



# The Bullet



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

July 2008

## Notice: July Meeting of the Association

The July meeting of the Association will be held on Wednesday July 2nd at 8:00PM. There will be trap shooting before the meeting starting at 6:30PM. Lots of good things happening at this months meeting. The weather is warm. We have plenty of day light. Why not come out and get the holiday weekend of to a great start with some trap shooting. Tell a few fish stories, listen to a few fish stories. Bring a fish picture to enter the big fish tournament. In short, make the most of these summer evening meeting nights. We've only got four of them. And one has already gone by. Don't forget the attendance prize drawing. There was no winner at the June meeting, therefore the July prize drawing will be for \$60. See you there!



Trap shoot before the meeting - Lenny Stackpole fights off the setting sun.

## Club Members - Win this Shotgun

Only 125 raffle tickets will be sold. On sale at the July 2nd meeting (if we have any left) or contact Rich Girvin. Tickets are \$20 each. Drawing will be at the Blackstone Valley Friends of NRA dinner on September 13th, 2008. (see the write up on this gun in the June issue of The American Rifleman magazine).

## Friends of NRA - 2008 GUN OF THE YEAR

### New Weatherby Orion D'Italia O/U 12GA Shotgun

Weatherby brings tradition and elegance to this year's Gun of the Year with the introduction of the Orion D'Italia shotgun, a collaborative effort on part of Weatherby and the firm of Fausti Stefano—one of Italy's finest gun makers. This exciting new custom shotgun includes a patented and exclusive four-lock system, blued receiver, auto ejectors, 24k



gold plated single selective trigger with checkering, and barrel selector on the safety. Features 28-inch blued barrels with 3 inch chamber, vented mid-rib, chrome lining and Weatherby IMC Briley compatible multi-choke system. Stock includes Prince of Wales half-round pistol grip,

slim fore end, precise wood to metal fit and finish on all interfaces and 20 LPI precision cut checkering. The custom designed embellishment by Baron's Engraving depicts two game scenes; on one side, a pair of mallard ducks take flight and on the other, two ring-neck pheasants look for cover. Each gun comes sequentially numbered with a limited production of 1,150.

The junior rifle program will be taking delivery of four new rifles in the near future. These rifles were paid for by a grant from the NRA Foundation. Our participation in last years FNRA dinner made this purchase possible. Please buy a raffle ticket, and plan to attend the dinner in September. More information on The Blackstone Valley Friends of NRA dinner coming up in Westborough will be available at the July meeting.

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

# July 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 July Meeting	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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## UPCOMING EVENTS

July 2  
6:30 PM - Trap Shooting  
8:00 PM - July meeting of the Assn.

# Gone Fish'in!

July 30

7:30PM—Director's meeting  
New member applicants interviewed.

## 2008 Big Fish Tournament - Entries Coming In

**Dates:** January 1 to December 31, 2008

**Open to:** H.S.A. Members only

**Entry Fee:** No fee

**Waters:** Fish any where in the world

**Species:** Largemouth Bass, Smallmouth Bass, Trout/Salmon, Bluefish, Striped Bass

**Awards:** Winners name is engraved on the Big Fish Tournament Trophy on display in the clubhouse trophy case. Gold, silver and bronze pins awarded in each category.

**To Enter:** Submit a picture of the catch along with the date, general location, length of the fish, and method used.

All entries will be posted on the clubhouse bulletin board.

Enter early, enter often. Sometimes just submitting an entry is enough to win when there are only three entries in a division.

As usual the Rock Harbor trip on May 31st produced the early leaders in both the striped bass, and bluefish divisions of the H.S.A. Big Fish Tournament. Club members Danny Lee, Rick Wester, and Rich Girvin all got on the leaders board. Rick and Danny both landed striped bass and blue fish. Rich managed a striped bass entry. In the fresh water Jim Maxant has the early lead in the trout/salmon division. There have been reports of a smallmouth entry coming in but so far this is just a rumor fish. All members are encouraged to take a picture of the fish they catch and submit an entry in this members only tournament. The rules are shown to the left of this column. Fish 'em up!



**Rick Wester - striped bass, May 31st trolling in Cape Cod Bay.**



**Danny Lee - striped bass, May 31st, trolling in Cape Cod Bay.**

## 2008 Junior Rifle Club Awards Night - June 2nd

### Kim Coffey NRA Distinguished Expert

Kim Coffey capped off a five year effort by completing the course of fire required to earn the coveted NRA Distinguished Expert rating in four position smallbore rifle. In the more than fifty years the Junior Club has been in existence this is only the second time a D.E. award has been presented.

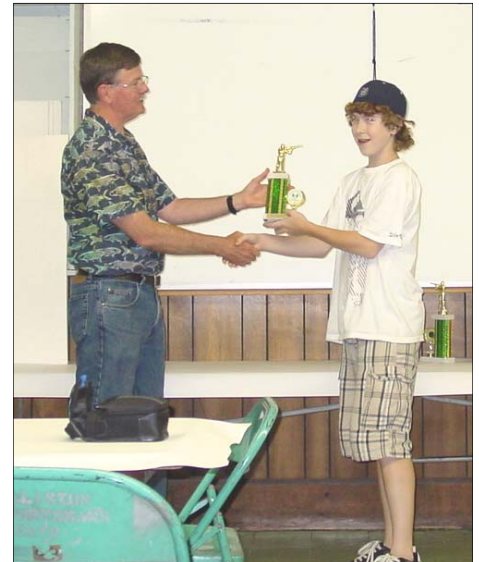


Kim Coffey poses with the N.R.A. Distinguished Expert award she received at the awards night.

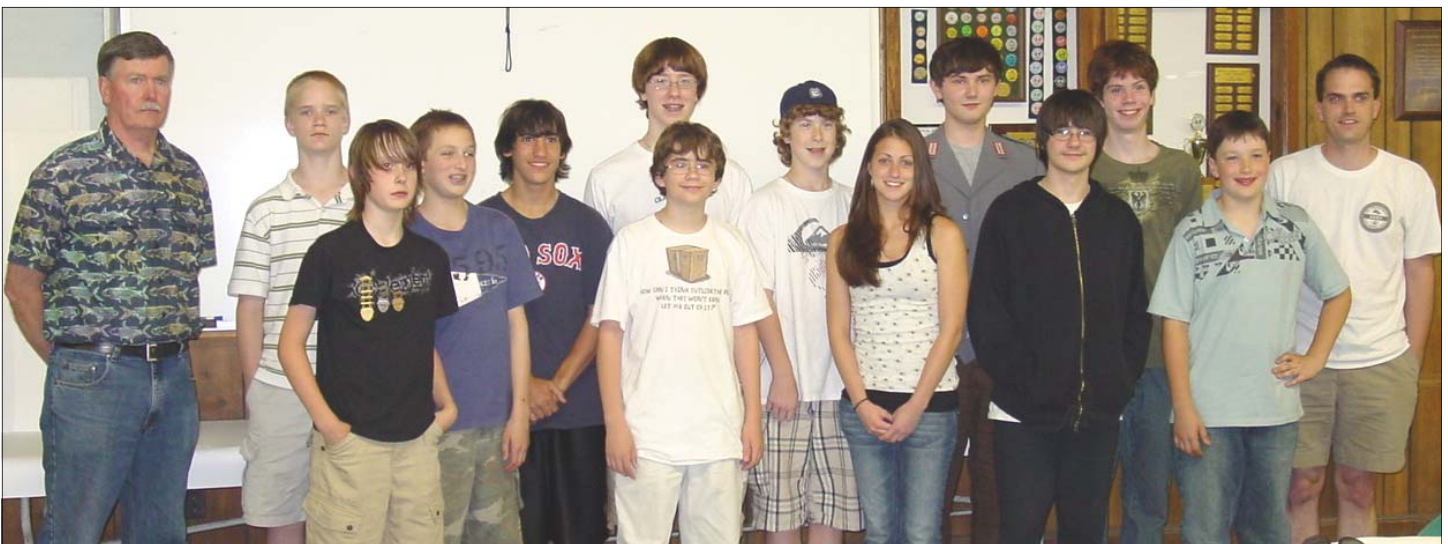
The 2007/2008 Junior Rifle Club season wound up with the Annual Awards Night on June 2, 2008. The warm summer evening provided perfect conditions for the cook-out and award presentations. A good crowd was on hand for the event. Twelve junior members along with proud parents, brothers, sisters, and friends turned out. Most of the club Officers and Directors were also in attendance. The juniors received certificates of achievement and medals for the qualification ratings they earned throughout the season. The highlight of the evening was the presentation of the Distinguished Expert award to Kim Coffey. Special thanks for making the cook-out a success go to Kim and Jan Coffey (Kim did the shopping!), Debbie Girvin, and Doug Brown. Thanks go to the junior members and their parents for making the season a successful one. See you in September.

### Kyle Slyva 2008 Junior Club Champion

Kyle Slyva was presented the 2008 Junior Club Championship trophies for winning both the prone and four position matches held on May 19th. Congratulations to Kyle, nice shooting Champ!



Kyle Slyva receives his 1st Place trophy for the 2008 Junior Smallbore Rifle Four Position Club Championship.



2007 / 2008 Holliston Sportsmen's Junior Rifle Team - (l to r) - Coach Rich Girvin, Evan Vaslauskas, Alex Farkas, Cal Dodge, Luke Spina, Connor Slyva, Ben Bertram, Kyle Slyva, Kim Coffey, Will Bryson, Baron Crosby, T.J. Sharkey, Reed Buchholz, Coach Dan Holmes.

**H.S.A. Events**

**Trap Shooting**  
**Wednesday July 2nd**  
**6:30PM**

**July Meeting**  
**of the**  
**Association**  
**Wednesday July 2nd**  
**8:00PM**

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**Have a Safe & Happy 4th of July!**



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**2008 July Meeting Reminder**  
**8:00PM Wednesday July 2, 2008 at the HSA Clubhouse**

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