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Dakota Marksmanship Foundation

Over the past few years, we have seen a continued loss of outdoor and indoor ranges in North Dakota. Many of us have been actively involved in the efforts to not only stop this trend but to reverse it. All efforts to reverse this trend require money. Often the amount of money required is not an amount that can be raised by a single club or even a couple of clubs. The North Dakota Game and Fish Department has been able and willing to assist some of our clubs with Pitman Robertson funds. However, even with the addition of Pitman Robertson funds, many clubs cannot fund the construction of a modern indoor range.

Tom Thompson noticed that some other states have taken what seems to be a very effective step to develop funding for the purpose of range development, improvement, and support of junior marksmanship programs. After many hours of meetings and brainstorming, we have created the Dakota Marksmanship Foundation. The Dakota Marksmanship Foundation has submitted an application for tax exemption as a 501 (c) (3) Public Charity under North Dakota and the United States tax code. The IRS has not yet responded to this application, but we look forward to a favorable response in the very near future.

The initial funding for the Foundation was provided by individual donations and by our North Dakota Shooting Sports Association at our annual meeting. This initial funding allowed the Foundation to pay the 501 (c) (3) application fees for consideration by the IRS. Once the IRS responds to grant the Foundation status as a Public Charity, North Dakota will have a central organization to which individuals and business can make tax deductible donations. The Foundations charter guarantees that these donations will be used to benefit shooting ranges and marksmanship programs here in North Dakota.

I have given this a great deal of thought, and I believe that this may prove to be the best new development to benefit our shooting sports in the last 50 years. We have been losing shooting ranges in North Dakota since the 1960's. Those North Dakotans and others from around the United States who wish to reverse this trend will be able to promote the shooting sports with donations of money or gifts of property. Other charitable organizations will be better able to make donations to the Dakota Marksmanship Foundation than to individual clubs.

The Foundation offers a means to establish a permanent endowment fund to benefit the shooting sports in North

Dakota. This will only help to create more opportunity for our young people and adults to excel in the sport of competitive shooting. It will also benefit those Hunter Safety students and their instructors to add live firing sessions to their classes. Such live fire sessions greatly enhance the student's comprehension of the Hunter Safety message by allowing the students to apply the safety skills they have seen in film and heard in lecture.

In one sense it may be premature to announce the Dakota Marksmanship Foundation before it receives the IRS designation as a Public Charity, but it is very possible that the Foundation may receive the blessing of the IRS by the time that this newsletter is published. Right now, we have the Gateway Pistol Club of Fargo, ND, and the Bis-Man Rifle & Pistol Club of Bismarck and Mandan, ND in need of funds to build indoor ranges. Both of these clubs have reached a point in their range projects where they need money badly. Since ours is a quarterly publication, I wanted to announce the Foundation to our members in this issue rather than wait until fall. I hope that the Foundation will be able to accept donations by the time you read this issue of the Target. Whether that proves to be the case or not, I hope that you will all seriously consider a donation to the Foundation in support of the shooting sports in North Dakota as soon as possible.

If any of you reading this issue of the Target have any interest in making a donation to the Dakota Marksmanship Foundation, please contact either:

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Tom and I should be able to answer many of your questions, and we will sure do our best to get answers for any that we cannot answer right away. Thank you very much for your consideration of this new opportunity to benefit the shooting sports in North Dakota.

Rick Jorgenson – June 2006

Editorially Speaking

I find that this edition of the Target is always the most difficult to produce. Summer is for shooting not editing. Thank goodness for Sam, Leon and Walt. If I had to fill this issue, it probably would not get done. I had hoped to include an article about the Junior Olympic experience for our young rifle and pistol shooters, but the article has not been written. You may certainly get the results at the USA Shooting website, and your time to review that website will certainly be well spent. Matthew Pueppke fired some good scores at the USA Shooting National Rifle Championships, but it sounds as if he may not have received credit for some of his scores in the final results. It doesn't sound like the miscalculation made any real difference in his final standing. Still, if you see him and haven't heard the story, you might want to hear his version. Many of our junior shooters are out west shooting right now, and we look forward to an article about their experience. Connie and I are getting ready to travel to Camp Perry where we will meet Steve Faught and Eric Pueppke. Steve and Eric are going to attend a pistol coaching school. Then we will shoot the Pistol Matches. I have not been able to go the last couple of years, so we look forward to a great time. Our State Legislature will see quite a turnover in the next election. We have enjoyed some very solid support for the shooting sports and firearms ownership from the North Dakota Legislature in the past few sessions, and we want to keep our friends in office. Be sure to vote. Until our next issue, shoot some 10's and enjoy the summer.

President's Message

In May 2006, Arlyn Disrud passed away. His family owns the Highpower Rifle range in Rolla. His assistance and enthusiasm at the Rolla Highpower matches will be missed. With his passing the future of the range may be in jeopardy. Last year we lost the Fargo Indoor range; several years ago, we lost the Mandan Indoor range and the North Dakota State University range. I started thinking how easy it is to lose a shooting range. Clubs need to be proactive to protect and keep the ranges that they now enjoy.

Some items to consider are long term written agreements for ranges located on private land with first option to purchase the land if it is ever sold. Start raising funds now so that the land can be bought in the future. Clubs should protect themselves from environmental and liability lawsuits by carrying insurance, having a range safety plan and membership orientation, develop a lead management plan and correct any environmental or safety issues immediately. Be proactive and talk to your neighbors, listen to their concerns and inform them of your planned activities. Soundproof your ranges in the best ways that you can.

If clubs have enough money, they should try to purchase enough adjacent land to insulate their range from future development. One club in the eastern part of the country has drawn up a legal document for homeowners near their range, offering a free membership if the homeowner won't file a grievance against the club. They are also buying land near their range, placing a range protection easement on the land and reselling it. There are many things that can be done to be proactive. Just don't sit idly and think things will always be as they are now. With considered planning, we can make the future even better than today.

Walt Fairbanks
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The 1911 Corner

Well, I'm ready to give this another try, since I didn't get any hate mail, threatening phone calls or any other negative response to the first "The 1911 Corner". In fact, I even received a couple of positive comments which were appreciated and encouraging. Here is an afterthought concerning the topic of my last article, stocks, stock screw bushings and stock screws. If you are going to put on the thin stocks, you will need to replace the screw bushings and the screws with the shorter version especially made to accommodate these thin stocks.

Lubrication of the 1911 is the topic for this article. This will include any 1911, the match grade and the non-match guns. The match grade 1911's have a fitted frame, slide and barrel and the tolerances, or fit between these parts, are very close, so lubrication is more critical. If a match grade gun is not lubricated there is more hard metal to metal contact. If lubrication is not provided in these tightly fitted areas the match grade gun will likely stop functioning. Inadequate lubrication will also cause undue wear between these tight-fitting parts. It has been my experience that a properly lubricated match grade 1911 will be more reliable than a properly lubricated non-match 1911. This is, of course, because the correctly made match grade gun is much more of a precision machine.

What is the proper lubrication to use for the 1911? The answer to this is oil with the viscosity or thickness approximating SAE 20W and an oil that exhibits cleaning qualities as it lubes and adheres to metal parts without gumming up or breaking down. "Red Oil" is popular with bullseye shooters. This is a mix of ATF, non-detergent SAE 30 engine oil, STP, Hoppies #9 and maybe another ingredient or two that I don't remember. It is my understanding that this Red Oil was developed before many other specialized gun oils were developed, like Break Free, FP-10 and others. Red Oil works very well. I just rebarreled a match grade 1911, for the second time, that belongs to one of our state's top shooters. Red Oil has been the only oil used in this 1911 and things looked really good there considering that it had between 70,000 and 80,000 rounds shot through it. So Red Oil works great, but that doesn't mean that nothing else works or works as well. I know of several pistol smiths that use nothing but Shooters Choice FP-10. It appears that proper placement of the lubricant, the amount and frequency is more critical than the kind of lube used. Still there are some lubricants like Rem Oil that are just too thin or of too low a viscosity to work properly in the 1911. We were told at NGMTU (National Guard Marksmanship Training Unit) during my stay there for National Match Pistol Armor's School that you needed eye glasses to keep the oil out of your eyes and an elbow for the oil to drip from. Everyone who shoots bullseye pistol has heard this many times and this saying is used to emphasize the frequency and amount of oil to use on a 1911. The fact that this saying originated with the military probably accounts for this being a bit overdone. A properly lubricated pistol will probably give you a spot or two of oil now

and then on your glasses, but it won't have oil dripping off of it like an old Harley Davidson.

It seems as though the next logical concern is where to put this oil and this depends on whether the pistol is apart or assembled. Prior to assembling the 1911, oil should be applied to the frame rails, the link lugs on the barrel where the link pivots and the slide stop makes contact, the top part of the slide stop pin, the trigger mechanism to include the hammer, sear, and the trigger shoe where it contacts the frame and the trigger stirrup channel in the frame, the barrel OD at the muzzle or the ID of the barrel bushing, the breech face (firing pin hole where the head of the case slides up into position to line up with the barrel) to include the extractor notch and the flat part behind this area where the disconnecter makes contact with the slide. Another area to lube, when the 1911 is disassembled, is the mainspring housing, specifically the mainspring cap. Oil should be applied to the cap and a punch or screwdriver should be used to push this cap down to allow the lube access to the inside of this housing and the excess lube wiped off. The assembled 1911 should have the slide/frame rails lubed by turning the gun upside down with the action locked open and a drop or two of lube applied to each side. The same areas of the breech face and the disconnecter flat of the slide should be lubricated as mentioned above as well as the barrel OD near the muzzle. The trigger mechanism can be lubed with the action closed and the hammer cocked as oil applied to the front/bottom part of the hammer will drip down to the hammer notch and to the sear/disconnector. Another area that should have a drop of two of lube is the top or outside of the chamber and should be applied with the action closed.

The frequency of lubrication is another subtopic for discussion. Most 1911's are probably disassembled to be cleaned somewhere between 500 or 1000 rounds or before a match, whichever comes first. Obviously, it will be lubed every time it is assembled in the areas mentioned above. However, the 1911 must be lubed while assembled between cleanings in those areas mentioned above. This should be done at the beginning of a shooting session and then again during the shooting session, probably after 50 to 100 rounds. Remember that this cannot be done too often in the sense that it won't hurt anything to overdue this process. You just may need to clean your glasses and wipe off your elbow more often.

So, in summary, I hope my attempt to touch on why 1911's need lubrication, what to use for lubrication, where this lube should go and how often to lubricate will help you to take good care of one of your most valuable possessions, that being your 1911. If you don't have a 1911, I recommend that you purchase one, because now you know how to take care of it. Besides, it is the "Patriotic" thing to do. Here is wishing you only 10's & X's, and if I can be of any help with your 1911, please call me at 258-2360 or e-mail at snmmay@bis.midco.net. Sam May - June, 2006

Highpower Rifle and Long Range Rifle Match results

May 8, 2006

Thomas A. Thompson of Bismarck, North Dakota, won the sixty-shot Long Range rifle match sponsored by the Bismarck-Mandan Rifle & Pistol Association on Saturday, May 6, with an aggregate score of 573 and 13 x's. Donovan Moran of LaMoure, North Dakota, was the F-Class winner with 567 and 15x's. The aggregate consisted of one 20-shot match at 600 yards and two 20-shot matches at 1,000 yards. All shots were fired from the prone position.

Russell Theurer of Menoken, North Dakota, was the Master class winner with 560 and 9 x's, while Tony Kozojed of Thief River Falls, Minnesota, took the combined Expert and Sharpshooter classes with his score of 554 and 12 x's.

Jennifer Garbina of Bismarck, North Dakota, won both the Junior and High Lady titles with her score of 503 and 1x.

In the 80-shot Across-the-Course Highpower Rifle match on Sunday, May 7, Master Class shooter Coby Dalgliesh of Sarles, North Dakota, took top honors with 752 and 16 x's. First High Master was Thomas A. Thompson of Bismarck, North Dakota, with 748 and 13 x's, while Evan Mapes of Thief River Falls, Minnesota, took the Expert Class with a 731 and 9 x's. Dale Toman of Mandan, North Dakota, was the winner in the Sharpshooter class with 709 and 11 x's. Junior shooter A. J. Tuck of Bismarck, North Dakota, won the Marksman and Junior titles with 684 and 4 x's.

Matches were fired at 200, 300, and 600 yards, and consisted of slow and rapid fire, standing, sitting and prone in ten-shot strings.

Come on out and join us for our next match during the North Dakota Prairie Rose State Games on the weekend of July 15 & 16 or at our next match which will be the North Dakota State Highpower Championship over the weekend of July 22 & 23. I know that you will have a great time.

Leon Nesja, Match Director

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NDSSA Sporting Arms for Lease

The North Dakota Shooting Sports Association (NDSSA) has a limited number of match grade service rifles available for lease to NDSSA members interested in High Power Rifle competition. NDSSA members interested in leasing a firearm should call Dennis Coulter at (701) 746-6959 to check availability.

In addition, firearms that are currently being leased, must to be brought to the clinic for annual inspection and lease renewal. If you are currently leasing an NDSSA rifle and were not able to attend the clinic or the matches on the weekend of May 6 and 7, 2006, call Dennis Coulter to arrange for a time and place to have the rifle inspected. **All currently leased rifles were due to be inspected and leases renewed before June 1, 2006, or they must be returned so that they can be made available to other NDSSA members.**

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Match Schedule We offer six monthly matches during the months of November through April. Upon receipt of your registration, we will mail your match targets to you.

Course of Fire: NRA Air Rifle & Pistol rules apply, and all firing is to be done from the standing position at targets positioned 33 feet distant from the shooter.

Fired targets are then returned to **Rick & Connie Jorgenson, 4931 81st Ave. NE, Devils Lake, ND 58301-9634** by the last day of each month for which they are shot. We produce a monthly match report, and chart your monthly match scores to produce an aggregate match report at the end of the six month match period.

For more information or answers to questions, please give Rick or Connie a call at 701-662-5301 (day) or 701-662-4760 (evening) or e-mail us at rcjorgenson@dvl.midco.net

2005 NDSSA Records

We had a good year in 2005 in the NDSSA State Record department. We had a few Highpower, Junior and Silhouette Rifle records broken. A bit about NDSSA records – in order for a new record to be obtained or established, the match must be sanctioned under the governing body of the shooting sport discipline and also sanctioned by NDSSA. In the case of NRA matches, the match must be a registered match. Scores fired under NRA approved matches are not eligible for state records. State Championships, Regional, and Sectional matches are registered matches and therefore, are eligible for state record status. Scores fired at these matches are also eligible for National Records. Individuals must also be a resident of North Dakota.

Denny Coulter of Grand Forks keeps our state record book. However, it is not up to Denny to track down all the records. If you know of a new state record, please send the match report to Denny (and mark the record) so he can update our record list.

Thanks go out to Jim Ladwig. Jim went through his records of past Silhouette matches and found several new state records. These records have now been added to the state record list. We also encourage match sponsors to contact Denny and get a copy of the state records. Its kind of nice to have these records present at a match so individuals can see how they're doing compared to past and present shooters. Jim Ladwig is also keeping the list of the state records on the NDSSA web site. Go to <http://www.ndssa.org> to view the entire list. The records set or tied in 2005 are displayed on page 6.

2006 Summer Schedule of Opportunities

| Date | Event | Location | Contact | Phone |
|---------------------|---|--------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Jul 8, 9 | Highpower, X-course and Garand Match | Rolla | Andy Johnson | 701-477-6687 |
| Jul 15, 16 | State Games , Rifle Sil., Cowboy, HP Rifle | Bismarck | Tom Thompson | 701-255-4601 |
| Jul 22, 23 | ND HP Rifle State Champ w/Leg, Team | Bismarck | Leon Nesja | 701-663-8818 |
| Jul 30 | Pistol State Championship | Valley City | Bill Brackin | 701-282-7158 |
| Aug 5 | Cowboy Action | Bismarck | Vern Hoggarth | 701-663-2454 |
| Aug 12 | State 4H Shooting Championship | Bismarck | Al Ulmer | 701-883-5301 |
| Aug 19, 20 | ND Silhouette State Champs | Bismarck | Tim Frank | 701-6633856 |
| Aug 26 | BPCR – Target State Champ | Grand Forks | Tom Reiten | 701-775-0008 |
| Aug 26 | Bullseye Pistol | Bismarck | Kevin Hertz | 701-223-4225 |
| Aug 27 | IHMSA Pistol | Bismarck | Brent Cusey | 701-667-2990 |
| Sep 9 | Cowboy Action | Bismarck | Vern Hoggarth | 701-663-2454 |
| Sep 16, 17 | Highpower Long Range Regional | Bismarck | Leon Nesja | 701-663-8818 |
| Sep 23, 24 | Bruce Alexander Memorial HP Rifle Match | Rolla | Andy Johnson | 701-477-6687 |
| Sep 23, 24 | BPCR - Silhouette State Champ | Bismarck | Ken Heier | 701-255-0675 |
| Sep 30, Oct 1 | Bismarck 7th Annual Sighting Inn Days | Bismarck | Sam May | 701-258-2360 |
| Oct 1 | Cowboy Action | Bismarck | Vern Hoggarth | 701-663-2454 |
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| Oct 15, 2006 | Air gun Postal match signup | Devils Lake | Rick Jorgenson | 701-662-4760 |
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Also join via the web: <http://www.ndssa.org>

Yes, to protect my right to keep and bear arms; I would like to join the NDSSA and support the legislative efforts of the NDSSA. My dues for a membership as noted are enclosed.

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___ Air Pistol ___ Smallbore

___ Police PPC ___ Other

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Life.....\$200.00 One Year\$15.00 Clubs One Yr.....\$15.00

5 Year.....\$60.00 Junior.....\$5.00 Club 5 Yr..... \$60.00

___ Rifle Silhouette

___ Pistol Silhouette

___ Hunter Safety

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(July 2006)

The following records were equaled or established during the 2005 shooting season.

| Course of Fire | Individual | Score | Place | Date |
|--|---------------|---------|-------------|---------|
| Junior Smallbore | | | | |
| 4-Position Gallery, 10 shots Prone | *Levi Geurts | 100-10x | Bismarck | 3/13/05 |
| 4-Position Gallery, 10 shots Prone | *Darren Dyk | 100-10x | Bismarck | 3/13/05 |
| International Air Rifle, 10 shots Standing | *Kaylee Kuntz | 99/100 | Minot | 1/16/05 |
| Highpower Rifle, 300 Yards Rapid Fire | Duane Holien | 200-11x | Grand Forks | 6/25/05 |
| Highpower Rifle, Rapid Fire Aggregate | Dan Marquart | 400-18x | Grand Forks | 6/25/05 |
| 1000 Yards, Iron Sights, 20 shots | Russ Theurer | 197-7x | Bismarck | 9/17/05 |
| 1000 Yards, 1000 Point Aggregate | Russ Theurer | 980-37x | Bismarck | 9/17/05 |
| High Power Heavy Silhouette Rifle | | | | |
| 200 Meter Chickens | Jim Ladwig | 8/10 | Bismarck | 8/21/05 |
| 385 Meter Turkeys | *Tim Frank | 6/10 | Bismarck | 8/21/05 |
| High Power Hunting Silhouette Rifle | | | | |
| 500 Meter Rams | *Tim Frank | 5/10 | Bismarck | 8/21/05 |

* Indicates record Co-Holder

Tom Thompson

Many of these records will be very hard to top. Those of you who make the effort to match or better them will all benefit from the effort whether you succeed or not. Get out there this summer and enjoy shooting some 10's.

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