



NHRC Newsletter

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CONCEALED CARRY CLASSES

Spring is right around the corner with warmer weather. That means it is time to consider scheduling some concealed carry classes for our range members.

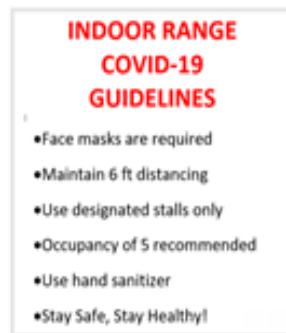
Keeping in mind the status of ammunition and its availability, I am trying to redesign the course to keep it under 50 rounds. I think we can accomplish this without too much difficulty. Please let me know what you think and any ideas you may have for what you are looking to accomplish in the training. I will try to incorporate that into the classes.

I plan to try to do a basic and an advanced class one day during the week and one day on the weekend for a total of four classes. This will allow for more sessions and extra time options.

If you are interested in attending the upcoming classes, please send me an email at Got1911@icloud.com. I plan to schedule some dates in May or June. Thanks, Larry Surkin

RANGE REMINDERS

NHRC continues to practice social distancing on the indoor range. The guidelines (below) are posted inside. To protect yourself and others, please remember to use hand sanitizer and wipe down any surfaces.



Light Pole Damaged

High winds recently broke off the light pole next to the indoor range. Please be careful until repairs can be completed.

GENERAL INFORMATION AND CLUB RULES

CLUB MEETINGS

Regular club meetings are held on the fourth Friday of the month at 7:30 PM in the range house on Pine Street in Nescopeck. **The November meeting is held on the second Friday of the month.** For more information, please contact Robert Hettinger, NHRC President at 570-759-1783

*Please note there is no meeting held in December.

SHOOTING RANGE

Indoor Hours

Mon.-Sat. 8 AM to 10 PM

Sunday 1 PM to 10 PM

Outdoor and DPR Hours

Mon.-Sat. 8 AM to sundown

Sunday 1 PM to sundown

Membership Cards. All members are **required** to display their membership card and sign in while using the range facilities.

Non-members. Non-members may only use the club facilities under the following conditions:

- 1) they are with a current NHRC club member and
- 2) they have completed a Liability form. Liability forms are located in the club house and on the outdoor range. Place completed (signed and dated) forms back in the bin. A form must be completed yearly.

Targets. Only paper targets and various steel targets provided by NHRC are approved for use. All other non-approved targets are not permitted and in violation of club rules.

CLUB EVENTS

Trap Shoots. Trap shoots are held on Tuesday evenings starting at 5:30 PM from April to October. The shoots are open to the public.

NHRC Gun Show. NHRC hosts an annual Firearms and Outdoor Sports Show every January. The 2022 Gun Show will be held on January 8 and 9 at the Nescopeck Township Volunteer Fire Company off Route 93. Show hours are Saturday from 9-4 PM and Sunday from 9-3 PM.

LOOKING AHEAD

The Annual NHRC Gun Show is planned for January 8th and 9th, 2022. Club members will be needed to help with the event. Members can assist with monitoring the show entrance (admission and gun safety checks), helping vendors, parking attendants, and manning the club stands (NHRC and NRA). Mark your calendars!

KEEP CALM AND CARRY ON

By Larry Surkin, parent member and firearms instructor

As we come into the summer season it becomes increasingly more difficult to conceal our daily carry firearm. There are several ways that we can accomplish concealability, but we must remember that we must practice drawing the firearm efficiently.



One of the more common ways to conceal during the hot summer months is to wear an 'in the waistband' holster, this requires having enough room in our waistbands to allow the holster to be carried comfortably. A good solid holster and good solid belt will usually assist us in accomplishing this. You may have to buy your summer shorts size larger, or you may have to resort to a smaller lighter caliber firearm.

If you are used to carrying a full-size pistol in the wintertime, the necessity of having a smaller gun possibly the same caliber may be your answer. For example, if you carry a Glock 17 in the wintertime you may choose to carry the smaller Glock 43 in the summer. The advantages here are more than obvious with the same trigger pull on both firearms and the same caliber it allows for increased familiarity with your draw and trigger control.

If you choose to go to a small 380, you may be able to carry in a pocket holster. Although it is slower to draw the firearm, it does require that you use a good pocket holster that will stay in your pocket when you draw the firearm. You must remember to remove the holster when you were going to re-holster the gun, as they are not designed to re-holster while in your pocket. *I will remind you that you should never place anything else in that pocket where the gun is located.* Or carry it without a holster protecting the firearm trigger from anything that may get stuck on it and cause it to discharge in your pocket. Also, pocket carry is an outstanding way to carry that second or backup gun.

Remember the carrying of a reload in the form of a speedstrip for revolvers or magazine for semi autos is always essential. For the most part you can conceal any spare magazine by using a knife pouch/case. A case like this does not draw any attention or look tactical.



These are just some ideas and food for thought on holsters. Club members can feel free to email me at Got1911@icloud.com with any questions. I am always happy to help in any way. Enjoy your summer and remember to carry concealed and train.

TRAP SHOOTS: The idea of a long cold winter indoors has everyone thinking about spring and things to do outside... You are in luck - Trap shoots will begin April 20th! NHRC will be looking for volunteers to help with the shoots. This includes setting up the speakers, restocking the trap machine and keeping scores. If you can assist on a Tuesday night, please email nhrc.clubnews@gmail.com or call Bob Hettinger at 570-759-1783. The shoots usually begin at 5 pm (set up) and finish up around 8 pm.

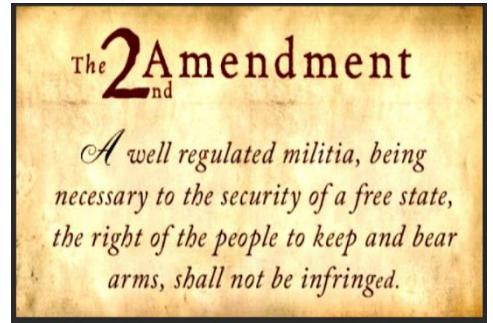
CIVILIAN MARKSMANSHIP PROGRAM (CMP): CMP's mission is to promote firearm safety and marksmanship training with an emphasis on youth. The CMP started in 1903 when Congress and the President established National Matches for the promotion of Rifle Practice. Leaders found that marksmanship skills were developed with practice and competition. on the responsible use of firearms and gun safety. CMP covers a wide array of programs and trainings. For more information log onto [Home - Civilian Marksmanship Program \(thecmp.org\)](http://thecmp.org) If you are interested in leading CMP activities at NHRC, email the club at nhrc.clubnews@gmail.com.

BIATHLON: The Biathlon Association will hold a race at NHRC on July 17th. Club volunteers will be needed for set up Friday evening and for the event on Saturday from 8-12. To help at the race, contact nhrc.clubnews@gmail.com.

RANGE IMPROVEMENTS: The pandemic has impacted construction on the new range building. NHRC has petitioned PPL to upgrade the electrical service which had been approved in mid-December. A trench has been dug for the new service from the power source to the buildings. Rich Yoder and Bryan Lowery have installed the power boxes. Now we are waiting for PPL to arrive! They have been backlogged with the pandemic and the winter weather. Once PPL provides power to the buildings, we will be able to move ahead. If you are interested in helping on the Range Improvement Committee (RIC), drop an email at nhrc.clubnews@gmail.com to be notified of the next RIC meeting.

Second Amendment News

There is no question the Second Amendment is at risk with the never-ending attacks by the left. Multiple laws have been proposed that target our constitutional right to possess firearms. Two bills passed the U.S. House of Representatives aimed at more gun control. These bills do not impact criminals but place more restrictions on law-abiding citizens. The proposed bills will also force responsible gun owners to pay more in fees to own firearms.



HR 8 and HR 1446 - Enhanced Background Checks Acts

Expanding the existing background checks already in place, H.R. 8 would require background checks for every firearm sale. Basically, a gun sale or transfer would need to be completed through a licensed/ FFL dealer. Private sales or gifting of a firearm would be prohibited. This essentially costs gun owners more money through fees. Imagine the costs associated with passing a gun collection on to your heirs.

H.R. 1446 would allow the FBI to delay a sale or transfer by not completing an instant background check. H.R. 1446 would grant additional time for the FBI to conduct checks (no limit on a timeframe). If denied, individuals would need to appeal directly to the FBI.

Together, these bills provide a platform for a universal registry of gun owners and tracing the movement of every firearm. If you think these bills are bad read on...

HR 127 - Firearm/Ammunition Licensing, Registration, and Banning of "Certain" Ammunition

A more recent bill was introduced by Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee (TX-D) on January 4, 2021. The bill's official title is: "To provide for the licensing of firearm and ammunition possession and the registration of firearms, and to prohibit the possession of certain ammunition." You can read the entire bill here- [HR 127 ALB21406 \(senate.gov\)](#). A summary of the bill:

- This bill establishes a process for the licensing and registration of firearms. It also prohibits the possession of certain ammunition and large capacity ammunition feeding devices.
- First, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives must establish (1) a licensing system for the possession of firearms or ammunition, and (2) a registration system for firearms.
- In addition, the Department of Justice (DOJ) must establish and maintain a publicly available database of all registered firearms.
- The bill creates **licensing requirements for the possession of a firearm and ammunition**. DOJ shall issue such a license if the individual is 21 years of age or older, undergoes a criminal background check and psychological evaluation, completes a certified training course, and has an insurance policy. It also outlines the circumstances under which DOJ must deny a license (e.g., the individual was hospitalized with a mental illness).
- It also establishes additional requirements for an antique firearm display license and a military-style weapons license.
- It prohibits and penalizes the possession of a firearm or ammunition unless the individual complies with licensing and registration requirements. Further, it prohibits the transfer of a firearm or ammunition to an unlicensed person.
- It generally prohibits and penalizes (1) the possession of ammunition that is 0.50 caliber or greater, and (2) the possession of a large capacity ammunition feed device.

As responsible gun owners, we must be diligent in keeping up with the laws being proposed. Contact your local legislators. Links to your congressman and representatives can be found on the NRA-ILA webpage.

Resources

[NRA-ILA | U.S. House Bows to Biden, Passes Legislation to Cancel Your RIGHT to Obtain a Firearm](#)

[Proposed Senate Bill Would Ban 'Assault Weapons,' High-Capacity Mags & More - The Shooter's Log \(cheaperthandirt.com\)](#)

[HR 127 - Firearm/Ammunition Licensing, Registration, and Banning of "Certain" Ammunition - Uncle Sam's Misguided Children](#)

****New Member Orientation Classes have been scheduled for April 16th, May 7th and May 14th****

The classes are held in the range house. Any NHRC member is welcome to attend a session. Please be reminded that the indoor range will be closed during these times.



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PROPERTY ACCESS / LIABILITY RELEASE

I understand that participation in any shooting event or activity might be hazardous to the participants.

By signing below, I assume any risk of harm or injury which might occur to me or to the participant due to their participation in the shooting event or activity. I release the Nescopeck Hunting and Rifle Club Instructors, Officers and members in charge from all liability, cost, and damages which might arise from participation in the shooting event or activity. If the participant is a minor, I agree that the minor has my consent to participate in all events and activities. I further provide my consent for the Nescopeck Hunting and Rifle Club or for the Instructor in charge to seek emergency treatment for the minor if necessary. I agree to accept all financial responsibility for the costs related to this emergency treatment.

Attn: MEMBERS - YOU MUST ALSO SIGN THIS FORM

NHRC Member - Print Name

NHRC Member's Signature

Date

Visitor - 18 years and older

Print Name

Visitor's Signature

Date

Visitor - Minor Participant (Under 18 years old)

Print Minor's Name

Print Parent or Guardian's Name

Parent or Guardian's Signature

Date

NHRC Member: You can bring 2 non-members. **You are responsible for and must stay with non-members at all times.**

*****Failure to complete and sign Liability Form will result in suspension of membership.*****