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## GREETINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Another great year is ending, and we are still here. We just finished our intake of new members, and it looks to me as if we have another great group of people added to the roster. My thanks go to all the members who worked and gave of their time and effort to make the orientation go smoothly, and who made it an excellent learning exercise. There are too many people to name here but I do want to point out Ken Hignutt's excellent handling of all the administrative functions having to do with the intake, and Jim McGarry and Pete Romanik's efforts in both the classroom work and the on-range exercises. Pete is leaving the People's Republic of New Jersey this year, and I feel it will be hard to fill his shoes. I wish him a happy retirement and a great shooting experience in Colorado.

Bob Warzbok also deserves more than a mention here. Bob is the person who is worth his weight in gold. He empties the trash, washes and cleans the toilet facility, and is my gate fixer when the rollers fall off. He also has a trying job in keeping me headed in the right

direction.

Cumberland has a fantastic reputation in the region's shooting circles. So much of that is due to the match directors and people who volunteer to help them put on the matches, run the leagues, clean the ranges in preparation for the next match, do the target repair and call the lines or work the pits. To paraphrase Churchill, "Never have so few been responsible for so much." My thanks go to you all.

Come to think of it, I don't know what we would do without any of you volunteers who give so much of yourselves to keep the club functioning.

By the time you get to reading this, our Pistol Plinking Range should be in operation. The rules for that range will be printed in this newsletter and on the website and by email blast. Please take the time to read them and be familiar with their intent - to make sure that no one gets hurt and secondly to protect the ranges and systems which make them unique.

We have had some good success with our camera surveillance system. Three in-

cidents were brought to the attention of the Disciplinary Board — the last of which was a member and two guests who were not satisfied with what was allowed as targets on the plinking range and decided to shoot up some electronic equipment. At least they had the brains to pick the evidence up and to trash it. It was found and the club member responsible was identified through the surveillance system. Using electronic equipment as targets can get us into a lot of trouble — the EPA can hit us with a \$10,000 fine for each occurrence. That would be a real shot for our treasury. This instance had four devices shot (4 x \$10k = \$40,000) !!

The other incidences referred to the Disciplinary Committee had to do with failure to follow the rules as to which targets and guns can be used on a range, shooting from non-designated areas, and a willful disregard of the club rules. The cameras are up and working on every range. Each range and every road on the facility is under observation.

Keep in mind, that the

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## President's Corner

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rules are not made to cause any member aggravation – they are written to protect the shooters on the range, the club members who pay their dues and facilitate the club operation, and to keep the club from costly legal action. We are all range officers and we all have the responsibility to correct and report any violations.

Most folks are aware that the Electric Company is having contractors work in the right of way which extends across our property. We are still getting little or no advanced warning as to the dates and times that workers will be there completing the work project. I am still looking for help from the electric company to remedy this situation but...**be aware**, and if you hear activity in the woods behind the ranges, **stop shooting** and make me aware ASAP. We don't want anyone hurt.

In that regard, please take the time to read the email blasts. I promulgate them with information I

believe to be of interest and value across the spectrum our membership represents. It is amazing how much I hear the questions as to why a range is closed or schedule changes are enacted. I always ask the question: did you receive the email blast? Inevitably the answer is to the effect that it was received but not read. Rather a waste of time on both my and the questioner's part.

The schedule for next year's activities is on the website and was emailed to the members on the club email roster. If you think you might want to join us in some activity and don't know who to call to get started, then just call me – my number is on the front gate.

I received a question about the name plates located on three of the ranges. I think I will restate what we are trying to do. When a member whose contributions to the club are judged to be beyond the norm, and that member passes away or leaves the club, then a plaque is made bearing the member's name and placed at the range which he is known to have favored during his

membership at CRI.

Despite the problems we experienced, I must say it was a tremendous year for the club. We were awarded two significant grants from the NRA, put a new range into operation, had a very successful youth program and our matches ran without hitches – when the weather cooperated. I think that we have a phenomenal membership and I truly appreciate your support of and participation in the club.

Have a safe and happy Christmas Season and a very profitable, healthy and Happy New Year. I look forward to seeing you on the range.



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The builders of the benches for the new range, hard at work. Thanks to all involved.

# The Editor's Corner

Even though the electors have not yet voted, we gun owners seemed to have dodged a bullet during the past election, but emotions are still high in this ever more divided nation.

Eight years of the "great uniter" have left this country in a sorry state of affairs. Such a golden opportunity was missed, but we must remember that the progressive/liberal agenda lives and thrives on chaos and division.

Now we have another golden opportunity to unite much of this country, but we must not leave it to the politicians. ( Are there many that we actually trust ?) Bringing us back together will come from the home, school, church, and anywhere people get together to talk of those things important to us all. Real, lasting change will be from the grassroots.

We obviously realize the need to pass our love of the shooting sports on to the next generation, but that does not go far enough to help preserve this greatest and most successful of all experiments. Our citizens are woefully ignorant of the founding of this country, and poorly understand the Constitution and why the provisions in it were written as they were. Our schools, which are burdened by too many state and federal mandates, and political correctness, have failed to teach our children about our founding. We can reach our own family, but how about those families that we will never begin to touch ? Social media can be a panacea in this case. Hillsdale College and The Heritage Foundation, and other organizations, have programs, classes, and other information that can take the beginnings of

this country to millions of smart phones. Many people now only get their news from social media. Our Constitutional message should be there when they log in, and there's no fear about exposing your gun ownership to those you wish not to inform ! The Second Amendment alone won't restore this country; the whole Constitution must be in context. Only when we unite this country from the grassroots level will we begin to see some honest journalists and politicians to whom we can trust our futures.

The almost 1,200 members of Cumberland Riflemen can be in on a new grassroots surge of freedom and liberty, and, of course, along with that goes participation of more family and new shooters at the range. Our facility is underutilized, and there is lots of room left in the Bench Rest, High-Power,

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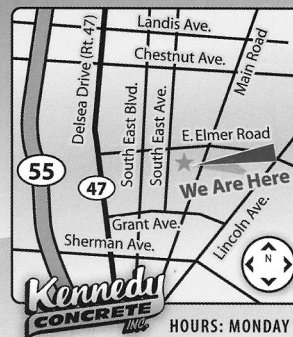
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Paul Adamowski, left, awards the New Jersey State Garand/Springfield/Vintage Rifle award to champion, Don Zubritsky.

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and Pistol Leagues. Not to fear, none of us out there are Annie Oakley or Jerry Miculek !! You may just find that one of these leagues will, in one evening, rekindle your shooting flame, or ignite a new one ! Bring out one of those guns that has been ignored, and join some folks for some great fun and camaraderie on league night.

As I write this on Thanksgiving Day, I wish all of you a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, and great New Year, and a safe and rewarding winter. See you at the range.

Rob McKenzie  
Editor

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## Elections

Per the by-laws, the Vice President, Executive Officer, and Treasurer will all stand for election this year. Any member desiring to run for any of these three positions should contact President Paul Adamowski not later than the close of business on January 2, 2017, and state their intent. All incumbents have expressed an interest in standing for their positions.

If no challenges are made for these positions, then the election will be considered null, and the incumbents will remain in position for another term of two years. Accordingly, the election will not take place.

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## December 2016 Range Report

I would like to start by thanking the members who utilized the ranges, conducted themselves in a safe manner, and abided by the rules of the ranges, including the clean up after they are done. However, we still have a few members that do not abide by the rules. Most recently we discovered that someone was bringing in and shooting at electronic equipment on the plinking range, which is forbidden by our rules. Again, the rules and regulations are in place to protect you as members and to decrease our liability as well.

Any violations of the rules will be brought before the disciplinary board for determination of penalties. I ask all members to review the current rules and regulation on our website if you are not familiar with them.

The attendance at work days this past year has, again, been very slim. We are only getting a few showing up out of approximately 1,200 members. We don't want to contract some of this work out !! So please, for a few hours a

year, you can save yourself money on your dues as well as keeping down the cost to maintain the ranges. It's also a great time to meet some new folks, talk shooting and hunting, learn some new jokes, and feel much more a part of our organization.

The handgun plinking range is done, and the rules are posted. Check the email blast and website for up-to-date info on the new range.

We have four new range officers that are now on board. Range officers will check for violation of rules and regulations, as well as any safety concerns that may be observed by anyone. They wear a red hat, identifying them as a range officer for Cumberland Rifleman. Please give the range officers the respect for their position, their hard work, and dedication.

Hopefully we will have a mild winter which will allow us to do an ample amount of shooting.

Jim McGarry  
Executive Officer

## Match Results

This is a compilation of shooting activities by CRI shooters.

### National Matches:

Congratulations are in order for **Joe Burkel**, **Tom Foster**, **Rob McKenzie** and **Lee Nugent** for their accomplishments both individually and as NJ State Team Members.

**Joe Burkel** placed 34th in the President's 100, 32nd in National Trophy Individual Match, 7th in the Alice Bull Trophy Match, and also teamed with **Tom Foster** to place 7th in the Vintage Sniper Match

**Tom Foster** teamed with NJ resident **Carol Boyd** to place 42nd in the Hearst Doubles, as well as teaming with Burkel to win a gold medal in the Vintage Sniper Match.

**Rob McKenzie** won a Bronze Medal in the Garand and 1903 Springfield Matches and a Silver in the Vintage Military Match.

**Lee Nugent** won a Bronze Medal in the Garand Match.

Additionally, members Burkel, Foster, McKenzie and Nugent shot on the NJ State Team which placed 13th in the National Trophy Team Match (Oct.) and 6th in the National Trophy Infantry Team Match (Oct.).

### Local Matches:

Locally, **Mike Schallow** showed the way to many shooters in the F Class Circuit, not only winning several of the matches for that discipline, but also for winning the NJ State Mid-Range Championship. Schallow was chased hard by **Mike Berezin**, but won the champion's label by besting Berezin by three

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## These are thoughts from a member – good points!

Just a friendly reminder that integrity is how you act when you think no one is looking. I found .223 brass some 25 yds downrange on the plinking range where people were not shooting from the firing line, with remains of targets tied to the target stands. There were even the remains of a shot up pumpkin rotting on the range.

People are generally good, but need a healthy reminder not to \$#%# where they eat. It's not only stupid but it's destructive and volunteers won't weld those stands back up forever!



## Match Results

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X's.

In October, Walt Schmidlin won the NJ State Match Rifle Championship here at CRI, joining **Joe Burkel** who won the NJ Service Rifle Championship in July.

Also in October, **Joe Burkel** showed the power of his VX-R scope, set upon a Burkel-built .223 upper, when he won the Governor's Match, outpacing all 38 contenders and scoring a 290!

**Rob McKenzie, Lee Nugent, Vince D'Alessandro, and Kevin Tunney** showed good form in winning the various GSV Matches here at CRI.

In the CMP State Championships, **Don Zubritsky** won the Overall and NJ State Springfield Championship, and **Charlie Groves** won the Modern Military State Championship.

**Vince D'Alessandro** was the shooter to beat in his class at the M1A Match, while in the Sniper Match, both classes were won by CRI members. Foster and Burkel

teamed to win the vintage class while the contemporary class was won by **Scott Rhodes** and **Al Li-hou**.

In Rimfire matches, the man to beat was **Scott Rhodes**, who is not only a local power house but a contender on the national scene. Scott posted wins in most of the matches he fired.

The local Black Powder Matches have taken on a life of their own. **Carl Leisinger** showed that not all men of age have bad eyesight, by cleaning out and outpacing the competition in his win in the first BP Match this year. **Vince D'Alessandro** showed his stuff by winning a good number of Black Powder Matches. And **Glenn Davis** shot a very respectable score in the BP Regional closely followed by **Pete Romanik**.

**Brian Gross** showed his abilities in winning a CRI sponsored Limited Sporter Match.

This was an off year for the Pistol Shooters, but there is always next year! Perhaps we can field a Pistol Team at the Nationals next year!



Mike Schallow, left, receiving the award from Mike Berzin, as the 2016 New Jersey Mid Range champion.



The 2016 New Jersey State Service Rifle award going to Joe Burkel, left. Presented by Darrin Montagna.

## High Power Rifle at CRI

High Power rifle competition is not only alive and well at Cumberland Riflemen, it's thriving. We are now known for holding some of the best run High Power Rifle matches on the East Coast, and our facility is one of the finest around. Also, our members are competing on a national level and winning. This year we had three New Jersey State Champions, Joe Burkel - Service Rifle, Walt Schmidlin - Match Rifle, and Mike Schallow - Mid-Range. All three are active members of our club.

CRI shooters have been traveling long distances to compete. Many of our members have gone to the Nationals at Camp Perry, Ohio. Some have traveled to the Southwest Berger Championship in Arizona, while others have shot in the Orange Blossom Regional

in Florida, made the trek to Camp Butner in North Carolina, and the Cabela's East Coast Long Range Regional in Delaware.

The High Power committee is now in the planning stages of hosting The Jersey Devil Mid-Range Regional next September. It should be a well-attended and highly contested match. Some of the best shooters from New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, and elsewhere will come here to compete.

Cumberland Riflemen has become a hotbed of high power rifle shooters. We are the home range for up and coming novices as well as accomplished high master shooters. If you have any interest in shooting high power rifles in competition, now is the time to start. This is the golden age of high power rifle at Cumberland Riflemen. The executive board has

supported the program and spent the money to make our range one of the best. On Tuesday nights, during the shooting season, we hold a high power rifle league. This is a program specifically designed to help beginners get started. Many participants in this league have become very competitive in registered matches.

We also have a great Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP). This type of high power shooting involves using vintage military rifles, such as M-1 Garands, M1A's, Springfield 1903's, and many others. These events are well attended and a good time is had by all attendees.

Shooting high power rifles at CRI is a blast! Please come out and join in the fun.

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# Junior Program

Good day Cumberland Riflemen! The Cumberland Riflemen Junior Program finished up the 2016 Season on October 22nd, with a Parent-Child Shootout, followed by a pizza party and awards presentation at the range. Another successful year in the books!

The Cumberland Riflemen Junior Program is open to everyone, including non-members, from ages 10 to 20. We start up in late March and run through late October, with a break in the month of August as parents are using up their vacation time, as well as getting the kids ready for school. We meet approximately every other Saturday morning from 10:00 am until 12:00 noon, mostly on the 100 Yard Range, with occasional matches on the Plinking Range for our Fun Shoots. The total cost for the Program is \$25.00 for the season, which includes everything being supplied by the Cumberland Riflemen. Firearms, ammo, targets, and instruction are included. Most participants supply their own ear and eye protection, but we have

it available on a loaner basis. Mandatory attendance is not required as we realize that families have other commitments to work, school, and church.

Our course of action includes firearms safety, range etiquette, fun, and the utilization of the NRA/Winchester Shooting Program. This is a cumulative awards program rewarding proficiency with certificates and badges. I can't stress enough the importance of firearms safety and range etiquette! The youth are constantly monitored "eyes-on" by competent Instructors and Adult Volunteers. Our Fun Shoots include shotgun with clay birds, spinning targets, and other unconventional targets. In addition, we often vary our shoots to include High-Power Rifle if they are interested in trying. We never push our kids to try something at which they are not comfortable!

As with any successful programs, we couldn't do it without the help of our Instructors and volunteers! I would like to thank the follow-

ing people that are present on a bi-weekly basis and help us run the Cumberland Riflemen Junior Program. They include Frank Hignutt, Ken Hignutt, Sherman Hartman, Ray Varity, Jim McGarry, Lou Rider, and Frank Karwowski. (My apologies if I missed anyone else!) These gentlemen are all experienced shooters and really lend a hand to our youth as teachers and instructors in technique.

If you have any children, grandchildren, neighbors, or anyone you know that might be interested in our Junior Program for 2017, please feel free to forward this letter to them.

I hope to hear from you, and have a Joyous Holiday Season!

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