



# The Bullet



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

January 2007

## January Meeting Wednesday January 3rd

The January meeting of the Association will be held on Wednesday January 3, 2007. The meeting will start at 8:00PM. Nominations for officers and directors will open this month for the elections coming up in February. Refreshments will follow the meeting. And don't forget the monthly attendance drawing for January. **Rolf Briggs** was not in attendance at the December meeting when his name was drawn so the pool jumps to \$50 this month. See you there!

## 2006 Practical Pistol Championship Winner is Doug Flavin

The 2006 Practical pistol championship was held on Sunday December 17th. The event was a Crawford Barricade match. Doug Flavin fired the high aggregate score to win the club championship for 2007. The results:

### 2006 Practical Pistol Championship Results

1st Doug Flavin

2nd Jim Maxant

3rd Lenny Stackpole

## Indoor Archery Starts Up in January

**Rick Wester** has announced that the Archery Committee will be hosting indoor shoots at the Club starting in January. The shoots will be held on the second Wednesday each month starting on January 10, 2007. A little practice, a little competition. Contact Rick for additional information on this activity.

## Fly Tying Workshops Starting in January

Fly tying workshops are scheduled to resume in January. **Paul Liss** has announced dates for Sunday mornings starting with January 21st. Members interested in learning some new patterns and techniques are welcome out. The sessions start at 9:00AM and run about two hours. The full schedule is January 21st, February 11th, March 18th, April 22nd. All dates are Sundays. Novice and experienced tiers are welcome. If you have tools bring them, if not come and borrow tools. Materials are provided. A \$5 fee is charged to cover the cost of materials.



## 2007 Annual Meeting Reminder February 7th, 2007

The 2007 Annual Meeting of the Association will be Wednesday February 7th. We need officer and director candidates, items for the raffle table, and volunteers to prepare the Ham & Bean Dinner. Officers to be elected to one year terms are president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer. This being an odd year three directors will be elected to serve two year terms in office. The Ham & Bean Dinner will be served before the meeting at 7:00PM. We are looking for volunteers to set-up the hall and prepare the dinner. Also, the annual fund raising raffle will be held. Again volunteers are needed to organize and run the raffle. We are looking for donations of good quality items that will be of interest to the members. If you have something to donate please plan to get it to the club ahead of time. This will allow the raffle to run more smoothly. If you can help out in any of these areas please come to the January meeting and let us know. The Annual meeting will begin at 6:00PM with free beer and wine, and raffle ticket sales. Dinner is at 7:00PM, followed by the meeting at 8:00PM. Please plan to attend.

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

# January 2007

**Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat**

	<b>1</b> Trap Shooting	<b>2</b> Senior Rifle & Pistol	<b>3</b> January Meeting	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Junior Rifle	<b>9</b> Senior Rifle & Pistol	<b>10</b> Indoor Archery	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> Light Rifle	<b>15</b> MLK Day	<b>16</b> Senior Rifle & Pistol	<b>17</b> HAPD Training	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> Fly Tying	<b>22</b> Junior Rifle	<b>23</b> Senior Rifle & Pistol	<b>24</b> HAPD Training	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Junior Rifle	<b>30</b> Senior Rifle & Pistol	<b>31</b> Director's Meeting			

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**January 1**  
1:00PM - New Years Trap Shoot

**January 2, 9, 16, 23, 30**  
7:00PM - Senior R & P

**January 3**  
8:00PM - January Meeting

**January 8, 22, 29**  
7:00PM  
Junior Rifle Club

**January 10**  
7:30PM  
Indoor Archery

**January 14**  
1:00PM - Light Rifle

**January 17, 24**  
6:00PM HAPD Training

**January 31**  
7:30PM - Director's Meeting  
New member applicants interviewed.

### Big Fish Tournament Standings as of 12/28

#### Trout & Salmon

- 1st - Rick Wester
- 2nd - Len Perlmutter
- 3rd - No entry

#### Largemouth Bass

- 1st - Ed Glickman
- 2nd - No entry
- 3rd - No entry

#### Smallmouth Bass

- 1st - Malcolm Gibson
- 2nd - No entry
- 3rd - No entry

#### Bluefish

- 1st - Doug Flavin
- 2nd - Rich Girvin
- 3rd - No entry

#### Striped Bass

- 1st - Rich Girvin
- 2nd - No entry
- 3rd - No entry

Time is running out. Get your entry submitted today!

### G.O.A.L. Filing Bills for Upcoming Legislative Session:

#### AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE COMMON DEFENSE

This legislation seeks to strengthen the laws protecting victims of crime who are put in a situation where deadly force is necessary to protect themselves or others. Currently a citizen is protected from civil suits if force is used in their home. This bill would extend that to anywhere they have a right to be. It also clarifies that the use of lawful force is not an offense subject to arrest.

#### AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE LAWFUL SALE OF AMMUNITION

For as long as anyone can remember, licensed gun owners in the Commonwealth have been able to purchase ammunition and ammunition components through catalog companies outside of the commonwealth. A recent new interpretation of the ammunition sales laws by the Massachusetts Attorney General's office claims that companies outside of our state would have to be licensed in every town they intend to do business in and that sales would have to take place face to face making it impossible for lawful transactions to take place. This bill makes it clear that out of state companies can sell to licensed gun owners provided they keep a copy of the gun purchaser's license on file and that the materials are shipped via restricted signature.

#### AN ACT RELATIVE TO AN UNLOADED RIFLE OR SHOTGUN

This bill would repeal the law that fines gun owners up to \$1,000 for simply crossing a public way without putting their unloaded rifle or shotgun in a case. Currently if a hunter is traversing a forest or field and finds it necessary to cross a public way, commonly a back road somewhere, he/she must be carrying some sort of case with them or face stiff penalties. There seems to be no practical purpose for this law.

See [www.goal.org](http://www.goal.org) for more information

## Time to buy Your 2007 Fishing, Hunting, or Sporting License - from MassWildlife

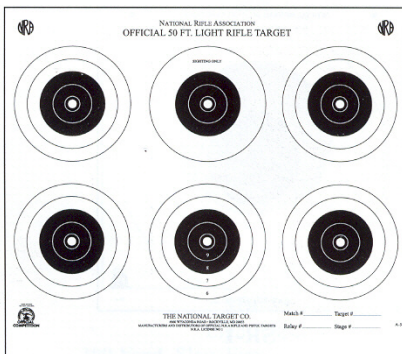
Released November 22, 2006 - CLARIFYING THE NEW HUNTING LICENSE PURCHASE LAW

Hunters and license vendors have asked for clarification regarding the new hunting license purchase law. Beginning January 1, 2007, any adult who plans to purchase a hunting or sporting (combination hunting and fishing license) must show either one of the two following documents:

1. A government issued certificate showing they have passed a basic hunter education course. The certificate can be from any state, Canada or Mexico.
2. A previous hunting or sporting license from any state, Canada or Mexico.

A Massachusetts Firearms Identification Card or Massachusetts License to Carry Handguns will no longer be acceptable for purchasing a hunting license. All minors between 15-17 years of age who wish to purchase a hunting license must produce the following documentation in order to purchase any hunting license: a basic hunter education course certificate from any state or province and a letter of consent allowing the minor to hunt, from his or her parent or guardian or a letter signed by the minor's parent or guardian affirming that the minor will be accompanied at all times by a licensed adult while hunting and a letter of consent allowing the minor to hunt from his or her parent or guardian. This new law restores legislation that had been in effect previous to 1998 and is similar to the other 49 states requiring all new hunters take a basic hunter education course in order to purchase a hunting or sporting license. An FAQ link about the new law is posted on the MassWildlife website at: [http://www.mass.gov/dfwele/dfw/dfw\\_hunting\\_license\\_purchase\\_law.htm](http://www.mass.gov/dfwele/dfw/dfw_hunting_license_purchase_law.htm)

## 2006 Light Rifle Championship January 14, 2007



All stages will use the NRA A-32 Light Rifle Target at 50 feet on the indoor range.

All stages will consist of 20 shots, 2 shots per record bullseye.

Time for each stage is 1½ minutes per record shot (15 minutes).

Unlimited fouling and sighting shots allowed within the 15 minutes.

Stage 1 Prone (rule 5.6): 20 shots. 2 shots per record bullseye.

Stage 2 Kneeling (rule 5.10): 20 shots. 2 shots per record bullseye.

Stage 3 Standing (rule 5.12) except that the forward hand must be extended so that the forward arm does not touch or rest against the body. 20 shots. 2 shots per record bullseye.

2. Light Rifle – Any rifle chambered for .22 caliber rimfire rifle cartridge only, a trigger pull of not less than two pounds, and weighs not more than 8 ½ pounds complete with sights and magazine. An adjustable butt plate placed in the center position may be used and adjustable or custom butt plates shall not extend beyond the top or bottom of the stock and shall not exceed a maximum length of six inches. Barrel weights must evenly surround the barrel and not hang below. Slings, palm rests, schuetzen type butt plates, and electric or adjustable fore-end bedding devices are not permitted. Any sights (rule 3.7c) will be used as long as total weight of rifle and sights does not exceed 8 ½ pounds. An eye shield may be attached to the rear sight.

The same rifle must be used for all stages of the match except in the case of a disabled rifle or malfunction, when competitors may change rifles with range officer permission.

3. Clothing – Padding is permitted on the shoulders and elbows of the shooting coat provided no padding extends below four inches from the elbow joint. The coat may be to a maximum of hip length with no straps or other provisions for tightening, or constructed with any material intended to make the shoulders or other parts more rigid. Shoes shall be a matched pair and not designed or altered in any way so as to provide artificial support. Gloves are not permitted.

This is the final event in the 2006 All Round Best Shooter series of events. Guns and ammo will be available for members interested in trying light rifle competition.

**2006 H.S.A  
Light Rifle  
Championship**  
Sunday  
January 14, 2007  
1:00PM

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January 3rd at 8:00PM at the HSA Clubhouse**

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