MCSA News



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Meet the New VP

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself, now that I have been appointed to the position of Vice President. I have been a member of the club for little over a year-and-half. During this time, I have helped with the newsletter and served as the Air Pistol Booth chairman (both of which I will continue to do). I was born in Texas and joined the Navy right after graduating high school. I first came to Washington in 1980 for conversion school, then went back east. I was stationed at Bangor from 1982 until retirement in 1994. I worked in Fife at a disc manufacturing plant from 1994 until 2001, when we moved to southern California. I worked for Technicolor for 15 years until it was decided the plant would be shut down, so my wife and I moved back to the beautiful PNW. We were fortunate that our son's employer opened a facility south of Olympia and he was able to move back to the area shortly after we did.

I have been shooting for most of my life; my first gun was a bolt action .410 shotgun, (which I still have). I have competed in IHMSA and IDPA. I do my own reloading and enjoy shooting steel targets. I love fishing, hunting, camping, golf and woodworking.

From my experience as the VP of a RC Flying Club, I know that a club is only as good as the members make it. I know that it is the people who get involved that "make it happen" and without members giving of their time, the club will not exist. Hopefully we will continue to make a club that is not only welcoming and friendly; but also a safe environment to allow our members to enjoy the opportunity to improve their skills and confidence, to share with their friends, family and the general public and will promote the concepts of sportsmanship, fairness and safety. I believe that it is important to setup rules and regulations for what we do in the shooting sports, and that the most important thing is for all of us to keep our sport as safe as possible, while looking out for each other and helping each other to become better at what we do. We all know that shooting can be dangerous and we accept the risk and responsibilities whenever we participate in a shooting event.

Raffle Central

By Bill Zeigler

I have bad news for you all. You are most likely never going to win a MCSA raffle. The odds are very long. If you purchase 10 tickets for a raffle, you have a 1 percent chance, so if you purchase 10 tickets for 100 raffles, you will win one. Since we have 4 raffles each year, you had better live a long life.

But, there are many winners each time we conduct a raffle. You members, your neighbors and the other citizens of Shelton and Mason County are all winners. The net proceeds of the raffles support MCSA's training programs, including new shooter training, safety training, intermediate shooter Winchester and other training.

Our shooting activities provide a safe environment for experienced shooters to compete and improve their skills and experience. MCSA provides free coaching, equipment, safety training and many hours of range time and other support for the Shelton High School NJROTC and athletic shooting teams.

MCSA provides money contributions to local charities, such as the local Boy Scouts of America troop, Habitat for Humanity, and others each year. Our indoor range offers Mason County a safe, often safety supervised, year round location for firearms enjoyment and training. Yes, there are many winners in our raffle activities and yes, someone always wins the prize.

Bill

206-919-0488





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:

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

Mason County Sportsman's Association Board of Directors

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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 6 pm: 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.

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



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 NRA 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.

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With the support of so many of you, our club is offering many different programs for shooters. I encourage each of you to try something that you have not done before, you never know, you might like it. Don't forget, everyone started out as a beginner and at some point, someone stepped up to help them. Come to the shoot, and if you need to, ask for help, I am sure someone will be more than willing to help you learn the ropes.

Thank you Keith Martin



Something to think about

By Bill Zeigler

MCSA has lots of things to accomplish. The list continues to get longer and the problems can get very complicated. Hats off to those who step forward to accomplish what needs doing on our behalf. Years ago some smart members provided for discounts on your yearly dues for work volunteered by members.

Working hour's credit is a great approach to providing "helping hands" for the many things that need to be accomplished. Please consider donating some time to the club, including fund raising like raffle ticket sales. Talk to Lynn Ludeman, Volunteer Coordinator, or other BOD members.

Pulling the load with many pullers will move us forward and the cart won't be upended by the lack of helpers.



Submitted by Anonymous

Newsletter

Please feel free to submit an article or picture for consideration in the newsletter. The newsletter depends on articles of interest to our members. Please let us know if you have any ideas for an article, or if you would like to write one. Please send to vmartin91360@gmail.com

Legislative Update

By Kris Kord

The deadline to turn in signatures for initiatives to the Secretary of State for an initiative to appear on the ballot in November was early July. I have been keeping an eye on two initiatives this year: I-1621 and I-1639.

Unfortunately I-1621 wasn't able to gather enough signatures to make it on the ballot in November. It would have removed "Gun Free Zone" signs from public schools, allowing school staff with concealed carry permits to carry on campus without needing to ask permission. The school districts would still be able to require training of any staff who wanted to carry. Parents and others with legitimate reason to be on school grounds would also be able to carry if they have a concealed carry permit. Hopefully this initiative will show up again in 2020 and I know help getting signatures will be much appreciated.

Unfortunately I-1639, an anti-gun initiative, was successful in getting enough signatures to be on the November ballot. It seeks to make several changes to existing law that cover a wide range of issues that its proponents claim are "in the interest of school safety", however, as you will see by the list below, I don't see anything related to school safety in the initiative.

- First, it classifies EVERY semiautomatic rifle as a "semiautomatic assault rifle". There is no other purpose for inventing such a classification and shoehorning every semiautomatic rifle into it, other than to demonize such rifles in the eyes of the public so it is easier to ban them later.
- Next, it restricts the purchase of semiautomatic rifles to those over the age of 21.
- It extends the current waiting period on handguns to semiautomatic rifles as well. The waiting period is there to give your local law enforcement time to check the same database that the gun store already checked at the time of purchase, among other databases.
- It requires you to waive your right to medical privacy any time you purchase a handgun or semiautomatic rifle. This is so your local law enforcement can check if you have ever been diagnosed with PTSD or depression, among other mental health concerns, so they can deny the sale.
- It requires you to take a firearm safety course if you want to purchase a handgun or semiautomatic rifle, which you must take again every five years if you ever want to buy another.
- Finally, it requires you lock up your guns, or face felony charges if someone steals them and uses them in the commission of another crime in which they injure or kill someone else.

There is a small glimmer of hope that Kim Wyman, WA Secretary of State, will accept petitions to strike down the initiative based on the grounds that State law requires a full and true copy of the full text be printed on the back of every petition. Since this petition is so wordy, the font is so small that the text is unreadable.

It's a long battle ahead on this one. I will keep everyone posted on developments. If you want to know what you can do to help, right now you can call or email the Secretary of State's office and let her know what you think. Keep it polite, and focus on the technical issues, such as the size of the print, lack of mark-up to clarify what is being changed vs. what exists law, and the multiple errors and inconsistencies in the text itself. If you noticed any underhanded strategies being used by signature gatherers to obtain signatures under false pretenses, mention that as well. Phone: 360-902-4151, Email:

secretaryofstate@sos.wa.gov

Thanks

Kris

Volunteer News

By Lynn Ludeman

There are some things that are always needed: Members willing to help sell raffle tickets and/or write articles for the club newsletter are always welcome and these activities do earn volunteer hours.

We have an ongoing need for certified Range Safety Officers to volunteer during our programs and events. If you are interested in helping the club in this way but are not trained as an RSO, we've got a class coming up in November, contact training@masoncountysa.com to find out more details.

The Jr Program will be starting up again a little bit in August and then more substantially in September – it's always welcome to have adults willing to help out with the kids, and especially if you have experience with rifle training. Please contact Lynn Ludeman for more information. 206.406.3562 or secretary@masoncountysa.com.

And speaking of training, the **Washington State Patrol Academy** has some opportunities for us to help out as actors as their cadets practice what they've been taught. Here is the schedule and contact information for Sergeant Paul Cagle. Just remember to turn in your green sheet if you do some volunteering there, and <u>Please Note</u> that MCSA will honor only 10 hours of your volunteer time there toward your MCSA membership obligation.

Sergeant Cagle says: The 110th Trooper Basic Training Class began on June 11, and the Training Division is gearing up to start practical exercises in late July. I have listed the dates and times below in hopes that some of you may have some time to volunteer and be actors for the variety of scenarios we have for this class. I know many of you have helped in the past and I cannot tell you how valuable it is to have individuals the cadets do not know act in the various roles. I hope you all know how much we at the Washington State Patrol appreciate your help!

If you can help in any of the practical's, please email me or give me a call and I will add you to the roster. Approximately a week before each practical is due to start, I will send out a reminder and provide any additional details if needed.

0800-1700	(4 Actors)	CI One Vehicle
0800-1200	(4 Actors)	CI One Vehicle
0800-1700	(4 Actors)	CI One Vehicle
0800-1200	(4 Actors)	CI One Vehicle
0800-1700	(4 Actors)	CI One Vehicle DUI
0800-1200	(4 Actors)	CI One Vehicle DUI
1300-1700	(8 Actors)	CI Hit and Run
1300-1700	(8 Actors)	CI Hit and Run
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1300-1700	(8 Actors)	CI Hit and Run
1800-2200	(8 Actors)	CI Night DUI
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1730-2200	(12 Actors)	Night Violator Stops
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1730-2200	(12 Actors)	Night Violator Stops
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October 1	0800-1700	(8 Actors)	DV Practical
October 2	0800-1700	(8 Actors)	DV Practical

I listed each day individually rather than a week at a time. You will notice that some practical's go from 8-noon, or 1pm to 5pm with another one starting up at 1:00pm, or 6pm respectively. If you are available for the whole day, you can certainly sign up for more than one.

Thank you very much for your willingness to volunteer. If you have any questions, my contact information is listed below.

Sergeant J. Paul Cagle Washington State Patrol Training Division E.V.O.C., Collision and Leadership 631 W. Dayton Airport Rd. Shelton, WA 98584 Desk: 360-432-7504

Desk: 360-432-7504 Cell: 360-870-9289 <u>Joe.Cagle@wsp.wa.gov</u>

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

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.
- The Proposed By-Laws change was withdrawn
- Speaking of Bylaws, there is a committee working on updating the Bylaws. Please contact Keith Martin with any suggestions or questions.
- There are 215 membership, with 279 members
- Jr Program initial start up at the range August 20 22
- Heads UP Hunter Ed will have use of the range from 8-4 on Friday Aug 3, Sept 14 and Oct 12.
- Judy Fox has joined the Volunteer Committee!
- Board has voted to discontinue advertising on ifiberone for now.
- A 1st Aid Refresher Class is scheduled for Nov 17 9 3:30; note must already have 1st Aid card.