

## Ontelaunee Jr Rifle Report

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The Jr Rifle Team took charge at the opening match of the Lehigh Valley Prone League, held at Guthsville. Our team score of 499,42x was near perfect. Those juniors who counted for the team score were Emma, Madilyn, Calista, and Sarah each with a 100, and Jeanne with a 99. Our entire team performance was fabulous with our top 8 scoring 98's or higher. This was the very first rifle match for several of our newest juniors. They also showed the league they know how to shoot well. Their scores ranged from an 88,3x up to a 95,6x. The higher of those was fired by 11 year old, Griffin Lake.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> prone league match took place at Palmerton. Again, our Jr Team lead the way over all the other teams. They posted an incredible score of 500,46x. In fact, our top seven juniors each fired a perfect 100. Here are the scores: Emma & Jake 100,10x, Calista & Sarah 100,9x, Madilyn & Jeanne 100,8x, and Quintin 100,6x. Two of our newer juniors who also competed were Jacob Rabert with a 97,7x and Ryan Morstatt with a 91,2x.

Emma and Jeanne participated in a two day intermediate rifle clinic, held at Palmyra. They worked on each position of smallbore, and also international air rifle. The combination of lessons learned in the classroom and training on the range, will help to advance their shooting abilities.

Sarah and Madilyn shot very well when they took part in the Guthsville Winter Prone League which started up last month. They were up against some of the areas best prone shooters, most of which use a scope on their rifle. Sarah was near perfect, only dropping 2 points out of 800 for a 798,24x. Madilyn was close to Sarah in the X count, but had a few more shots sneak out of the ten ring. She finished with a 792,22x.

Congratulations to Madilyn Riegel who made her way into the ranks of the Ontelaunee 550 club. She shot a 3-P smallbore score of 555 on Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, during the ICRL league match.

At this past Friday league match, Emma fired a new personal best in 3-P smallbore, She shot a 564 out of 600.

We had a 4 person team at Harrisburg Hunters & Anglers this past Saturday. Calista, Emma, Madilyn, and Jeanne competed in this CMP 3-P air rifle match. They were on the top of the results page after day 1 with each of them shooting personal best scores. Calista found herself at the very top with a fabulous score of 593. Sarah also competed in this match but on Sunday as an individual. No final scores are available as of right now. They experienced trouble with their electronic scoring system and are working to resolve the issue.

Calista, Emma, and Jeanne made the trip to Seitzland for the Southeastern Air Rifle League. Final scores have not been received yet.

The winning tickets were drawn last month for the Browning Knife Raffle. The 10 winning names are posted on the Ontelaunee website under the Rifle tab. All winners have received their Browning Knife. Thanks to everyone who helped make this fundraiser a success.

The PA Rifle and Pistol Association (PRPA) is looking to build up it's membership, and here are some good reasons to join. Each year they normally receive a large dollar grant from the Friends of

the NRA. This funding is used to promote junior shooters of all disciplines within our state. Sometimes equipment is purchased that may be shared among state associated clubs. There is help when running state championships. Also, a portion of this grant money is used to directly help PRPA juniors with travel expenses to National matches. One new item just approved at the fall meeting, is to offer a scholarship every year to a junior member. The criteria for earning the scholarship is yet to be determined, and it will only be available to juniors who are PRPA members. If anyone would like to become a member of the PRPA and help support the state association, please see me.

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