

## Happy Independence Day to Everyone!

MCSA General Meetings through November, 2016 will begin at 6:30 PM, and will be held at the PUD 3 Auditorium at 2621 E. John's Prairie Road. Our next meeting is coming right up on Weds. July 6, 2016, hope to see you all there!

### Safety Question of the Month:

**What might be significant about how I place my bag on the bench or table when I first come into the range?**

*Know the answer? Tell me, I might not know!*

*Email me at [mcsa\\_secretary@masoncountysa.com](mailto:mcsa_secretary@masoncountysa.com)*

## Training Opportunities

The events offered weekly or monthly at MCSA are intended to provide skill building and increased challenge for shooters as they first begin learning and then wish to become more proficient.

A natural progression for the novice shooter could be to start with Basic Pistol.

At the beginner level, for women, the Ladies of Caliber meet on the third Sunday of the month, where we have a revolving schedule of new things to learn and try, like Practical Pistol Competition, Action Pistol League and Steel Shoot.

To practice and improve your accuracy, Bullseye is every Friday night at 6PM.

For an interest in self defense, you could attend Personal Protection in the Home 2 day classes offered at various times during the year over a weekend.

For more of an ongoing practice, the NRA Winchester Marksmanship Programs are once a month on Thursdays. (each of the 3 versions we offer on a different Thursday)

Winchester .22 Pistol is the second Thursday of the month, for accuracy practice and skill building.

Winchester Self Defense is the third Thursday, to learn and practice self defense skills with your 38 caliber or larger firearm.

On the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday, you can build skill and improve accuracy on your .22 rifle.

Another option to practice more self-defense type skills is to join PPC (Personal Pistol Competition) and APL (Action Pistol League).

These leagues are offered weekly every Tuesday night, with PPC running roughly from October until May and APL filling in the summer gap. For 38 caliber or larger.

USPSA matches hosted at MCSA. These matches are taking the competition to a regional and then national level, so they are something to aspire to for sure!

Steel Shoot, 1st Thursday, is a fun and challenging experience for a 38 caliber or larger firearm.

**All of these events and classes provide opportunities for practice and skill building with an emphasis on safe practices, regardless of what the event or class is.**

### **MCSA Event & Training Schedule at a Glance**

**First Sunday 9:30AM: USPSA Match**

**Third Sunday 4PM: Ladies of Caliber**

**Tuesday 5PM: PPC/APL**

**First Thursday: Steel Shoot**

**Second Thursday: NRA Winchester .22 Pistol Marksmanship**

**Third Thursday: NRA Winchester Self Defense Marksmanship**

**Fourth Thursday: NRA Winchester .22 Rifle Marksmanship**

**Friday 6PM: Bullseye**

**Weekends – classes, July 23, NRA Basic Pistol Phase 2 Class**

(Phase 1 is taken on line)

**August 27 & 28, RSO Training**

**October 29 & 30, NRA Personal Protection in the Home Course**

In addition to the list shown above, there are classes offered such as First Aid Classes, becoming an instructor and others. For the current schedule, please check at [Masoncountysa.com](http://Masoncountysa.com) and click on the “Club Calendar” tab. In addition, if you have questions or comments, please contact Training Chairman Steve Worthington at 360-426-6486 or [357steve@gmail.com](mailto:357steve@gmail.com).

***Look for more in-depth descriptions of our programs in future Newsletters!***

### **NRA Grant benefits MCSA Operations!**

Thanks to Jack Fitch, who wrote the Range Improvement Grant request to the NRA, we now have an upgraded exhaust system, and Thanks to Trustee Keith Vanderwal for getting it installed! The new fans work beautifully and are quiet. Keith reports that he had only a few minor challenges when installing them, mostly some size adjustments but other than that, no problems. Keith just mentioned at a meeting that he just needed to do a little bit of finish work, thought that he would probably get a crew together to do that. Before he even finished speaking, Charlie Travagliogne and Allen Bragg had their hands up to volunteer to help! So the only thing needed as this newsletter is written is a bit of paint on the back side and the project is done. Thank you again Jack, Keith, Charlie and Allen, your efforts are very much appreciated!

## **Raffle Report from Bill Zeigler**

**The S&W Model 60 Revolver will draw on August 3rd and the excitement is growing. Stainless steel and a 357, it is a great carry handgun. I have about 100 tickets remaining so if you want some or want to distribute some, give me a call right away. (206-595-9344 -we deliver)**

If you have monies and stubs to turn in, sooner is better than later. It is easier for us to sell unsold tickets when we have a couple of weeks left before the drawing. Getting unsold tickets returned the night of the drawing is not helpful. An extra effort to sell what you checked out is timely and certainly appreciated.

MCSA has purchased an Armalite AR-15 as well as a Springfield Armory XD9 Mod 2 handgun, flat dark earth and black colors and the new Grip Zone textures. But for today, we need to complete the sales of the S&W revolver tickets.

We've sold out two of the past three raffles and the profits go a long way towards helping our club support our functions, events and favorite causes. Good job to you all. By the way, raffle distribution can earn you working hours for you working members.

**Anyone wanting to help sell tickets can contact Bill Zeigler at 206-919-0488.**

**Look for Mason County Sportsman's Association on Facebook and "like" us to help promote our MCSA Facebook page. This will create interest in our club, classes and events.**