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Rifle
HANDBOOK

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All-WNY Scholar – Athlete Nominations Form

2009-2010 Rifle Calendar

The Section VI approved Rifle season is November 9, 2009 to March 29, 2010

First Practice.....	November 9, 2009
First Scrimmage	November 14, 2009
First Contest	February 10, 2010
ALL- WNY Scholar Athlete Forms due	March 1, 2010

Sectionals

Saturday, February 13, 2010
Alden Central Middle School

Regionals

Saturday March 6, 2010 – West Point (as of 4/27/09)
West Point Military Academy (Section 9)

Rifle Committee

Committee voting privileges: As per the Section VI Constitution p.11 Item 7.6: "The representative members on each sport committee will be appointed by each league and have only one vote per league. Other non-voting members may be selected by the sports chairperson." Voting rights on a federated sports committee are the same as league sports: one vote for each league or division represented. The chairperson generally exercises his right to vote when there is a tie. The voting members of the committee are indicated below with an **asterisk**. For Ice Hockey: 1 vote per officer on the Executive Board

Chairperson: **Paul Borkowski** - retired (H) 685-1656 (C) 523-2961
708 Ransom Rd., Lancaster, 14086 borkowsp@aol.com
Alden HS (S) 937-9116 x2139
13190 Park St. Alden, 14004 Hours: 2:00- 5:30 pm

ECIC:
***Bob Newbauer** - Clarence HS
9625 Main St., Clarence, 14031
(S) 407-9020 (H) 599-4824

NFL:
***Trevor Brown**-Kenmore East
350 Fries Rd., Tonawanda, 14150
(S) 874-8630 (C) 913-7424

All-WNY Scholar Athlete Rifle Team

Coaches and Athletic Directors are encouraged to nominate athletes for selection to the **All-WNY Scholar Athlete Rifle Team**. The criteria for selection are listed on the Nomination Form (see forms page 2) which must be submitted to the Section VI office by **March 1**. The team will be honored by both Section VI and the Buffalo News.

Section VI AED Policy

(effective Feb. 2003)

The game site-chairperson will be responsible for securing an AED for the certified trainer's use at all sectional contests, and at all regional and state contests that are hosted by Section VI. The certified trainer will be provided by an orthopedic group contracted by Section VI, at all post-season contests held at **neutral sites**. **Note:** If a school suffers loss or damage to an AED that is being used for post-season contests, the Section will be financially responsible.

Regulations Regarding Senior All-Star & Outside Agency Contests

(updated April 2009)

1. All Senior All-Star and Outside Agency contests **MUST** be approved by Section VI. In addition, Senior All-Star contests must be approved by NYSPHSAA. The forms required are posted on the section website*
2. All Senior All-Star and Outside Agency contests must be conducted within the season dates approved by the Section VI Athletic Council for that sport. The calendar of approved season dates for all sports is posted on the section website*
3. Only seniors who have completed their secondary school eligibility in that sport may compete in these contests.
4. A contestant may participate in no more than one approved senior all-star athlete contest in the same sport during the school year.

NOTE: A Senior All-Star contest by NYSPHSAA standards, is one in which an athlete's participation is based solely on outstanding performance as a member of a high school team. If open-tryouts are held, the contest is NOT a NYSPHSAA All-Star contest.

*www.section6.e1b.org Under General Information, Click on *Forms and Information*, or call the Section office 821-7365.

Rifle Sectionals

For date and location, see calendar on page 1. For further information or if you have any questions, contact Paul A. Borkowski (see page 2)

Entries

Each school coach (of qualifying schools -see below) should **notify Paul Borkowski** by telephone of their intention to participate in the Sectionals as early as possible, but no later than **Feb. 10, 2010**. At this time you will be able to request a firing time. You will not be scheduled to fire unless you respond.

Competition is open to those eligible to compete on High School Teams under the Rules of the NYSPHSAA.

Registration of individuals will take place immediately upon arrival at the range. The high school coach is responsible for registration with the Statistical Officer. Please bring a copy of your shooter's match scores and League averages.

The individual competitor, when registered by his/her high school coach will automatically be entered in all matches for which he/she is eligible.

A high school may enter individuals and a team, as long as the individual has a season average of 230 or greater.

Individual entries will be permitted to fire as time allows without disruption to the preset schedule.

Coaches of these individuals must request firing times. **NO COACHING** of individual entries.

Acceptance of these individuals will be the sole responsibility of the Sectional Rifle Chairman.

High School Team Entries

ECIC: Alden, Clarence, Iroquois, Lancaster & Orchard Park. ECIC may send their top 2 teams and teams with a league record of over .500.

NFL: Kenmore East & Kenmore West (Top Kenmore Team).

Sectional Records

<u>Event</u>		<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Year</u>
Prone:	100-8C	Meghan Seitz	Alden	2004
Offhand:	94-2C	Rebecca Gerevics	Alden	2005
Kneeling:	99-7C	Justin Louise	Frontier	1988
Aggregate:	288-11C	Rebecca Gerevics	Alden	2005
Air Rifle:	282-0C	Rebecca Gerevics	Alden	2006
Air Rifle Team:	(4x3)-1097		Clarence	2006
Team Total:	1106-31C		Lancaster	1988

Awards

- 1) Team Award - a plaque will be awarded to the winning team
- 2) Individuals - Shields for 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th place in each of the stages and aggregate.
- 3) Individuals - certificates of participation in the Sectionals.

Rules

- 1) The rules governing the firing of the Sectional Match will be the 2009 NRA Smallbore Rifle Rule Manual.
- 2) "Challenges and protests " will be handled according to the NRA Rule Book. Your attention is called to the difference between a challenge and protest.
- 3) Scores will be posted as soon as the scoring for a relay has been completed and the targets will be made available for examination by the HIGH SCHOOL COACH. Challenges must be made within 1 hour from the time the individual's or team's score has been posted, except for the last relay, where the Executive Officer's Discretion will be used.
- 4) For Air Rifle, the 2009 International Smallbore Rifle Manual will be used.

Events

Match #1 - High School Team - open to one 5 person team from each high school which qualifies. All five individuals will fire and the high school team total will be obtained by adding up the TOP FOUR individual; aggregate scores.

Match #2 - Individual Aggregate - overall
Stage #1 - Individual Prone - overall
Stage #2 - Individual Offhand - overall
Stage #3 - Individual kneeling - overall

Match #3 - Air Rifle - High School Team - open to **one 5 person** team from each qualifying school. **All five** individuals will fire and the high school team total will be obtained by adding the **TOP 4** individual aggregate scores. Stage #4 - Individual Aggregate Air Rifle

All matches will be fired using the 2009 Smallbore and International Smallbore Manuals

Equipment

- 1) The Rifle - Rule 3.2 - Any Rifle.
- 2) A team so desiring may bring their own mats.
- 3) 12 bull targets (**NRA A-36**) will be supplied.
- 4) Ammunition (.22 cal rim fire) - bring your own.
- 5) Metallic Sights only. (NRA rule 3.7(a))
- 6) Scopes will be available..
- 7) Ear & Eye Protection is mandatory.

Match Conditions & Schedule

.22 Cal Competition

- 1) The sectional Rifle Match will consist of ONE course of fire, a total of 30 shots: 10 shots fired in each of the three stages - prone, offhand and kneeling - in that order.
- 2) Each competitor will fire the course of fire only once, with scores counting in all matches and stages for which the individual is eligible.
- 3) The range is a 10 point range, however, all of the firing points will not be in use. The range will be divided into three sections - Section I - pts. 2, 3 & 4, Section II pts. 5, 6 & 7 and Section III - pts. 8, 9 & 10. Left handers may fire on pt. 1. Points not in use by a team may be used for individual entries.
- 4) Each High School Team will fire on three adjacent points (one section) under the direction of a sectional range officer.
- 5) Time allotment will be 10 minutes prone, 20 minutes offhand and 15 minutes kneeling. This includes sighting shots. Prior to the prone stage, there will be a 3 minute preparation period. There will be a five minute period between stages.
- 6) Coaching of teams is permitted, but no coaching of individuals.
- 7) Targets will be set at the height desired by the competitor, in accordance with NRA Rule 4.1.
- 8) Ties will be broken according to NRA Rules.
- 9) Any shot which hits a record bull counts.

Air Rifle

- 1) The sectional Air Rifle Match will consist of ONE course of fire, a total of 30 shots: 10 record shots fired at each of three targets with unlimited sighters.
- 2) Each competitor will fire the course of fire only once, with scores counting in all matches and stages for which the individual is eligible.
- 3) Time period 15 minutes per target including unlimited sighters.
- 4) NRA International Rule Book will be used.

Schedule

Each high school team that qualifies will fire in two groups on consecutive relays. A high school team will occupy the same points both relays. The high school coach may squad his competitors in any order that he desires for these two relays - 3 and 2 or 2 and 3. It is the responsibility of the high school coach to have high shooters on the firing line, ready to fire within 5 minutes after his relay has been called to the firing line.

Firing Times -You will receive your confirmed firing time when you indicate your intention to participate.

Relay 1 - 9:00 AM

Relay 3 - 11:30 AM

Relay 2 - 10:15 AM

Relay 4 - 1:00 PM (if needed)

Air Rifle - beginning immediately following the .22 cal competition. The high school team will fire on three adjacent points on two relays with three team members on one relay and two on the other. The high school team score will be the total of the top four shooters' individual scores.

2010 NYSPHSAA Regional Rifle Championships

Date / Location: see Calendar page 1

Sectional Team:

The sectional team firing in the Regionals will be composed of the 4 member high school team posting the highest score in the Sectional Rifle Match (and an alternate) and the top two individual shooters from the schools participating in the Sectionals not on the winning high school team or their alternate.

The individual shooters on the Sectional Team will be chosen on the basis of two criteria: 1) the individual's year average and 2) their sectional aggregate score. The average will be weighed 2/3 and the sectional score 1/3. The individual's year average will be the league average provided that he or she has fired in ½ of the league matches or 6 matches, whichever is greater. If the individual does not fire in a league, his or her average will be the average of all matches he or she has fired in high school competition provided there is a minimum of 6 matches.

The individual shooters on the Sectional Air Rifle Team will be the individual shooters posting the highest score in the Air Rifle Competition.

Section VI Policy Travel to State Competition for Individual Sports

Summary for Individual Sports (updated 9/16/09)

This policy in its entirety is posted on the Section website:

http://www.section6.e1b.org/11391049112849960/lib/11391049112849960/Travel_Policy_Jan09.pdf

Member schools participating in state competition will be responsible for all costs related to that participation.

Supervision (approved 1/21/09)

One or more certified coaches are required to travel with the student athletes from **their school** and must be present on any Section VI contracted bus, as well as the location where the athletes are housed, state competition where the athlete(s) will compete and all related events.

Transportation (approved 3/19/08):

- For small scale sports (Rifle, Golf, Tennis and Gymnastics) and Wrestling: The districts will be responsible for transporting their athletes to state competition.

Lodging (approved 3/19/08):

Schools will be responsible for all lodging costs. The Sportchair will be responsible for reserving a block of rooms for all athletes (4 per room).

- For small scale sports: The block will also include rooms for coaches (2 per room). Districts are responsible for registering their own athletes and coaches. They may register from the rooms in the reserved block until the rooms are exhausted or choose their own lodging.

Meals:

Schools will be responsible for the cost of athletes' meals at state competition.

For Rifle, the Section will facilitate meal handling by paying meal expenses and invoicing the schools per participating athlete.

Rifle Coaches Directory

School	Athletic Director	Range (points)	Coach
Alden	Kevin Ryan 937-9116 x4199 Fax: 937-1740	Alden Middle (10) Crittenden Rd. Alden 14004 937-9116 x2139	Paul Borkowski 708 Ransom Rd. Lancaster, 14086 (H) 685-1659 (C) 523-2961 borkowsp@aol.com
Clarence	Greg Kaszubski 407-9043 Fax: 407-9063	Clarence HS (8) 9625 Main St. Clarence 14031 407-9023	Bob Neubauer 645 Main St. Corfu, 14036 (H) 599-4827 bneubauer@clar.wnyric.org
Iroquois	Andrew Jacobs 1 652-3000 x7242 Fax: 995-2441	OX Shooting Club (10) 853 Ransom Rd. Lancaster 14086 (no phone)	Colleen McCoy 11475 Porterville Rd. East Aurora, 14052 (S) 652-3000x7210 (C) 514-6595 cmccoy@iroquoiscsd.org
Kenmore East	Brett Banker 874-8411 x4 Fax: 874-8609 874-8406	Kenmore East HS (8) 350 Fries Rd. (at Brighton) Tonawanda 14150 (S) 874-8630	Trevor Brown 254 Fairfield Ave. Buffalo, 14223 (H) 835-4463 trevor_brown@kenton.k12.ny.us
Kenmore West	Brett Banker (see above)	Kenmore West HS	Frank Bialy 126 Legion Rd. Kenmore, 14217 (S) 847-8402 x5365 (at Ken-East) (H) 877-0113 fbialy@kenton.k12.ny.us
Lancaster	Len Jankiewicz 686-3270 Fax: 686-3839 686-3258	Lancaster HS (10) 1 Forton Dr. Lancaster 14086	Rodney Gurney 95 Chamberlain Dr. Buffalo, 14210 (H) 824-7912 (S) 686-3220 (middle sch.) rgurney@lancaster.wnyric.org
Orchard Park	Jim Higgins 209-6208 Fax: 209-8163	Buffalo Rifle & Revolver Club Towne Rd (10) (off Union-S of Gillogly Chevrolet) 674-3276	Richard Ortlepp 33 Melant Orchard Park, 14127 (H) 662-0181 rortlepp@opschools.org

SECTION VI - NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Philosophy & Code of Conduct

Philosophy

1. We believe that interscholastic athletics is an important part of education and support the ideals and values embodied in good sportsmanship.
2. We believe that sportsmanlike behavior is essential if interscholastic competition is to contribute usefully and constructively to the broad goals of education and to the quality of life of those involved.
3. We pledge ourselves individually and collectively to encourage and support the development and maintenance of a sportsmanlike atmosphere for athletic competition.

Code of Conduct

1. A genuine interest in and enjoyment of interscholastic competition requires conduct that reflects the understanding that contests as a part of an overall school program are intended to be enjoyed. Behavior that reflects a winning at all cost attitude violates this standard.
2. Interscholastic competition provides valuable lessons and learning experiences that are not possible in the regular classroom setting. All involved must support the need to develop the ability to compete with enthusiasm and to accept winning with grace and losing with dignity.
3. Coaches, players, and fans should know that participation is an honor and privilege which requires them to conduct themselves in a manner that brings honor and pride to their school and community.
4. Respect for the cultural and ethnic diversity of one's opponents, their school, and community is a fundamental tenet of wholesome athletic competition. This standard suggests that planned activity is needed to demonstrate a warm and friendly welcome, mutual respect, and a genuine readiness to participate in a sportsmanlike manner.
5. Players should demonstrate both knowledge of the rules and respect for game officials and their decisions. Coaches and school officials have the responsibility to teach and encourage these attributes.

******* Sportsmanship Statement Reminder *******

The following statement will be read over the public address system just prior to the pledge to the flag. If there is no public address system, the statement will be read to both teams by the site chairperson or his representative:

“Welcome to Section VI (name of sport) . Athletic competition can provide everyone with a sense of accomplishment and pride, if all of us - players, coaches and spectators - abide by the rules of good conduct. We ask that you enjoy the performance of our outstanding athletes in a spirit of sportsmanship and appreciation of competition.”