



JANUARY 2016

## The MAC Smallbore Shooter of the Month



The MAC Smallbore Shooter of the Month is Erik Magnuson for Loyola University of Maryland.

Erik is a freshman at Loyola and is majoring in Finance with a minor in Information Systems. He is also a member of the College Republicans Club as well as a member of the Varsity Crew (rowing) team.

Erik is in his first season with the Loyola rifle team and had never competed in precision smallbore rifle before his arrival. Erik has attended a handful of practices, training to hone the technical and mental skills necessary. Then, Erik was afforded the opportunity to compete in his first match on January 30<sup>th</sup>, the NRA Sectionals held at the University of the Sciences in Philadelphia, PA. Erik's best practice score before that match was a 355-4X. His score at the NRA Sectionals was an inspiring 425-2X. A 70 point jump from his best practice score! Pretty notable for a new shooter on such a stage.

Erik is a resident of Duxbury, Mass and son of Gary and Sarah. He has one sibling Ashley.

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## The MAC Air Rifle Shooter of the Month



The MAC Air Rifle Shooter of the Month is Matt Lusardi of Virginia Military Institute.

Cadet Lusardi is a VMI 2d Classmen (Junior) and has a 564.33 air rifle average, placing him in the TOP 20 of the MAC Air Rifle Conference. Matt has garnered the respect and support of his fellow teammates and was selected as the Team Captain for the 2015-2016 Rifle Season.

At VMI on January 30, he recorded a 568 in air rifle – only 4 points off his personal best. Matt is a Mechanical Engineering Major and maintains a 2.724 CUM GPA in a very demanding academic program. He is very active in the Corps of Cadets and participates in numerous parades and drill competitions. He also participates in the 3 Gun Club during the off season.

Matt continues to be one of the top shot's on the team in both disciplines. He has been instrumental in coaching and training new cadets on the rifle team. Matt participates in the Army ROTC, the Corps Marksmanship Program as a Range Safety Officer and plans to commission in the United States Army upon graduation.

Matt is a resident of Ridgefield, Conn and son of Kathie and Rich Lusardi. He has two siblings, Nick and Christian.