

MCSA News

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Volunteers Needed

By Lynn Ludeman

There are plenty of opportunities for joining a Committee for those who are interested in getting in their volunteer hours.

In addition to a need for a Grant Chairman and committee members, we are looking for someone who could serve as an Event Chairman.

If you are interested in finding out more about either of these posts, call or email Bruce Clapp at 360-402-9555 or president@masoncountysa.com.

We can always use help selling raffle tickets and to write articles for the club newsletter, and don't forget you can join the Volunteer and Charitable Giving committees!

Speaking of Committees, it is our practice to appoint a Nominations Committee Chairman in the fall of each year, to gather nominations for the annual election of board officers in December.

Please do speak up if you'd be interested in being the Nominations chairman this year or in serving on this committee.

For questions, suggestions of other things that need doing or to sign up, please call or email Lynn 206-406-3562 or secretary@masoncountysa.com

2017 OysterFest

By Keith Martin

Thanks to everyone who made this OysterFest another successful event. Many of our members gave of their time and skills to make this event happen and without them, this could not be possible.

There were 191.5 hours of volunteer time reported.

The people seemed to have a great time, especially the kids (big and little).

The best part of this event is that we again raised money for the Rotary and MCSA and the community got a chance to learn about MCSA and our programs.

I would like to thank each one that helped, the setup crew, everyone who helped on Saturday and Sunday and the takedown crew, without each of you we could not put on such a great event. I look forward to working with you on the next event.

More photos on page 8.



Dave W. (l) receives the trophy from Dan for the men's division!



Sue Albee shot 49 out of a possible 50! Way to go Sue!



Action Pistol Awards - 1st Half

By Jack Fitch

Congratulations to all those people who participated in enough Action Pistol matches to be counted among the standings! LED flashlights, gun cleaning kits, gun smith quality screw driver kits, SOG pocket knives and the famous "MCSA beer mugs" were given out as awards.

A big "thank you" to the Match Directors: PPC and Tactical Pistol: Jack Fitch; Action Pistol: Charlie Rhubart; Two Gun: Steve Bell; Steel Shoot: Dennis Boos and Score Keeper: Charlie Travaglione.

Come to a match, give it a try! Hope to see many more people in the standings after the 2nd Half of the year!

PPC standing

- 1 Brad Glover & Charlie Travaglione
- 3 Dennis Boos
- 4 Mark Gardner
- 5 Bill Englund
- 6 Jack Fitch
- 7 Charles Rhubart
- 8 Frank Brickey
- 9 Dave Darby

PPC Class: Revolver

- 1 Brad Glover
- 2 Dennis Boos
- 3 Jack Fitch



Jack Fitch, Bill Englund, Dennis Boos, Charlie Travaglione, Mark Gardner, Charlie Rhubart, Brad Glover

Tactical Carry Pistol

- 1 Bruce Clapp
- 2 Brian Schilt
- 3 Jack Fitch
- 4 Dennis Boos
- 5 Michael Graham

Action Pistol

- 1 Mark Gardner
- 2 Charlie Rhubart
- 3 Brian Schilt
- 4 Greg Beck
- 5 Dennis Boos
- 6 Jack Fitch
- 7 Bill England
- 8 Charlie Travaglione
- 9 Gene Reese

Steel Shoot

- 1 Dennis Boos
- 2 Charlie Rhubart
- 3 Steve Bell
- 4 Bill Englund
- 5 Charlie Travaglione
- 6 Mark Gardner
- 7 Jake Denney

Action Pistol – 2 Gun

- 1 Steve Bell
- 2 Evan Tisler
- 3 Brad Glover
- 4 Brian Schilt
- 5 Greg Beck
- 6 Mark Gardner
- 7 Bruce Clapp
- 8 Bill Johnston
- 9 Charlie Rhubart
- 10 Bill England
- 11 Charlie Travaglione

2 Gun Class: Pistol Caliber Carbine

- 1 Jack Fitch



Christmas Party, 2017!!!

By Lynn Ludeman

The Annual MCSA Christmas Party will be at the Lake Limerick Inn on **Sunday, December 10, 2017 from 2 – 6PM.**

Cost is \$30.00 per person and tickets will be available for purchase at the General Meetings. You can also email secretary@masoncountysa.com or call Lynn at 206-406-3562. You can buy the tickets on the web page through Pay Pal .

On the menu this year will be turkey, ham, mashed potatoes & gravy, stuffing, rolls, a vegetable and a dessert. Coffee, tea and soft drinks are included. Beer, Wine and cocktails will be available for purchase.

We will have door prizes again this year. If you have something you'd like to contribute, please contact Lynn.

We had a great time last year and are looking forward to celebrating together again!

NEW TRAINING Opportunities at MCSA

By now, you've all probably noticed that we have been offering an entry level class, Pistol for Beginners. We'll have our 3rd class on Saturday, November 4, and then not again until January. This class has been very popular, we've sold out each of the three we've offered so far. The next Pistol for Beginners class will be in January.

We are adding another new class to the schedule, with the **NRA Basic Rifle** class on Sunday, November 12. Basic Rifle is an 8 hour + class, with both classroom and range time for the students. MCSA supplies the training rifles and ammunition. Students will learn the NRA rules for safe gun handling; rifle parts and operation; ammunition; shooting fundamentals; range rules; shooting from the bench rest, prone, sitting, standing and kneeling positions; cleaning and continued opportunities for skill development. Students will receive the Basics of Rifle Shooting handbook, NRA Gun Safety Rules brochure, Winchester/NRA Marksmanship Qualification booklet, take a Basics of Rifle Shooting Student Examination and receive a course completion certificate. The cost for this class is \$80 for each adult. For parents of youth who'd also like to attend, one youth can accompany a parent or guardian for an additional \$20.

The **Winchester Pistol** program is now on the First Thursday of every month at 6PM. This program is a very good follow up to a beginner class or a great way to get back into practice. Participants advance at their own pace, taking as long on each step of skill building as they want or need to before advancing.

We'll add the **Winchester Rifle** program back to the schedule in November, on the Third Thursday of every month at 6PM. It is also a great way to continue what you learn in Basic Rifle or to sharpen your skills for those who may have not shot their rifles in a while. Winchester Rifle has the same self paced skill building program as the Winchester Pistol program, just specific to rifle shooting. The cost for both Winchester programs is \$8 MCSA members and \$10 for non members.

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Raffle Central

By Bill Zeigler

Winner of the S&W Performance Center 9mm "Shield" pistol is Jim Virden. Jim is a MCSA member and a regular at the Monday morning Brunch Bunch. There were 1,200 tickets sold by 19 members. Top sellers were Alex Lev, Steve Worthington and Jim Harris. Special thanks to Claire Voskuhl for the great sales posters. Congratulations to Jim and "thank you" to everyone who sold tickets!

You have all helped promote MCSA by selling raffle tickets this past year. We are doing it one more time with the introduction of the Ruger Mark IV "Hunter" 22 target pistol. I have 1,200 tickets (\$2 each) in hand and could sure use some help selling them and promoting our club. Working hours for those who can sell 50 tickets but satisfaction for all of us by helping out even a little. Drawing date is March 7th so great stocking stuffers at Christmas.

By the way, I still have 50 or 60 of the 9 mm pistol caliber rifle raffle tickets (\$5 each) on hand so if you want a few for yourselves or for family and friends let me know or see me at the Nov. 1st General MCSA Meeting. Drawing date is December 10th at the MCSA Christmas Party.

I know some of you have "things" going on in your lives that complicate your assisting us at MCSA, so do what you can with our thanks for past efforts.

Cheers, Bill
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There are more new classes in store for MCSA which will be announced in the New Year, so stay tuned!

TRIGGRCON 2017

By Fred Nachbar

Four intrepid shooters from MCSA braved the I-5 corridor to attend the annual gun show TRIGGRCON 2017.

Dennis Frost, Fred Wiggins, Bill Zeigler and I attended the show held at the Greater Tacoma Convention and Trade Center in downtown Tacoma.

A varied and multitude of vendors were on hand to demonstrate, instruct and, in general, show off their products.

As all four of our pistoleros have their pistols topped with Vortex reflex sights, that was one of the vendors visited.

Rise Armament, specializing in drop in trigger assemblies for AR-15 platforms was another vendor of interest for the fearless four. (I am looking forward to trying my new 3.5# pull trigger assembly for my new JR 9.)

Moving along Bill and Dennis visited Freedom Munitions where they spoke to the president of the company. This conversation revolved around the revitalization of the company brand. Bill and Fred Wiggins bought some 9mm rounds as Dennis bought 9mm bullets for his reloading endeavors.

At this event there was only one food vendor, Gourmet Burgers, who some of you may be familiar with as the author believes they are also at the Puyallup Fair.

The chairs at the Convention Center are cushy and really comfortable enabling patrons a comfortable prolonged rest.

The four pistoleros are already planning an excursion next year. Was a fun time for all!

Updates/Important Info

- November meeting at the Range!
- Don't forget that the Match fees have increased! Members are \$8.00 and non-members are \$10.
- Dan McCarty has volunteered to be the temporary Training Chairman. If you are interested in the position, please contact Lynn or Bruce.
- NRA/Winchester .22 Pistol shoot has started again on the first Thursdays.
- The club elections are coming up and all of the board positions are open (except 2 trustees).
- The proposed change to the membership section of the Bylaws was tabled at this time.
- Thanks to an NRA Foundation grant, the range has a new PA system.
- Mercury Vapor lights will be auctioned off at the Nov meeting.
- When you are cleaning up at the range, please do not put primers or dirt/garbage in the brass container!

Newsletter

We gladly consider article submissions from any member on topics of their choosing!

The newsletter depends on articles of interest to the members. Please let us know if you have any ideas for an article, or if you would care to write one. Please send to vmartin91360@gmail.com



Tiggrcon 2017 pictures submitted by Bill Zeigler

MCSA EVENT SCHEDULE

First Sunday	9:30 am: USPSA Match
Third Sunday	3 pm: Ladies of Caliber (see schedule)
First Tuesday Competition	5 pm: Practical Pistol
Second Tuesday	5 PM: Action Pistol League
Third Tuesday	5 pm: Tactical Carry Action PL
Fourth Tuesday	5 pm: 2Gun Action Pistol League
First Wednesday	6:30 pm: General Membership Meeting
Second Wednesday	6 pm: .22 Rifle Shoot
First Thursday	6 pm: NRA Winchester .22 Pistol Marksmanship
Second Thursday	6 pm: Steel Shoot
Third Thursday	6 pm: NRA Winchester .22 Rifle Marksmanship
Fridays	6 pm: Bullseye

Please go to Masoncountysa.com and click on "Club Calendar" tab for the current schedule.

TRAINING SCHEDULE FOR 2017

If you have ever thought about getting some additional training, check out the opportunities below:

Pistol for Beginners:	Nov 4
NRA Basic Rifle:	Nov 12

Please contact Dan at training@masoncountysa.com or leave a message at 360-427-1102 if you have any questions or comments!



Ladies of Caliber

November 19 Back to Basics

December 17

Member feedback/requests for future topics.

Meetings are the 3rd Sunday of the month. Cost is \$8.00 for members, \$10.00 for non-members. Bring your unloaded firearm in a box or a bag, 50 rounds of ammunition and don't forget the ear and eye protection! A brimmed hat is also handy to have.

If you ever wonder what's going on at the range this week, check out our ad with the week's schedule on the back page of



Did you notice the new sign at the range? Thanks to Marv Voskuhl, Gary Hakala & Dan McCarty!



Meet the Board!

Election time is coming up...do you know any of our current board members? I am hoping to introduce a few of them to you before the upcoming election!

Have you ever wondered who is responsible for the range operations of the Club? It's Jack Fitch, Executive Officer! Among other things, the Executive Officer position has the overall responsibility for the shooting activities of the Sr. Division of the Club and ensures that they are conducted safely and in accordance with accepted rules and procedures. He is also a member of the Safety Committee since it directly relates to range operations.

Jack started shooting in 1957, on the JR-ROTC, NRA, 3 Position rifle team while attending military school. He continued that until 1960 and qualified to participate in the JR Olympic program but unfortunately, a baseball eye injury ended that! Jack continued rifle competition shooting NRA and CMP military rifle matches and Bulls-eye matches through the 70's.

The 80's meant mostly Tournament Trap shooting and a monthly Action Pistol and Steel Falling Plate matches. In the 90's Jack focused on Action Pistol and Precision Pistol matches. In 1997 he qualified to join the Sheriff's PPC (Police Pistol Competition) Pistol Team. Jack was also trained as a Rangemaster and POST Certified Firearms Instructor. Jack said, "the opportunity allowed me to spend a lot of time at the range and almost unlimited practice and match ammo! As a result I was able to go the National Police Pistol Championships 6 times and win a class championship. I couldn't believe I got paid to shoot!" Jack has 6 NRA Trainer/Instructor and RSO certifications and has been an NRA Endowment Member since 1972.

Jack joined MCSA in 2005 after moving to Mason County since it was the closest range. He said, "Meeting the members has been a great experience and has created lasting friendships."

When asked what he liked best about MCSA, Jack replied, "The people I get to associate with and share shooting experiences with."

Jack has participated in MCSA Practical Pistol Competition since 2005 and has been running the matches since 2013. He also developed the Action Pistol League to compliment the PPC and helped to develop the Tactical Pistol Competition and the Two

Gun Matches as part of the APL.

When asked what he likes to shoot, Jack answered, "Anything that means precision and shot placement since "old" means failing eyesight and slowing down! (Thank goodness for the "red dot" sight systems!) I'm really excited about allowing pistol caliber carbines in our APL. This has opened up a whole new dimension to the shooting sports."

When asked if there was anything he'd like to tell the membership about MCSA, Jack said, "MCSA is a tremendous asset to the shooting community giving shooters a safe, clean place to shoot that is convenient and accessible 24/7, 365! MCSA has programs for just about all shooting enthusiasts. Take the time to explore the programs that appeal to you. You'll meet some really nice people that are always willing to help fellow shooters."

Shoot often, shoot safe!



Jack Fitch CA State PPC Championships

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Member Spotlight

Have you met Fred Nachbar yet? If you have been to a Monday “Brunch Bunch” or seen the Shelton High School or NJROTC Rifle Team practice/shot, then you probably have!

Fred Nachbar has been a member of Mason County Sportsman's Association for about 3 years.

He grew up in a lower middle class family in upstate New York where hunting and firearms were a common way of life. Fred learned firearms basics from his father which was later reinforced by hunter's education and in high school by his gun club coach. He started going hunting with his father at the age of 5, but did not carry a firearm in the woods until he was 14 (target practice sessions don't count).

Fred is “career Navy” and ended up on the ship's rifle team about a year and a half into his career. Fred learned a lot from his coach who was the all Navy champion rifle marksman two years in a row. Fred said, “we were shooting M1 Garands, match grade, but with 1945 ball ammo. We would shoot against the Marines once a month and always lost. This was due in part that we were on the range once or twice a week, while the Marines were on range 6 days a week. And while we were shooting 1945 ball ammo, the Marines were using match ammo.”

Later in his career, Fred was a formal instructor; which upon joining MCSA, put him in good stead for becoming assistant coach for the Shelton High School Rifle Team and the NJROTC Rifle Team. When asked about helping with the youth, Fred said, “It's a lot of fun and challenging to try to impart the knowledge I have to the next leaders of our nation. The biggest hurdle the shooters have is themselves. Trying to coach ‘can do’ shooters in the mental discipline to overcome frustration can be daunting.”

Along with coaching, Fred and several others, help with light maintenance at the range and he has authored a couple of articles for the newsletter.

Bill Zeigler, Alex Lev and Fred started the Monday morning social activity called “The Brunch Bunch”. All are welcome.

When asked what he liked best about MCSA, Fred said “Of all that MCSA offers I like the atmosphere of camaraderie. Shooters helping shooters. People who do not hesitate to help another out and in my case this doesn't stop at the range.”

“MCSA is a dynamic and varied organization and I urge everyone to find their niche,” said Fred!



Did You Know

By Bill Zeigler

The first 10 amendments to the United States Constitution are called the Bill of Rights and likely were placed in order of importance by the Founding Fathers.

There were several minor modifications to the 2nd Amendment from initial proposal to final form. Here is the 2nd amendment as ratified by the States and authenticated by [Thomas Jefferson](#), the Secretary of State.

“A well regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed.”

The right to bear arms in English history is believed to have been regarded in English law (English Bill of Rights of 1689) as an auxiliary to the long-established [natural right](#) of self-defense, auxiliary to the natural and legally defensible rights to life.

Oyster Festival Photos Setup



Shooting Activity



