

LAFAYETTE JUNIOR RIFLE CLUB  
**SHARPSHOOTER**

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**POINTS OF INTEREST**

**December**

**4, 18** Junior Shotgun Program  
– Shotgun range – **0800-1100**

**18** High Power Match – 100  
yd. Range – **0900-1200**

**24, 31** Junior Program on  
**Holiday Break**

**29** JORC Smallbore Rifle  
and Sport Pistol – Clubhouse  
Range – **0800-1600**

**January**

**8** JORC Air Rifle and Air  
Pistol – Gloucester Moose  
Family Center – **0800-1730**

**15, 29** Junior Shotgun  
Program – Shotgun range –  
**0800-1100**

**15** High Power Match – 100  
yd. Range – **0900-1200**

**For more match  
information or to reserve  
a shooting position in a  
match, contact Patty  
Harris (898-6058), or  
Owen Peters for JORC  
Matches (804-920-2795,  
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**WHAT/WHERE IS YOUR NATURAL POINT OF AIM?**

Your natural point of aim in any shooting sport, in any position, is that place where your position is correct according to the rules of that sport, is comfortable and relaxed for you to hold the gun still, and where your sights remain on the target even when you close your eyes and relax briefly. Natural point of aim is important because if you do not find it, any good shots you make will be a matter of muscle effort and luck. More often, your gun will drift away from the target to your natural point of aim while you are pulling the trigger, putting your shot somewhere other than where you wanted it.

Not only is natural point of aim different with different guns with different sights, it is different for each person. When you first start working on a position or a new type of shooting (shotgun or pistol as opposed to rifle), have someone who is more experienced watch how you hold the gun and where you hold your head, neck, shoulders, back, arms, legs, feet. When your position is correct in terms of form, check that you are comfortable and not straining any muscles to stay in position and in balance. Now sight on your target, pause, close your eyes and when you re-open your eyes check your target. Are your sights still aligned with the target? If not, you have not found your natural point of aim. To adjust, move your whole body and check your sights again. Continue until your sights stay on the target while you close your eyes. This is your natural point of aim.

Once you have located your natural point of aim for this gun for this position, observe how your body is positioned and how you relate to the target. With a little practice, you should be able to return to your natural point of aim position easily in future practice or match sessions with the gun. But remember, always check your natural point of aim before firing the first record shot. You cannot call that shot back when you realize that you were not in position when you squeezed the trigger.

**Notices**

Juniors are selling **Lafayette Gun Club** large patches at \$12.00 for one patch or \$20.00 for two; small patches \$5.00 each. Also for sale: breech safety flags for \$2.00 each, Lafayette Lapel Pins at \$3.00 each. See Patty Harris.

**The Junior Rifle and Shotgun Club**

The Junior Rifle Club meets every Friday starting at 6:00 PM. This is a community service of LGC, and parents of interested young people ages 5 – 18 need not to be members of the club. **A new shooter should be accompanied by a parent (Legal Guardian) the first time they attend and should plan to arrive before 6:00 PM that first time.** The first evening is free. After that, Juniors contribute **\$3.00** each time they attend. The Junior Shotgun Program meets on odd numbered Saturdays from **0800-1100**. Shooters should already be Rifle Club members before joining shotgun group. The cost is also \$2.00 each time a shooter attends.

### AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN SHOOTING

**Pro-Marksman**

 Gabrielle Palomo  
 —

**Marksman**
**Marksman 1<sup>st</sup> Class**

 Brittany Maynard  
 Madeleine Godwin  
 James White

**Sharpshooter**

Ana Lugo

**Bar**

 William Maynard – 1  
 Madeleine Godwin - 1  
 Melia Teixeira - 1  
 Mason Adamson - 3

**Expert**
**Distinguished Expert Pending**

 Jeremy Teller - Shotgun  
 John Schuszler – 4P Smallbore

### JUNIOR RAFFLES

The Juniors are raffling off a Ruger Mark II Competition Rimfire Pistol with a 6.88" stainless steel slab-sided bull barrel and two magazines. This pistol is suitable for competition such as the Bullseye League. Tickets will be \$8.00, three for \$20.00. See Patty Harris, or Karen Wilson for tickets.

### HIGH POWER MATCH

Two Juniors competed in the November High Power Patch, with the following results:

<u>Shooter</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>SFS</u>	<u>RFS</u>	<u>RFP</u>	<u>SFP</u>	<u>Total</u>
Tim Teller	M	94-1x	97-3x	99-3x	197-4x	487-11x
Jeremy Teller	MU	88-1x	87-0x	90-1x	159-3x	424-5x

Tim was high scorer in a field of 11, with Jeremy coming in 8<sup>th</sup> for his first time ever in this match!

### AWAY MATCHES

We are awaiting results from the Old Mill Match shot in Griffin Georgia during Thanksgiving. Sarah Osborn was in second place in sporter air rifle about half way through the competition so we are very interested in the final results.

### JORG MATCHES SCHEDULED

The Junior Olympic Virginia Southern Region Championships have been scheduled for the end of December and early in January 2011. In addition to several of our experienced juniors who have shot in these matches before, seven new shooters will shoot in the smallbore match for experience: Madeleine Godwin, William Maynard, Brittany Maynard, Ana Lugo, Javier Lugo, Melia Teixeira, and Mathias Trogler. We are very excited for all these shooters.

The Lafayette Junior Rifle Club welcomed the following new members during the month of November: Brent Greene, Josh White, James White, Isaac Brunson, Kayla Pegram, Kamrick Brewer, Jessica Larson, Jacob Williamson, James Williamson, Noah Crocco, Austin Godwin, Grant Showalter, and Halsey Mason.