

MCSA News

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June 2018

Proposed By-Law Change

Dennis Frost has submitted the following proposed amendment to Article XIII Section 5 of the MCSA By-Laws. We will Vote at the July 11 meeting.

ARTICLE XIII SECTION 5 AS CURRENTLY WRITTEN

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PROPOSED AMMENDMENT TO ARTICLE XIII SECTION 5

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Raffle Central

By Bill Zeigler

On June 6, the S&W pistol drawing was held and a local animal doctor was the winner. Now onward to the two current raffle activities. First, we are raffling a CZ 9 mm pistol, the CZ P-07 (MSRP \$539). In addition, there is a \$50 gift certificate to Verle's Sports Center included in the prize. The drawing is Sept. 5th. A month later, we are raffling off a Ruger American "Predator" 6.5 Creedmoor caliber hunting rifle. The brand new rifle was donated by Allen Bragg. Tickets are \$2 for each of the raffles.

Working hours are available for helping sell raffle tickets. Every ticket sold is sold to a winner, as MCSA uses proceeds to continue our charitable giving, community firearm training and significant support of the Shelton High School shooting team and NJROTC shooting team. A win win for sure!

Bill

206-919-0488

**July meeting is on
the 11th!**





Ladies of Caliber

Meetings are 3 to 6 pm on 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.

Schedule of Events:

July 15	Come have a try at a Steel Shoot. (38 special, 9mm or larger caliber)
Aug 19	Back to Basics
Sept 16	Firearm Choice and Fit clinic with Gary Mills of Curly Wolf Guns.
Oct 21	Gear and Holster clinic.
Nov 18	Gun Cleaning and Fit Modifications Clinic with Gary Mills of Curly Wolf Guns.
Dec	No meeting

Contact:

Melinda with any questions at 360-999-8463

MCSA Event Schedule

First Sunday	9:30 am: USPSA Match
Third Sunday	3 pm: Ladies of Caliber (see schedule)
First Tuesday	5 pm: Practical Pistol Competition
Second Tuesday	5 PM: Action Pistol League
Third Tuesday	5 pm: Tactical Carry Action Pistol League
Fourth Tuesday	5 pm: 2Gun Action Pistol League
First Wednesday	6:30 pm: General Membership Meeting
Second Wednesday	6 pm: .22 Rifle Shoot
Third Wednesday	6 pm: Plate Race
First Thursday	6 pm: NRA Winchester .22 Pistol Marksmanship
Second Thursday	6 pm: Steel Shoot
Third Thursday	6 pm: NRA Winchester .22 Rifle Marksmanship
Fourth Thursday	Winchester Defensive Pistol, .380 or larger cal pistol
Fridays	6 pm: Bullseye

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

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



Training Schedule for 2018

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

July 28	Pistol for Beginners
Aug 11 & 12	NA Basic Pistol
Sept. 8	NRA Basic Rifle
Nov 10 & 11	NRA Range Safety Officer

For full details on each of these classes, go to www.masoncountysa.com, click on Training and Education tab. You can also email us at training@masoncountysa.com.

Those who came to the June meeting had the opportunity to win a beautiful flag quilt made by Arlene Zeigler...just for attending! Danny Kagee was the lucky winner!



**The Range is
closed Sat.
July 14 for
maintenance
6 AM – 4 PM**

Patriot Dreams

A Poem By Lorraine Lehto

Submitted by Bill Z

Why do you stare at me, young Patriot? She asked.
He replied, you are old, and ragged, and torn.
Yes, I am indeed old. I was old before you were born.
I am ragged from my journeys, where I hailed before the fight.
I am faded so my colors are dim, but my memory is still bright.
What are your colors? He asked. They are almost too faded to see.
Why, I am the red of the blood of my people, spilled to keep you free.
I am the white of purity in my hopes and desires and cause.
I am the flag of freedom and forever I shall wave
Over Americans wherever they are and for freedom they fight to save.
I am old and torn, and I sometimes look like a rag.
But I am also pride and glory, I am the American flag.
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Frustration and the Range

By Fred Nachbar

Frustration is a powerful negative emotion. It by itself is not detrimental but allowing frustration to build and fester it becomes anger and anger IS detrimental.

Why you might ask do we have an article about anger. It is not the anger this article is about but what develops from the anger.

There is a progression of emotions from frustration to anger to rage. If you deal with frustration properly, the following two will not occur. It is important to deal with frustration upfront and properly to thwart anger and rage.

Frustration, in most cases, is easy to deal with. Just step away, take a break, relax and rest. Almost nothing is so important that one cannot step back and take a pause to reflect on the cause of the frustration. The amount of time for reflection is dependent on the amount of frustration and if you are working (for a living) the amount of time allotted for a deadline.

Let's narrow the narrative to shooting at the range. Here there should be no deadline. If there is a deadline then allot twice as much time as you have estimated to accomplish your goal. If your equipment is not functioning as expected then STOP, take a break and think it over. Many times, a short pause, a reset if you will, the problem becomes focused and solutions reveal themselves.

The aforementioned focus on elimination of frustration is the main step to avoid anger followed by rage.

Anger has no place at the range. If you are angry prior to coming to the range do yourself and fellow members a favor and don't come. Anger can quickly develop into a confrontation and confrontation often escalates to misunderstanding, misgivings or tragedy. A confrontation will cost a lot of man-hours in investigating and determining what happened.

Once you enter the state of anger you leave the state of rationality. Anger clouds rational judgement. Things, true or perceived, are said and anger is inflamed and step by step (it's amazing how rapidly it evolves) it develops into a confrontation. If a confrontation does develop take a step back. Do not use words that incite the other person. Once said, they can never be taken back. It is the quickest way to escalate an already bad situation.

So, members, firearms and frustration do not mix. Take steps to eliminate or carefully manage your frustration then anger will be replaced by rational thought and there will be no misgivings. We are all here by choice and we are all armed. Arm yourself with good judgement as well. A win, win.

Mason County Sportsman's Association Board of Directors

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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

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Washington: Court orders Amendments to Misleading Ballot Title

From www.nraila.org

On June 7, in a defeat for Attorney General Bob Ferguson and [Initiative 1639](#) proponents, the Thurston County Superior Court sided in part with the NRA and found that certain parts of the ballot title were deceptive and misleading. As a result, they ordered amendments to several key provisions of the initiative's ballot title. While the ballot title remains inadequate to inform voters of the real effects of the initiative, the outcome of yesterday's hearings did result in clarifying changes that more accurately describe the sweeping provisions of the initiative's text.

With the title for Initiative 1639 now finalized, proponents of this 22-page initiative will have until July 6th to get 259,622 valid signatures to place the initiative on the November ballot.

[As previously reported](#), NRA filed a legal challenge in Thurston County Superior Court contesting the ballot title language as prepared by anti-gun Washington State Attorney General Bob Ferguson. Yesterday, the court held a hearing on the legal challenges filed by NRA and other petitioners.

Some of the changes included:

- **Changing “enhanced” background checks to “increased”.** Initiative 1639 would require state background checks on all purchases and transfers of commonly owned semi-automatic firearms.
- **Added “allows fees” to the description.** The proposed initiative would allow the Department of Licensing to charge a \$25 purchase fee (GUN TAX) on transfers of semi-automatic rifles.
- **Clarified the description for the storage mandate provision.** If passed, Initiative 1639 would criminalize firearm owners that store firearms in a non-compliant manner if they are accessed by a prohibited person or minor.

Initiative 1639, filed by Michael Bloomberg's front group, the Alliance for Gun Responsibility, is an egregious attack on Second Amendment freedoms and comes just months after they failed to enact their gun ban agenda in Olympia.

News Update

- The Safety Committee has updated the Uniform Match Safety Rules, along with Safety Rules for each of the specific matches. Please be sure to check them out the next time you are at the range or participate in a match.
- Marv auctioned off left over paint from the range line painting. Any cans not purchased will be donated to Habitat for Humanity.
- Range is closed Saturday, July 14, for maintenance from approx. 6 AM - 4 PM.
- Heads UP – Hunter Ed will have use of the range from 8-4 on one Friday in Aug, Sept or Oct (date to be determined).
- Keith Martin is the new VP
- A 1st Aid **Refresher** Class is scheduled for Nov 17 9 – 3:30; note must already have 1st Aid card.

From the Editor

At the July meeting members will be asked to vote on a proposed amendment to the MCSA By-Laws (see article page 1). I would like to ask everyone to think long and hard before they vote.


I understand the need for “transparency” and the desire to make sure situations are handled properly by the Board. However, is this the correct way to accomplish the desired outcome?

The members of the Board of Directors are elected by the us, the club members, to represent the membership in the running of the Club business. If this Amendment passes, is the end result going to help or hinder the Board when they need to make tough decisions regarding sensitive topics? If this passes, and by some unforeseen circumstance you are the party to one of these types discussions, are you going to want anyone who attends the Board meeting to know what happened and what the ending action is (if applicable)?

Since there are video cameras at the range, people’s identities can’t be “changed to protect the innocent”. Whatever the situation is, and whoever is involved, will be plainly visible to all who are in attendance at the Board meeting.

Speaking as a member of MCSA, do I want to know what happened that caused Arne to give that cryptic message at the beginning of the June meeting and resulted in the proposed By-Law Amendment....yes! But practically speaking, I believe it will hamper the Board’s ability to do their job under certain circumstances and make their already difficult job, that much harder.

Mason County Sportsman's Association, Inc.
Fundraising Raffle
Drawing: October 3, 2018
PU03 Building
2621 E. Johns Prairie Rd.
Shelton, Wa.



Ruger American "Predator"
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charities, providing scholarships, contributing range time
and equipment for the rifle team at Shelton High School
including the NJROTC, and offering firearms training and
education to our community

Volunteer Opportunity

Please see the 6/24 email from Lynn regarding the information from Sergeant Paul Cagle of the Washington State Patrol Academy sent over. Quite a few MCSA members have helped out as actors in their training in the past, and had fun doing it. Please note that MCSA will honor a maximum of 10 volunteer hours worked at the WSP Academy toward your membership. Times are available from July 30 through Oct 2. Thank you!