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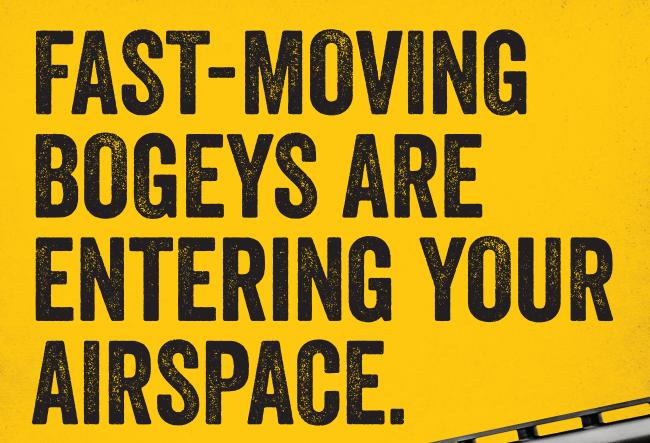
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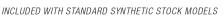


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As many of you know by now, we are always about SAFETY, first and always. I started to run out of space this issue so the safety message this issue is split into three sections: safety when reloading in this editorial; a smaller version of our usual safety message on page 62; and a safety message regarding an excellent first aid kit recommended on the range, while hunting or traveling, which is in the Junior Gear Guide on page 64.

Many people do not really think about safety while they are reloading other than making sure they have the right powder measurement. There are several

things to consider. Focus: The reloader needs to concentrate on what they are doing. Music or TV in the background is not conducive to that concentration. Your eyes should be on each case as it fills with powder and the bullet is placed on top and the cartridge is completed. Are you sure the used primer was removed and the new one properly inserted? Rifles, handguns, and shotguns (as the case shown in the photo) can explode due to too much powder such as a double charge or even

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too high a charge, a double bullet loaded into a case (yes, I know of two cases where that has happened,) or a squib (no powder just a primer). Focus on what you are doing each and every time.

Glasses: Take a look at the photo with the grandfather and the young junior reloading together. Notice that they both are wearing glasses. How many of you reloaders do that? Yep, you should. Teach your son and daughter the right way - the safe

Gloves and wipes: Wearing medical gloves protects your hands from lead. I recommend you do that and throw them away after the session is finished. If not, buy some Hygenall® Leadoff Disposable and Decon wipes. They do everything that soap does and more. They remove lead and other heavy metals. These are also good to have in your range bag and in your vehicle.

Shoot safe – Load safe!





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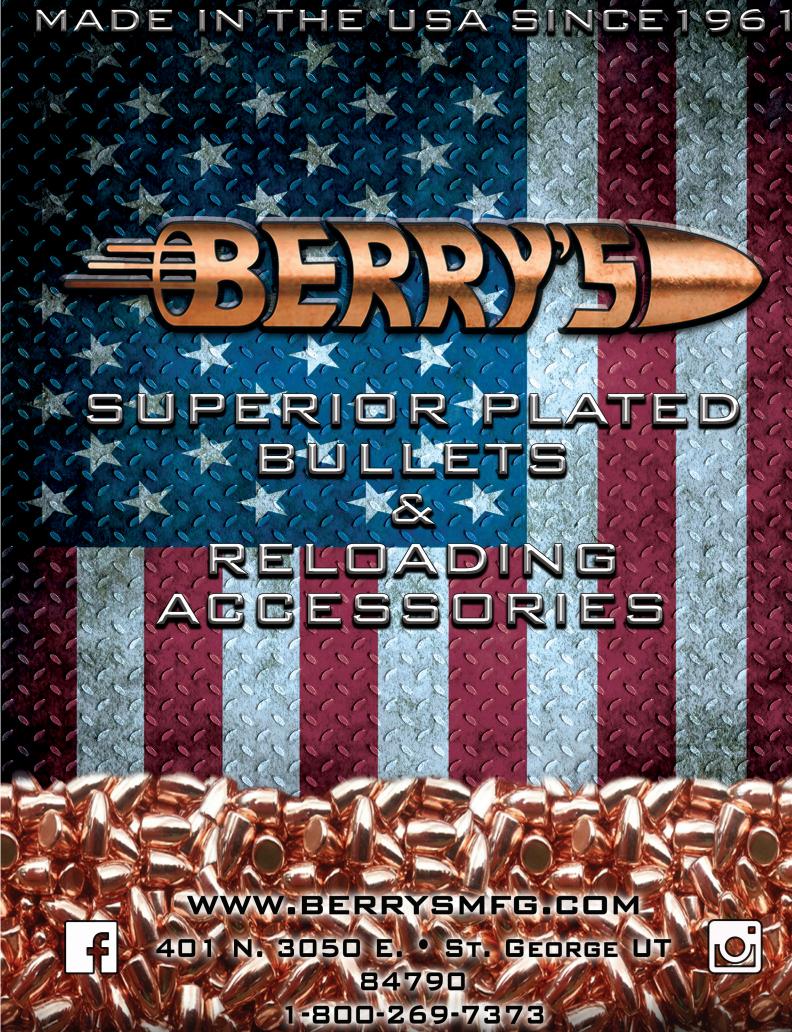
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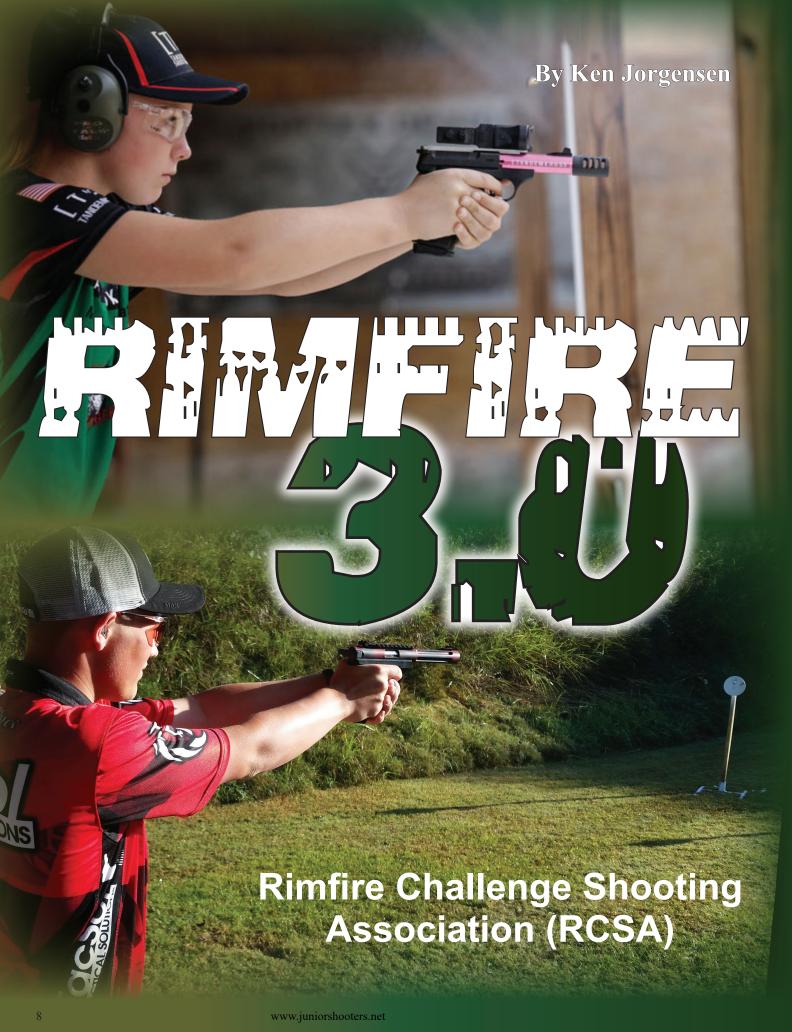
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Rimfire competition has a new organization as of January 2018 but the purpose has not changed. The Rimfire Challenge Shooting Association (RCSA) has assumed operations of the former NSSF Rimfire Challenge. RCSA will continue to introduce participants to the fun and excitement of competitive shooting in a safe, low-pressure, family-friendly format. All levels of competitors—new, novice and experiencedare welcome to compete. Each will find a challenge appropriate to his or her level of marksmanship. One of the first challenges of the new organization was to find industry support. The RCSA did not have the manpower or financial resources of NSSF or, the founding organization, Ruger Firearms (Ruger Rimfire) so Board members attended the 2018 SHOT Show. They visited with potential sponsors and explained the purpose and objectives of the new organization. The response has been labeled "outstanding" with Gold, Silver and Bronze level support coming from Ruger, Hogue, Volquartsen, Tactical Solutions, Tandemkross, CCI, Majestic Arms, Promag, Hunters Gold and Breakthrough Clean Technologies. Dedicated two-gun rimfire competition was originally created as the Ruger Rimfire series over a decade ago. The popularity of format was sustained by the NSSF Rimfire Challenge, and is now the responsibility of the Rimfire Challenge Shooting Association. The goal of RCSA is to continue growth by increasing participation by clubs and individuals across the country.

While the RCSA is new, the people and the purpose are not. Current Board Members Ken Jorgensen and Michael Bane were part of the original group that founded Ruger Rimfire. The third member of the group, and the person credited with the concept of two-gun rimfire competition, was Nelson Dymond. Nelson passed away in early 2017 but not before he saw his idea come to fruition. In addition to Bane and Jorgensen, other RCSA board members are Tim Norris, Heather Martin and Mark Passamaneck. All are experienced competitors in Rimfire and other

disciplines.

Since its inception as Ruger Rimfire the Rimfire Challenge format has appealed to competitors of all skill levels. The novice enthusiast finds low cost firearms, low cost ammo, reduced recoil and simple format lowering the barriers to the competitive shooting experience for the entire family. The more seasoned competitors have discovered the fun and challenge of rimfire and soon learn it is not as simple as it

appears. It is truly a challenge to all.

RCSA participants compete using a .22 Long Rifle caliber rifle and handgun from any manufacturer. The targets are steel plates that are set in a course of fire that is no less than 5 and no more than 7 plates. The course of fire is designed to be completed using one 10-round magazine without the need to reload "on the clock." Steel plates were chosen as the targets because they are easy to buy or build, and because this type of target provides the competitor with immediate visual and audio feedback. Each stage is engaged five times with the worst score thrown out. Final score is time plus penalties.

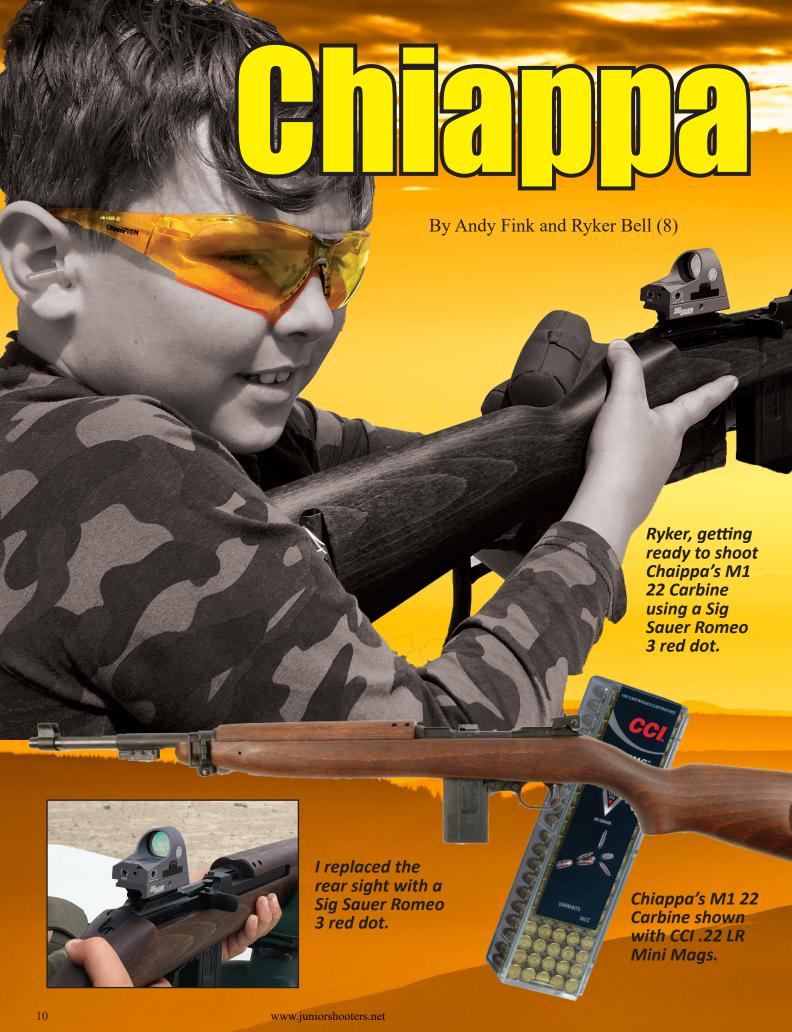
Rimfire competitors come from many other disciplines and new competitors often move on to other shooting sports. This creates a unique situation where experienced

participants are often seen helping new and novice shooters move up to the next level of proficiency by sharing their tips and shooting knowledge. Matches emphasize the friendly, supportive aspects of target shooting and competition. This low-key competition should remind participants that the shooting sports, and especially RCSA, are lifetime activities that are fun and affordable for all members of the family. Current participants are encouraged to bring friends and family members to matches as spectators or, even better, as participants.

For more information about the Rimfire Challenge Shooting Association, sponsors, the rulebook and more, visit the website at www.rimfirechallenge.org. Join the RCSA mailing list by signing up on the website. Interested individual can also participate on the RCSA Facebook page and the RCSA Facebook group.









I have always had a nostalgic feeling for the M1 Carbine (United States Carbine, Caliber .30, M1), A standard firearm for the U.S. Military during World War II, the Korean War, and well into the Vietnam War, its appeal to the civilian market for collectors is huge. The M1 Carbine is a semi-automatic firearm while the M2/ M3 are selective fire. However, it is the M1 Carbine that is readily available and a lot of fun to shoot. New replicas from Inland Manufacturing are usually priced a little lower than originals. We tested one last year and were very impressed with it.

The .30 carbine caliber is close in muzzle velocity to the .357 Magnum's velocity when both are fired from a long-gun (carbine for .30 caliber carbine and 18"

barreled rifle for the .357 Magnum):

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1138 fps

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The .30 caliber carbine has a noticeably flatter trajectory but the .357 Magnum has a slight advantage in energy (foot pounds of force.) Hornady offers the .30 Carbine critical defense load that produce the following out of a 20" barrel (typical carbine barrels are 18"):

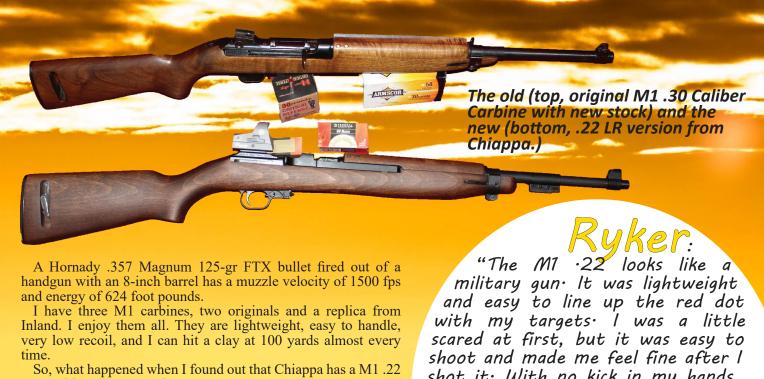


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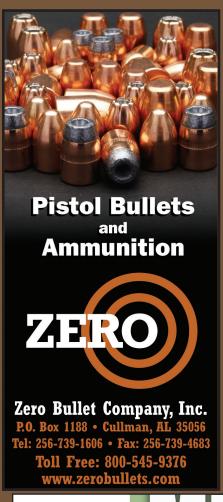
LR Carbine? "WOW! I have to get one!"

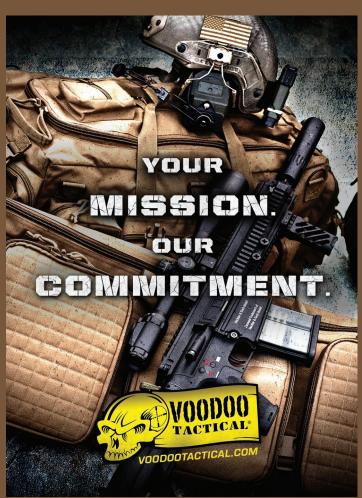
We got one in for review and I was very pleased. It shot extremely well without any malfunctions and it comes with a 10-round magazine. I decided to replace the rear sight with a red dot. I had a Leupold Delta V Pro mounted on one of my M1 carbines that I was really happy with. This time, I used a Sig Sauer Romeo 3 red dot which worked out very well. After shooting it a few times, I decided to have our youngest junior try it out. Here is what he said.

shot it. With no kick in my hands, it was fun. I liked shooting it and would love to shoot it again."

In conclusion, Chiappa's M1 · 22LR Carbine is well built, operates like the original, is fun to shoot, lightweight, has no recoil, and is a great buy. They now offer one in 9mm. "WOW! I have to get one!"









Canyon County Trap Team

By Cheryl Youngblood

In Tennessee State Champtonship!



Cason Youngblood First Place JV men's division and First Place team and squad. Nashville Gun Club June 22, 2018. He so loves that Perazzi shotgun! It has brought him several wins!

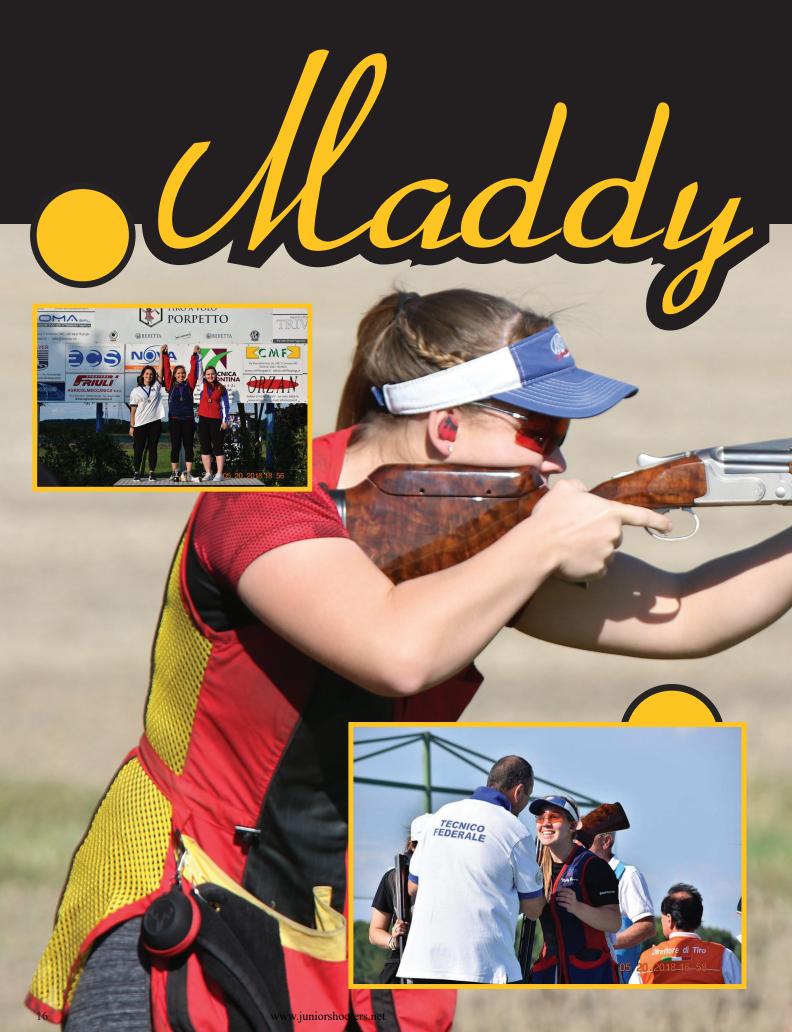
The Cannon County Trap Team in Woodbury, Tennessee recently competed in the SCTP Junior Varsity State Championships at the Nashville Gun Club on June 22, 2018. Bringing home the First-Place Trophy for the top squad were as follows: Jasmine Bush, Cason Youngblood, Dalton Fox, Cody Warren and Hunter Graves

Cason Youngblood placed first in the men's division and Jasmine Bush placed third in the lady's division.

This is the trap team's first victory at a state competition for Cannon County. A lot of hard work and practice paid off. We are very proud of their accomplishment. Our trap team is in small Cannon County, Tennessee. The trap team was formed in 2017. This is the second season of shooting. Ages consist of 6th grade up to 12th grade. This particular squad is the Junior Varsity that are 15 years old. We shoot in ATA shoots here in middle Tennessee along with the SCTP shoots that are available. Our squad has won multiple ATA shoots along with the SCTP regionals and state competitions. The kids love this sport. We actually went to Nationals in Ohio July 20-21, 2018 which is a big accomplishment and a first in our town! The kids worked on raising money to help with the expense of traveling and the entry fees associated with Nationals.









By Tom Wondrash

Great Lob Maddy!

2017/2018 SCTP National Team member Maddy Bernau has only been shooting International Trap for a brief four years but her commitment to this sport was significantly rewarded last month. Bernau's exceptional performance at the 14th International Junior Grand Prix in Porpetto, Italy earned her an individual gold medal in Women's Trap, as well as another gold medal in the Mixed Team event with USA Shooting teammate Dale Royer.

The Junior Grand Prix in Italy was intended as a warm-up event for USA Shooting's junior trap and skeet athletes headed to the World Championships in Changwon, Korea later this summer. Bernau earned her spot on the junior World Championship Team at the Spring Selection Match in Tucson, Arizona earlier this year. Yet in spite of her recent success, Bernau remains focused. "It felt like everything I had worked

hard for paid off, although I have lots of work to do over the summer to get ready for Worlds," she explains. There's little doubt that there are many more gold medals in this athlete's future.

The SCTP National Team provides International Trap and Skeet athletes like Maddy Bernau more coaching and training opportunities and is committed to the vision of putting these athletes into the Olympic pipeline. The 2018/2019 SCTP National Team will be selected July 22-

'27 at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, CO· ⊚

2018 SCTP Junior Olympic Development Camp is Huge Success!



The May 24-28, 2018 SCTP JODC was a huge success seeing 25 athletes and 7 coaches from 17 states across the country! This joint venture between the SCTP and USA Shooting is designed to grow and feed the pipeline for the US National & Junior Teams as well as introducing a new clay target discipline to many athletes that have never tried it.

The 5-day athlete camp and 7-day coach camp is dedicated to the learning of the International Clay Target disciplines of International Skeet and Olympic Bunker Trap. Athletes and coaches all stay at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, CO and travel each day to the International Shooting Park

located on the Ft. Carson military base.

Athletes are immersed in a training regiment, taught the basic skills of their disciplines and presented with discussions from current National team members, coaches and staff. Lance Bade and Joe Buffa headed up the camp's lead coaches for the week.

The athletes and coaches were also treated to a field trip to the "Cave of the Winds", a local attraction

and camp favorite visited by thousands each and every year!
"Over the years, we have seen hundreds of athletes and coaches attend the Junior Olympic Development Camps or JODC's" said Tom Wondrash, SCTP National Director. "These camps have been very influential in developing and promoting the international shooting disciplines as well as providing a clearer path for our athletes wanting to make the SCTP National Team and possibly a US National Team!"
Currently, approximately 75% of the athletes on the US National JR. team have come up through the

SCTP. Opportunities like this have been the platform of what the SCTP stands for. For more information about the SCTP and the programs that are offered through membership, please visit our website at www.

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If you or your company are interested in supporting the largest youth shooting program in the world, please contact Tom Wondrash, SCTP National Director at twondrash@sssfonline.com. 🍈







This an awesome shotgun and has a great price point. I asked Ashley to check it out. Though she is relatively new to the shotgun shooting sports, she checks products out thoroughly and has been writing for us since she was 10.

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Although I have been competing with firearms for a while, there are still a lot of guns I haven't tried. One such gun is a semi-auto shotgun. So, when the time came for me to try one out, I took the opportunity.

The shotgun is a 12-gauge. When I first got a hold of it, I really liked the feel and the weight. It felt balanced and came to my shoulder easily. The fit and finish looked good, and the whole shotgun looked and felt like a good quality firearm. The shotgun also features an adjustable butt plate and comb on the stock to allow me to fit the gun better and use it more efficiently. This is a nice touch that will really help in getting comfortable

We had hoped, and still do, to take the shotgun turkey hunting, but due to scheduling issues and other

with the shotgun.



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issues out of our control, we weren't able to go. The next best thing was to take it to the trap range just to

get a feel for it.

Boise Gun Club has a great setup and is priced well to go out and use their clays and throwers. I generally like doing trap over skeet, so that's where we went to test the shotgun. For \$3, a junior can shoot a 25 clays set, and the fun goes fast, so take a few more dollars with you.

Being a semi-auto, and not an over/under like I've used in trap before, took a lot of getting used to at first. Loading obviously was different. But, the shotgun was easy to learn and operate. Once used to it, things went well.

Bringing it up to fire was easy enough thanks to the gun being balanced and

not very heavy. The swing wasn't bad either. Again, thanks to the weight. It is a little longer than most shotguns I've used, but it didn't seem to bother my aim at all. The whole package did take some getting used to and I fumbled with it a bit at first.

The chokes were easy as anything to change out and there wasn't much to it. I didn't see too much difference, but I knew what was going to work better for what the task was and made note of it.

Cleaning a semi-auto was something else I had not done yet and I've read that it is very important to keep a semi-auto clean.

But, after a few moments of trying to learn the steps, it went smoothly, and is now ready to go again whenever I choose to take it out.

All in all, I felt like this was a very good quality shotgun. I liked most everything about it, even if the learning curve slowed me down a bit at first. I was glad that I took it to the trap range before I took out to the field to help avoid a misstep in a critical moment. I feel that I can now take this shotgun out on a hunt and be confident that it won't let me down. In all the shots I took, it didn't have any mechanical malfunctions.

So, if you are looking for a quality semi-auto that won't break your bank account and hold up to whatever your shotgun game may be, you really can't go wrong with this one. I'm confident that it will serve me well in the field and on the range when I need it.









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HINT-THEY'RE THE SPORTSMEN AND WOMEN OF TOMORROW

By Todd Berg



Phillips school districts, donations from industry ("Shuh-wah-muh-gun") Feam S.E.a.L high school shooting team from the Park Falls and for some relevant raffle appropriately, arranged and the Chequamegon had never experienced central Wisconsin, the co-hosted a "fun day" Harshaw Sports Club an authentic sporting and local community The beginning.... In 2017 in far north-30 students involved The Harshaw Sports for local high school trap, skeet and clays teams. Many of the clays course before. Club membership students involved in interscholastic set up the course

their first round of sporting clays. The event was light-hearted, full of laughter, friendly was so well received in fact- that coaches, mentors and participants yearned for another time, especially the co-hosts who felt the pride of passing on the sporting legacy and all its benefits, to the next generation of recreational shotgun shooters. That fun-day event event in the spring of 2018. After consulting with school coaches, club volunteers, the competition, youthful excitement and terrific safety. Everyone had an incredibly good national SCTP (Scholastic Clay Target Program) organizers, and settling on available the-spot" prize when busted, and some other fun games for the kids to enjoy during dates, the 1st annual "Northwoods Invitational" SCTP event was born.

On May 18th-19th 2018, 140 aspiring shotgun shooters arrived at the club grounds. distributed, a box of shells given to each participant courtesy of the Rocky Mountain nationally sanctioned SCTP youth competition ever held in Northern Wisconsin was between 13 and 18 years old. With safety meetings held, commemorative tee-shirts 11 schools were represented from throughout the state of Wisconsin, with students Elk Foundation and Winchester ammunition, and smiles throughout, the very first

cognizant of safety and protocol while on the range and the sporting clays course. Club Natural Resources sent representatives and interactive displays to mingle with and help grounds during the 2-day event, cheering on competitors and marveling at some terrific trap fields in 2-days. The top score on the trap field was 47 out of 50. Top score on the by one of the female competitors... at the ripe old age of 14! Truly an amazing young educate the students. They did a magnificent job and the kids loved being able to talk about outdoor careers, hunting, shooting safety, etc. Over 300 people visited the club shooting amongst the young competitors. There were five "perfect 25 rounds" on the sporting clays course was an impressive 79 out of 100. That feat was accomplished club's two trap fields. The Oneida County Sheriff and the Wisconsin Department of lady who shot a terrific round on Saturday. Each of the students were impressively Each student shot 100 targets on the sporting clays course and 50 targets on the volunteers praised the kids for their awareness and overriding concern for safety

themselves- said they "couldn't wait to come back". Those comments brought smiles to all the volunteers faces. By all accounts, the Northwoods Invitational SCTP event across the state. Parents, grandparents, coaches, teachers, mentors and the students competitors. As the host school, the Chequanegon Team S.E.a.L students not only participated but acted as ambassadors for the other schools who attended from The students exhibited great sportsmanship and comradery with their fellow will be back with a 2nd event in May of 2019!

The "passing of the torch" is in full swing in Northern Wisconsin and kids, adults, tradition of safe, honest and responsible outdoor shooting sports not only are intactcoaches and community came together to prove that the legacy, the history, and the they're thriving. That should bring a smile to every shooters face.

Recreational, league and special-event shoots can all be found here. Information on the The Harshaw Sports Club is a member-driven club, having existed for over 30 years. Situated on 40-acres of wooded rolling terrain in north central Wisconsin, the club is open to the public for trap and sporting clays from May to September each year. club can be found on Facebook at /Harshaw Sports Club.





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By Tom Wondrash SCTP National Director

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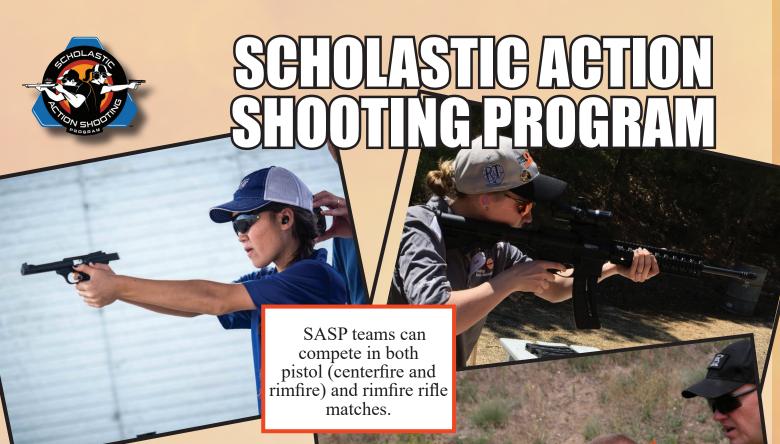
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SASP uses the discipline of spear shooting on steel targets, which is unique to our program, combining the best features of other disciplines to allow athletes to practice and participate in exciting matches with less specialized equipment.

We hope you, your school or your shooting club will consider becoming part of SASP.

Questions?

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Sign up for our e-newsletter – Range Time!

SASP teams can compete in matches that are held locally, state, regionally, and nationally, plus we have a virtual match series that runs year-round. SCHOLASTIC ACTION SHOOTING PROGRAM (SASP)

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PROGRAM GOALS:

- Teach the safe and responsible handling and use of firearms
- Provide a supportive team-based environment using the shooting sports as the catalyst for teaching life lessons and skills that emphasize positive character traits and citizenship values
- Introduce young shooters to a sport that can be enjoyed for a lifetime, one that offers a level playing field, and one that all family members can enjoy together

MISSION STATEMENT:

The Scholastic Shooting Sports Foundation is an educational-athletic organization that exists to introduce school-age youths to the shooting sports and to facilitate their continued involvement by providing, promoting, and perpetuating opportunities to safely and enjoyably participate and compete in a high-quality, team-based sport led by trained adult coaches focused on enhancing the personal growth and development of their athletes.

VISION STATEMENT:

To continue to be recognized and respected as the leader in the youth development shooting sports programs.

PROGRAM SPONSOR:

The Scholastic Shooting Sports Foundation (SSSF) is the National Governing Body (NGB) for youth speed shooting and the Scholastic Action Shooting Program (SASP). SASP was started by SSSF in 2012.

PROGRAM SCOPE:

The SASP offers participation in speed shooting using pistols and .22 rifles.

PROGRAM FOCUS:

TEAMS! The SASP is a TEAM-BASED program, focusing on youth development. Participation in SASP should be fun, and there is no place for a win-at-all-costs attitude.

TEAM SUPERVISION:

An adult Volunteer Head Coach leads each team. Volunteer State Advisors provide support for in-state activities and support to their Volunteer Head Coaches and Assistant Coaches. Full-time Directors of Development coordinate the program, and they are assisted by National Coach Trainers and the National Training Team. National Coach Trainers are responsible for coach development and training.

REGISTRATION FEES:

The registration fee for State Advisors, Head Coaches, Assistant Coaches, and Adult Volunteers is \$30.00. This fee covers the cost of liability insurance and a portion of the cost of a background check. All adults working directly with SASP athletes must be registered with the SSSF. To be covered by SSSF liability insurance, a volunteer must be registered with the National Program.

The membership for each registered athlete, including Collegiate, is \$20.00. The fee covers the cost of insurance and awards. All athletes must be registered by their Head Coach.

PARTICIPANT ELIGIBILITY:

Students in grades 6-12 are eligible for the Intermediate and Senior Divisions in the pistol and rifle disciplines. Students in grades 5 and below are eligible for the Rookie Division in the rifle discipline. There is no age limit for those enrolled as full-time students in the Collegiate Division. College athletes must be enrolled and attending an accredited college or university. All athletes must be academically eligible to participate in their school's extracurricular sports program.

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How SASP Helped Me to Becor

By Annie Unsell (18)

If you were to have mentioned anything about it being feasible for me to become a Grand Master in Steel Challenge (GM) months ago, I would have looked at you like absolutely were you crazy. Rarely did ponder or think of it as a probability. "You will never have the competence to reach such a goal," I would think to myself. Little did I know what God had in store for me. My goal was never to become a GM, but to simply improve and shoot to the best of my ability. A goal to always have fun, and most of all to glorify my Savior.

The Scholastic Action Shooting Program has helped me tremendously in journey my becoming Grand a Master in iron sights. As I am getting ready to shoot my fourth SASP National Championships this year, I've been reflecting on how it all began with my siblings and I practicing in our backyard, creating the stages out of pizza pans and shooting them with a simple pellet gun. The 2014 SASP Nationals was the year of my first competition where I shot many stages for the first time ever. Hence, this





preparation and guidance for what is to come.

My personal favorite stage to shoot is In & Out. The reasoning for it being my favored stage is because of its expeditious manner. I had set a goal to shoot this stage in under two seconds and succeeded in this aim with continuous practice. With aspiration and willpower, I was able to achieve this goal. SASP assisted me in reaching my intent with the stage Roundabout. It is slightly easier than In & Out; I shot two strings at the US Steel Nationals

program has given me

with my iron sight pistol in under two seconds with a 1.99 and a 1.86.

Through the **SASP** program I have made many new friends which have led to lasting relationships. I've learned skills that have helped in SASP, Steel Challenge, and Rimfire Challenge. Most of all, my experiences within the SASP program have taught me to persevere when reaching for my goals. I am excited to see what else God has in store for me on this journey, because with our Creator anything is possible.



SHOOTING WITH USPSA IS FUN, COMPETITIVE **& ALWAYS SAFE!** PAACTICALSHOOTING USPSA matches are unlike any other shooting sport combining speed, power and accuracy. We move, run through obstacles, shoot and reload until the fastest, most accurate competitor wins. Come on out and give it a try! To find a local USPSA club or become a member. visit www.USPSA.org.

Talking with friends while waiting for SASP awards at **Nationals**





On July 2, 2018, 48 Young Marines from across the country attending the Young Marines National Leadership Acadamy at Camp Rilea, in Warrington, Oregon had a chance to test their shooting skills thanks to the Scholastic Action Shooting Program (SASP).

The Young Marines Program, recently launched the 12th SMMC Gene Overstreet Marksmanship Program in conjunction with SASP. This program, will allow Young Marines units across the country to participate in SASP local, regional and state matches as well as compete in Young Marines interdivision competitions which will culminate in Participation in the Young Marines National 12th SMMC Gene Overstreet Championship in the fall of 2019. Each year, Young Marines units will have the chance to compete for these division and national awards.

In Oregon, SASP leadership began the event with a comprehensive safety brief, followed by training on each rimfire and centerfire gun fired on both timed and untimed sessions. In addition, the Young Marines received "special" works of encouragement and training from the programs namesake, Sergeant Major Gene Overstreet.

The SASP leadership provides detailed training in each or three "courses of fire" that represent the exact target set ups for SASP competitions across the country.

For more information on the SASP program, contact Rick Leach, Director – rleach@sssfonline. com For more information on the Young Marines 12th SMMC Gene Overstreet Markmanship Program, contact Gary Weisbaum at Gary.weisbaum@youngmarines.com.

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