



# The Genesee Conservation League, Inc.

## May 2017 Newsletter

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### Can YOU Pass the New Certification Exam?

All new members must pass an exam before they receive their cards. Could you pass this exam? Each month we will ask a few questions from the exam. Check and see if YOU get the answers right.

**Q**

**When I place short range targets on the indoor range:**

- I can only use the GCL supplied target holders on the pull down target holders.
- I must use tape to hold the target up.
- I cannot use the short range carriers without special certification.

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### Board of Directors Nominations

This year we have six candidates seeking reelection for Board of Directors. With this being an uncontested election and per our rules and procedures, the Secretary for the Board of Directors will cast the vote necessary to reelect the following incumbents.

#### **Tyler Fitzpatrick**

Tyler Fitzpatrick is a lifelong resident of NYS and a US Navy Veteran. His involvement with GCL dates back to participating in the Junior Programs where he earned his Distinguished Expert ratings in Air Pistol, Air Rifle and Small-bore Rifle. His desire to give back to the GCL community and Junior Programs he grew up with led to earning his NRA Instructor Certifications in Pistol, Rifle and Shotgun from the Adult Training Programs offered at GCL. He serves as a member of the Shooter's Clinic Staff and volunteers his time to the various capital improvement projects at GCL. Tyler has served on the Board of Directors the last four years and desires to continue in this role through the support of the GCL Membership. His focus as a GCL board member is to strengthen the organization through the quality of the relationships that we build with our members, community, and peer organizations. Tyler is committed to the continued promotion of the GCL Capital improvements as well as the Junior programs and believes that the future of our club lies in the education and mentorship of our youth.

"I am both honored and privileged to be serving as a current Director. My diverse interests as a sportsman combined with my GCL heritage uniquely qualifies me to represent our body of membership at the board level. I truly enjoy being a member at GCL and I would be honored to continue serving for you on the Board of Directors. I would appreciate your vote and thank you in advance for your support." --Tyler J. Fitzpatrick

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#### Remember -

The use of any recording device (camera / video equipment/ and or audio equipment) on GCL premises is strictly prohibited without prior written Board approval. You need to speak to a director to determine if any such action is appropriate and then complete and sign a form before use of any such device. As always your cooperation is appreciated.

**Greg Gerace**

Hi, for those members that don't know me, my name is Greg Gerace. I have been a board member for about 7yrs now, and am currently serving as the clubs 3rd V.P. I also serve on the new member certification committee, introducing our new members to their club and the rules that help to keep us all safe. I also participate in the shooters clinic, helping those with concerns from accuracy to being unfamiliar with a first time firearm. Recently, I have become the Coordinator for U.S.P.S.A. here at GCL. That is who I am, and those are some of the things I do here at the club.

Here is why I would ask for your vote. Our club currently has somewhere in the neighborhood of 2000 members, it would be physically impossible to hold monthly general membership meetings. Therefore, the 21 Directors are your, the members, representatives in the administration of the club. It has always been, and will always be, my intent to hold the best interest of the members at heart in any issue brought before the Board of Directors. Regardless of discipline; rifle, archery or pistol, I always advocate for safety. And I will always advocate for the members.

Thanks in advance for your support and as always, be safe out there.

Greg



**Dave Jenkins**

Although a lot of you have been members for a lot longer, it feels as if I have grown up at GCL. My Dad, Stu Jenkins brought me down when I started getting into shooting in 1992, and it's been great ever since! I started getting involved with the events there and after getting to know a lot of the member, I joined as a life member in 1993. Pretty soon after getting involved and attending quite a bit of training, I became an NRA Instructor to start giving back to the newer shooters that were coming out. It's pretty rewarding to work with a new shooter because they've learned how to control something that may have scared or concerned them.

It's been 24 years as a member, with over 15 of those years serving you as a Director, and I would say that it has been a lot of work BUT a lot of fun guiding the club and helping people enjoy what GCL has to offer. In my time there, I have worked with the Safety, Adult Training, Certification, Nominations Committees, and now as a coordinator for Seminars. All of those different positions have given me a great appreciation for the members of the club. Every time I am at the club, either for the Director On Duty, or an event, or just shooting, It's great to run into you and chat about whatever is going on. Listening to your questions and concerns, and trying to see what can be done to improve or guide the club has always been the goal.

I know a lot of you have joined as a result of the Tuesday Night CCW Shoot that I help run by Rochester Defensive Pistol Associates, LLC or thru the firearms safety training that I've brought to GCL and other clubs over the years and I wish to thank you. It's nice to discover a great club and then join as a member! My hope is to continue serving as one of the directors to still help guide the club and assist you as members for another term. Your vote does matter here! Thank you and see you around the club soon!

**Lou Prahler**

A GCL life member and currently a member on the GCL Board of Directors as the 1st Vice President. Lou is very active with GCL Juniors program and is one of the founding instructors to the program since its inception back in the mid 1980's. He is actively involved in helping members become skilled and safer firearms owners at the free shooter's clinic offered by GCL on the third Saturday of each month. Lou was a long time Service Rifle shooter and member of the NYSR&PA Service Rifle Team. Besides enjoying Rifle, Pistol and Archery Lou is also NRA certified Rifle & Pistol instructor. Please support Lou in his reelection to the GCL Board of Directors.



**Alan Schusler**

My name is Alan Schusler and I am running for reelection to the Board of Directors. I am currently serving my fourth term and have been Club Treasurer for the past twelve years. A member of GCL since the late 70's and a life member since the 90's. I have filled many shoes while at GCL including Past President for 5 years, Head of Adult Training, New member Certifier, Red Card Instructor, Range Officer and NRA Certified Instructor. Active collector and shooter. A lifelong Rochester native currently living in Penfield, I am employed by Northeast Metrology of Buffalo and am a former Commissioned Officer in the Army. I would appreciate your vote. Thank You.



**Ben Vernille**

I would like to be considered for a position on the Board of Directors at Genesee Conservation League. This would be my third term.

I believe that I have contributed in a number of significant ways to help support and improve GCL's already great qualities. I am the coordinator of the hunter education program of New York State Department of Environmental Conservation at GCL and know how important it is to put 100% into a program. In addition to overseeing the classes at GCL, I am also involved in the training of new hunter education instructors. At GCL, under my direction, we have presented five classes (two bow safety classes and three gun safety classes) a year for the past eight years; a significant number of the students are under 18 years of age. This is a key demographic if we are to maintain our hunting heritage in New York. We strive for continuous improvement in this program and part of this, is my desire to develop new instructors.

I am a National Rifle Association Certified Firearms Instructor and have worked with a number of other instructors at the club for one common goal – to provide an outstanding program in the shooting sports. I am always willing to lend a hand when the club has a project that needs to be done. Over the years, I have instructed a number of people in rifle and pistol fundamentals & safety; many of these individuals have since joined GCL.

Thank you for this opportunity to apply for this position.

Sincerely,  
Ben Vernille

### USPSA 2017 Schedule

DATE	LOCATION	TIME
May 6th	Outdoors	9 am - 4 pm
June 3rd	Outdoors	9 am - 4 pm
June 23-25 Firecracker Match	Outdoors	9 am - 4 pm
August 5th	Outdoors	9 am - 4 pm
September 9th	Outdoors	9 am - 4 pm
October 7th	Outdoors	9 am - 4 pm
December 2nd	Indoors	9 am - 4 pm

### IDPA 2017 Schedule

DATE	LOCATION	TIME
May 20th	Outdoors	9 am - 4 pm
June 17th	Outdoors	9 am - 4 pm
July 15th	Outdoors	9 am - 4 pm
August 19th	Outdoors	9 am - 4 pm
September 16th	Outdoors	9 am - 4 pm
October 21st	Outdoors	9 am - 4 pm
November 18th	Indoors	9 am - 4 pm
December 16th	Indoors	9 am - 4 pm

### Hunter Safety 2017 Schedule

Gun	Bow
Sept 7-8	Sept 28-29
Oct 19-20	

### GCL Shooters Clinic

GCL Shooters Clinic /  
Indoor Range /Noon –  
2 PM / Third Saturday of  
each month

### CMP 2017 Schedule

DATE	LOCATION	TIME
May 13th	Rifle range	9am - 1:30 pm
June 10th	Rifle range	9am - 1:30 pm
July 18th	Rifle range	9am - 1:30 pm
August 12th	Rifle range	9am - 1:30 pm
September 9th	Rifle range	9am - 1:30 pm
October 14th	Rifle range	9am - 1:30 pm
November 11th	Rifle range	9am - 1:30 pm
December 9th	Rifle range	9am - 1:30 pm

### ICORE 2017 Schedule

DATE	LOCATION	TIME
May 28th	Outdoors	9 am - 1 pm
July 23rd	Outdoors	9 am - 1 pm
August 27th	Outdoors	9 am - 1 pm
September 24th	Outdoors	9 am - 1 pm
October 22nd	Indoors	9 am - 1 pm
November 26th	Indoors	9 am - 1 pm

### Wednesday Evening Educational Series

GCL is conducting a monthly informal educational seminar on issues of interest relevant to gun owners, outdoor sportsmen and interested individuals at Genesee Conservation League. Members, guests and the public are all welcome. Monthly seminars will begin at 7:00 PM. No advance registration is necessary. Check the GCL website (under training) or Facebook page for a schedule of topics.

Date	Topic
Wednesday, May 17, 2017	Transfer of Firearms & Estate Planning Issues for Gun Owners
Wednesday, June 21, 2017	NY Gun Laws General w/ Q & A
Wednesday, July 19, 2017	History & Future of Terrorism
Wednesday, August 23, 2017	NY Gun Laws General w/ Q & A
Wednesday, September 20, 2017	Physiology of a Gunshot Wound
Wednesday, October 18, 2017	NY Gun Laws General w/ Q & A
Wednesday, November 15, 2017	Traffic Stops/Searches-The Police Perspective
Wednesday, December 13, 2017	NY Gun Laws General w/ Q & A

### Free seminar on the Safe Act and Pistol Permits

Join us on Monday, May 22 at 630 pm for a FREE session where your questions about the NYS Permit Process, SAFE ACT, and more will be answered.

Join Rochester Personal Defense, LLC, Monroe County Clerk Adam Bello, Paloma Capanna, And local Law Enforcement for a great evening of education.

Clerk Bello will talk about the Monroe County process.

Ms Capanna will give a presentation on the Recertification under the NY SAFE Act and any updates on the NEW legislation that is going to ruin the SAFE Act

Officers and officials from local law enforcement will talk about how law enforcement views and enforces the laws and how you, as a gun owner, can assist them

All will be available for your questions.

RSVP to [rpdllctraining@rochester.rr.com](mailto:rpdllctraining@rochester.rr.com) or 585-406-6758 only

### Attention **Current** GCL Members Who are WWII and Korean War Veterans GCL Wants to Hear from You!

If you are a **CURRENT** member of the Genesee Conservation League and served in the military during WWII or the Korean War, we want to know! Please send your name and address along with the military branch in which you served to Wayne Cichetti.  
Email: [admin@gclrochester.com](mailto:admin@gclrochester.com).

## CLUB CALENDAR

MAY 2017		
05/01/17	MON	TWILIGHT LG. INDOOR RANGE 4-8 PM
05/02/17	TUE	RDPA INDOOR RANGE 3-11 PM
05/03/17	WED	USPSA INDOOR RANGE 4-9 pm
05/04/17	THURS	EXEC BOARD 6PM
05/05/17	FRI	
05/06/17	SAT (1)	USPSA OUTDOOR PISTOL RANGE 9 PM-5 PM
05/07/17	SUN (1)	
05/08/17	MON	TWILIGHT LG. INDOOR RANGE 4-8 PM
05/09/17	TUE	RDPA INDOOR RANGE 3-11 PM
05/10/17	WED	USPSA INDOOR RANGE 4-9 PM
05/11/17	THURS	
05/12/17	FRI	
05/13/17	SAT (2)	CMP RIFLE RANGE 9AM-2PM
05/14/17	SUN (2)	
05/15/17	MON	TWILIGHT LG. INDOOR RANGE 4-8 PM
05/16/17	TUE	RDPA INDOOR RANGE 3-11 PM
05/17/17	WED	USPSA INDOOR RANGE 4-9 PM GCL EDUCATION SERIES 7 PM
05/18/17	THURS	BOARD MTG 6:00 PM
05/19/17	FRI	
05/20/17	SAT (3)	IDPA OUTDOOR PISTOL RANGE 9AM TO 4PM SHOOTERS CLINIC 12-2 PM
05/21/17	SUN (3)	
05/22/17	MON	TWILIGHT LG. INDOOR RANGE 4-8 PM
05/23/17	TUE	RDPA INDOOR RANGE 3-11 PM
05/24/17	WED	USPSA INDOOR RANGE 4-9 PM
05/25/17	THURS	
05/26/17	FRI	
05/27/17	SAT (4)	MEMORIAL WEEKEND CLUBHOUSE CLOSED ICORE OUTDOOR RANGE 9:00AM-3PM
05/28/17	SUN (4)	MEMORIAL WEEKEND CLUBHOUSE CLOSED
05/29/17	MON	TWILIGHT LG. INDOOR RANGE 4-8 PM
05/30/17	TUE	RDPA INDOOR RANGE 3-11 PM
05/31/17	WED	USPSA INDOOR RANGE 4-9 PM

JUNE 2017		
06/01/17	THURS	EXEC BOARD 6 PM
06/02/17	FRI	
06/03/17	SAT (1)	USPSA OUTDOOR PISTOL RANGE 9 AM-5 PM
06/04/17	SUN (1)	
06/05/17	MON	TWILIGHT LG. OUTDOOR RANGE 4-8 PM
06/06/17	TUE	RDPA INDOOR RANGE 3-11 PM
06/07/17	WED	USPSA INDOOR RANGE 4-9 PM
06/08/17	THURS	
06/09/17	FRI	
06/10/17	SAT (2)	CMP RIFLE RANGE 9 AM-2 PM
06/11/17	SUN (2)	
06/12/17	MON	TWILIGHT LG. OUTDOOR RANGE 4-8 PM
06/13/17	TUE	RDPA INDOOR RANGE 3-11 PM
06/14/17	WED	USPSA INDOOR RANGE 4-9 PM
06/15/17	THURS	BOARD MTG 6 PM
06/16/17	FRI	
06/17/17	SAT (3)	IDPA OUTDOOR PISTOL RANGE 9 AM TO 4 PM SHOOTERS CLINIC 12 -2 PM
06/18/17	SUN (3)	
06/19/17	MON	TWILIGHT LG. OUTDOOR RANGE 4-8 PM USPSA MATCH, COMPETITION RANGE CLOSED 3 PM TO SUNSET
06/20/17	TUE	RDPA INDOOR RANGE 3-11 PM USPSA MATCH, COMPETITION RANGE CLOSED, & RED CARD RANGE CLOSED 3PM
06/21/17	WED	GCL EDUCATION SERIES 7 PM USPSA MATCH, COMPETITION AND RED CARD RANGE CLOSED, 1/2 OUTDOOR PISTOL RANGE CLOSED@4:00 PM
06/22/17	THURS	USPSA MATCH, COMPETITION, RED CARD RANGE, 1/2 OUTDOOR PISTOL RANGE CLOSED, 1/2 OUTDOOR PISTOL RANGE CLOSED@4:00 PM
06/23/17	FRI	USPSA MATCH, COMPETITION, RED CARD AND OUTDOOR PISTOL RANGE CLOSED ALL DAY
06/24/17	SAT (4)	USPSA MATCH, COMPETITION, RED CARD AND OUTDOOR PISTOL RANGE CLOSED ALL DAY
06/25/17	SUN (4)	USPSA MATCH, COMPETITION, RED CARD AND OUTDOOR PISTOL RANGE CLOSED ALL DAY
06/26/17	MON	TWILIGHT LG. OUTDOOR RANGE 4-8 PM
06/27/17	TUE	RDPA INDOOR RANGE 3-11 PM
06/28/17	WED	USPSA INDOOR RANGE 4-9 pm
06/29/17	THURS	
06/30/17	FRI	

### ***Answer to the Certification Question***

The correct answer is A

Explanation. You must place targets on the GCL target holder only. Targets may not be hung from the baffles or placed in "home made" target stands. The reason is because the short range target holders are specifically designed so your rounds will impact the backstop after they go through the target. There are 3 seated and 3 standing short range holders on each side of the range. When you use the short range holders place the 2' x 2' cardboard backer in the clip on the holder. Then attach your target to the cardboard backer. The target can not be larger than the backer and if it is larger it must be cut or folded so it fits completely within the 2' x 2' backer. Also after you hang your target "Look through" your target to make sure your round will impact the backstop. A "tall" shooter will have to position his target differently on the backer than a "short" shooter to ensure their rounds will impact the backstop.

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## GCL Names And Numbers

Officers			Appointments					
President	Wayne Cichetti	330-1433	Clubhouse Director	Wayne Cichetti	330-1433	D.O.D. Administrator	Bill Louk	647-3057
1st V. President	Lou Prahler	545-0318				Long-Range Planning	Andris Silins	218-9828
2nd V. President	Andris Silins	218-9828	Conservation	Richard Winterman	377-0002		John Fitzpatrick	315-8728
3rd V. President	Greg Gerace	413-7346	Membership	Wayne Cichetti	330-1433	Archery	Gary Kuhn	455-0862
Legal	Paul Ciminelli		Pistol	Paul Roberts	314-8668		Jim Lomoglio	
Secretary	John Fitzpatrick	315-8728	Rifle	Jim Despard	248-5742	Newsletter Editor	Andris Silins	218-9828
Treasurer	Al Schusler	729-8869		Andris Silins	218-9828	Best Practices	Don Rimai	726-2549
<b>Directors</b>				John Fitzpatrick	315-8728		Wayne Cichetti	248-9128
	John Fitzpatrick	315-8728		Al Schusler	729-8869		Paul Ciminelli	
	Ron Speicher	259-8992		Lou Prahler	545-0318	Web Master/Newsletter	Tracy Slocum	415-6577
	Pete Moreau	461-4664	Seminars/Lectures	David Jenkins	749-7650	Event Coordinators		
	Jose Soler		Jr. Director	Andris Silins	218-9828	CMP Match Coordinator	Tom Galvin	546-1290
	Gary Kuhn	455-0862		John Fitzpatrick	315-8728	IPSC Match Coordinator	Greg Gerace	413-7346
	Jeff Curts		Gun Show			IDPA / ICORE Match	Roger Gruschuw	451-0085
	Charlie Crotser		Certification	Greg Gerace	413-7346		Joe Aquilino	370-1088
	Marie D'Amico	753-1468		Marie D'Amico	753-1468		Tim Toal	461-9790
	Ben Vernille	755-8742		Paul Roberts	334-8668	Twilight League (Bulls Eye)	Paul Trouskie	889-5118
	Paul Roberts	314-8668	Safety Chairman	Wayne Cichetti	248-9128	Hunter Safety	Ben Vernille	755-8742
	Dave Jenkins	749-7650	Legislative/Political	Paul Ciminelli		Jr. Instructors	Andris Silins	218-9828
	Bill Louk	647-3057	Rimfire Sporter League	John Fitzpatrick	315-8728		Tom Galvin	546-1290 217-1970
	Richard Winterman	377-0002		Lou Prahler	545-0318		Lou Prahler	545-0318
							Jim Harmon	223-4997
							John Fitzpatrick	315-8728