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**MMA Annual Meeting**

February 4, 2005  
Pool Shooting Complex

## Hall of Fame Ceremony Caps Reunion

USAMU



**Hall of Famers -**  
Robert D. Whitacre  
speaks at the lecturn  
while USAMU  
Commander LTC  
David J. Liwanag,  
guest speaker COL  
(Ret) Greg Camp, and  
fellow Hall of Fame  
Inductees William R.  
Lee and William C.  
Pullem look on.

USAMU Photo

FORT BENNING, Ga. - More than 300 members, past and present, of the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit, gathered together Oct. 22 and 23 to celebrate the 48th anniversary of the formation of the USAMU. The Military Marksmanship Association - the alumni association of the Army Marksmanship Unit - conducted the festivities, which started with a welcome picnic at the Pecan Grove on Phillips Range the afternoon of Oct. 22.

The MMA Reunion honored the shooters and staff of the Army Marksmanship Unit and provided an opportunity for the shooters of the past to meet the new shooters of the present.

The morning of Oct. 23, the MMA members gathered at Sharpe Hall, USAMU Headquarters, for a ceremony inducting four retired USAMU Soldiers into the USAMU Support Hall of Fame. The inductees were: Sgt. 1st Class Gerald J. "Hook" Boutin, service rifle shooter, armorer and sniper instructor; Sgt. Maj. Roy Combs, Service Rifle Team coach and former USAMU sergeant major; Sgt. 1st Class Leslie "Pappy" Drake, Service Rifle Team coach and shooting champion; and

Master Sgt. William "W.O." Harden, service rifle shooter, gunsmith and chief of the USAMU Custom Firearms Shop.

"I'd like to thank them for their extraordinary service to the Army and this nation," said former USAMU Commander retired Col. Arch Arnold, who was the guest speaker at the ceremony.

USAMU Commander Lt. Col. David J. Liwanag told the crowd that the work of the USAMU Custom Firearms Shop in producing more accurate weapons for the Army is "important in our global war on terror."

"Every unit has its standout," Liwanag said. "For the Army, that's the Marksmanship Unit. In the unit, our most precious assets are our shooters, gunsmiths and support people who make and issue the guns, ammo and equipment that make it possible for us to excel and dominate over challenges."

The USAMU Support Hall of Fame Ceremony was followed by a trick-shooting demonstration by 2004 Olympians Sgts. 1st Class James "Todd" Graves, Bret E. Erickson and Shawn C. Duloher at Hook Range.

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## MMA President's Report

Arch Arnold

### 48<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Reunion

It was great to see so many old friends in attendance at our reunion and Halls of Fame induction ceremonies last month. As always, it was a most memorable and happy occasion for all. And, as I'm sure you all appreciate, such events don't get well organized by accident. Let me take a moment to thank some of the prime movers whose hard work was most essential to making the weekend so much fun:

Bruce Meredith : MMA pins and Huckleberry's Catering

Phil Canella : Drinks and cakes

Mike Behnke : MMA hats

LTC Liwanag, SGM Dickman, CPT Howe, SFC Sheeley and the AMU troops : Set up of tables, chairs, tents, and all the endless details.

SFCs Graves and Erickson : The amazing shotgun demonstration.

Col(R) Greg Camp : Excellent guest speaker.

Nancy Pool, Judy Boyd, Cordy Arnold : Registration.

### Election of New Officers of the Executive Board

At the reunion we were delighted to elect by popular acclamation the MMA's new executive board to serve from February 2005 until January 2007 :

President, Bruce Meredith, has devoted most of his lifetime to the shooting sports. An Olympian and our serving Vice President, he will do a great job in leading our organization toward our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Reunion in 2006.

Vice President, Steve Goff, is recently retired from a career of shooting at the USAMU. A double digit National Champion and renowned CISM competitor, he brings a great love of shooting and youth(!) to the Board.

Secretary, Red Moseley, has served more terms on the board than any other. He has been indispensable in astutely managing of our website and all the complexities of our administration.

Treasurer, Sam Hunter, will continue to keep an exceptionally tight grip on our purse strings. His contributions will become even more important as we grow into being a tax-exempt veteran's organization.

We are indeed fortunate to have such a fine group of men step forward to lead us into our very promising future.

### Annual General Membership Meeting Coming Up Soon !

Please mark your calendars for Friday afternoon, February 4<sup>th</sup>, when we'll gather at Pool Indoor Range to do some very important business of our association. We will formally install the new Executive Board and recognize the 2004 MMA Soldier/Shooter of the Year. Hope to see you all there !

## USAMU Commander's Report

LTC David J. Liwanag

The 46th MMA Reunion was a great event and I hope we get an even bigger and better attendance for the 50th! I am particularly humbled when I read the accomplishments of all you wonderful ladies and gents.

The Unit will take a quick break for the holidays and let everyone recharge their batteries before jumping into calendar year 2005 with both feet. We are now doing so many Close Combat Marksmanship, Designated Marksman Instructor, and advance marksmanship Mobile Training Team deployments that senior Army leadership is taking notice. The Designated Marksman Instructor Course is slowly showing NCOs that yes, you actually CAN shoot past 200 yards and be effective. We had a visit by an Army Times journalist, and expect to see an article shortly.

SGT Max Michel is the United States 2004 Action Shooting Open Class Champion — quite an accomplishment considering the talent gunning for the top spot. He was also named the youngest-ever Team USA Team Captain for the next World Shoot.

The Shop's contribution to the Global War on Terrorism is 250+ M16 Designated Marksman Rifles for the 3rd Infantry Division, and showing Big Army how our across-the-course 77-grain 5.56mm ammo may be the fix for extended range M16 gunfights. Soldier Battle Lab's test showed the Army G3 that our DMR was the most accurate weapon/ ammo combination in a comparative shoot-off test between rack-grade M16A4s, M4 Carbines, and M14s, all with Advance Combat Optical Gunsight (ACOG) 3.5 power telescopes. I believe the G3 is going to recommend that the Army adopt rack-grade M4s as the service-wide DM weapon, shooting 77-grain Match ammo.

The Shop is also helping units re-issued M14s stay in business with subject matter expertise. We hope to send a gunsmith team forward to Iraq in of 2005 to assist 3rd ID with any mid-tour teething pains with their M16 DMRs.

We will probably be forming two 4-man teams (consisting of Soldiers rank E1-E5) for the 2005 All-Army Championships. The All-Army has changed from "Back in the day," as now all Soldiers will shoot the M16 across-the-course; in combat courses of fire; and all will shoot the M9 pistol. I'm hoping we grow the turn-out from our inaugural match last year.

Sadly, we learned that young Specialist Joe Thibodeaux of the 25th Infantry Division, accepted for assignment to the Service Pistol Team was Killed in Action in Iraq. Our hearts go out to his family.



## Coats Brown, A Legacy

Ken Hamill

**This series is about the life and times of a shooting legend who became the first Service Rifle Head Coach of USAMU in 1956. If you shot or worked with Coats Brown, please send any memories you have of those times to the Editor so the membership can share or relive those memories.**

Fort McClellan, Alabama. Coats was assigned to First Squad of the Third Platoon. His squad leader was Corporal Heath. Cpl Heath taught Coats close order drill, bayonet, weapons, marksmanship, hand to hand combat, fire and movement, all of the basic infantry skills. This training took place every morning, Monday through Friday. There were also squad, platoon and company training problems. There were no basic training posts those days. The squad leaders, who were Corporals, accomplished recruit training. Most of them, grizzled veterans with years of experience in the Army. Corporal Heath had around twenty years in the Army and had faced the tough Moros in the Philippines. Heath was a big man; perhaps 6' 3" tall and raw boned, weighing in at around 210 lb. He had a vertical scar on the right side of his face that ran from above his eyebrow to his lower jaw. It was an ugly welt that tended to get very red when Squad Leader Heath lost his patience. Coats worked hard, was a quick learner and never seriously angered his squad leader. It was Coats nature to be soft spoken and he wanted to keep a low profile during his apprenticeship. Corporal Heath was a demanding trainer and a good NCO. Coats had great respect for him and ended up getting along fine with the big man. Coats remembers a conversation he had with Corporal Heath after he had been in K Company for two or three months. Coats asked Heath what a young soldier should do to become a good soldier. Heath responded, "Learn to shoot and hit what you shoot at". The same conversation led to Heath explaining how he got the big scar on his face. It happened in the Philippines during an Moro uprising where he shot at a charging Moro warrior at close quarters. Heath explained, "I shot and missed him and he laid my face open with a machete". Coats credits Corporal Heath as one of the people who made him focus on the need to shoot well.

Coats Brown stayed in the supply room during the afternoon. He learned supply from Sgt Turner. He would learn all of the crew served weapons and items of equipment kept in the supply room. A small wooden case with a handle contained items for drawing maps. The case held a small folding table, alidade and a compass. Coats asked Sgt Turner what it was for. Sgt Turner set up the table and showed Coats how to use the alidade and compass for measuring angles. He also demonstrated how to measure the area to be mapped by pacing and sighting angles to known points with the compass. Coats first exposure to pool tables was in K Company. The supply room desks and working area was directly under the dayroom. Pool balls frequently jumped off the table and resonated through the floor. The supply room had a wire cage separating supply people and the soldiers they served. Coats helped out however he could, doing odd jobs and even typing for the Company Clerk when needed. This lasted for 1-½ years. The supply sergeant had won the Medal of Honor in World War I. He tried to forget those memories with alcohol.

The First Sergeant had told Coats when he was first assigned to supply "Take care of him". Sgt Turner was generally not friendly to the troops, but he would take care of business. The supply sergeant was addressed as Sgt Turner. He was a man of very few words. He would answer questions from young soldiers, but say no more. A silly or inappropriate question or comment brought a growl from him. Sgt Turner got along well with Cpl Heath. They didn't mingle that much, but if Heath needed something, Turner was hospitable and did not growl at the Corporal. Coats got along very well with his old soldier boss. They chatted extensively. They shared their life experiences. Turner had been brought up in Pennsylvania and had worked in a coal mine until he joined the Army. Turner was always in uniform and neat. He always treated Coats well. He took time to answer Coats questions. He was patient and supportive of Coats effort to learn. First sergeant Bull Johnson, Sergeant Gadluski and Sergeant Turner were great friends. They shared a lot of laughs and conversations over a cup of coffee in the supply room. Sgt Gadluski told Turner one afternoon "You know Turner, when you are buried, I'll run a pipe down and piss just to get some liquid in your gullet". Sgt Turner got a kick out of that and laughed hard. You needed 30 years to retire from service those days and Turner was nearing retirement.

### PRESIDENT / From Page 2

#### Finally

It has been an honor and a pleasure for me to serve you and our association over the past 2 years. In addition to the board members I've already mentioned, I want to give special thanks to Richard Rebidue for his steady hand in managing our membership, Carter Berry for his wit and excellent MMA Times editorship, and AMU Deputy, Bob Aylward, for his exceptional service in ensuring the mutual support between our association and the USAMU. We are really blessed to have such a capable group of volunteers so dedicated to the good work of our organization.

Merry Christmas/ Happy Holidays to all !!!!!

### COMMANDER / From Page 2

SSG Josh Olson is a young Infantry NCO with battle experience and wounds from Iraq. Olson lost his right leg below the hip as a result of a rocket-propelled grenade explosion during a gunfight in which his First Sergeant also lost an eye. Olson has been accepted to assignment on the International Rifle Team, and we will also develop him as a pistol shooter.

We've just finished hosting the Corps of Engineers in a planning conference to determine the size and location of the new USAMU Headquarters building. It should end up being about 38,000 square feet of facility, sited to the left of the entrance drive to the present Hook/Pool complex as you enter the gate from "Splinter Village." We'll keep you informed as the plan develops.

We wish you a Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year, and all the best for you and your families in 2005.



## USAR SHOOTER PROFILE: Kurt Fitz-Randolph, Jr., Int'l Rifle

Kurt Fitz-Randolph was a member of the US Army Reserve International Rifle Team from 1993 to 1998 and is a member of the USAR Roll of Honor with a distinctive photo and plaque in the Pool 50/300 meter range at Fort Benning. The USAR International Rifle Team has been discontinued, but LTC Kurt Fitz-Randolph is still a member of the Army Reserve, having been mobilized for a year in October 2001 when he served as Deputy G-3 at the JFK Special Warfare Center and School. He is currently a member of the Individual Ready Reserve and standing by for another call up if necessary.

Kurt started with the US Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) as a special agent in Atlanta and moved to Ogden, Utah as the Supervisory Special Agent at that office. He was promoted to INS Headquarters in Washington, DC and now back to Salt Lake City as the Senior Special Agent with the Organized Crime, Drug Enforcement Task Force. INS has been combined with US Customs into what is now Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) within the Department of Homeland Security.

Kurt was born 18 November 1960 in Starkville, MS and started shooting with his brother, Rod, in 1973 under the tutelage of his father. Kurt was a very successful and accomplished junior shooter and, in fact, made the USA Team (NOT the Junior Team) to the World Shooting Championships to Seoul, Korea in 1978, where he won two gold team medals (standing and overall 50m team) as a member of the 3x40 50 meter Rifle Team. He also won a silver team medal in the Air Rifle event. Before even entering college, he was awarded the U. S. International Distinguished Medal. Fitz-Randolph attended Tennessee Tech University on a rifle scholarship and he was the first 8 time Collegiate All American (Smallbore and Air Rifle), leading the team to four national collegiate championships.

2LT Fitz-Randolph's first assignment as a Regular Army Officer was a Platoon leader with the 2nd IN DIV in Korea. His tour with the USAMU International Rifle Team at Fort Benning ran from 1984 to 1989. At the Championships of the Americas at Fort Benning in 1985, Kurt ran rampant, winning the gold individual medal in 50 meter Free Rifle 3x40, the silver individual medal in 300 meter Standard Rifle, Men's Air Rifle, and 50 meter Free Rifle Kneeling. He won Gold team medals in 50 meter 3 Position, 50 meter Kneeling, 50 meter Standing and 300 meter Standard Rifle. He ran the medal count to 9 with the silver team medal in 10 meter Air Rifle. When the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) initiated the requirement for the earning of quota spaces as a prerequisite to shoot in the Olympic Games, Fitz-Randolph won one of the USA's first quotas for the 1988 Seoul Olympics by winning the World Cup 50 meter 3x40 Rifle event in Munich, Germany in 1986. At the World Cup in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 1988, Kurt won the individual silver in both the 3x40 Smallbore Rifle event and the bronze medal in Air Rifle. He was a member of the US Army CISM teams to Portugal 1996, Sweden 1987, Finland 1988 and Chile 1989. Kurt is NRA Smallbore Rifle Position Distinguished and has won more than 50 various USA national championships and set 60 NRA National Records.

As a Regular Army Captain Fitz-Randolph served as a Detachment Commander with the 3rd BN, 10th Special Forces Group, Ft. Devens, MA 1990-1992 and then joined the Army Reserve International Rifle team where he helped the USAR win national championships at Camp Perry. Kurt Fitz-Randolph has graduated from the Infantry Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, Airborne and Air Assault Schools, Command & General Staff College, Survival/Escapes School, Special Forces Qualification Course, and Special Operations Training Course and won the combat patch for the right shoulder of his uniform serving with the 10th Special Forces in Iraq. Kurt's e-mail is kurt308@earthlink.net. Home tel. 801-294-518S. Most people in his profession aren't free about giving out a home address or cellphone number.

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**This is a song that most former service rifle shooters are familiar with. A verse or two and a title were added to the original, believed to be authored by Jim Tuck. It is sung to the tune of "A Little Bitty Tear" by Burl Ives.**

### Ode to a Leg Match

I planned a big celebration, lots of beer, maybe even a keg  
Tomorrow I'd win my distinguished, I still needed a ten-point leg.

Everything went like I planned it, I was really putting on quite a show  
I was clean when I left the two hundred, what happened next I really don't know.

I laid down on the three hundred, I thought I was doing just fine,  
I was planning to shoot ten bullets, but the target puller let me shoot nine.

A little bitty bullet let me down, lowered my moral to the ground  
I had it made up to celebrate the town, but a little bitty bullet let me down.

Don't ever celebrate in advance, you've got to perform on each round  
The cut-off was four-eighty-seven, I had a four-eighty-five and saved a round.

A little bitty bullet let me down, lowered my moral to the ground,  
I had it made up to celebrate the town, but a little bitty bullet let me down.

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**Photos needed:** If you have a 8" X 10" shooting photo of yourself or a team, please photo copy it, identify the event, date, people and send it to: MMA Historian, PO Box 52025, Ft Benning, GA 31995-2025. Photos received will be captioned, placed in document protectors & notebook binders and stored in the USAMU Photo Archives.



## COMMANDER / From Page 2

The highlight of the 48th Anniversary Reunion was the USAMU Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony, held the afternoon of Oct. 23 on Ceremony Hill of the Pool International Shooting Complex. Retired USAMU members Lt. Col. William C. Pullum and Master Sgts. William R. Lee and Robert D. Whitacre joined 20 other former members of the USAMU who are enshrined the unit's Hall of Fame.

Pullum was the former coach of the USAMU Service Rifle and International Rifle teams, as well as the U.S. Olympic Rifle Team. He also competed as a service pistol and service rifle shooter and served as the USAMU shop officer.

"I've had a very enjoyable life with the Army Marksmanship Unit and I've met some wonderful people; I want to thank you all very kindly," Pullum said.

Lee was a service rifle shooter, winning the President's Hundred Match in 1976 and numerous other championships. He thanked the USAMU Custom Firearms Shop for his victories, stating that the work the AMU gunsmiths did on the M-16 rifles was a miracle performance.

"The USAMU has made the greatest contribution they can make to the Army," Lee said, "by putting these weapons in the hands of our Soldiers in Iraq and Afghanistan."

Whitacre was a multiple national indoor pistol champion who earned the Distinguished Pistol Shot Badge, the International Distinguished Shooters Badge and the President's Hundred Tab. He thanked the USAMU gunsmiths, coaches and support staff for the part they play in creating the USAMU champions.

"I served with the best Soldiers in the best unit in the U.S. Army - the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit," Whitacre said.

Liwanag introduced retired Col. Gregory C. Camp, former Fort Benning chief of staff, who was the guest speaker at the Hall of Fame Ceremony.

"Americans really like winners and these three inductees - and the entire Army Marksmanship Unit - are champions" Camp said. "The Army Marksmanship Unit has far exceeded the expectations of President Eisenhower when he formed the unit 48 years ago. There is no peer in marksmanship to the Army Marksmanship Unit. The unit has lived the vision of Eisenhower; the unit has the greatest small arms capability in the Army."

Also present at the ceremony were: Retired Lt. Gen. William B. Caldwell; and former USAMU members retired Lt. Col. Robert Mitchell, director of USA Shooting, and Olympic Gold Medalist Gary Anderson, director of the Civilian Marksmanship Program.

Following the Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony, the Military Marksmanship conducted a general membership meeting and elected officers for 2005. The newly elected officers are: retired Col. Bruce Meredith, president; retired Maj. Stephen C. Goff, vice president; retired Sgt. Maj. Laurence K. Mosely, recording secretary; and retired Master Sgt. Samuel W. Hunter, treasurer. The new officers will take office in January 2005 for a two-year term.

## Taps, Present Arms

### Folke A. Ahlquist

Master Sergeant (Retired) Folke A. Ahlquist, 88, died on Wednesday October 20, 2004, in Columbus, Georgia.

MSG Ahlquist retired from the U.S. Army after thirty years of service while serving during World War II, the Korean Conflict, and Vietnam.

At the beginning of World War II, he landed at Omaha Beach, Normandy, France, on D-Day plus four with the 90th Infantry Division. He fought with the 90th Infantry Division through France and Germany to central Europe on VE Day. After World War II, he served with the 569th Ordnance Company until returning to Fort Benning with an assignment to the U.S. Army Infantry School Brigade.

MSG Ahlquist also served a tour of duty in Korea and Vietnam as a military advisor and a second tour of duty in Vietnam with the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit Sniper Team.

MSG Ahlquist retired from the U.S. Army at Fort Benning on June 30, 1971. After his military retirement, he was employed by USAMU as a Weapon and Ammunition Tester for fifteen years at Parks Range, Fort Benning, Georgia. He retired from civil service on July 30, 1988.

### Alger B. "Al" Mullins

Sergeant First Class (Retired) Alger B. "Al" Mullins, 53, died Saturday, November 6, 2004, in Columbus, Georgia.

"Al" Mullins was born April 16, 1951, in Hazard, Kentucky. He was assigned to the U.S. Army Marksmanship unit for 14 years and was a World Class International Skeet Shooter. During this period, he was a member of several United States shooting teams. In 1977 at the World

Moving Target Champions in Antibes, France, "Al" was awarded the United States Distinguished International Shooters Badge for his team performance on a medal winning team. He also competed at the Pan American Games where he won a silver medal.

"Al" retired with 22 years service in the U.S. Army. After his military retirement, he was active in the local community and served as the Vice President of the Military Marksmanship Association. In his second career, "Al" was employed as a sales representative for METRAC/John Deere in Columbus, Georgia.

**Stories needed:** If you remember a funny, inspiring or interesting shooting experience, please share it with us, so we can share it with the membership through the MMA Times. Please send your experiences or second hand stories to: MMA Times Editor, PO Box 52025, Ft Benning, GA 31995-2025.



## Conway Chronicles

Francis B. Conway

Sight in Days: An older shooter had a model 94 Winchester in caliber .30-30. It belonged to his son but shot real high at 50 yards. I mean two feet high! I put in the collimator and it looked OK, but I suggested he go into town and see if he could find a lower rear sight as the one on it was all the way down. On Sunday he was there bright and early and it still shot way high. This time I put on my glasses and the gun had been reblued! The screws which went through the end of the magazine and its cap had a small stud on its end which was supposed to go into a catching hole in the bottom of the barrel. It was resting against the barrel along side of the hole and putting a curve in the last inch or so of the barrel causing the higher impact. With it properly installed, it shot right on! The collimator "spud" had enough free play to not show the curve.

Information for the "Keeping in Touch" column needed: If you shot for the Army, your old friends want to hear about you. Send us a description of your experiences, when and where you shot, coached, accurized weapons, or other duties. When did you get out of the Army? What did you do? School? Work? When did you retire? What are your hobbies? Please jot down some information about yourself and send it to: MMA Historian, PO Box 52025, Ft Benning, GA 31995-2025.

## Keeping In Touch

### Member Update

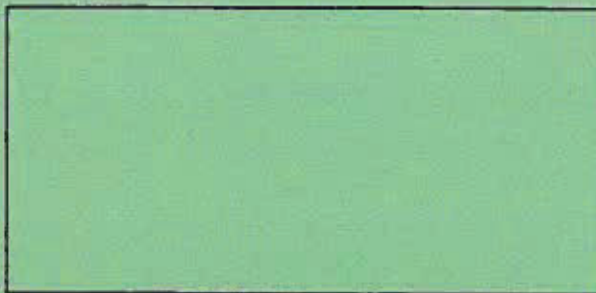
USAMU pistol Hall of Fame member Bonnie Harmon suffered a stroke about seven months ago. His condition has improved but he still requires nursing care and is a resident at the VA Hospital in Tuskegee, Alabama. Bonnie and his wife Gisela thank all who have visited, telephoned, or wrote Bonnie. During this holiday period, a card, or note would brighten the day for Bonnie and Gisela. Mailing address: MSG (Ret) Bonnie Harmon, Nursing Home, Bldg 129, Room 126, 2400 Hospital Road, Tuskegee, AL 36083.

### 2005 Membership Directory

The Membership Chairman, Dick Rebidue, is working on the membership database for publication of the 2005 Membership Directory in January. Please insure that your membership is current so that your name will be included the 2005 Membership Directory. If you have a change of address or e-mail address, please mail them to: Membership, MMA, PO Box 52025, Ft Benning, GA 31995-2025 or e-mail them to: [membership@militarymarksmanship.org](mailto:membership@militarymarksmanship.org)



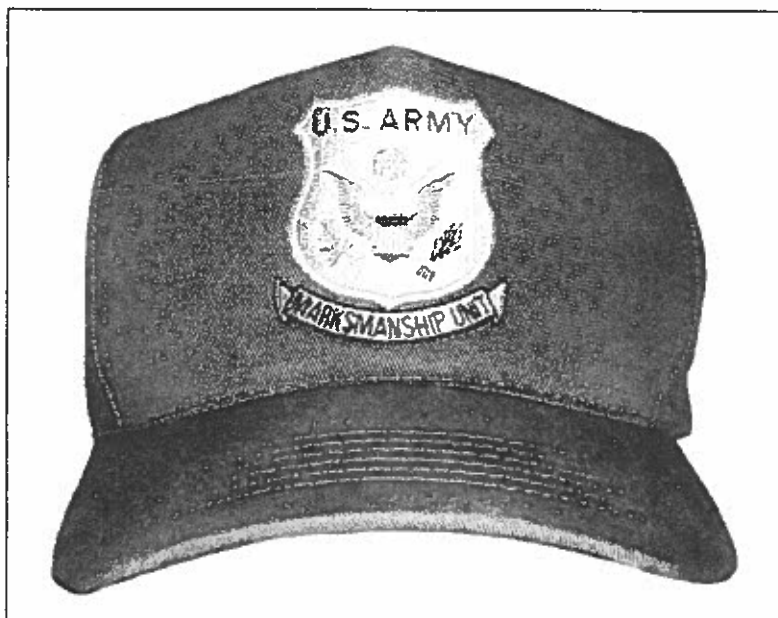
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# Military Marksmanship Association

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## 48th Reunion Caps and Pins Limited Quantities Available



Many MMA members have asked the USAMU for a USAMU patch or USAMU cap but policy allows the issue of these items only to assigned USAMU personnel. To solve this dilemma your association ordered (from the same manufacture that makes the USAMU Black cap) a high-quality, low-cost cap with an embroidered USAMU emblem on the front and the letters "MMA" embroidered in gold on the back. We were not allowed to have the caps made in black but offer them in a Dark Forest Green color (pictured) or in a Dark Navy Blue color. Caps size is adjustable with a Velcro tab. If

you did not attend the 48th reunion and wish to purchase a cap, the cost is \$10.00 each plus \$8.25 shipping and packing for one or two caps. Please complete the Order Form and send \$18.25 for one cap or \$28.25 two caps. Be sure to check the color and quantity blocks on the Order Form.

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Another popular item at the 48th Reunion was the MMA logo pin. Two designs are offered:

The design of Pin #1 is the MMA logo in color on a white rectangular background. The size of the pin is approximately 1-1/2" W x 1" H.



Pin #1

The design of Pin #2 is the MMA logo in color with the background cut out around the logo. Size of pin is 1-1/4" W x 3/4" H.



Pin #2

Packing and shipping is free when pins are ordered with caps. When pins are ordered alone, the cost is \$1.00 per pin plus a packing and shipping charge of \$1.25 for 1 to 4 pins. Please check the pin design (Pin #1 or Pin #2) and the quantity blocks on the Order Form.

# Military Marksmanship Association

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## Cap and Pin Order Form

These items are offered only to members of the Military Marksmanship Association.

Please Print

First

Last

Address

City

State  Zip + 4:

Phone

E-mail

### Caps

	Quantity	Cost	Total
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Forest Green cap	<input type="text"/>	\$10.00	\$ <input type="text"/>
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Navy Blue cap	<input type="text"/>	\$10.00	\$ <input type="text"/>
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Packing and shipping for 1 or 2 Caps: \$ 8.25			\$ <input type="text"/>
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### Pins

\$1.00 each plus \$1.25 packing and shipping for 1 to 4 pins.

No shipping charge when pins are ordered with cap.

Pin #1 – White Background	<input type="text"/>	\$ 1.00	\$ <input type="text"/>
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Pin #2 – Logo Cutout	<input type="text"/>	\$ 1.00	\$ <input type="text"/>
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Packing and shipping for 1-4 Pins when ordering only pins: \$ 1.25			\$ <input type="text"/>
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Please make checks payable to Military Marksmanship Association, Inc., and mail to:

**Military Marksmanship Association**

PO Box 52025

Fort Benning, GA 31995-2025



**CONSTITUTION**  
**OF THE**  
**MILITARY MARKSMANSHIP ASSOCIATION,**  
**INCORPORATED**

*Approved by the Membership on October 23, 2004*

**ARTICLE I – NAME AND PURPOSE**

Section 1: This Association will be called the “Military Marksmanship Association, Incorporated.”

Section 2: The Association is established as a private organization pursuant to:

- a. DODI 1000.15, Private Organizations on DoD Installations
- b. DOD 5500.7-R, Joint Ethics Regulation
- c. AR 210-22, Private Organizations on Department of the Army Installations.

Section 3: The Association exists on the military installation at the discretion and with the consent of the Installation Commander.

Section 4: The purpose of the Association is to:

- a. Support the goals and objectives of the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit.
- b. Provide a link to the history of the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit.
- c. Conduct membership meetings, membership reunions, and ceremonial events.

Section 5: This Constitution supercedes all previous constitutions.

**ARTICLE II – GENERAL PROVISIONS**

Section 1: The Association will be self-sustaining and will receive no financial assistance from any nonappropriated fund instrumentality in the form of contributions, repairs, services, dividends, or other donations of money or other assets.

Section 2: The Association will be a non-governmental association, established and operated by individuals acting exclusively outside the scope of any official capacity as officers, employees, or agents of the Government. The Association is not established nor operated pursuant to authority vested in the Army or any official thereof.

Section 3: The Installation Commander may withdraw his consent for the Association to operate on the installation at any time.

Section 4: The programs and activities conducted will not prejudice or discredit the military service or any agency of the United States Government.

Section 5: The Association will not use the name of any DoD component, unit, or installation in our name. If the Association wants to include such in our name, the Association will:

- a. Not use a seal, logo, or insignia of any DoD component, organization, unit or installation on the Association's letterhead, correspondence, or in its title;
- b. Not use of the name so that it may mislead members of the public to assume a private organization is in fact an organizational unit within the Department of Defense;
- c. Receive prior approval for such use by the commander of USAIC and Fort Benning.
- d. Use a prominent disclaimer on all print and electronic media confirming that the Association is not part of the Department of Defense.

Section 6: The Association will not compete with any appropriated or nonappropriated fund activity that offers similar programs or services.

Section 7: The Association will reimburse the Army for any utility expenses incurred by the Army as a result of the operation of the Association, unless it would cost the Army more to bill and collect than it costs to provide the utility.

Section 8: The Association will neither propagate extremist activities nor advocate violence against others or the violent overthrow of the Government.



Section 9: The Association will not seek to deprive individuals of their civil rights.

Section 10: The Association will not engage in the distribution or sale of alcoholic beverages at any time.

Section 11: The property of this Association will consist of such articles as may properly come into its possession. The property shall be accounted for by the Treasurer in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Section 12: All records of this Association, excluding permanent files and the incomplete checkbook, shall be kept on a calendar year basis, and held at least three (3) years after which time they may be destroyed. The checkbook will be placed with related records when it is completed, using the applicable provisions of AR 25-400-2 series as a guide.

### ARTICLE III – OFFICERS AND GOVERNING BODY

Section 1: Elected officers of the Association shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Section 2: Appointed officers may be chairpersons of each standing committee. The President shall appoint them.

Section 3: Nominations, elections, terms of office, and duties are outlined in the Bylaws.

Section 4: The Association shall be administered under the supervision of the Executive Board in accordance with the approved Constitution and Bylaws and other applicable government directives.

Section 5: The Executive Board will consist of the elected officers, standing committee chairpersons, and designated group representatives. Additionally, the Immediate Past President shall be an ex officio member of the Executive Board and will have a standing invitation to attend all Executive Board meetings. He will assist the President in the execution of his duties in any way the President requests. All members of the Executive Board will be entitled to vote.

Section 6: The Executive Board shall carry out the purposes and objectives of the Association by approving the transaction of routine business in accordance with

the approved Constitution and established policies and shall make and enforce such Bylaws as are necessary for the government of this Association.

Section 7: At the end of the Association year, all officers and chairpersons of standing and special committees shall submit to the Secretary a written report. One copy will go to the President, one copy to the appropriate officer and/or committee chairpersons, and one copy to the Association files.

### ARTICLE IV – MEMBERSHIP OR PATRONAGE

Section 1: Membership in this Association will be voluntary and will be open to all active duty and retired members of the Armed Forces and to civilian personnel subject to the following restrictions. The Association is a Veterans Organization under Section 501(c)(19), Internal Revenue Service Code; therefore, the membership ratio must be maintained so that at least 90 percent of the members are past or present members of the Armed Forces. Membership categories are Active and Honorary.

a. Active Member: All active members will pay full dues and have all rights and privileges of membership to include voting and holding office.

b. Honorary Member: Any person to whom the Executive Board or a simple majority of the membership extends an invitation to become an Honorary Member. Honorary members will not pay dues, will not have voting privileges, nor hold elective office, but may participate in all other functions and activities of the Association.

Section 2: The Association will not actively advertise or solicit membership. The principal means of making prospective members aware of the Association is through *word-of-mouth* by the active membership. Other means may include providing prospective members with complementary copies of the Association's newsletter, directing prospective members to view information on the Association's Internet web site, or inviting prospective members to attend Association events. Membership in the Association will not be discussed in official government business meetings or formations, and the Association's Secretary, Treasurer, or Membership Committee Chairman will strictly maintain lists of members and non-members.



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Under no circumstances will such lists be posted in public view in the workplace.

Section 3: Membership discrimination based on race, color, sex, religion, age, disability, or national origin will not be permitted. The use of male pronouns in this document is a matter of convenience and in no way implies any intent to discriminate against women.

Section 4: All members shall be required to read the Constitution and Bylaws as a condition for membership.

## ARTICLE V – METHOD OF FINANCING

Section 1: The revenue necessary to pursue the objectives of the Association shall be derived from dues and from revenue-producing activities conducted by the Association when required, approved, and conducted under the guidance and supervision of the Executive Board. All revenue-producing activities shall have prior approval of the Installation Commander or his designee. The Association understands that gambling in federal buildings is prohibited and that raffles on post have been restricted as a matter of policy. Raffles conducted off post will be in conformance with Georgia law and with the approval of the county sheriff.

Section 2: The dues of this Association are established by the Association's Bylaws, but may be amended annually by a simple majority vote of the Executive Board. No dues will be refunded upon departure or reassignment of any member.

## ARTICLE VI – ACTIVITIES

Section 1: In support of its purpose, the Association plans to conduct membership meetings, membership reunions, and ceremonial events.

## ARTICLE VII – INCOME TO MEMBERS

Section 1: Income shall not accrue to individual members except through wages and salaries as employees of the Association or as award recognition for service rendered to the Association or the military community.

## ARTICLE VIII – MEETINGS AND QUORUMS

### Section 1: General Membership Meetings:

a. The General Membership will meet in January or in the first month of the Association's fiscal year and at the request of any member. At each meeting, the Treasurer will render a financial status report.

b. The Active Members present at a General Membership Meetings will constitute a quorum. A simple majority vote shall govern.

### Section 2: Executive Board Meetings.

a. The President shall determine how often the Executive Board will meet. Special meetings of the Executive Board may be called at the request of any board member.

b. One half of the members of the Executive Board will constitute a quorum. A simple majority vote shall govern.

Section 3: All meetings will be conducted according to *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* (9th Edition or higher). The President will have the final authority to decide points of order.

## ARTICLE IX – ADOPTION AND AMENDMENTS

Section 1: This Constitution will become effective upon adoption by a simple majority vote of the General Membership present at a duly constituted regular or special meeting and upon approval of the Installation Commander or his designee. This Constitution will then supersede all previous constitutions and amendments except that it will not affect officers elected, specific agreements, or contracts entered into under the terms of previous constitutions until such terms of agreement or contracts have reached their expiration date.

Section 2: A member desiring to propose an amendment to the Constitution or Bylaws shall present the proposed amendment in writing with his/her signature to the Executive Board. The board shall consider the amendment at its next meeting.



**BYLAWS**  
**OF THE**  
**MILITARY MARKSMANSHIP ASSOCIATION,**  
**INCORPORATED**

*Approved by the Membership on October 23, 2004*

**ARTICLE I – DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

Section 1: The duties of the officers shall be those implied by respective titles, those prescribed by the Constitution of the Association, and those specified by these Bylaws.

Section 2: The Association, its officers, and its members will comply with all provisions of the following regulations:

- a. DODI 1000.15, Private Organizations on DoD Installations
- b. DOD 5500.7R, Joint Ethics Regulation
- c. AR 210-22, Private Organizations on Department of the Army Installations
- d. US Army Infantry Center Policy Memorandum 215-1-2, Private Organizations

Section 3: President – The President shall preside at the meetings of this Association and of the Executive Board and shall be a member (ex officio) of all committees. He shall, with the Treasurer, review all contracts and obligations authorized by the Executive Board. The President shall appoint all standing and special committee chairmen, unless otherwise stated in the Bylaws.

Section 4: Vice President – The Vice President shall assist the President and perform the duties of the President in his absence. He shall perform any other duties that the President may assign. Should the office of the President be vacated, he shall assume the duties of that office. The Executive Board shall then appoint a Successor to this office as prescribed by Section 6 of this article.

Section 5: Secretary – The Secretary shall keep a record of all meetings of the Association and their proceedings. He shall keep a record of the minutes of the Executive Board. He will submit a rough draft of these minutes to the President for approval. Executive Board minutes will include the names of all board members in attendance at each session. He shall post minutes of the Executive Board meetings in a conspicuous place as determined by the Executive Board for the information of the General Membership. In the event the organization holds a meeting or conducts activities in any given month, the secretary will forward the minutes and monthly financial statement to the Director of Community Activities, United States Army Infantry Center, ATTN: ATZB-PAM, Fort Benning, Georgia 31905, by the 15th of the following month. He shall be responsible for administering any telephone or e-mail votes as per Article II, Section 2, of the Bylaws of this Constitution and for properly entering such

action and its results in an addendum to the minutes to be read the next scheduled Executive Board meeting. He shall deliver to his successor all records and files of the Association. If the President and Vice President are absent from the Executive Board meeting, he shall call the meeting to order and preside until the Board Members make the election of a temporary chairman. The Secretary shall maintain a historical file, consisting of the following permanent records:

- a. Original Constitution with all current revisions.
- b. Original Bylaws with all current revisions.
- c. Records of approval of Constitution, Bylaws, and all amendments.
- d. Current list of members.
- e. A copy of the last audit, if required.

Section 6: Treasurer – The Treasurer shall keep an itemized account of all receipts, disbursements, and all supporting vouchers and records. He shall collect all accounts receivable, such as dues and any other funds accrued by the various committees. He shall disburse the Association's funds as directed by the Executive Board. He shall present a financial report to the Executive Board each month. The records of account will be open to inspection by the members of the Association. He shall use the general provisions of DoD Regulation 7000.14-R, Volume 13, App A, Chapter 9. He shall sign all contract obligations and disbursements authorized by the Executive Board. He shall post a copy of the financial report in a conspicuous place monthly. He shall present a written financial report at the last general meeting of the year. He shall ensure that all necessary audits are performed IAW AR 210-22, paragraph 3-3.

Section 7: With the exception of the office of the President, whose succession is assured in this Article, vacancies occurring in any of the offices shall be filled by the Executive Board with a simple majority vote of the members present and voting in a duly constituted meeting.

Section 8: These Bylaws supercede all previous Bylaws.

**ARTICLE II – ELECTIONS AND VOTING**

Section 1: A committee shall be formed from the membership to nominate candidates for the officers designated in Article III, Section 1 of the Constitution. Officers shall be elected from and by the General Membership at an annual or special meeting designated by the Executive Board for a term of two calendar years. All active members present are entitled to vote. Officers will be installed at the January General Membership Meeting. Officers may hold the same office for consecutive terms.

Section 2: The President will have the authority to conduct a vote by telephone or e-mail of the voting members of the Executive Board in the event of the requirement of an immediate decision of such urgency to preclude a called



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meeting per Article VIII, Section 2a, of the Constitution. A quorum of the voting members must be polled. A simple majority of those members polled is required to reach a decision. The telephonic or e-mail vote is to be administered solely by the Secretary. Each voting member must be informed that this is a voting procedure and must be read the motion under consideration in its complete form. The polling should be conducted with dispatch. All telephonic or e-mail votes are to be reflected in the minutes as stipulated in Article I, Section 5, of the Bylaws. The minutes will include the exact wording of the motion, the names of those voting members who could not be contacted, and an exact accounting of the vote.

### ARTICLE III – DUES AND FEES

Section 1: Active Members. Initial annual dues for all active members will be \$15.00. Subsequent annual dues will be \$10.00.

Section 2: Accounting for and changing dues. Dues will be collected by the Treasurer, recorded, and added to the Association funds as outlined in Article I, Section 4 of these Bylaws. Dues may be changed IAW Article V, Section 2, of the Constitution.

### ARTICLE IV – COMMITTEES

Section 1: Standing and special committees may be created, changed, or abolished at the direction of the President with the approval of the Executive Board.

Section 2: Committee chairmen shall appoint their own committee members. Each standing committee shall be present or be represented at every board meeting and will make a report in writing, annually, or as otherwise directed, to the Executive Board.

### ARTICLE V – FINANCES AND TAXES

Section 1: The Treasurer's books shall be audited IAW AR 210-22, paragraph 3-3.

Section 2: The Executive Board shall not incur any financial obligations that extend beyond its term in office.

Section 3: In no event shall the United States Government be held liable, in fact or in spirit, for any indebtedness incurred by the members of the Association.

Section 4: The Executive Board shall expressly approve all expenditures essential for the operation of this Association, and shall ensure that all disbursements are within the purpose for which this Association was established, in accordance with sound business practices, and within the budget.

Section 5: The Association year, the fiscal year, and the membership year shall run concurrently from January through December.

Section 6: The Association is a tax-exempt Veterans Organization under Section 501(c)(19), Internal Revenue Service Code.

Section 7: The Association is a Domestic Nonprofit Corporation duly incorporated under the laws of the State of Georgia. Registration and fees are due annually.

Section 8: The Association shall be responsible for ensuring applicable fire and safety regulations, environmental laws, local, State, and Federal tax codes, and any other applicable statutes and regulations are complied within the operation of the Association.

### ARTICLE VI – AWARDS/GIFTS

Section 1: The Association will on appropriate occasion provide awards to Army Marksmanship Unit personnel, Association members, or other worthy recipients approved by the Board or membership. Such awards will typically consist of, but not be limited to, trophies, plaques, medallions, and other such items as are customarily given to winning competitive shooters.

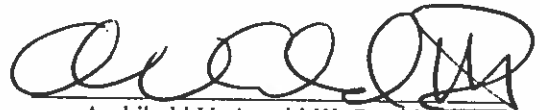
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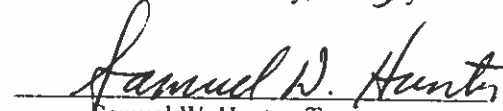
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This Bylaw was approved by the Membership at a regular meeting held on October 23, 2004. In witness whereof, the following officers affix their signatures.

  
Archibald V. Arnold III, President

  
Bruce Meredith, Vice President

  
Laurence K. Mosely, Secretary

  
Samuel W. Hunter, Treasurer