

PROJECT APPLESEED FLORIDA NEWSLETTER

February 7, 2018



The weekend Appleseed experience: not what you expect.

In this issue:

- What we are about
- Schedule of events
- How to prepare
- FL now on YouTube
- Rifleman Bootcamp at the IDMR in January follow up and pictures

In today's world of 24-hour news cycles, changing technologies, and push-button gratification, it's a challenge to stay connected to the values that our great country was built on. Ideals like integrity, commitment, and personal responsibility are what our founding fathers relied on to win our independence and to then make America a great nation. At Project Appleseed, we're dedicated to keeping these timeless values alive. We promote civic responsibility through the teaching of colonial history and the American tradition of rifle marksmanship. Even after all of these years, there is much to be learned from our forefathers' examples of perseverance, commitment, and civic virtue. With a full calendar of shooting clinics and events, Project Appleseed is here to make sure these timeless principles live on for generations to come.

What Appleseed is all about:

You can't write the story of America without including several chapters about the skill and bravery of our forefathers'. On April 19, 1775, at Lexington and Concord, American colonists stood with muskets in hand and faced down the British forces that were trying to seize their arms. The colonists did it with grit, determination, and superior marksmanship. They were real marksmen: nobly and ably putting their skills on the line in pursuit of liberty. We are the descendants of those fearless men and women who earned our freedom on the battlefield. We honor their pursuit of liberty by passing along the skills and knowledge that aided them in securing it. Today's Rifleman understands that owning and mastering a rifle is part of his/her American heritage. Whether you're a new shooter or a seasoned marksman, Project Appleseed can help transform you from a person with a rifle into a principled and skilled Rifleman.



Feb-18			
St. Augustine	FL	February 10, 2018 - February 11, 2018	Appleseed
Bunnell	FL	February 17, 2018 - February 18, 2018	Appleseed
Myakka City	FL	February 17, 2018 - February 18, 2018	Appleseed
Palm Bay	FL	February 17, 2018 - February 18, 2018	Appleseed
Mar-18			
Hollywood	FL	March 03, 2018 - March 04, 2018	Appleseed
St. Augustine	FL	March 10, 2018 - March 11, 2018	Appleseed
Bunnell	FL	March 17, 2018 - March 18, 2018	Appleseed
Palm Bay	FL	March 17, 2018 - March 18, 2018	Appleseed
Tallahassee	FL	March 17, 2018 - March 18, 2018	Appleseed
Hurlburt Field	FL	March 24, 2018 - March 25, 2018	LadySeed
Apr-18			
Pensacola	FL	April 07, 2018 - April 08, 2018	Appleseed
Bunnell	FL	April 14, 2018 - April 15, 2018	Appleseed
Clearwater	FL	April 21, 2018 - April 22, 2018	Appleseed
Hernando	FL	April 21, 2018 - April 22, 2018	Appleseed
Palm Bay	FL	April 21, 2018 - April 22, 2018	Appleseed
St. Augustine	FL	April 21, 2018 - April 22, 2018	Appleseed
Tallahassee	FL	April 21, 2018 - April 22, 2018	Appleseed
Myakka City	FL	April 22, 2018 (One Day Event)	Appleseed - 1 Day
Hurlburt Field	FL	April 28, 2018 - April 29, 2018	Appleseed
May-18			
Palm Bay	FL	May 19, 2018 - May 20, 2018	Appleseed
Tallahassee	FL	May 19, 2018 - May 20, 2018	Appleseed
Jun-18			
Myakka City	FL	June 16, 2018 - June 17, 2018	Appleseed
Palm Bay	FL	June 16, 2018 - June 17, 2018	Appleseed
Hernando	FL	June 23, 2018 - June 24, 2018	Appleseed
Tallahassee	FL	June 23, 2018 (One Day Event)	Appleseed - 1 Day
Gainesville	FL	June 30, 2018 - July 01, 2018	Appleseed
Jul-18			
Tallahassee	FL	July 21, 2018 (One Day Event)	Appleseed - 1 Day
Aug-18			
Tallahassee	FL	August 18, 2018 (One Day Event)	Appleseed - 1 Day
Sep-18			
Myakka City	FL	September 15, 2018 - September 16, 2018	Appleseed
Hernando	FL	September 22, 2018 - September 23, 2018	Appleseed
Tallahassee	FL	September 22, 2018 - September 23, 2018	Appleseed
Gainesville	FL	September 29, 2018 - September 30, 2018	Appleseed
Palm Bay	FL	September 29, 2018 - September 30, 2018	Appleseed
Oct-18			
Pensacola	FL	October 06, 2018 - October 07, 2018	Appleseed
Clearwater	FL	October 20, 2018 - October 21, 2018	Appleseed
Palm Bay	FL	October 20, 2018 - October 21, 2018	Appleseed
Tallahassee	FL	October 20, 2018 - October 21, 2018	Appleseed
Nov-18			
Bunnell	FL	November 03, 2018 - November 04, 2018	Appleseed
Hurlburt Field	FL	November 03, 2018 - November 04, 2018	Appleseed
Tallahassee	FL	November 10, 2018 - November 11, 2018	Appleseed
Clearwater	FL	November 17, 2018 - November 18, 2018	Appleseed
Palm Bay	FL	November 17, 2018 - November 18, 2018	Appleseed
Dec-18			
Hurlburt Field	FL	December 01, 2018 - December 02, 2018	Appleseed
Pensacola	FL	December 01, 2018 - December 02, 2018	Appleseed
Tallahassee	FL	December 08, 2018 - December 09, 2018	Appleseed
Myakka City	FL	December 15, 2018 - December 16, 2018	Appleseed
Palm Bay	FL	December 15, 2018 - December 16, 2018	Appleseed
Gainesville	FL	December 29, 2018 - December 30, 2018	Appleseed
Hurlburt Field	FL	December 01, 2018 - December 02, 2018	Appleseed
Pensacola	FL	December 01, 2018 - December 02, 2018	Appleseed
Tallahassee	FL	December 08, 2018 - December 09, 2018	Appleseed
Myakka City	FL	December 15, 2018 - December 16, 2018	Appleseed
Palm Bay	FL	December 15, 2018 - December 16, 2018	Appleseed

What Should You Bring

** Very important things

Personal items

- A teachable attitude (most important thing) **
- Ear protection Muffs and plugs **
- Eye protection **
- Elbow pads or shooting Jacket
- Ground cover (Rug remnant will work)
- A hat
- Little notebook (those little 2.5 X 3.5 work well)
- Pen – Used for taking notes and also for marking your targets; a sharpie marker is handy as well
- Sun Screen
- Lots of water (Must stay hydrated)
- Light Lunch
- Snacks
- Folding Chair (not necessary but nice)
- Wet wipes
- Bug spray
- Necessary clothing for any kind of weather

Rifle specific preparations

- Rifle preferably zeroed for 25 meters
- At least 500 rounds of ammo for a two day event
- At least 250 rounds of ammo for a one day event
- At least 250 rounds of ammo for a Known Distance event
- Sight adjustment tools
- Two mags. 10 rds. each. Bring extra mags. if you have them. 20rds works well if State law allows
- Gun cleaning supplies and lube
- Instructions for your rifle (if you have them)
- Know your rifle
- GI Web Sling
- Something to cover your rifle to keep blowing sand or rain off it.
- Staple gun, or thumb tacks, or push-pins.
- Staples
- Know the laws of the State you are going to and only bring that which is within the law

Ready your equipment

- Be prepared for blowing sand and dust, rain, mud all those weather conditions a rifleman would have to generally put up with.
- In event of blowing sand and dust, you'll need to totally degrease your rifle. Any lube should be a dry lube, like graphite. Be ready to protect your rifle with a plastic rifle bag or a simple waterproof wrap for the action.
- Be ready to protect ammo and mags from the same weather. Ziploc bags are great for this.
- Again, be prepared. You should function-test your rifle and, if possible, have it zeroed for 25 meters. Doing so will leave you properly sighted for the 25m AQT.
- It's a good idea to get down into the prone position and dry-fire ten shots "by the numbers." If you will do this three times a week, you'll be way ahead of everyone else. Hey, while you're at it, put a GI web sling on your rifle, and get it adjusted so it supports the rifle in prone, too.
- Practice at home is a GREAT way to prep for arriving at the range. By doing so your range time will be FAR more productive.

**** Due to a gun industry safety bulletin, .17HMR semi-autos are not recommended.**

**** Effective immediately the use of Smith and Wesson M&P 15/22'S at and Appleseed are hereby temporarily prohibited due to recent safety issues.**



Project Appleseed Florida is now on YouTube! Ever wondered what it's like to attend a weekend Appleseed event? Take a look at some of the videos we have posted on You tube.

Here is a link: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCj3Rip_IKHaWhbl1rUDUugg

The 2018 annual rifleman boot camp at the Isaac Davis Memorial Range was a stunning success! I want to thank all those fine Americans who came for a wonderful week of fellowship, history and all things Appleseed. Special thanks to Engineer Shooting, Lucky Lori, Salt Water Shooter and Cable Guy for making the week a memorable one! There is a video presentation posted from the event on our Florida YouTube channel. Here is a link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TaHgEUB0VRM&t=468s>

The After action report on our forum can be found at this link:

<https://appleseedinfo.org/smf/index.php?topic=52876.0>



<https://appleseedinfo.org/>

Contact your local State Coordinator Chris Heffron with any needs or questions at:
mecreos@gmail.com or 407.601.9549

