



# The Bullet



The Newsletter of The Holliston Sportsmen's Association, Inc.

April 2006

## TROUT DERBY APRIL 29th

The trout derby has been scheduled for Saturday April 29th. The derby is a great time to bring the kids and grand kids to the club. The pond will be stocked with brook, brown, and rainbow trout, just for the kids. Breakfast, and registration starts at 6:00AM. Fishing starts at 7:00AM and runs to 11:00AM. Fishermen should bring their own bait and tackle. Popular baits are garden worms, and crawlers, power bait, meal worms, or salmon eggs. Sometimes a combination of these baits works well. Prizes are awarded in several categories, and a good time is had by all. The Sport Fishing Committee is looking for help in running this event. Come to the April meeting or contact Rich Girvin for information, or to volunteer to help out.

## DUD ROUNDS PROPER DISPOSAL

Members using the indoor range are reminded to use the dud box to dispose of defective unfired rounds of ammo. Live rounds in the trash or brass buckets pose a safety hazard. Please remember to use the dud round disposal container provided for this use.

## APRIL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY APRIL 5TH

The April meeting of the Association will be held on Wednesday April 5, 2006. Planning for the Trout Derby will be a topic for discussion. Upcoming work party, and Summer Trap League information will be made available. The attendance prize drawing will be held. refreshments will be served following the meeting.

## JUNIOR CONSERVATION CAMP

The H.S.A. is seeking a camper to attend the 2006 Massachusetts Junior Conservation Camp. The camp is located in Chesterfield, MA. The dates for this two week live in camp are August 6th to the 18th. The camp is open to boys and girls between the ages of 13 and 17. Conservation subjects taught are Fish and Pond Life, Soil Conservation, and Wildlife Management. Outdoor skills taught are basic camping, fly and spin casting, rifle, shotgun, and orienteering. Campers also complete the Massachusetts Hunter Education Program, and Small Boat Safety Course. For fun, and relaxation the camp offers swimming, fishing, boating, softball, volleyball, and extra time on the shooting ranges. For more information go to the camp website at [www.juniorconservationcamp.org](http://www.juniorconservationcamp.org). If you know a young person that would like to attend camp let Danny Lee know right away. Registrations are due May 1st. Note that the H.S.A. pays the \$500 tuition for one selected camper.

## GATE PADDLELOCK KEY TROUBLES ?

Had any problem with your gate key recently? The lock was changed keeping the same key. There have been a few reports that old keys are not working well with the new lock. If you have had trouble please let Frank Mayti, or Doug Brown know. Based on the number of complaints they will either replace the keys, or the lock mechanism.

## SUMMER TRAP LEAGUE

**A summer trap league is now forming. Sign up at the April meeting or contact L.A. Jones for more information. First shoot is Wednesday May 4th at 6:30 PM. Cash prizes to top guns!**

**Stay up to date ! See the H.S.A. on-line at [www.hsaneews.com](http://www.hsaneews.com)**

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## G.O.A.L. Calls for Legislative Action Call Your State Senator!

On Tuesday, March 8, 2006 the Massachusetts Senate voted to send H.4552 to a third reading. This is the next crucial step in passing this bill into law. It is expected that the bill come up for its next vote in the Senate next week. GOAL is urging all of its members to contact their state senators and ask them to pass H.4552 with **no amendments** as soon as possible. Ask them to follow through with this reform effort. Your call could make the difference!! Summary of H.4552 "An Act Protecting the Rights of Target Shooters" This bill would create a new definition in Section 121, Chapter 140 for "Single Action Revolver". (This language was taken directly from the same exemption passed in California.) It would exempt certain "Single Action Revolvers" from the testing requirements in Section 123 of Chapter 140. It would exempt precision target handguns, "any firearm solely designed and sold specifically for formal target shooting competition", from the testing requirements in Section 123 of Chapter 140. Place in a statute the language already passed in 1998 that exempts "any firearm lawfully owned or possessed under a license issued under said Chapter 140 on or before October 21, 1998" - This item is from the G.O.A.L. website, [www.goal.org](http://www.goal.org)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- April 5  
8:00PM - April Meeting
- April 3, 10, 24  
7:00PM - Junior Rifle Club
- April 8  
9:00AM - Grounds Work Party
- April 15  
9:00AM - Grounds Work Party
- April 19  
7:30PM - Indoor Archery
- April 22  
9:00AM - Grounds Work Party
- April 23  
9:00AM - Fly Tying Workshop
- April 26  
7:30PM - Director's Meeting  
New Member Applicant Interviews
- April 29  
6:00AM - Trout Derby

### Fly Tying Workshops Scheduled

April 23 - Dry Flies

May 21 - Streamers

Contact Paul Liss for more Information

Indoor Archery Scheduled  
3rd Wednesdays

April 19th 7:30 / (:00PM

May - we move back outside!

Contact Rick Wester for more Information

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## JUNIOR SMALLBORE PRONE 400

On February 25<sup>th</sup> the Holliston Sportsmen's Association hosted the first event of the new Maspenock Junior Rifle League. The event was the Inaugural Prone 400 Match. Sixteen young athletes representing three clubs participated. Junior rifle teams from the Hopedale Rifle and Pistol club, Maspenock Rod & Gun Club, and the Holliston Sportsmen's Association were on hand for the match. The course of fire for the event was ten shots in the prone position on each of four A-36 smallbore rifle targets at a distance of fifty feet. Maspenock shooters dominated the event taking the top four individual spots as well placing first in the team category.



Juniors at the Prone 400 Match (L to R) -Hopedale shooter Matt Danis. Holliston Team members Kim Coffey, Daniel Lynch, Shawn Lynch. Daniel Ikuma is just out of the picture on position 5.

## JUNIOR SMALLBORE KNEELING 400

On March 25 the Holliston Sportsmen's Junior Rifle Club traveled to the Hopedale Rifle and Pistol Club to compete in a kneeling 400 match. The course of fire for the event was ten shots in the kneeling position on each of four A-36 smallbore rifle targets at a distance of fifty feet. Andrew Foster had a rock solid day for Holliston placing second overall, leading the Holliston Junior Club to a second place finish. The Lynch boys shot for Holliston as well. Shawn placed second for Holliston. Daniel Lynch had a tough outing finishing in third place behind Andrew and Shawn.

## JUNIOR SEASON EXTENDED

The Junior Rifle Club season is being extended to allow the juniors to participate in the Junior Rifle league matches. Right now it looks like the junior club will continue to meet on Monday evenings until June 5th. Boys and girls age twelve and older are welcome to come out on any Monday evening to learn about the club.

## WORK PARTIES SCHEDULED FOR 3 SATURDAYS IN APRIL

Work parties have been scheduled for Saturdays in April. The 8th, 15th, and 22nd, work will start at 9:00AM, ending at 12 noon. Tasks will include cleaning up the grounds around the clubhouse, trout pond clean up, and picking up winter debris around the parking lot. There is plenty of work available so members are asked to please come out and help. Even if you can only spare an hour or two on one of the three days the club needs your help. Bring work gloves. If you can bring a wheel barrow, or garden cart to help move brush they will be needed. Brush cutters, loping shears, and rakes are needed as well. We

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***April Meeting Reminder:***  
***April 5, 2006 - 8:00PM at the HSA Clubhouse***

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