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Blue Water News

The Latest News at B.W.S.A.

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1st Vice President's Message

Our building project is well under way. Most of the demolition has been completed and contractors have already started construction. We look forward to the completion of this first phase. Once all phases are complete, the building will be more functional and easier to maintain.

As the warmer months have arrived, get out there and practice. Our shooting skills are perishable, and we need to keep them sharp. It does not matter if you are a hunter, competitive shooter, or someone that just likes to plink, doing some meaningful practice can help. Be safe and we look forward to seeing you at the club.

Ed Allbaugh



Upcoming Events to Mark on Your Calendar

Every Tuesday 3 pm Muzzleloader
League

June 6 Spring Clean Up

June 6-7 High Power League

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June 13 3 Gun Match

June 12-14 IAA Event (Archery)

June 14 Vintage/Modern Military
Match

June 20 EIC 600 Yard Match

June 27 4H County Shoot

June 28 ATA

Office Reminders

Renewal invoices were emailed to all members that are due by July 31st on May 15th. We had a lot of returned emails this cycle (marked us as spam, no longer exist, and such). Unfortunately, the invoice email is a one-time email. We cannot resend it to you, or you will be charged twice. You can log into your online account and renew there or print a renewal application directly from the website. Remember you must renew everyone in your family in their personal online account. If you need help accessing your account, please reach out to the office admin.assistant@bwsa.club or call (810) 364-9894.

High Power League

This year's 100 yard HI-Power League dates are as follows:

June 6-7

July 11-12

August 8-9

September 5-6

October 3-4

The banquet is October 17, 2026 @ 5pm at the club house... so far.

League fee is \$20 which goes toward the banquet then \$10 per each match only.

The matches are 40 rounds each plus sighters. 9:45 am and 12pm start times. one or the other on both weekend days.

The course of fire is 10 rounds standing off hand in 10 minutes. 10 rounds sitting in 60 seconds.

10 rounds rapid fire prone in 70 seconds and 10 rounds prone slow fire in 10 minutes.

Matches can be made up if missed or shoot them ahead.

** If desired extra matches can be fired and only the highest 40 round scores will be sent to the NRA for ranking up purposes.

Deer Hunters, etc. are welcome to fire single events for practice. \$10 range fee. NRA range behavior rules to be followed. All shots to be fired at 100 yards.

Questions? contact: Rick Oakes 580-201-9523 , text please. I generally do not answer calls.

Thursday 3 Gun and 3 Gun

Our next 3 Gun match will be Saturday, June 13. We have been looking forward to this match as it will have an Independence Day theme to celebrate this great countries Semiquincentennial. Put your best Red, White, and Blue on and sign up at [Practiscore](#) today.

Our monthly 3 Gun matches can also be shot with a single PCC, Pistol Caliber Carbine. New shooters are always welcome, and we'll take our time to make sure you have a safe and fun event.

Join us for our weekly 3-Gun practices held year-round on Thursdays at 5:00pm at Bay 5, the pole barn. There you will be able to practice in a supportive and fun environment. Each week we set up a different stage, often based on what the members want to practice. All skill levels are welcome.

During the summer, we have more daylight, and the ground is drier, so it's easier to set up practice stages that are a little larger and have more more targets. There is no better way to practice your combat shooting skills than joining us for Thursday practice.

You will need an OWB holster with good retention, which is designed for your pistol, and at least three pistol and two rifle magazines. If you don't have all the gear needed to compete, you can still come and practice, and learn from others what gear works well for them.

Cost is \$5.00 for BWSA members and \$15 for non-members.

Pre-registration each week is appreciated, as we limit the number so everyone gets a chance to shoot enough practice runs. Contact Jeff Jaje on the Monday prior to practice at (586) 612-0857 to secure an open spot.

For more information on the 3-Gun division and matches, you may reach out to Joel Drummond at (586) 904-2425.

Come join the fun, camaraderie and sharpen your skills at the same time. We look forward to seeing you on the range.



High Power Rifle Division

Results

*April 25th 3X600 Match
Military Match*

Match Winner - F-Class
AR-15

Remsnyder, Larry 577 - 11X

High Service Rifle

Kortas, Christopher 569 - 20X

High F-Open

Knox, Ethan 390 - 1X

May 17th Vintage and Modern

Match Winner - Modern Unlimited

Emery, Mert 388-14X

High Vintage - M1 Garand

Quayle, Jason 355-8X

High Modern Colt 601 Clone

Gersch, Trevor 310-2X



Upcoming Events

As Issued Vintage and Modern Military Match - June 14th

This is an As Issued Match Rifle Match that covers full power rifles from the period of 1898 to the Modern Era.

Sections 5.1.1 >> 5.2.5 of the CMP Games Rule Book describe the features of a qualifying Vintage Military rifle.

Note: Section 5.2.4 Other as Issued Military Rifles describes the .30-40 Krag, Winchester .30-40 M1895 and the Navy Lee 1895. These are not recommended to shoot unless you have stripper clips for these rifles, because you may not complete the rapid strings. Stripper clips for the .30-40 Krag were not issued to troops and are very rare aftermarket item. Please, no rifles with tube magazines, internal box or detachable magazines only.

Sections 6.2.2 >> 6.2.4 Define the features of a qualifying Modern Military Rifle.

[2026 CMP Games Rules v3](#)

Sign up at the clubhouse at 8:00 am, Start time 9:30 am, Fee is \$20

CMP sanctioned match 50 shots for record with 5 sighters
20 shots in 20 minutes with 5 sighters - slow prone 200 yards
10 shots in 80 second strings - rapid prone at 200 yards
10 shots in 70 second strings - rapid sitting 200 yards
10 shots in 10 minutes - standing at 200 yards

CMP 50 Round EIC Match - June 20th

Sign up at the clubhouse 8:00 am, Start time 9:30 am, Fee is \$40

Rifle triggers will be weighed.

Rapid Sitting and Rapid Prone competitors must start from standing and drop into sitting or prone position to earn EIC points.

Link to the 26th Edition of the **CMP Highpower Rifle Rules** for more details:

<https://thecmp.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/2026-Highpower-Rifle-1.pdf>

Offhand 200 yard - 10 record shots in 10 minutes

Rapid Sitting 200 yard - 10 record shots in 60 seconds

Rapid Prone 300 yard - 10 record shots in 70 seconds

Slow Prone 600 yard - 20 record shots in 20 minutes

Across the Course Match - July 18th

Sign up at the clubhouse 8:00 am, Start time 9:30 am, Fee is \$30

CMP sanctioned match 80 shots for record with two sighters at each stage

20 shots in 20 minutes - standing at 200 yards

20 shots in two 60 second strings - rapid sitting at 200 yards

20 shots in two 70 second strings - rapid prone 300 yards

20 shots in 20 minutes - slow prone 600 yards

20 shots in 23 minutes, two sighters - slow prone 600 yards

See you on the firing line,

Trevor Gersch - Director High Power Rifle

Muzzleloader

Our 2026 Muzzleloader Leagues begin May 26 for Rifle, shooting every other Tuesday, from 4:00pm until done. Pistol league will begin on Tuesday June 2, from 4:00pm until done.

Everyone is welcome to come shoot with us, using caplocks or flintlocks.

We will be shooting a mixture of paper and novelty targets for both leagues.

Hope we'll see you there.

Any questions, call Ron (810) 334-8718

Shotgun

Even with construction happening in our building, shotgun is open for business. We have some events coming up so keep an eye on our calendar. We are open on Thursday 2pm to 9pm and Sundays 10am to 4pm. If you have never shot trap or skeet, reach out to us and we can give you a hand.

2026 Winter Skeet League

The 2026 Winter Skeet League Banquet was held on May 9th and it wouldn't be a Skeet League event without some weather. A thunderstorm blew through right in the middle of the shooting games and we had to call off shooting to let it pass. Once we continued with the shooting games and shoot-offs, the weather was perfect. We crowned the 2026 League Champs from the Red Division; Mike Suwinski, Dan Panczyk and Nate Goossens. Nate was the only shoot off shooter to manage a 25 straight. A good day to shoot it. After a great banquet meal from Big River Barbecue in St. Clair, dozens of prizes trophies were handed out. I'll be contacting those who weren't able to attend that won prizes so we can get them to you.

This year we had 34 teams, 102 shooters and over 50,000 rounds shot during the league.

I'm not sure if we can handle a bigger league next year, but I'm willing to give it a try. I would like to thank everyone who helped pitch in on Banquet Day. With Ed Allbaugh recovering from surgery and Tamra helping with his recovery, that left a lot of work that needed to be done without them. Thankfully, our staff, board members and people not even in the league (Judy) stepped up and made the day run smooth as possible.

The next event we will hold is the annual Richie Patterson Memorial .410 shoot. This is a 1-day 50 bird fun shoot to honor our old buddy Richie Patterson, who loved to shoot .410's. This event will be held on Thursday June 18th. \$20 entry fee plus shooting fees. You can either shoot in the ".410 Division" or the "All Other Gauges Division" or both for an extra \$10. Shooting will start at 2:00 PM with a chicken dinner starting around 6:00 and prizes after everyone has had a chance to shoot their 2 rounds. No preregistration required but I will have a signup sheet on the east side bulletin board if you plan on attending. That way I'll have an idea of how much food to buy. All details will be posted around the clubhouse, Facebook & our website.

Larry Sokolowski 810-841-7136 larrysoko1@yahoo.com



Precision Rifle

Our next event is September 26th. Registration is 8:30-9:15am Safety Brief is at 9:15am. Shooting starts at 9:30am. Cost is: Members \$10 / Non-members \$20 (Cash only, please only \$20/\$10/\$5 bills). **If you show up late you will not be allowed to shoot!** Register on the 600yd line (east of the clubhouse). You will have to carry all your equipment to the 600yd line.

All shooters will shoot the qualifier at 99yds(3 rounds within 1.5" at 99yds) at the start of the shoot with any centerfire rifle you will be using that day.

You may bring more than one rifle to shoot. All rifles must have a scope or magnified optics. No green tip, or armor piercing allowed, as it will damage the steel targets.

Targets are all steel from 99yds out to 615yds. **This event is not the time to zero your rifle!**

There will be two positions setup for Precision .22 (.22lr).

Again, there are no times, score or round count. If you have any questions feel free to call or text, I will get back with you.

This event is growing, which is awesome! With that being said, I am going to start placing people into 6 groups. We will have a mandatory rotation every hour. So it will be up to your group to call hits and misses and give everyone in your group a chance to engage each target.

Dress for the weather, there is no shelter on the line

Mark your calendars for this years Precision Rifle Events:

October 24, 2026

See you on the firing line,
Rod Damm
[586-321-2211](tel:586-321-2211)

2nd Vice President's Message

Hello All,

Now that we are finally getting some nice weather, we need some volunteers to come help with the spring cleanup. We will meet at the club house on June 6th at 9:30am to get organized and head out back to do some basic cleanup and remove any large rocks from the impact berms. If you are shooting on a bay when we come through, please stop and pitch in with cleaning up that bay.

I know the roads are rough right now, but we will begin to grade and re-crown the week of June 8th so please watch out for and give plenty of space to the grader and loader operators that will be out fixing our roads.

With the club house renovations going on it's been quiet on the skeet & trap fields, this is a great time to come out and get some practice in or learn a new sport!

Have fun, be safe
See you out there,
Mark Achatz

Get Out and Enjoy Our Club!
