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Shoot Right – Crosman MAR177 Introduction to CMP National Match Airrifle, NRA Day & Open Junior and Adult Tournament, and Gun Safety for Juniors

In February of 2012 Shoot Right was awarded $3000 to obtain and promote the Crosman MAR177 PCP national match competition-grade upper. With the funds Shoot Right obtained five MAR177 uppers with the objective of introducing it to both adults and juniors as a viable option for participating in CMP NMAR tournaments and as a means to hunt small game (e.g. squirrel, rabbit, quail).

Over the course of the year, the MAR177 has been introduced to the public (adults and juniors), along with hands on opportunities. Shoot Right traveled to various events in Arizona, demonstrating its ability to safely and accurately hit a target at 10 meters. The events included a Hunters Education Course in February, Ben Avery Expo in March, the Marvin Robbins Memorial Jr. Spring Turkey Hunting Camp in Happy Jack in April, Arizona Elk's Society Wapiti Weekend Youth Camp in June, and the Shoot Right Airgun Expo in December. The public response was overwhelmingly positive.

Jr. Spring Turkey Hunting Camp – April 2012
Junior Shooter Receiving Hands-On Experience

Wapiti Weekend Youth Camp – June 2012
Junior Shooters Receiving Hands-On Experience

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Shoot Right Airgun Expo – December 2012
MAR177 on Display

The MAR177 was also used in the Shoot Right April Shoot-A-Thon fundraiser and the July Adult Summer Grand Canyon Games. The MAR177 is a viable and efficient option for shooting small game. Club Shoot Right had the opportunity to assist Rovey Dairy Farm in west Phoenix with pigeon eradication in October and November of 2012. The MAR177 was one of the air rifles used at both events. It successfully reduced the pigeon population and was also very capable of hunting collared dove.

Adult Summer Grand Canyon Games – July 2012
Coach Potter Sporting the MAR177 (left)

Shoot Right Shoot-A-Thon – April 2012
Demonstrating the Prone Position at 10 meters