

***** 2015 *****
Vermont Winter Postal League

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Welcome to the 2015 Vermont Winter Postal League, last season we were fortunate to have 15 teams competing in our league from six states with over 115 competitors. It's safe to say with teams from coast to coast we are one of the larger leagues in existence. We are hopeful that this number will continue; and perhaps even continue grow (we expect to add a few more clubs this season). Last year's champion was Albion Sportsman's Association followed by Whitehall, third place went to the Plattsburgh Rough Riders.

The league will kick off the 2015 season in mid-January, with the **first week scores due in by January 26th** then running for 10 weeks (with one bye week), and will end with match 10 taking place over the weekend of April 11&12th.

Rules for this season (see league announcement) will stay pretty much the same as any other season with a few slight changes. A few items started last season that will continue; First the prone shooters will continue firing on the USA-50 Targets; this is a much more challenging target than the A-17, that the 4-P shooters use. This will allow us to continue to use their scores for their team. Second; since some shooters are having a little difficulty finding ammunition; and to open up the league to potentially more shooters, a shooter may elect to fire the match using an air rifle. Third; a shooter must fire at least 50% of the league matches to be included in the final standings.

The changes, First, we will be adding a **standing division**, this will be shot either with an Air Rifle at 33 feet on the AR 5/10 target or with smallbore or air rifle at 50 feet on the A-17 target. Shooters scores will receive a 10 point addition for team score purposes, (so a 360 standing would be a 370 for team score).

Second, We are using a **new online system** this year. For the first time you will be able to register your team and input your team and individual scores directly at <http://VTWinter.postalleague.com> , you can even view results here too. This new system should in theory eliminate any errors and also allow our league to continue to grow. It will now be faster and more efficient.

The **goal of the league** is to have fun, make it easy for people to be able to participate, and at the same time give people a venue to compete. We hope that participation in the league will assist you in growing your own club and program.

It's up to all of us to see our sport continue to grow so others may find the same enjoyment we have had in this sport.

The **cost to participate** will be just \$6 per shooter with most of that going back out in the form of awards. A portion of this fee will also be paid to net.competitor who will be running our web site.

To get started please go to <http://VTWinter.postalleague.com> . Team Captains need to go directly to the web site to register their team and pay fees (via credit card), Contact Matt Haggstrom at matt@netcompetitor.com with any technical issues with registering.

Kindly inform me if your team will continue to participate this year and your numbers. If you have any contact with other clubs or shooters please forward this announcement to them and invite them to join us.

If you have any questions or concerns now or throughout the season please do not hesitate to contact me at home 518-298-7776 or via e-mail at VTWinterPostalLeague@yahoo.com you can **find the league on Facebook**, please look us up "like" us and share some photos of your club and team.

Looking forward to another great season,

See you all at the range.

Peter Visconti
Director, Vermont Winter Postal League

Past League Champions

1975 Covered Bridge	1991 Burlington	2002 Whitehall	2013 Whitehall
1976 Burlington	1992 Burlington	2003 Whitehall	2014 Albion
1977 Covered Bridge	1993 Burlington	2004 Whitehall	
1978 Whitehall	1994 Burlington	2005 Whitehall	
1979 Whitehall	1995 Fort Ann	2006 Whitehall	
1985 Whitehall	1996 Burlington	2007 Whitehall	
1986 Whitehall	1997 Burlington	2008 Whitehall	
1987 Burlington	1998 Burlington	2009 Whitehall	
1988 Burlington	1999 Fort Ann	2010 Whitehall	
1989 Burlington	2000 Whitehall	2011 Whitehall	
1990 Burlington	2001 Whitehall	2012 Whitehall	

2014 Standings

Western Division

		1577
1	Albion	7
		1568
4	Jamestown	9
		1481
7	Modesto	4
		1477
9	Aces	2
		1357
11	St Lawrence	2
	Sharpshooter	1092
14	s	3
15	Marksman	8938

Eastern Division

		1576
2	Whitehall	2
		1574
3	Plattsburgh	0
		1562
5	Quaker Hill	1
		1552
6	Barrington	2
		1478
8	Northfield	3
		1368
1		
0	Burlington	9
		1312
2	Hudson Falls	5
1	JR. Rough	1161
3	Riders	4

2014 League All Stars

Eastern Division

First Team

Jason Pratt (WH)
James Cummings (BR)
Peter Visconti (PR)
John Liska (BA)

Second Team

Paul Deslierres (PR)
Jennifer Sloan (QH)
John Hollister (WH)
Eric Sloan (QH)

Western Division

First Team

Joe Shrader (AL)
Nate Pavolko (AL)
Larry Pavolko (AL)
Clayton Hanson (JR)

Second Team

Ben Swanson (JR)
Todd Hanson (JR)
Dan Campbell (AL)
Chris Moyer (AL)

Junior All-Star Team

Eastern Division

Eric Sloan (QH)
Andrew Visconti (PR)
Joseph Delorme (WH)
Amy Visconti (PJ)

Western Division

Clayton Hanson (JR)
Ben Swanson (JR)
Austin Moyer (AL)
Allen Rhoades (AL)

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To consist of 10 matches, 9 of which will be fired on your home range and the scores e-mailed in to the league director and the final match to be fired shoulder to shoulder at the Plattsburgh Rod and Gun Club range.

Special arrangements will be made for clubs who join the league from a distance that would make it impractical to travel for match 10.

NRA smallbore rules will apply. Any sights (irons or scope)

Four-Position Division

The course of fire will be 10 shots per stage, prone, sitting, kneeling and standing at 50 ft. on the A17 target.

Prone Division

The course of fire is be 40 shots prone fired on the USA-50 targets. Please be sure to include the number of “10”s fired for tiebreaking. As a point of reference the USA-50 Targets require the ten ring (dot) to be covered to be considered a “ten”.

Air Rifle / Standing

The Course of fire is 40 shots Standing on the .177 air rifle, on the AR-5/10 target at 33’ or on the A-17 target with smallbore or air rifle at 50’

Shooters May fire in one, two or all three divisions however they must register and pay separately for each division they compete in.

Open to teams/clubs and individuals

Registration and Submission of Scores

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Scores will be entered via the internet at

<http://VTWinter.postalmatches.com> you may enter your scores at any time prior to the due dates (feel free to start early), if on any particular week a team captain is unavailable or unable to enter their scores, then you may send them into the league via e-mail to VTWinterPostalLeague@Yahoo.com and I can enter them for you.

Week One scores are to be submitted by 1/26/15 and then weekly thereafter.

Week Two scores due by 2/1/15

* (Due to the way Easter Falls this year we needed to insert a bye week, this will also give teams a chance to catch up or stay a week ahead, if need be, traditionally this is also a time of heavy snow falls and vacations).

Week Three scores due by 2/15/15

Week Four scores due by 2/22/15

Week Five scores due by 3/1/15

Week Six scores due by 3/8/15 (brackets are set for match 7)

Week Seven scores due by 3/15/15 (this is our first bracket match week)

Week eight scores due by 3/22/15

Week nine scores due by 3/29/15 (brackets are set for match 10)

Week Ten match held 4/11-12/15, Mailed targets are due

No later than 4/9/15 or hand delivered no later than 4/12/15

Handicapped / Physically challenged shooters are welcome

Match 10 will be fired on April 11 & 12 at the Plattsburgh Rod and Gun Club.

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(518-298-7776) to lock in a firing point for a great way to end the season.

Team captains and individual competitors will submit scores on or

before the Sunday of each week. Note if you find a mistake in a score that you submitted you may change same prior to the due date, via netcompetitor.com, after that date you may change it, but computer system will not update scores until it is approved by the league.

Team Match

The top 4 individual shooters on each team will count as the clubs team score.

If you have a prone shooter on your team that individual's a prone score can be counted towards the team score with no deduction since they are firing on the more difficult USA-50 Targets. If a shooter fires both 4-P and Prone in any week the 4-P score from that week, must count toward his teams score, if the shooters fires in the Prone and Standing Division then the Prone Score will count. (He/she cannot take the best of two scores). If a shooter is firing in the Standing Division only then that persons Standing Score can count towards his team score, that individuals team score will receive a 10pt handicap.

Match results will be reported to team

captains/contacts and individual unaffiliated competitors weekly. Via e-mail and can be seen directly at <http://VTWinter.postalmatches.com>

Individual Award Schedule (a little something to increase interest)

Cash prizes for individuals from the 4-P Division, Prone Division & Standing Division will be awarded based on the scores from Match 7 and 10 (the princely sum of \$5.00 per match).

To be eligible for final end of the season ranking a shooter must fire in a minimum of 50% of the league matches.

4-P Winners will be chosen from each group of 4 shooters who will be ranked into mini-match groups according to their weekly aggregate averages. If, after dividing the shooter list by 4, if only 2 competitors are left, those persons will be merged with the next mini-group. Ties will be broken by position (Standing then Kneeling then Sitting, and then Prone Score).

Prone Winners, will be chosen from each group of 4 shooters who will be ranked into mini-match groups according to their weekly aggregate averages. If, after dividing the shooter list by 4, if only 2 competitors or less are left in a bracket, those shooters will be merged with the next mini-group. Ties will be broken by the number of tens. Please note when scoring "Tens" on the USA-50 target the ten ring "dot" must be covered by the shot. The plug will cover the dot.

Air Rifle/ Standing Winners, will be chosen from each group of 4 shooters who will be ranked into mini-match groups according to their weekly aggregate averages. If, after dividing the shooter list by 4, if only 2 competitors or less are left in a bracket, those shooters will be merged with the next mini-group. Ties will be broken by the number of tens.

The winner of the team championship (highest total aggregate for the 10 matches) will receive **custody of the Team Championship Plaque for one year.**

Fees	Teams/Clubs	\$6.00 for each firing team member
	Individuals	\$6.00
	Competitors can fire in both the 4-P, Prone and Standing Divisions but must register separately for each division.	

Mail entries to:

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FACEBOOK, The league is on Facebook, you can find us under "Vermont Winter Postal League", check out the page and "like" us. Team captains please find someone with a smart phone and take a team photo and some action shots during some of your club matches during the season to share on the page.