

## Anne Arundel Fish & Game Conservation Association

*"The strongest reason for the people to retain the right to keep and bear arms is, as a last resort, to protect themselves against tyranny in government."*  
- Thomas Jefferson

### ANNUAL MEETING EXCEEDS EXPECTATIONS

The combined Annual Meeting and Holiday Pot Luck Dinner drew another record crowd for both the sensational food as well as to vote on next year's Officers and Directors.

There were no additional nominations from the floor for any of the officer positions so the Officers were elected by acclamation as nominated by the Nominating Committee and published with their biographies in earlier *SCORE* issues.

President – Dave Cloutier  
Vice President – Jack Walsh  
Secretary – Debbie Gay  
Treasurer – Tom Best



*Paying attention to the proceedings.*

With additional nominations from the floor at the September meeting, but none from the December meeting, we had seven candidates before Richard Dein withdrew from the contest. Of the six candidates for

### 2009 SANCTIONED WEEKENDS

Shoot early, shoot often, shoot late, shoot centerfire on Sundays.

Mark your calendars now so you don't miss an opportunity to spend the whole day (or the whole weekend) at the range.

We only get 6 of these weekends a year so make the most of them. Check your range rules for what's available on which range and come out and enjoy your club.

**April 18 and 19**

**May 16 and 17**

**June 20 and 21**

**September 12 and 13**

**October 17 and 18**

**....also Ernie Clarke Memorial Shoot weekend...**

**(This is the Club Championship.)**

**November 7 and 8**

director the following were elected to a three year term: Jim DiCanio, Steve Love, Jennifer Martin and Bob Meck.

Jim is beginning a third and final consecutive term, Bob is recycling from a number of years in many different positions and Steve and Jennifer are starting their first terms.

Thanks to the Nominating Committee for their efforts in selecting a slate of candidates and running the election; thanks to the tabulators for their careful count of all those ballots (no hanging chads for us); thanks to Stephanie Wuerdemann and Rebecca VanSant and Mona Yurwitz for their help with door prize tickets and selling raffle tickets.

Congratulations to Tom Byrne who won the Charles Daly "cowboy gun" in .45 Long Colt. The raffle raised over \$600 thanks to your generosity.



*Meg pulling winning raffle tickets!*

## OFFICERS

President	Erick Graves	987-7670
Vice-President	David Cloutier	301-351-8070
Secretary	Debbie Gay	551-3078
Treasurer	Tom Best	562-3631

## DIRECTORS

Chairperson: Andrea Miller

Tom Byrne (1)	Jim DiCanio (1)
George Imhof (1)	Andrea Miller (1)
Jay Honeywell (2)	John Michelli (2)
Paul Striffler (2)	Bill Watkins (2)
Phil Bussey (3)	Meg Clarke (3)
Dermot Hickey (3)	Bob Yurwitz (3)

## COMMITTEES

### Action Pistol

Jim DiCanio .....	573-9259
Bob Yurwitz.....	923-6835

### Archery

Bill McCready .....	544-0591
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### Building & Grounds

Dermott Hickey .....	263-2541
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### Building Renovation

Meg Clarke.....	267-7233
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### Bullseye Pistol

Paul Striffler .....	544-5648
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### Education & Training

Meg Clarke.....	267-7233
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### High Power Rifle

Bill Palk .....	263-7626
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### Hunter Safety

David Alianti .....	257-2469
George Imhof .....	647-6152

### Junior Rifle

Andrea Miller.....	268-0110
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### Kitchen

Mike and Kathy Anderson.....	849-5812
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### Legislation & Conservation

Brian Swift.....	brian@orcharddevelopment.com
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### Membership

Meg Clarke.....	443-904-5023
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### Newsletter

Dusty Doster .....	alexisdoster3@comcast.net
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### Safety

Dermott Hickey .....	263-2541
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### Shotgun

Joe Medell .....	437-3629
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Clubhouse .....

1730 St. Margaret's Road • Annapolis, MD 21401

## YEAR IN A SNAPSHOT

**Board of Directors' Meeting** – first Monday of the month, 7:30 pm (following Tuesday if Monday is Federal Holiday)

**General Meeting/Membership** – second Thursday of the month; **Dinner @ 7pm** by Kitchen Committee – Pot Luck Dinner in March, June, September & December; Meeting starts at 8:00 pm

**Annual Meeting** (Election of Directors & Officers)  
Holiday Dinner – December Meeting

**New Member Walk Thrus** – usually the third Saturday @ 9 am or following Sunday @ 11am

## ORGANIZED MATCHES & EVENTS

**AR-15 Service Rifle League** – 1st Saturday

**Army “L” Target Pistol Match** – last Saturday

**Bullseye Pistol Leagues** – Sunday 9:30 am; Tuesday 10 am; Thursday 12:00 pm; Saturday 9 am

**Cowboy Action** – 1st & 3rd Saturdays

**Hunter Safety Classes** – To be announced

**IDPA Action Pistol** – 1st Friday & 2nd & 4th Saturdays

**NRA Action Pistol** – To be announced

**NRA Junior Rifle Program** – Sunday 1 pm

**NRA 2700 Bullseye Pistol Match** – To be announced

**Public Sight-In Day(s)** – To be announced

**Shotgun** – Trap and Skeet – Friday 10 am to 4 pm; Saturday 10 am to 1 pm

**Vintage Rifle Shoots** – 2nd Saturday

## EDUCATION & TRAINING

**NRA Range Safety Officer** – Jan. 11

**NBEF & MD Bowhunter Education Program** – TBA

**NRA Instructor Courses** are offered as requested.

Additional classes, clinics and seminars are scheduled as needed. See Education and Training article.

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April 18 and 19; May 16 and 17; June 20 and 21; September 12 and 13; October 17 and 18....also Ernie Clarke Memorial Shoot weekend...(This is the Club Championship); and November 7 and 8

## JUNIOR RIFLE

The Junior Rifle Program members practice at 1:15 - 3:15 p.m., and the Advance Team practices from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., every Sunday. The next Junior Rifle Orientation Class is tentatively scheduled for April 5, 2009. If you plan to attend an Orientation Class, please give me a call at 410-260-1009 (daytime Monday - Friday) or email me at [andrea@chesmill.com](mailto:andrea@chesmill.com)

It's that time of the year where the youth in our program get frustrated because of the weather and not being able to shoot every Sunday. We had our Holiday gathering on December 14th and will close the program until January 25, 2009. Starting January 25th, if the temperature is 40 degrees at noon at the Naval Academy weather station we'll shoot that day. Also, watch for an email from me.

Medals earned this year:

Tommy Chepurko - Pro Marksman  
Alex Gipson - Marksman  
Joe Gipson - Marksman  
Ryan Jachimski - Sharpshooter, Bar 2  
Nathan Moy - Sharpshooter, Bars 8 & 9  
Cameron Smith - Marksman 1st Class  
Garrett Smith - Marksman 1st Class  
Zoe Smith - Pro Marksman  
John Walker - Marksman

Michael Kurtis earned his NRA Distinguished Expert medal on November 9th. Congratulations to Michael from the Junior Rifle staff and junior shooters.

*"Youth are our Future"*

*Andrea Miller*  
Jr. Rifle Chairperson



*Andrea Miller presents Michael Kurtis with his certificate and patch.*

## AAF&G JUNIOR EARNS NRA DISTINGUISHED EXPERT MEDAL

Congratulations to Michael Kurtis for earning his NRA Distinguished Expert Medal in the 4-Position Rifle NRA Qualification Program. Michael has been a member of the AAF&G Junior Rifle Program since 2003. He is a junior at Southern High School in Harwood, Maryland and is active with the Boy Scouts of America. Besides being a member of the Junior Rifle Program, where he regularly helps with the new shooters, Michael enjoys shooting with the Cowboys and hunting with his father. In addition, Michael was the High Junior Shooter at the Ernie Clarke Club Championship and placed quite well overall. Congratulations!

Start the New Year in Style!  
Be sure to get your new logo patch from Jennifer!

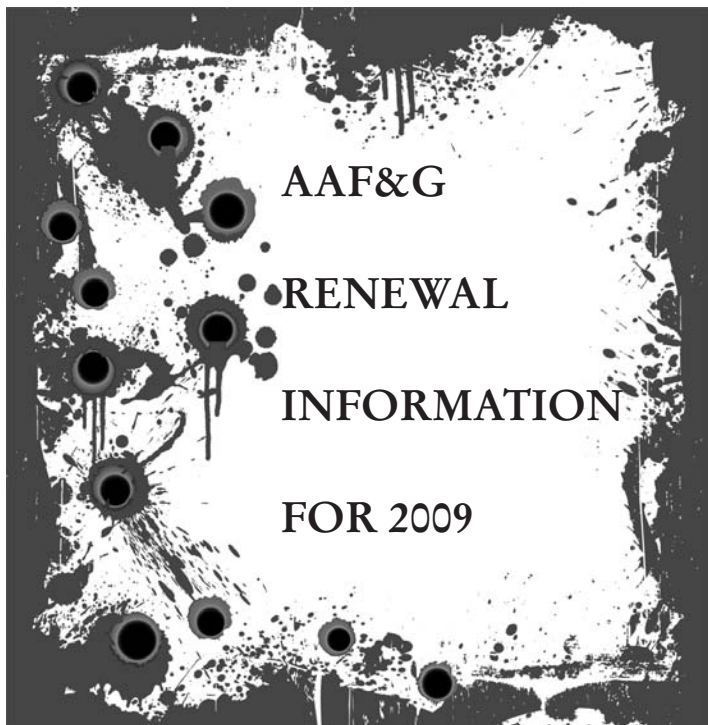


Look for RSOs on duty  
*on Saturdays!*

## Volunteers Needed

Members, help make shotgun sports at AAF&G more enjoyable for all by donating just three hours of your time a month. When you're a regular shotgun volunteer you pay less for your rounds!  
Contact Jay Honeywell at:  
[JayHoneywell@yahoo.com](mailto:JayHoneywell@yahoo.com)  
or call 410-562-3107.





## 2009 COMING GUN SHOWS

January 3 & 4

Silverado

Carroll County Agriculture Center  
Westminster

January 8, 9, 10 & 11

Appalachian Promotions

Timonium Fairgrounds

Timonium (4 Day Show)

February 6, 7 & 8

Appalachian Promotions

Timonium Fairgrounds

Timonium

February 13, 14 & 15

C & E Gun Shows

Dulles Expo Center

Dulles, VA

February 21 & 22

Appalachian Promotions

York Fairgrounds

York, PA

February 21 & 22

Silverado

Show Place Arena

Upper Marlboro, MD

February 28 & March 1

Appalachian Promotions

Pikesville Armory

Baltimore, MD

April 4 & 5

Silverado

Frederick Fairgrounds

Frederick, MD

April 18 & 19

Appalachian Promotions

Mason Dixon Auto Auctions

Greencastle, PA

April 24, 25 & 26

C & E Gun Shows

Dulles Expo Center

Dulles, VA

Your 2009 AAF&G renewal form is enclosed in this issue of the *SCORE*. The form is printed on brightly colored paper to make it easier to find on the desk, table, etc.

The renewal instructions (same as in past years) are on the renewal form. If you joined the club after August, 1999 remember to include proof of your NRA membership (copy of your card, address label from your magazine, copy of the letter they sent you saying they're several weeks behind in processing) with your completed form.

**EVERYBODY** (including Life Members and each card carrying family member) needs to complete a renewal form...this is how we tell if you've moved, changed your telephone or email address or just ridden off into the sunset. **STUDENT MEMBERS** must also enclose a copy of their official full time schedule as well as their form, etc.

The credit card option for paying your dues is **NOT AVAILABLE**.

Please **MAIL** your dues and completed forms, etc. back to the club's Post Office box. (PO BOX 150, Arnold MD 21012) We have a system in place for collecting and processing them. **DO NOT LEAVE THEM IN THE CLUB HOUSE OR TRAP TRAILER.**

The new gate and club house combination will be on the back of your 2009 membership card which will be **MAILED** in a big batch around the middle of February. If you paid, sent your form, etc. and don't have your new card by the end of February, contact Meg Clarke. You can reach her at [marston.clarke@verizon.net](mailto:marston.clarke@verizon.net) or 443-504-9023 (days) or at 410-267-7233 (eves)

The lock combinations will be changed **AFTER** but **AROUND** the first of March.

Thanks for renewing your membership!

## 2009 VINTAGE RIFLE MATCHES

### JANUARY

**Any Military Rifle** - Manual Bolt action or Semi-auto (issued pre-1964) - configured as originally issued but may have after-market (Mojo, etc, style) sights.

### FEBRUARY

**Rifles of WWII**, configured as originally issued as originally configured but may have after-market (Mojo, etc, style) sights. Rifles used by the original Axis of Evil, the Allied Forces, or Non-Belligerents.

### MARCH

**Single Shot Rifles**, no magazines, firing a cartridge, other than .22rimfire, originally loaded with Black Powder.

### APRIL

**Rifles of WWI era**, configured as originally issued but may have after-market (Mojo, etc, style) sights. Rifles used by the Central Powers, Triple Entente, or Non-Belligerents.

### MAY

**Muzzleloaders**, Traditional Side Hammer style (Matchlock, Wheel lock, Dog Lock, Miguelet, Flintlock and Percussion OK) with Iron Sights.

### JUNE

**Any Military Rifle** of a type used in the **Korean Conflict** by US Forces as originally configured but may have after-market (Mojo, etc, style) sights.

### JULY

**Military Manual Bolt Action Rifle** configured as originally issued but may have after-market (Mojo, etc, style) sights.

### AUGUST

**Single Shot Rifles**, no magazines, firing a cartridge, other than .22rimfire, originally loaded with Black Powder.

### SEPTEMBER

**Any Military Semi-auto Rifle** issued prior to 1964 (from Mondragon to M1A) and as originally configured but may have after-market (Mojo, etc, style) sights.

### OCTOBER

**Muzzleloaders**, Traditional Side Hammer style (Matchlock, Wheel lock, Dog Lock, Miguelet, Flintlock and Percussion OK) with Iron Sights.

### NOVEMBER

**Rifles of WWI era**, configured as originally issued as originally configured but may have after-market (Mojo, etc, style) sights. Rifles used by the Central Powers, Triple Entente, or Non-Belligerents.

### DECEMBER

**M1 Garand Rifles and M1 Carbines** as originally configured but may have after-market (Mojo, etc, style) sights.

All matches will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month from 10am-12noon unless otherwise noted. Except for aftermarket sights allowed on Military Bolt Action Rifles, all military rifles should conform to current CMP Competition Rule 6.0.

## ECCLES RIFLE RANGE!



Make your own target frame for the High Power Rifle Range! It doesn't cost that much and it's not all that complicated to assemble. Here's what you need in the way of materials to make a target frame: the current frame design uses 1"x2"s, 6' long for the uprights and 18" long for the crosspieces. The only other wood used is 1/4" plywood, 6" x 19 1/2" for bracing at the bottom and top. The 18" crosspieces put the side rails at the right width to fit into the ground holes. These pieces fit inside the uprights! It is very simple. Each frame requires (2) 1"x2"x6', (3) 1"x2"x18", and two of the 6"x19 1/2"x1/4" plywood pieces. That's it!

[www.geocities.com/~aafg/](http://www.geocities.com/~aafg/)

The target backers are typically made from 20"x30" foam core backer board but there's a pile of donated real estate and political campaign signs piled next to the frame storage container that lend themselves to this use very nicely.

Never be without, make and carry your own target frame!



### MORE SITES TO CHECK OUT

[www.msarpa.org](http://www.msarpa.org)

<http://www.odcmp.org>

[www.idpa.com](http://www.idpa.com)

<http://millcreekwranglers.org>

[www.twelfthprecinct.com](http://www.twelfthprecinct.com)

[www.uspsa.org](http://www.uspsa.org)





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BILL SHOWACRE**



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# IN MEMORIAM

## JOHN LOCKE, JR.

*(From his obituary as published in The Capital on November 8, 2008)*

John W. Locke, Jr., 68, a three year resident of Heathsville, Va. and formerly of Annapolis, died November 6<sup>th</sup> of pancreatic cancer at his home.

Mr. Locke was born May 7, 1940 in Washington, D.C. to the late Ruth Thorne Locke and John W. Locke, Sr.

He received his B.S. from American University and was a CPA in D.C., Maryland and Virginia. For 30 years he had his own accounting practice, 27 years in Annapolis and 3 years in Heathsville.

He was a master mason and a member of East Gate Lodge No. 34 and Heathsville Lodge No. 109.

He enjoyed sailing, flying, earning his private pilot's license in 1992, and shooting trap and skeet.

Survivors include his wife of 44 years, Jane; one daughter; Karen Phillips of Georgetown, Del.; one son; John W. Locke, III of Hamilton, Va.; and two grandsons.

At AAF&G John was instrumental in providing the Trap Trailer for shotgun shooters to use. Without his devotion to the shotgun sports we might still be using a warm-up shelter.

He and Jane headed the Kitchen Committee for over a year and created a winter breakfast event to benefit the club.

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## WILLIAM M. SHOWACRE

*07/26/21 - 08/06/08 • Shooter - Mentor - Friend - Patriot*

*President - 1977 • Anne Arundel Fish and Game Conservation Association, Inc.*

AAF&G lost a true friend this past week. Retired Army Lt. Col. William M. "Bill" Showacre passed away Wednesday, August 6, 2008 at the age of 87 due to complications from a viral infection and congestive heart failure.

Bill had been a member of AAF&G since 1960, was president in 1977 and served a number of terms on the Board of Directors. He is best known for the unlimited hours he spent over the last 40 years instructing our Junior Rifle shooters as well as senior rifle shooters and students of the AAF&G Hunter Safety Classes.

Bill was a retired Lt. Col. in the US Army, and due to his rank and service, not only in WWII but also in Korea, is eligible for burial in Arlington National Cemetery. Internment at Arlington will be on December 1<sup>st</sup>. A memorial service was held Wednesday, August 13<sup>th</sup> at 3 pm at 1st Presbyterian Church on Duke of Gloucester Street. A reception immediately following the service was held at AAF&G.

Bill had no family other than his friends in AAF&G, the Boy Scouts of America and the High Power Rifle community, so keep him in your prayers and thoughts.

The Obituary from *The Capital* read as follows:

Lt. Col. William M. Showacre, 87, a resident of Annapolis,

died of congestive heart failure Aug. 6 at Marley Neck Health and Rehabilitation Center in Glen Burnie.

Lt. Col. Showacre was born in Baltimore on July 26, 1921, to William Russell and Genevieve Farnsworth Showacre. He joined Army in 1943 and served during World War II and the Korean War. He received the Middle Eastern Service Medal and World War II Victory Medal.

After retiring, he taught Industrial Arts in Annapolis for 22 years. He was a member of First Presbyterian Church of Annapolis.

His interests included teaching sailing at the Annapolis Sailing School, being a Boy Scout Master; but most of all he enjoyed teaching junior rifle marksmanship to young people, building airplanes and his ferrets.

Friends are invited to a Life Celebration at 3 pm Wednesday at the First Presbyterian Church of Annapolis, 171 Duke of Gloucester Street. Interment will be in Arlington National Cemetery with full military honors at 11 am, Dec. 1, 2008.

Arrangements are by Kalas Funeral Home. Sign the online guest book at [www.kalasfuneralhomes.com](http://www.kalasfuneralhomes.com).

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the Hospice of the Chesapeake, 445 Defense Highway Annapolis, MD 21401 or to the American Red Cross.

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## CALVIN SPENCER POWELL

1945 – 2008

It is with great sadness that we report the death of one of our fellow members. Spence Powell passed away on April 12<sup>th</sup> after a long battle with cancer. A long time resident of Severna Park, he worked for Northrop Grumman Electronic Systems (formerly Westinghouse) in Linthicum for twenty five years as a Financial Administrator. He also served in the U.S. Army both active duty and as a reservist for twenty-five years retiring at the rank of Colonel in 1993. During his Army service he was awarded the Bronze Star for heroic actions in Vietnam

and the Distinguished Service Medal for his efforts in Operation Desert Storm. Spence was born and raised near Bluefield, WV and grew up doing what most of us love to do - hunt, fish and collect firearms.

For those of us who had the good fortune to work closely with Spence over the years, we knew a true gentleman who possessed a strong work ethic, and an incredible commitment to his family, friends and country. We will miss him very much. Our sincere condolences go out to Spence's family at this time.



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## *General Meeting January 8th*

**Dinner • 7 PM  
Meeting • 8 PM**

*Dinner by the Kitchen Committee!*

## *Club Activities*

### **Bullseye Pistol Leagues**

Sunday: 9:30 am; Tuesday: 10 am;  
Thursday: 12:00 pm; Saturday: 9 am

### **Shotgun - Trap and Skeet**

Friday: 10am to 4pm  
Saturday: 10am to 1pm

Use the **Plinking Range** to try out a new gun.  
Check the Range Rules for caliber  
and target restrictions.

See page 2 for list of regular activities.