot group that is high must be moved down, thus the rear sight aperture must be moved down.

### HOW SIGHTS WORK

After explaining definitions that apply to sight adjustment, the next step is to explain how target sights work. Sights on target rifles are precision instruments capable of exact adjustments that shooters can use to keep their shot groups centered on their targets. Features on target sights that all shooters must be familiar with are:

1. **Elevation Knob.** A round knob, usually on top of the rear sights, that moves shot groups up or down when turned.

2. **Windage Knob.** A round knob, usually on the right side of rear sights, that moves shot groups left or right when turned.



*New shooters need to understand how the elevation (top) and windage (right) knobs on their rear sights work.*

Sight	Distance	Target	Scoring Ring Distance - MOA	Clicks Per Scoring Ring
Daisy No. 5899	5 meters	AR-4	5.00 MOA	6
	10 meters	BMC	5.26 MOA	6
	10 meters	ISSF	1.65 MOA	2
El Gamo, El Gamo Type	10 meters	BMC	5.26 MOA	12
	10 meters	ISSF	5.26 MOA	4
Savage MK-I FVT	50 feet	BMC	3.45 MOA	15
	50 feet	USA-50	1.05 MOA	5
Anschütz 10-clicks/turn	10 meters	BMC	5.26 MOA	38
	10 meters	ISSF	1.65 MOA	12
	50 feet	USA-50	1.05 MOA	8

Note: Scoring ring distances are given in "minutes of angle" or MOA. 10-ring sizes may vary from other scoring ring sizes. The data for the Anschütz 10-click sight may be used as a guide for other precision sights, but it is best to check factory catalogs for exact data.

3. **Clicks.** Almost all sight knobs turn in increments called "clicks." Sight knobs are constructed so that clicks are felt as the knobs turn. Each click moves the rear aperture and the shot group a specific distance on the target. This makes it possible to calculate and make precise sight adjustments.

4. **Click Distances.** For beginning shooters, sight adjustment calculations are easier to understand if they are taught to make adjustments based on scoring ring distances, that is, how far one scoring ring is from the next. If they are told how many clicks of change are required to move a shot group center from one scoring ring to the next, it is easier to calculate how many clicks of elevation and/or windage to apply. The chart gives a general guide to how many clicks of change are required for common sights used by beginning shooters.

When determining the number of clicks per ring required for sights that are not shown, you may need to run a test by having a skilled shooter "shoot a box" from a supported or prone position. Fire



*Sights sold with rifles marketed by USA companies have arrows indicating the direction the shot/shot group will move when turned in that direction. Be sure to look carefully at the sight knobs, however, because some USA sights turn in the opposite direction from other USA sights.*

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three shots on the target being used for new shooter training, then apply 20 clicks of elevation, shoot three more shots, go 20 clicks left (or right), shoot three shots, go 20 clicks down, shoot three shots, and finally, go 20 clicks right (or left) and shoot three shots. The last 6-shot group should be in the same location as the



*Sights sold with most rifles manufactured in other countries indicate the direction to move the shot/shot group based on where the shot group is located. If the shot group is "bei" or AT the right (R), turn the sight in that direction to move the shot group to the left.*

distances between the four shot groups should be relatively equal. You should then be able to use these distances to calculate the number of clicks per scoring ring that are required for that particular sight.

**Sight Knob Directions.** After deciding which direction to move a shot group and how many clicks of change to make, the next step is to apply that adjustment to the correct sight knob. This, however, is where it gets tricky. Some sights move shot groups down when they are turned clockwise, while other sights move shot groups down when turned counter-clockwise.

The same goes for windage adjustments. To make matters worse, sights made in the USA usually show the direction the shot group will move when turned in the direction indicated by the arrow, while sights made in Europe have arrows indicating where the shot/shot group is located. These sights, which are common on precision target rifles, have arrows indicating that the shot/shot groups are AT the left/right (bei L or bei R) or are AT high or low (bei H or bei T). Thus, when a shot/shot group is AT the left (bei L), turn the knob in the direction indicated by the L arrow and the shot group will move to the right.

The coach's duty in this case is to examine each sight that will be used by shooters in the program so that you can clearly explain which direction to turn the sight knobs to move shot groups in the desired direction. For beginners, it is a good idea to make up small

cards to give to each shooter for the rifle they are using that show which direction to turn the sights.

### CALCULATING SIGHT ADJUSTMENTS

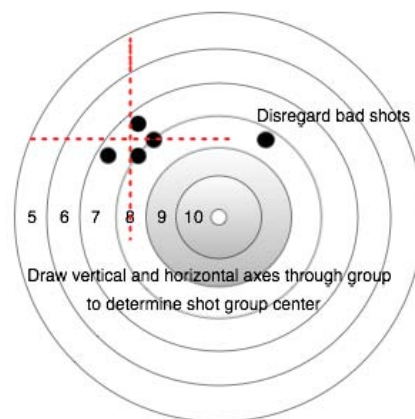
With an understanding of the basic principles of sight adjustment and how sights work, new shooters are ready to analyze their shot groups, calculate sight adjustments, apply those adjustments to their sights and test their calculations. The sight adjustment process follows these steps:

1. **Fire a Shot Group.** The first step in sight adjustment is to fire a shot group. Beginners should start with 5-shot groups. As shooters acquire more skill, three or even two-shot groups can be used. Ultimately, a highly skilled shooter who can precisely call shots can make adjustments based on one shot, but that ability is several months of practice

away for new shooters. At this stage, it is also best for shooters to fire their groups without attempting to use a spotting scope. That will come later.

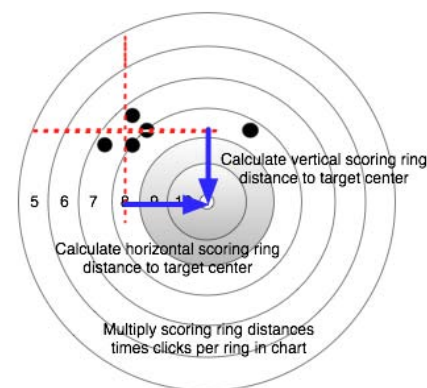
2. **Analyze the Shot Group.** After retrieving the target, determine where the center of the shot group is. If there is a flier that is clearly out of the group, disregard that shot and find the center of the good shots. Do this by drawing either a real or imaginary line through the group. The crossing point is the group center.

#### Analyze Shot Group



*After firing a tight shot group, the next step in calculating sight adjustments is to determine where the center of the group is.*

#### Calculating Sight Changes



*After finding the group center, calculate the vertical and horizontal distances in scoring rings to the target center. For this shot group, the vertical distance is 2 rings (1/2 of the ten ring on this target is equal to one scoring ring distance) and the horizontal distance is 2 1/2 rings.*

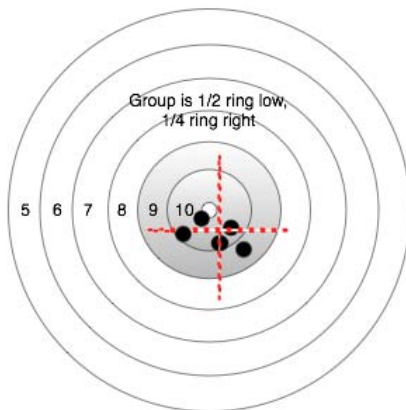


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3. **Calculate Distances to Target Center.** Next, from the group center determine the distance from there to the center of the target in scoring ring units. Once you have those distances, multiply that value times the number of clicks per scoring ring that applies for the sight on your rifle. Get that number from the chart on page 5. If the shooter uses an El Gamo-type sight to fire on a BMC target, two scoring rings distance would require a 24-click change (2 rings x 12 clicks/ring). If the shooter uses an Anschütz 10-click sight on the USA-50 target, 2½ scoring rings would require a 30-click change (2.5 rings x 12 clicks/ring).

4. **Shoot Another Group and Change if Necessary.** Zeroing rifles is an art, not an exact science. This is especially true for beginners who do not consistently apply the same pressures on the rifle each time they get into position. For this reason, it is not unusual to fire a second group that is closer to the center, but still not centered. Every time a group is fired, it should be examined to determine if it is centered. Whenever shot groups are not centered, adjustments should be made.

### Adjust 2nd Group (If Necessary)



*This second group after sight changes scores 49x50, but it is not centered and another sight change should be made.*

### KEEPING RIFLES ZEROED

After teaching initial sight adjustment, the coach must be alert for opportunities to teach a second set of concepts to ensure that shooters keep their rifles zeroed, especially after they begin three-position shooting.

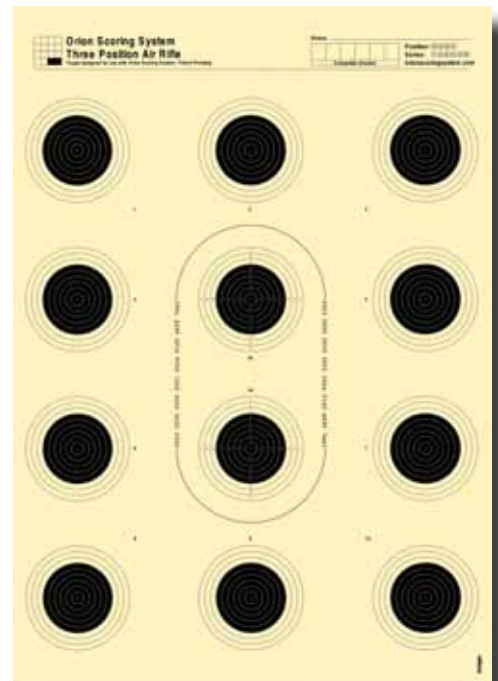
1. **Zeroes Change from Day to Day.** Just because a rifle was zeroed the last time it was fired does not mean it will shoot in the same place the next time. Shooters must be allowed to fire "sighter" groups each day when they begin shooting so they can check the zero on their rifles and make necessary adjustments. Later when they fire on the competition target, you can teach them that the two sighter bulls in the center of

the target are for shooting practice shots to confirm that their rifle is zeroed before they start firing record shots.

2. **Zeroes Change During Shooting Sessions.** When shooters fire a series of groups during a day of shooting, they must be alert for zero changes and make sight adjustments when necessary.

3. **Zeroes Change from Position to Position.** After shooters reach the point where they are shooting more than one position, they must understand that each position will probably have a slightly different zero. This is because the rifle is held down by sling tension in prone and kneeling, but not in standing or simply because of the rifle is held differently in the different positions. Young shooters should be encouraged to not only make zero changes when required in a new position, but they should record these changes so that when a consistent pattern emerges, they can apply standard changes before firing their first shots in a new position.

4. **10-Bull Competition Targets Present Special Challenges.** New shooters typically shoot their first groups on single bull or large targets like the BMC target. With five shots together in a single grouping, it is easy to determine where the shot group center is. When they advance to the competition target, they will shoot one shot on each bull (sometimes two shots are fired on each bull in practice) and they must learn to form a mental picture of where a group of the most recent three to five shots is located. When a series of shots strike off-center in the same direction, this is a significant sign that the rifle is not zeroed and that a sight change must be made.



*10-bull air and smallbore rifle competition targets have two sighter bulls in the center that are used to confirm zeroes before shooting for record.*

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**5. Calling Shots and Sight Adjustment.** By the time new shooters advance to three-position shooting they should be taught how to “call their shots” and correlate their shot call locations to actual shot locations. Calling a shot means taking a mental snapshot of where the sights were pointed at the precise instant when the shot was fired. Shot calls should be made before looking in a telescope for the shot locations. Shot calls should describe the direction the shot was from center by using clock face directions and should, if possible, designate the scoring ring the shot should hit.

A shot that was seen as slightly low might be called as a “9 or 8 at 6 o’clock.” A high-left shot might be called an “8 or 7 at 10 o’clock.” Once a shooter becomes skilled at calling shots, this information can be used to keep the rifle zeroed and to evaluate shot technique performance.

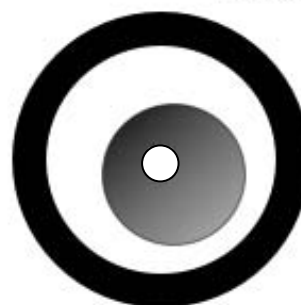
**6. Spotting Scope Use.** Every advanced shooter who fires on competition targets uses a spotting scope to check shot locations after each shot. By calling



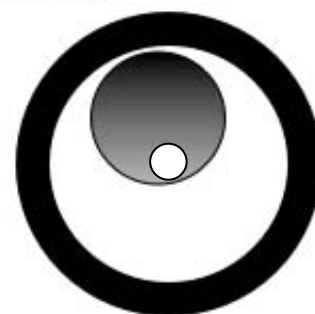
shots, tracking the locations of the most recent shots in relation to shot calls and making continuing small adjustments, usually only a click or two at a time, it is possible to keep shot groups well centered throughout a course of fire.

For new shooters, however, trying to use a spotting scope is more of a distraction than an aid. It is better to have them fire 5-shot groups and to check and make sight adjustments after firing the entire group. Once shooters reach the point where they are shooting three-position courses of fire, they should be ready

### SHOT CALLS



9 at 10 o'clock  
on competition target



9 at 5 o'clock  
on BMC target

*This graphic illustrates two mental snapshots or shot calls made by a shooter at the instants the rifle fired together with the locations where the shooter called those shots.*

to use a telescope to check their shots while they are firing.

One of the critical skills coaches must convey to their new shooters is the ability to analyze shot groups and adjust sights to place their shots as close as possible to the center of the target. The result will be shooters who achieve the best scores their shooting positions and shot techniques allow them to produce.

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# 2011 Eastern Junior Highpower Clinic and Championship Provides Opportunity for New Shooters to Grow

*By Steve Cooper, CMP Writer*

CAMP BUTNER, N. CAROLINA - Each year, the Civilian Marksmanship Program partners with the U.S. Marine Corps Service Rifle Team and others to provide junior highpower rifle shooters opportunities to learn new marksmanship skills in challenging clinics and championships.

In the waning days of June and first days of July, the Eastern Junior Highpower Clinic and Championship was conducted at Camp Butner National Guard Training Site near Durham, North Carolina. The event is designed to promote interest, education, and competition in the sport of highpower rifle shooting among junior shooters.

Each year the CMP and Junior Marksmanship Support Group, with the cooperation and support of the North Carolina National Guard Training Site (Camp Butner), and U.S. Marine Corps service rifle team come together with young competitors for a week of clinic instruction and match experience. It's also an opportunity for junior shooters to come together to experience each other's company and to form bonds of friendship and camaraderie within the sport.

The clinic provides lecture and hands-on topics such as data book management, position work, use of the rifle sling, effects of weather and more. The in-class material is blended with dry and live firing exercises and a series of championship matches which test the participants' skills.

The matches included the Billy Atkins Team Match, the Bushmaster Trophy Match, the CMP Excellence-in-Competition (EIC) Match and the Infantry Team Match.

Nash Neubauer, 17, of Brimfield, Illinois, was the high junior in the CMP EIC Match for non-distinguished shooters with an aggregate score of 485-

9X out of 500 possible. Neubauer also placed second overall in the match. Mary London, 17, of Statesville, N. Carolina, fired a 482-13X for second place and Shane O'Flynn, 19, of Reston, Virginia, placed third with a total score of 469-12X. London fired a 100-4X in her rapid-fire prone stage and she placed third overall in the competition. Neubauer and London each earned 10



*Hands-on instruction from some of the nation's finest military marksmen from the U.S. Marine Corps is one of the primary reasons junior highpower competitors attend the Eastern Junior Highpower Clinic and Championship.*

leg points toward their Distinguished Rifle badge total as a result.

Distinguished shooter Tyler Rico, 17, of Tucson, Arizona, placed first overall in the event with an aggregate score of 486-14X. Rico's two-person team, "Rico's Roughnecks," won the Billy C. Atkins team aggregate with a total of 957-26X. Ian Foos, 14, of Bellevue, Ohio, partnered with him in the match. The "Ram Rods" team of James Landes, 17, of Mooresville, N. Carolina, and Parker Williams, 17, of Columbus, Georgia, placed second (929-14X) and "Blame the Coach" placed third with an aggregate of 911-7X. Mary London and Michael Pascual, 16, of Mountainhome, Pennsylvania, fired on

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# Davis Edges Bullard in Precision Class as Gill Runs Away with Sporter Crown in 2011 National Junior Olympics

*By Steve Cooper, CMP Writer*



*Connor Davis*

CAMP PERRY, OHIO – Connor Davis, the reigning National Junior ROTC precision air rifle champion, continued his winning ways at the 2011 National Junior Olympic 3P Air Rifle Championship here on 28 June but only by the slimmest of margins over Samantha Bullard.

The 18-year-old Davis from Shelby County High School Marine Corps JROTC, Kentucky,

held off Magic City Gun Club's Bullard, 16, of Morris, Alabama in the final by a mere six-tenths of a point in a 1300-points possible 3x40 plus final match. Overall aggregate scores after 130 shots: Davis 1283.7 - Bullard 1283.1.

"I wasn't too nervous," Davis said as he entered the precision final. "I've been in finals before but I've never been in one that close though. She was only down a point. I had a couple of nines, but... I was already in the final, so I just wanted to do my best, so whatever happened, happened."

Asked if he had a sense of just how close Bullard was to him, Davis said "at one point I actually glanced at her monitor because she had it turned to where I could see it. I knew it was a couple of points. That's the only time I kind of looked, but I tried not to pay any attention because if you do, you start thinking about it," he added.

Davis entered the final with a one-point lead over Bullard after 120 shots in the three-position event held over two days at the CMP Marksmanship Center and co-sponsored by USA Shooting. All participants fired the same course on Thursday and Friday, reversing relay order on the second day and culminating with the top 8-person final Friday afternoon.

Davis has been turning his attention to smallbore shooting in addition to precision air rifle. In April Davis became the new men's 50m rifle three position National Junior Olympic Shooting Championships gold medalist.

Bullard shared her thoughts about entering the final being down by one point. "It was pretty exciting actually. I hate going into finals because we have to suit up and everything. After the two or three first 9s I shot in the

sighters I kind of just cleared my head and relaxed," she said.

"You can't get mad. Actually I thought he was beating me by a thousand points. I thought I was going to be in third or fourth because of Daniel Lowe, but thankfully I bumped over it."



*Samantha Bullard prepares to challenge Davis in the Precision final.*

"I did a little victory dance in my head. I tried not to look back at the crowd. I've been in the JO the last three years and I think that helped."

Daniel Lowe, 18, of the Capital City Junior Rifle Club in Olympia, Washington finished third with an aggregate score of 1281.2. Lowe entered the final with a qualifying score of 1178, trailing Bullard by three points and Davis by four.

Place finishers from 4th to 8th were Mitchell Van Patten (1280.9.9), Heather Kirby (1280.9.8), Kelsey McHugh (1279.8), Jedidiah Huie (1279.6) and Patrick Sunderman (1278.2).

In the Sporter division, Maneva Gill, 14, of Vallejo, California, built a four-point lead after the 3x40 qualification rounds and doubled it in her first-ever final, firing an aggregate score of 1221.9. Aaron Ward, 17, of Ypsilanti, Michigan, had a rough start in the final but finished with a strong effort including a 10.6 on his last shot, finishing in second place with an aggregate score of 1213.9. Thomas Wheelless, 17, of Hampton, Virginia, leap-frogged from fourth to third in the final including two center 10's and finished with a 1204.8.

"This was my first ever final at a match. I've practiced them at home but it was nothing like this," Gill said later.





*Maneva Gill concentrates on keeping her match momentum through the final.*

When asked about her state of mind as she extended her lead during the final, she said she tried to remain focused.

"Well I tried not to listen to what the scores were because then it would get in my head. It was really intense because I didn't know what to expect," she said.

Gill was just graduated from eighth grade from Vallejo Charter School and started high school this year at the Academy of the Redwoods (Eureka, California) in Humboldt County. I might try to get a precision rifle program started there."

Ward, the sporter runner-up said going into the final he was worried about not having negative thoughts.

"At first I was worried, am I going to lose third place and not get a medal at all, then I decided I just have to focus on beating the person who's in first place. It didn't actually happen but it was fun trying. She's (Gill) just 14 too, she's going to get good.

"After a few shots I knew there was probably no chance I was going to beat her. But I kept trying. I was holding out hope that maybe she was going to crossfire.

"Chasing her was the best way to make sure I kept my spot. My hold was very bad early in the final. I'm surprised I got the group I did. I managed to fire kind of dynamically and got it to settle down for a few seconds before I fired. I'm pretty happy with the way it worked out," Ward said.

The 17-year-old high school senior at Father Gabriel Richard High School in Ann Arbor, Michigan, is going to

focus on the Camp Perry open later in the year.

"I was trying to have fun coming into this thing. I think I did in six out of the seven stages," he added.

Among the 46 squads firing in Precision team competition, Connor Davis' Shelby County HS MCJROTC team outdistanced Palmyra Green of Pennsylvania by 35 points with an aggregate score of 4685. Joining Davis on the Shelby team were Heather Kirby, Keri Marlin and Brandon Thompson. Shelby, the high scoring scholastic team, was coached by 1st SGT Willie Brown III, USMC (Ret).

Palmyra Green (4650 aggregate) was led by Alyssa Gestl, Nathan Brandenburg, Briann Derr and Elizabeth Embeck and was coached by Erin Gestl. The Taunton Wolf Pack of Massachusetts, coached by Kevin

Winters, placed third with an aggregate score of 4649, just one point behind Palmyra, the highest scoring club team. Minnesota Centershots placed fourth and Magic City Gun Club of Alabama placed fifth.

The Patriot 4H Shooting Club & American Legion Post 223 team of Virginia took top honors in the Sporter division. Thomas Wheelless led the way as teammates Joshua Black, Timothy Teller and Sarah Osborn of Patriot 4H amassed 4331 total points. The team was coached by Lynn Wheelless.



*Aaron Ward said he didn't think he had much of a chance to overtake Gill, but was determined not to let anyone creep up on his second place position.*

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of Phoenix, was second overall (481-12X) and Adam Swint, 18, of Portland, Oregon, was third (475-8X).



*Sloan Sobieski, 13, of Amherst, Ohio, participated in the Small Arms Firing School last year and said he was ready for more advanced training in 2011.*

Corey Wiegand, 18, of Buffalo, New York, says she loves shooting, especially at full yardage at Camp Perry instead of reduced targets at home. She said she's considering a career in aerospace engineering.



Clinic participants must have some previous highpower rifle competition experience and must have attended the Rifle Small Arms Firing School or the Eastern Junior Highpower Clinic at Butner, North Carolina. The CMP organizes the clinic and members of the U.S. Marine Corps Rifle Team provide instruction.

The clinic lasts three days and includes both class instruction including effects of the weather, how to properly use and modify equipment, the rulebook requirements for shooting positions and juniors will compete in an Introductory EIC leg match.

Days two and three are spent shooting on the range firing at 200, 300 and 600 yards where juniors fire while being coached by a Marine Corps Rifle Team



*Andy Hornback, 15, of Cardington, Ohio, attended his first CMP-USMC clinic this year. He said he's been shooting his whole life and is considering a career in the military.*

shooter. All students who complete the clinic receive a CMP-USMC Highpower Rifle Clinic T-shirt, certificate and school handout materials.

Bushmaster provided a pizza party at the conclusion of the event where certificate and achievement awards were distributed.

For complete results of the CMP-USMC EIC Match, log onto [http://clubs.odcmp.com/cgi-bin/report\\_matchResult.cgi?matchID=6544](http://clubs.odcmp.com/cgi-bin/report_matchResult.cgi?matchID=6544).

*U.S. Marine Corps GySgt James Otto instructs clinic students on the proper handling and characteristics of the M16A2 service rifle in the first phase of the CMP-USMC Junior Highpower Clinic and Championship.*



### Eastern JR HP Clinic

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"Blame the Coach."

The EIC match consisted of 10 shots standing (200 yards), slow-fire, 10 shots sitting or kneeling (200 yards), rapid-fire, 10 shots prone (300 yards), rapid-fire and 20 shots prone (600 yards), slow-fire.

Jason Williams, 12, of Hendersonville, N. Carolina, won the Bushmaster Trophy Match with an aggregate



*Sgt Emily Windmassinger, one of the Marine Corps Rifle Team's most successful competitors and instructors, enjoys a break in the day's events at Camp Butner.*

gate score of 768-20X out of a possible 800 points. Robert Beazley III, 17, of Mooresville, N. Carolina, placed second (766-21X) and Nash Neubauer placed third (763-16).

The Bushmaster Trophy course of fire included 20 shots standing (200 yards), 20 shots sitting or kneeling (200 yards), rapid-fire, 20 shots prone (300 yards), rapid-fire and 20 shots prone (600 yards), slow-fire.

The Infantry Team Match winner was "Llamas With Hats" with an aggregate score of 369. Firing members were Tyler Rico, Mary London, Matthew Tucker 17, of Grand Falls, Texas, Ian Foos, Eric Tosh, 17, of Brookville, Pennsylvania and Joseph



Albany, Jr., 16, of Kernersville, N. Carolina. In second place was "Georgia Blind Dogs" (352) fired by Robert Beazley III, David Twibell, 17, of Guyton, Georgia, Matthew Crisanti, 15, of Woodbury, Connecticut, Konnor Walter, 16, of Yorktown, Virginia and Alan Stewart, 15, of Dawson, Georgia. Third place went to "Illinois Hard Dogs" (316) fired by Michael, 17, Holly, 14 and Nash Neubauer, of Brimfield, Illinois.

For other aggregate scores and complete results of the 2011 Eastern Junior Highpower Clinic and Championship, log onto [http://clubs.odcmp.com/cgi-bin/report\\_matchResult.cgi?matchID=6974](http://clubs.odcmp.com/cgi-bin/report_matchResult.cgi?matchID=6974).

*Damien Creech, 16, of Garner, North Carolina*





# Juniors Make Strong Showing at 10th Annual National Rimfire Sporter Match at Camp Perry

*By Steve Cooper, CMP Writer*

CAMP PERRY, OHIO - Amos Peck, Aaron Ward, Jacob Guay, Justine Schadler, Brian Wyss, Michaela Ripley and Aaron Abernathy led a talented group of juniors at the 10th Annual CMP National Rimfire Sporter Match on Sunday, 24, July.



*The Tactical Rimfire Class showed significant growth in participation in its second year at the National Rimfire Sporter Match in 2011 at Camp Perry.*

Peck, 18, of Leslie, Michigan, won the Open class high junior award with an aggregate score of 570-5X. Aaron Ward, 18, of Ypsilanti, Michigan, placed second and was the top 4-H Club shooter with an aggregate of 554-8X. Stephenie Sabin, 17, of Curtice, Ohio, placed third and was high woman overall in the event with a total score of 542-7X.

Joe Herman, 15, of Clinton, Ohio, placed second among 4-H shooters (510-1X) and Owen Smith, 11, of Lindsey, Ohio, was third with a total of 505-2X.

In the Youth-Adult Partner Team Match, O-Class, Justine Schedler, 14, of Willoughby Hills, Ohio, and her adult teammate Donald Schedler, 56, of Mentor, Ohio, tallied a two-person aggregate of 1087-24X to lead all O-Class teams.

In the Telescopic sights class, Jacob Guay, 16 of Nashville, Georgia, fired a 591-29X to lead all juniors and the 4-H division in his class. Natalie Harper, 20, of Dublin, Georgia, placed second among juniors (585-27X) and Isaac DeAngelis, 13, of Koppel, Pennsylvania finished third (583-23X).

Rebecca Young, 19, of Dublin, Georgia, placed

second in the 4-H T-Class group (577-19X) and Hallie Calfano, 17, of Concord, Virginia finished third in 4-H with an aggregate of 572-17X.

Michaela Ripley, 17, of Slippery Rock, Pennsylvania, carried the junior half of her team with partner Robert Medvitz, 21, of Mars, Pennsylvania, compiling a high team aggregate of 1168-44X in the T-Class Youth-Adult match.

In the second year for Tactical Rimfire, Aaron Abernathy, 16, of Akron, Ohio led all juniors with a total score of 567-14X. Steven Stewart, 17, of Troy, Michigan (546-10X) and Alexander Myers, 20, of Indianapolis, Indiana (537-9X) finished second and third among juniors.

Bryan Wyss, 16, of Graytown, Ohio took top honors in the 4-H Tactical group, followed by David Boller, 12, of Roanoke, Indiana. Wyss fired 521-7X and Boller scored 516-12X for second place.

The high junior in the Youth Adult Partner Tactical Class was Aaron Abernathy and his teammate, Larry, 57, with a total score of 1133-24X.



*Members of the Moraine Conservation and Sportsmen's Association take a moment for a photo after receiving their team and individual awards. Their coach, Mike Ripley, is pictured second from the left in the front row.*



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The Calendar of Events is featured in every issue of On The Mark. If you would like your match or clinic listed, please contact the CMP at [onthemark@odcmp.com](mailto:onthemark@odcmp.com), or call 419-635-2141, Ext.1111. Please include the name of the event, date, whom the event is open to and contact information and web site (if available). The CMP will do its best to accommodate each request to be included in the Calendar of Events.

8 October 2011

Monthly Match - Camp Perry, OH & Anniston, AL



14-18 October 2011

Western CMP Games - Phoenix, AZ

19-23 October 2011

Creedmoor Western Cup Matches  
Phoenix, AZ



4-6 November 2011

Dixie Double – Anniston, AL

18-20 November 2011

Coach Conference – Colorado Springs, CO

19 November 2011

Monthly Match - Camp Perry, OH & Anniston, AL

1-2 December 2011

USAS Olympic Airgun Team Trials – Anniston, AL

9-10 December 2011

Gary Anderson Invitational - Camp Perry, OH & Anniston, AL

13-15 January 2012

Camp Perry Open – Camp Perry, OH



21 January 2012

NJROTC Area 12 Championship – Anniston, AL

28 January 2012

Dixie Challenge – Anniston, AL

28-29 January 2012

GSM Master Clinic,  
Camp Perry, OH



9-11 February 2012

Army and Air Force JROTC Service Championship,  
Camp Perry, OH & Anniston, AL

13-15 February 2012

Navy JROTC Service Championship, Camp Perry, OH

13-15 February 2012

USMC JROTC Service Championship, Anniston, AL

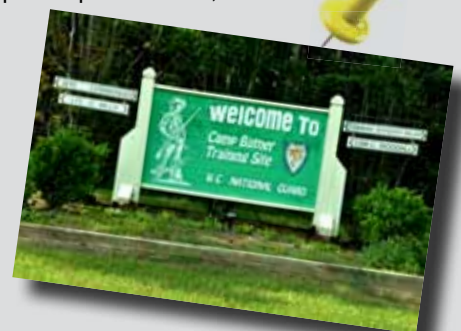


23-26 February 2012

USAS Olympic Airgun Team Trials – Anniston, AL

22-24 March 2012

National JROTC Championship – Anniston, AL



5-8 May 2012

CMP Eastern Games  
Camp Butner, NC

9-13 May 2012

Creedmoor Cup Matches – Camp Butner, NC

## New CMP Clubs

Mountain Empire Marksmanship Team, Boulevard, CA  
 Pops Gun Club Inc., SW Ranches, FL  
 Wilkes County 4-H, Washington, GA  
 Boy Scout Troop 4687, Elmwood Park, IL  
 Pine Tree Pistol Club, Rockford, IL  
 Vultee Aircraft Historical Org., Indianapolis, IN  
 Acadiana HS AFJROTC, Lafayette, LA  
 Venture Crew 506, Lafayette, LA  
 Jackson County Outdoor Club, Jackson, MI  
 Clare County 4H Rifle Shooting Sports Club, Lake, MI  
 Boy Scouts of America Troop 30, Travis City, MI  
 Venture Crew 32, Fayetteville, NC  
 Dead Eye Shooters 4-H Club, Potter, NE  
 Bataan Military Academy, Albuquerque, NM

Genesee County 4-H Shooting Sports Club, Oakfield, NY  
 Tiffin Seneca Izaak Walton League, Tiffin, OH  
 Bald Peak 4-H Club, Hillsboro, OR  
 Green Springs Rod & Gun Club Inc., Hanover, PA  
 Bob Smith Detachment #784, Hummelstown, PA  
 Tri-Town Sportsman's Association, West Chester, PA  
 West Mifflin AFJROTC, West Mifflin, PA  
 Providence Revolver Club Inc., Cranston, RI  
 Southern Hills Silhouette Club, Edgemont, SD  
 Crescent Heights Gun Club, Athens, TX  
 Colorado County 4-H Shooting Sports, Columbus, TX  
 Galveston Rifle & Pistol Club, Galveston, TX  
 Mesquite Rangers 4H, Laredo, TX  
 Bexar 4-H Fishing & Shooting Sports, San Antonio, TX  
 Buffalo/Pepin Co 4H Shooting Sports Program, Durand, WI  
 Schultz Resort Rod & Gun Club, New Berlin, WI

## 3-P Air Rule Interpretations

These rule interpretations are based on questions received by the National Three-Position Air Rifle Council Rules Hotline and are answered based on the **National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle Rules**.

**Q: What is the proper procedure for challenging a shot value in a competition?**

### **A: 8.4.2 Protests of Electronic Target Scores**

When electronic targets are used, a competitor who believes a shot has not registered or who believes a shot or series of shots was scored incorrectly must immediately notify a Range Officer to protest the value of the shot(s). The value of an individual shot must be protested before the next shot is fired or within three (3) minutes after the last shot, except for failure of the paper band to advance.

When a shot fails to register and the paper band is advancing, the Range Officer will direct the firing of an additional shot. If this additional shot fails to register, the competitor must be moved to another firing position, be given additional sighting shots and be permitted to refire the shots that failed to register before continuing with the remaining record shots. If the additional shot registers, the competitor must continue firing on that target and the additional shot will be counted as a record shot. If the paper band is not advancing, the target must be repaired or the competitor must be moved to another firing position, be given additional sighting shots and be permitted to refire all shots that were fired after the paper strip stopped advancing before continuing with the remaining record shots.

If a protest is made concerning the value of a shot, the shooter will be directed to fire an extra shot so that this shot may be counted if the protest is upheld and the correct value of the shot cannot be determined. After firing is complete, the Range Officer and Statistical Officer will determine the exact number of refired shots to be counted (when the paper strip stopped advancing), the value of any shot that failed to register or whether the value of a protested shot that registered was scored correctly by following ISSF Rules 6.7.11, 6.13 and 6.15.4.2.

If a protest concerning a shot value, other than zero or failure to register, is not upheld, a two-point penalty must be applied. Decisions by the Range Officer(s) regarding protested shots on electronic targets are final and may not be appealed. A competitor may protest that a target is scoring inaccurately during sighting shots only and may be given an opportunity to move to another target, but if the Range Officer(s) subsequently determine that the sighting shots were scored accurately, a two-point penalty must be assigned to the lowest value shot on the first competition series.

For more information about 3-P Air rules, download the rulebook at <http://www.odcmp.com/3P/Rules.pdf>





## Dinsmore Appointed Assistant Rifle Team Coach at Ole Miss

Courtesy [www.olemisssports.com](http://www.olemisssports.com)

OXFORD, Miss. – Ole Miss rifle graduate assistant Natasha Dinsmore has been promoted to assistant coach, Rebel head coach Valerie Boothe announced on Wednesday, 7 September.

Dinsmore has served as a summer camp counselor and assistant camp director with the Civilian Marksmanship Program since 2005, assisting camp director Sommer Wood.

Dinsmore, who joined the program last year, is the first full-time assistant coach in Ole Miss rifle history. She will assist Boothe in coaching, recruiting and with administrative duties, as well as in strength and conditioning and organizing team travel.

"We are very excited to have Natasha stay with our program on a full-time basis," said Boothe. "She brings a great drive and energy for the sport that is contagious. She has been invaluable to our program and will continue to help us reach new levels of success."

Dinsmore came to Oxford after a four-year career



Natasha Dinsmore



on the West Virginia rifle team. She joined the Mountaineer program as a walk-on student-athlete after taking up competitive shooting while visiting Germany on a Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange Scholarship. After falling in love with the sport, Dinsmore turned down a field hockey scholarship to chase her dream of shooting in college.

A State College, Pa., native, Dinsmore earned the GARC Academic Award for having the highest GPA on the Mountaineer team in 2006 and was named to the Athletic Academic Honor Roll every semester as a student at WVU. She earned a Bachelor's of Science degree in animal and veterinary sciences in 2008 and followed that with a Master's in agriculture, forestry and consumer sciences in 2010. Dinsmore is currently pursuing a Master's of Science in exercise science with an emphasis in exercise physiology at Ole Miss.

**Flashback - March 2011** (NCAA Photos courtesy - Cliff Williams)

## NCAA Rifle Championships - Columbus State University



Nehemiah Gillman,  
Murray State



Brian Carstensen,  
Jacksonville State



Univ. of Kentucky  
NCAA Champions

Heather Greathouse  
Univ. of Kentucky



Nicco Campriani &  
Petra Zublasing,  
West Virginia  
University



## Junior Olympics

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*The South African National School Shooting Union team missed a connecting flight in New York due to airport scrutiny of the team's air rifles and they were also delayed when the rifles were held a second time in Atlanta. The team arrived at Camp Perry after midnight and slept in their cars until morning. Their rifles arrived just in time to begin the NRA Air Gun Championships, which was followed by the National Junior Olympic 3P Air Rifle Championship, both fired at the CMP Marksmanship Center.*

David Crockett High School Navy JROTC of Tennessee placed second. Coached by John Roberts, firing members Shawn Wingerter, Jessica Kudera, Matt Hawkins and Jesse Adams scored an aggregate of 4273. Pelion High School, South Carolina placed third with a total score of 4258. Scott Miller, Derrick Brown, Clint Alama and Johnathan Stark of Pelion were coached by Ronald Dorsey.

Ankeny American Legion #42 SAL of Iowa placed fourth and King George High School Navy JROTC of Virginia placed fifth.

The South African National School Shooting Union sent 19 shooters, four precision and 15 sporter, to the Junior Olympic air rifle championships, providing the competition with not only a national but also international quality.

The SANSSU rifle coach, Anton Uys (pronounced "Ace" in the Afrikaans language of South Africa), brought one assistant coach and another parent to help shepherd the team that represented all regions of their country. SANSSU entered as an out-of-competition exhibition team.

Coach Uys said air gun teams in South Africa are rare compared to the U.S. and the sport is very expensive and highly-regulated.

The South Africans performed well individually and in team shooting. In precision, Bartholomeus Pienaar scored 1174, and placed 11th in raw scoring.

In a precision team exhibition, USA Team topped South Africa 4704 to 4607 in aggregate scoring.

In sporter air rifle shooting South Africa's Jacques Pienaar scored 1200 points, Elandre Van As scored 1197 and Johannes

Vos scored 1193, which would have placed them in fourth, sixth and seventh, respectively.

In the sporter team exhibition South Africa topped USA Team 4404 to 4381.

For more information and complete results of the 2011 Junior Olympic Air Rifle Championships, log onto [http://clubs.odcmp.com/cgi-bin/report\\_matchResult.cgi?matchID=7132](http://clubs.odcmp.com/cgi-bin/report_matchResult.cgi?matchID=7132). To view photos from the Junior Olympic Air Rifle matches, log onto <http://cmp1.zenfolio.com>.



## Young Eagle Joshua Lehn Excited to Represent the U.S. in 2011 World Rifle Championships in Australia

*By Steve Cooper, CMP Writer*

CAMP PERRY, OHIO - Joshua Lehn, 18, of Lemoore, California, like most people his age, can't afford to travel everywhere in the world to shoot competitively, so this year he passed up an opportunity to shoot highpower matches at Camp Perry for the chance to shoot internationally with the USA Young Eagles at the World Rifle Championships in Brisbane, Australia in October.

Lehn, who visited Camp Perry in June as a member of the Lemoore High School Navy JROTC sporter air rifle team, said he was looking forward to the privilege of representing the U.S. at the World Championships along with his Under 21 USA Young Eagle teammates.

The recently-graduated Lehn was participating in the 2011 National Three Position Air Rifle Junior Olympic Championship, conducted by USA Shooting and hosted by the Civilian Marksmanship Program's Marksmanship Center.

The California Grizzly (California Rifle and Pistol Association) member said he is planning to warm up his long-range rifle at the Spirit of America Fullbore National Championships in New Mexico in September prior to departing for Brisbane in October. Like the Olympics, the World Rifle Championships occurs every four years at different international locations each time.

Lehn's teammates on the Under 21 and Under 25 teams include team captain Andy Doney, vice captain Vikki Gaddie, coach Kelly Bachand, and shooters Waylon Burbach, Kyle Doney, Abraham Kamerman, Brian Landwehr, Kyle Liebetrau, Trevor Massey, Nick Mowrer, Jennifer Nyberg, Brianna Rachinski, Michael Storer and Emily Windmassinger.

"I shot long range here (at Camp Perry) with David Tubb in the past – he was my scorekeeper. It was pretty hard but I shot a 150 with 14X. I was pretty excited, because who gets to shoot with David Tubb?"

"I started off shooting smallbore with my dad – a little Marlin .22 – he had it before I was born. I eventually got an Anschutz and then I started looking for a bigger challenge," Lehn said.

He began shooting competitively when he was 10 years old. His positive experiences shooting smallbore encouraged him to try different types of shooting, like service rifle and Palma. He has accomplished many



*Joshua Lehn, 18, of Lemoore, California will represent the U.S. with fellow shooters from the USA Young Eagles rifle team at the 2011 World Rifle Championships in Brisbane, Australia in October.*

impressive things like in 2009 when he was a shooting member of the National Trophy Team that won the National Trophy Infantry Team match, which resulted in a Congressional citation.

Most recently, Lehn won the Arizona State Palma Junior championship in 2010. He said he started shooting highpower with a friend and found that he was pretty good at prone and learned shooting in the

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## Rico Leads Juniors in Service Rifle as Hullings and Totts Achieve High Honors in Pistol at National Matches

*By Steve Cooper, CMP Writer*

CAMP PERRY, OHIO - Tyler Rico, 17, of Tucson, Arizona, was the highest ranked junior in the 2011 President's Rifle Match, firing an aggregate score of 288-8X in an X-count tiebreaker over James London, 17, of Statesville, North Carolina, who finished with a 288-4X.

Rico's score also placed him 38th overall in the match out of 1,251 shooters. He fired scores of 95-2X, 99-5X, 94-1X in offhand, rapid prone and slow prone, respectively.

London fired 94-0X, 96-1X and 98-3X and finished 47th overall. Sagen Maddalena, 17, of Groveland, California, placed third with an aggregate score of 287-5X. Her split scores were 94-0X, 96-2X and 97-3X and she placed 57th overall. Maddalena was also the fourth-ranked woman overall in the match.

Rico, London and Maddalena finished one-two-three in the National Trophy Individual Match as well. Rico earned the the Golden Eagle Trophy as the high junior, placing 43rd overall out of 1169 competitors. Rico's aggregate of 486-17X topped London by three points (483-16X) and Maddalena by four points (482-15X).

In service rifle team competition at the National Matches, the high junior team in the National Trophy Team Match, (the Minuteman Trophy), was won by Arizona Juniors (2851-73X) captained by Phil Hayes and coached by Fredric Fadeley. Team members are Tyler



*CMP Vice Chair, Judith Legerski, awards Tyler Rico with the Golden Eagle Trophy for the best junior score in the National Trophy Individual Match. Rico also was the high junior in the President's Rifle match.*

Rico, Morgan Fadeley, Joseph Kendrick, Fredric Fadeley, Donnie Smith and Travis Burian.

California Grizzlies Gold placed second in the NTT junior category with an aggregate of 2831-70X. Team members were Sagen Maddalena, Lane Ichord, James Macmillan, Kayla Swenson, Hugh Braly and Kasey Nelson. The team was captained by Dirk Seeley and captained by Heather Swenson.

Steel Eagles Gold of Pennsylvania placed third with an aggregate score of 2766-44X. Firing members were Alex Thomas, Trent Thomas, Nathan Evagash, Jonathan Evagash, Jacob Perryman and Joseph Hendricks, Jr. Steel Eagles was captained by Robert Eikey and captained by Hendricks.

The National Trophy Junior Team (Freedom's Fire) Match was won by JMSG-1, comprised of James and Mary London with an aggregate of 961-29X. The Arizona Gold team of Tyler Rico and Morgan Fadeley placed second (958-30). Oregon State Shooting Association placed third with a total score of 948-23. Team members were Jerika Wallace and Adam Swint.

The Junior Infantry Team Match was won by California Grizzlies O'Connell, with an aggregate of 1139. Kayla Swenson, James Macmillan, Sagen Maddalena, Shawn Bharadwaj, Hugh Braly and Lane Ichord were the shooting members. The team was captained by



*Joseph Totts, 19, of Mogadore, Ohio, won the 2011 Junior Individual Pistol Match. Gary Anderson, Director of Civilian Marksmanship Emeritus presents him the Perry DeFino Trophy.*



Blake Earnes and coached by Jim O'Connell.

Arizona Juniors placed second (1038) and was comprised of Fredric Fadely, Morgan Fadely, Travis Burian, Joseph Kendrick, Ryan Hayes and Jaden Smartwood. The team was captained by Thomas Kirby and coached by Phil Hayes.

Texas Junior Silver placed third. Firing members were Clayton Rogers, Royce Brown, Jacob Nelson, James Chesley, Deric Adam and Parker Rogers. Texas Junior Silver was coached by Stanley Jarosz and captained by Royce Brown.

In pistol competition, Kimberly Hullings, 19, of Matawan, New Jersey, was the overall high aggregate junior shooter. Along the way she captured the Junior President's Pistol Match with an aggregate score of 359-5X.

Her 905-12X aggregate, comprised of the Junior President's, NTI and NTT matches, earned Hullings top billing for best overall individual junior pistol shooter in the matches. Hullings also contributed to her New Jersey Awesome Jr. team, which finished second with an aggregate team score of 513-4X.

Joseph Totts, 19, of Mogadore, Ohio, won the Junior Individual Pistol Match (.22 caliber), with an aggregate score of 276-5X. Totts was awarded the G.P. Perry DeFino Trophy. Hullings placed second with a 274-4X and Walker Buckman, 15, of Lovettsville, Vir-



*Kimberly Hullings receives the President's Pistol Match Trophy award plaque from Gary Anderson, DCM Emeritus at the 2011 Pistol Awards Program.*

ginia, placed third with an aggregate score of 269-1X.

The Junior Team Trophy Match - Riding the High Places Trophy - was awarded to Ohio Rifle & Pistol Assn. Jr. Orange with an aggregate score of 530-14. Firing members were Joseph Totts and Ryan Nichols, 19, of Rootstown, Ohio and the team was coached by Fred Totts. New Jersey Awesome Jr. placed second with a total score of 513-4 and ORPA Junior Black placed third with an aggregate of 512-4X.

## **Joshua Lehn**

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standing and sitting positions.

"When they said I had to go back to 600, I said 'whoa,'" he said. "What's wind, you know? I got pretty good at it and got my Master's card and I'm working toward High Master in highpower.

Lehn already has earned his High Master certification in long range shooting and is striving for perfection. "I want every shot to be perfect. If one day I shoot an 800-80X, I'll want to come out the next day and do it again," he added.

The Young Eagles represent the best Under 25 shooting talent in the United States, according to their Web site [www.goyoungeagles.com](http://www.goyoungeagles.com). Frequently, the Young Eagles travel internationally alongside their adult counterparts, the United States Palma® Team, to participate in National Championships and World Championships held in countries abroad.

In the international team matches that the Young Eagles shoot in, a variety of distances and string sizes are encountered. Most generally, international fullbore matches are conducted from 300 meters to 900 meters, with the average string length being 10 shots. These

matches are shot with accurized bolt action .308 caliber rifles. These rifles are shot unsupported with iron sights.

Since 2000, the Young Eagles have racked up an impressive record in international competition. Most recently, the Young Eagles placed second in the 2007 U25 World Championships and first in the 2007 U21 World Championships. In 2003, the Young Eagles finished second in the U25 World Championships and second in the U21 World Championships. In 2000, the Young Eagles placed first in the U25 inaugural match.

The name USA Young Eagles is only used when the best composition of the U25 National Rifle Team travels internationally to represent the United States in competition.

For more information about the 2011 World Rifle Championships in Australia, log onto <http://www.2011.nraa.com.au/index.php?menu=home>.

## Junior Distinguished Badge Program

The National Three-Position Air Rifle Council established the Junior Excellence-In-Competition Award Program to provide incentives for junior three-position air rifle competitors to improve and excel. This program awards prestigious badges of distinction to the most outstanding junior shooters. Junior shooters earn EIC credit points by placing in designated competitions in accordance with the requirements of this program. The Junior Distinguished Badge is awarded to school-age junior three-position air rifle shooters who

attain a series of high rankings in designated major junior air rifle championships that include the State Junior Olympic Qualifiers, CMP Cup Matches, National Junior Olympic Championships and other National Council Three-Position Air Rifle Championships.



Badge #	Name	Hometown
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#420	William Cross	Griffin, GA
#421	Keri Marlin	Shelbyville, KY
#422	James Fielding	Danielsville, GA
#423	Joseph Munder	Somonauk, IL
#424	Morgan Lluy	Annandale, VA
#425	Eric Krizan	Humboldt, SD
#426	Leslie Gallo	El Paso, TX
#427	Christian Hashagen	Francisville, LA
#428	Colt Gross	North Augusta, SC
#429	Crystal Reynolds	De Pere, WI
#430	Amber Williams	Wagener, SC
#431	Dahkota Hayes	Superior, MT
#432	Tyler Savoie	Albuquerque, NM
#433	Jody Chester	Sapulpa, OK
#434	Ashley Jacques	Sapulpa, OK
#435	Joshua Nabinger	Daleville, AL
#436	Zachary Frohn	Punta Gorda, FL
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#438	Samuel Harris	New Albany, IN
#439	Jason Sharbel	Nashville, TN

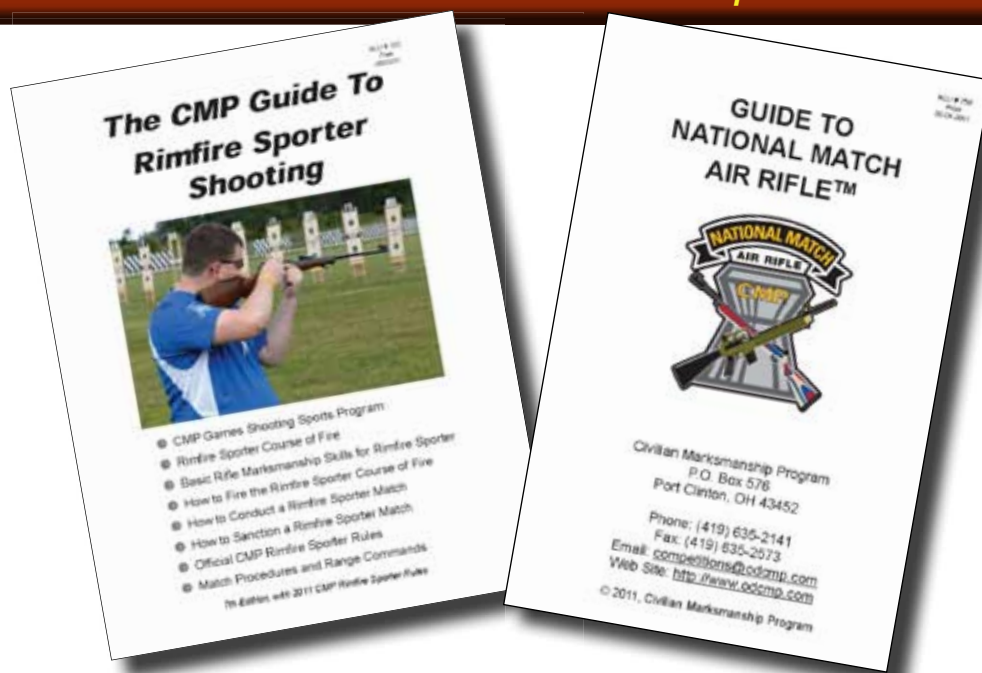
Congratulations to the juniors listed here who recently earned their badges. ON THE MARK will recognize all juniors who achieve this outstanding goal in each issue. A complete list of juniors who have earned their Junior Distinguished Badge is at [www.odcmp.com/3P/EIC.pdf](http://www.odcmp.com/3P/EIC.pdf). For more program info, log onto [www.odcmp.com/3P/Forms/EICProgram.pdf](http://www.odcmp.com/3P/Forms/EICProgram.pdf) or email CMP Competitions at [3PAR@odcmp.com](mailto:3PAR@odcmp.com).

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Rimfire: <http://www.odcmp.com/Comm/Rimfire.pdf>

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## Parting Shots: Photos from Recent Junior Events & Competitions

*It's been a busy summer for junior shooters, from season-ending airgun competitions to clinics and highpower competitions around the country and at Camp Perry. Here are just a few of those juniors who were caught on camera.*



*Participants in the CMP-USMC Junior High-power Clinic get a lift to the Rodriguez Range pits on a Camp Perry shooter shuttle. It's all part of the clinic experience.*



*Benjamin Eikey, 12, of Murrysville, Pennsylvania, is the son of Pennsylvania Rifle & Pistol Association junior highpower director Bob Eikey. He got into WWII gear and fired his Springfield rifle at the 2011 CMP Games and also competed in the John C. Garand Match.*



*Steven Hahn, 18, of Middle Grove, New York, was the overall 2011 AiR-15 Challenge winner with a 195-10X tie-breaker win over U.S. Army SSG Brandon Green during the National Matches at the CMP Marksmanship Center. Hahn fired an Anschutz/Creedmoor Sports National Match Air Rifle (NMAR).*

*Members of the South African National School Shooters Union sporter air rifle team proudly display the flag of their homeland during the 2011 National Junior Olympic 3P Air Rifle Championship.*



*Benjamin Clepper, 13, of Seymour, Tennessee, sported a coonskin cap during the 2011 M1 Carbine Match at Camp Perry.*



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