

LEYDEN RIFLE CLUB NEWSLETTER

Leyden, Massachusetts

Affiliated with the National Rifle Association &
the Civilian Marksmanship Program

- ✓ **Reminder: LRC has hired an outside contractor** to mow the grass, field, etc.; all rifle and pistols ranges are closed while the contractor is on the Club grounds. ABSOLUTELY NO SHOOTING WILL BE ALLOWED UNTIL THE CONTRACTOR IS FINISHED. Remember: The Club is responsible for the contractors' safety while on our ranges and grounds
- ✓ **Cartridge brass is hard-to-find** on the rifle range if you haven't noticed. Except for spent .22 L.R. cases and shotgun hulls cases here-and-there, there isn't much center fire brass cases littering the range grounds as there used to be. Could it be because of the high price of ammo and brass? Could it be the high price per pound of scrap metal brass? Don't know. Either way, it appears members are picking up their spent brass which is great. The next question is: What do we do with the fired steel Berdan-primed center fire rifle & pistol cases?
- ✓ **2010 LRC Membership dues** were increased January 1st from \$25 to **\$35** per year. This was because of only a few dedicated members helping out (work bees) and because the Club is now forced to hire outside contractors to perform the work like lawn mowing. BTW, memberships for this year are running about the same as last year. Suggestion: Why not plan on signing-up one new member for the Club this year? New LRC members are always welcome.
- ✓ **Entergy Security** (Vermont Yankee) will not be at LRC this year: they have found another place to train and practice. From this move, all LRC ranges will be OPEN this year, -with the exception of work bees (all ranges closed). The LRC wishes Entergy Security all the best for the future; they will always be welcomed back to the LRC.
- ✓ **A 'Hold Harmless Agreement' (HHA)** must be signed and dated for your 2010 Leyden Rifle Club membership be it new, renewal & honorary. The HHA's were mailed to all 2009 members. Please be sure to return the completed HHA with your membership dues. No one will be issued a 2010 membership without signing an HHA. If you haven't received your HHA, please call Ewin @ (413)773-3548 to request one. The HHA is a one-time-for-life occurrence and it will be retained on file with the Club indefinitely.
- ✓ **The LRC Annual Meeting** was held on Sunday, October 25th at the Clubhouse. An informal work bee was held in the morning to rake leaves at the Clubhouse grounds before the meeting. The Club would like to thank Scott H., Elwin B. Chuck M., Henry S. and Eric G. for helping out and, of course, special thanks Mary Lou B. for cooking her hot beef stew on a cool autumn day. All LRC officers, for 2010, were elected at the meeting. (See above).
- ✓ **'Appleseed' comes to Leyden Rifle Range!** 'Appleseed' is an American rifle marksmanship heritage course run by the non-profit Revolutionary War Veterans Association and is the fastest growing shooting program in the country. Two (2) 'Appleseed' courses will be held at the LRC on May 22-23 and September 25-26, 2010 at our outdoor range. At the course, you will learn to shoot .22 rifles that would simulate shooting up to 500 yards and possibly earn a Rifleman patch by scoring "Expert" using the Appleseed targets. In addition, you will learn history about April 19th 1775 and the real story about the Battles of Lexington & Concord. Q. *Do you know who fired the first shots?* Q. *Where did the American Revolution really begin?* All women, anyone under 21 years of age, and all current active-duty military can shoot for free and the rest (men) shoot for a modest fee. The 'Appleseed' course is open to the whole family. For more information and/or to obtain a pre-registration discount, visit their website, <http://www.appleseedinfo.org>.

2010 Officers:

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(J. Healey – Alt.)

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We had GREAT!! week-end. We had 14 shooters on the line ranging from Blake, who'd never fired a gun before (13, local, Firearms Safety class with me last Fall) To a father/son duo from Western NY/ PA (6hr drive), that travel the country together shooting "High Power" matches. (They "knew what they were about". And shot next to Blake. They also had a "Ball", wanting to get AS's into W. NY). On Sat. we had four Instructors In Training (iit) and two Instructors). On Sat. there was a lot of basic shooting instruction/shooting with the Breaks being filled with powerful history lessons (Marksmanship + History = Heritage!). It truly incredible watching people sucking in all that history.

Sunday we had ten shooters, four IIT's, and before we were all done three Instructors. The day was spent doing a lot more shooting, applying what we'd worked on, the day before. Part way through the day

we moved up to the 100yd firing line. Half the folks broke out center fire rifles (ar's, enfields, moisins, m1s). Then we finished up on the 25m line.

Everyone loved the range, though there were comments about its remote location.(most of those in attendance were urban/suburban dwellers. This led to some banjo/deliverance jokes :)

To the LRC, if your not involved in Appleseed, you are probably missing out on one of the fastest growing shooting movements, to save the country (doubling every year since it started). (I could go a lot further down this line of thought, but I'll spare you . . . for now :)

Enjoy the nice weather Summer has to offer,

- The LRC Officers and Directors

July 2010

Hornady Product Availability

April 10, 2009

The shooting sports industry as a whole is currently experiencing record sales. Here at Hornady Manufacturing we are breaking our own production records in an attempt to keep up with customer demand. We have added extra shifts, machinery and we are also in the process of expanding our manufacturing plant. We will continue to produce as much product as we can while still retaining the high quality control you've come to expect from us.

With the demand for our products being as high as it currently is, we are forced to make some temporary changes. Until further notice we are only able to ship ammunition, bullets, cases and major reloading tools to our wholesalers and retailers. This means that we are not able to accept consumer orders for those products via telephone or our website. We will take telephone/web orders for reloading spare parts, press accessories and specialty dies. Click here to download a list of [available products](#) you can purchase on our website. For ammunition, bullets etc., your favorite [retailers and sporting goods chains](#) have large orders placed with us so you will receive your product faster by purchasing through them than you would by ordering factory direct.

We sincerely apologize for any inconveniences this may cause anyone and as soon as this situation eases we will return to accepting retail orders.

Gone, but never forgotten by us.....

Sent: Wednesday, August 04, 2010 11:00 AM

>To: Phil Donnelly; Joseph Martel; Sipitkowski, Joe - Power Solutions

>Subject: "one gun a month" bill, DEAD

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>According to the NSSF web page today, Deval Patrick's one gun a month
>bill did not pass or even get a chance to be voted on by the Mass State
>Legislature at the end of the Mass Legislative Formal Session.

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>All Gun owners should be proud of their efforts to squash this bill as
>well as give a BIG THANK YOU to Gun Owners Action League. They were on
>the ball for watching these kinds of bills.

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>If you are not a member of GOAL you should be!! They are our first
>defense against our guns being taken away.

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>Go to there web site and join today if your are not already a member.

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>GOAL.Org

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>Steve Noyes





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