MCSA News



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2018 ELECTIONS

By Bill Zeigler

MCSA By-Laws require yearly elections for the six leadership positions (secretary, president, vice president, juniors chairman, range executive and treasurer) and one Trustee position. BOD executives serve for one year and Trustees serve for 3 year terms.

At the December 5 General Meeting, we will have secret ballot elections and determine who leads us in 2019.

With almost 300 members, it is critical that we all consider serving and doing our part to assist the continuing growth of our group. None of us joined MCSA to do clerical or administrative work, but rather to enjoy the shooting sports and gain knowledge, experience and training with firearms. But someone has to do the administration and we truly need to share those responsibilities.

If you have the courage to invest a year's worth of effort by serving as an officer or even trustee (3 year term), give me a call for details and I will add your name to the ballot.

It doesn't matter if you are single, still raising kids, working full time or handicapped in some way, there are ways each member can assist. At the very least, please show up at the MCSA General Meeting, December 5th, and vote. We are all volunteers; find an activity to assist us with.

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2018 Christmas Party

By Lynn Ludeman

The Annual MCSA Christmas Party is drawing near, and the elves are making ready! The party will be at the Lake Limerick Inn on Sunday, December 16, 2018 from 2 – 6PM.

Cost is \$30.00 per person and tickets are still available, and will be available for purchase at the next General Meeting December 5, 6:30 PM at the PUD3 on Johns Prairie Rd. 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 "Buy it Now" button. Go to the "Special Events" page.

Menu this year will be similar to last year: Turkey, Ham, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Stuffing, rolls, a vegetable and a dessert. Coffee, tea and soft drinks are included. Beer, Wine and cocktails are available for purchase.

We will have our door prizes again this year, contact Lynn if you've got something you'd like to contribute or if you'd like to help out finding donors for the door prizes.

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







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:

Dec No meeting

January Planning meeting for 2019

Schedule and target practice,

so layer up!

See you in 2019!

Contact:

Lynn at 206-406-3562 with any questions.

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 (not in

Dec)

Fridays 6 pm: Bullseye

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

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

Training Schedule for 2019

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

Jan 12 MCSA Pistol for Beginners Feb 9 & 10 NRA Basic Pistol Course March 30 & 31 NRA Basic Rifle Course April 13 & 14 NRA Pistol Instructor April 27 & 28 NRA Range Safety Officer

Certification

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.

News Update

- December USPSA match has been cancelled.
- Range is closed on Saturday, December 8th from 6 – 10 AM for maintenance.
- Door prizes still needed for the MCSA Christmas Party on December 16 (see article page 1).
- Please remember to remove the magnetic door block once you've gone into the range to shoot, to ensure the doors is closed and locked while no one is in the training room.
- Don't forget to turn on the fans when you are shooting in the range! It's better for you and helps to keep our range cleaner.
- Don't forget to "mop" the range after you are finished shooting. See the article on the New Cleaning Practices, this page.
- Reminder: Our range does have restrictions on what can be fired. Please remember to check your ammo, which must not exceed a velocity of 1500 fps (feet per second).
- Please don't shoot at the target hangers!
- Please only take your brass, don't go through the barrels and take more. The brass in the barrels is sold and the funds used to support the Junior Program.

New Cleaning Practices at MCSA!

We've bitten the bullet (so to speak!) and contracted with a commercial laundry service for mops, rugs and rags to be used to improve the cleanliness at the range. You'll notice the new rugs in the meeting room and outside the front door – these are designed to pick up detritus tracked from the range on our shoes.

The mops are also designed to pick up more than just the big chunks. The mops will retain the dust and small particles but release the larger bits, such as empty cartridges or fmj.

The correct procedure now would be to first use the mops to sweep all of your brass into one spot, use a small broom to gather into a dust pan, sift over the garbage and either retain your brass if you are a reloader, or deposit into the recycle brass bins.

After the brass has been picked up, go back over the entire range with the dust mop. This will take about 5 minutes, and if everyone does it, the floors will get cleaner so we'll have a much better environment.

These mops are most effective using no downward force on the mop. When you begin to feel a little resistance and hear the big bits make noise, just lift the mop, give it one downward shake over the floor and the larger things will drop. Continue through the range and come back after to get the mop release piles with the small broom and a dust pan, which then goes into the garbage. Please don't put the piles into the pit.

There are rags which will be used less often on items that pick up dust.

All of this new cleaning equipment will be changed out by our vendor every couple of weeks and please be careful with all of it, anything missing will be charged to the club, so please don't remove rugs, mops or rags from the range.

If anyone has any questions about this new equipment or the process, please feel free to contact anyone on the board or Dan McCarty. Contact information can be found in the meeting room on the Org Chart by the telephone.

A walk down Memory Lane!

By Lynn Ludeman

MCSA PPC Match Director Jack Fitch has recently brought the PPC Match Award Winners plaques up to date, and the current trophies are now in residence at the MCSA meeting room in the trophy cabinet. This got me thinking about PPC and also the history of our indoor range at MCSA. I wondered when the club brought in this program. MCSA member and PPC shooter Charlie Rhubart was willing to help and had an opportunity to ask Max Dean some questions about what he remembered about it. By the way, in case you haven't had the pleasure of meeting long time MCSA Member Max Dean, in the next newsletter there will be an article about Max telling about the history of our indoor range. Max was one of the early members of MCSA, joining in the late 1940's but you can read more about that in the next newsletter!

Max was our first PPC Match Director and when I asked him why they decided to bring it into the club as an organized event, he said that they were looking for something to do other than Bullseye. Max continues to contribute to the competitive shooting events, often putting on the "Fifth Tuesday of the Month Fun Matches". Shooters have been overheard saying "We never know what to expect on one of Max's Fun Shoots!" Here is a recent quote from Charlie Travaglione after the last Fun Match:

"We had a great time last night at the fun shoot designed by lifetime member Max Dean. What an amazing person and, at age 92, is still enjoying the camaraderie with people who share his lifelong love of the shooting sports."

Charlie T. said it perfectly, and this is why Max is such a favorite with those who know him. Charlie Rhubart reports that Max told him that they shot Bullseye at the Armory until they built the indoor range where it is today. It was finished in 1976 and they started shooting PPC right away, with Max as the first Match Director. Charlie R. says that he didn't know for sure who took it over after Max, but the PPC match directors that Charlie remembers are Dennis Boos, Bill Dorman, Ron Loman, Joe Weber, Keith Vanderwal and Charlie Travaglione but not in that order. Other members who served as PPC Match Directors were Bruce Bennett, Allen Bragg and Scott Hawkins.

Charlie R went on to explain that there were years when there was a Tuesday night PPC and a Thursday night PPC. The Tuesday night PPC was run at a much slower speed, much like it is now, enabling higher scores for the shooters. The Thursday night PPC was at a much faster pace with more difficult challenges. Max said it was always a plan to start PPC as soon as the range was finished and you can still see that the turners are set up for it. Max also pointed out that the scores during the matches were never as high as they are today and the shooters like Cal Ching, himself and Dave Walden used open sights only.





In the photo shown above left, PPC Match Director Jack Fitch and Max Dean are collaborating on a shoot, giving the course of fire to the shooters that night. In the photo on the above right, Charlie T is shooting the course where the "ugly" shirts are meant to indicate the bad guys while Dennis B is acting as RO & timer.

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Current PPC Match Director Jack Fitch shared a nice photo of some awards winners from sometime during the last 3 years or so.



Pictured from left to right are Bill Englund, Brian Schilt, Dennis Boos, Match Director Jack Fitch, Jo Westcott, Mike Murray and Bruce Clapp. You can see from this photo that these shooters have all had a great time shooting PPC!

If you are interested to see what competitive shooting is all about, the folks at PPC warmly welcome spectators, just remember to bring your ear and eye protection. They'll be even happier if you bring your firearm and try it out for yourself! PPC takes place every first Tuesday of the month at 6PM, unless stated otherwise on the club calendar.

Don't forget to take a look at the updated PPC trophies in the trophy cabinet!

Community & Charitable Giving

It's time for members to nominate local charities from the Greater Mason County area for the MCSA Annual Community and Charitable Giving awards.

Each year members nominate local charitable groups for consideration to receive a donation from MCSA. The nominations must be received, in writing, no later than the December Annual meeting, which is December 5 this year. There is a predisposition to fund youth groups and veterans assistance programs, but that doesn't preclude members from nominating other worthy causes. The primary source of funds for these grants is the profits from the Air Gun Booth.

Please submit nominations to Keith Martin at VicePresident@masoncountysa.com





Monday Brunch Bunch! They "volunteered" to pose for a photo to ask for Christmas Party donations!

Raffle Central

By Bill Zeigler

What is a member's only raffle? Well, only MCSA members can purchase raffle tickets for the Ruger pistol caliber carbine (9mm) and when the winner's name is drawn at the Christmas party on December 16th, the winner must be a MCSA member in good standing. Good standing defined as current on dues.

I printed 500 tickets and about 200 are unsold as of Nov. 10th, but they are going fast. I just purchased a CZ Scorpion 9 mm carbine for the first raffle of 2019 so stay tuned for details. Ruger raffle tickets are available from club leaders, Rich Weston, Alex Lev and me. Bill Zeigler 206-919-0488

Thought for today.

"Legends say that hummingbirds float free of time, carrying our hopes for love, joy and celebration. The hummingbird's delicate grace reminds us that life is rich, beauty is everywhere, every personal connection has meaning and that laughter is life's sweetest creation."



We have a handmade Washington State University Football logo lap quilt that will be raffled off during the good of the order, by the Raffle

Committee. The winner will be drawn from Raffle Ticket stubs from purchases of the Christmas Raffle Ruger PCC made during the December 5th meeting so all club members should bring a few extra dollars with them to the meeting.



Lifetime Memberships Awarded

At the October General Meeting, two lifetime memberships were awarded to members who have made significant contributions to the club of their time and talents over the course of many years. A BIG "Thank You" to Keith Vanderwal and Terry Miller for all your hard work. The Club wouldn't be the same without all your help!





Terry Miller

Keith Vanderwal

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 know that Renegade Guns is now open from 10 AM – 6 PM Monday through Friday and open from 10 AM until 3:30 PM on Saturdays? The new owner, Harry Heldreth, invites MCSA members to come and meet the new staff!

With Winning in Mind: Mental Management System – Part 2

Compilation by Carla Baker

Ninety-five percent of all winning is done by just five percent of participants. The one thing that separates winners from others is the way they think. Winners are convinced they will finish first; others "hope" to finish first.

For example: In Seoul, South Korea, in 1978, England's Malcolm Cooper was favored to win World Shooting Championship in the standing position, since he held the world record. Before the competition, Malcolm calmly said, "I'm going to win today". He wasn't bragging, he was simply stating what he believed. Then he discovered his rifle was damaged and he'd have to borrow a rifle from another shooter. He could have bemoaned this change in circumstances. Instead he said, "Wouldn't it be something special to win this match with a borrowed rifle? I'm going to do it!" He did win the match, setting another world record in the process. He expected to win and he did.

Not everyone who expects to win will, but, if you don't expect to win, you surely won't.

What percentage of what you do is mental? Those at the top say it's 80-90%. Lanny teaches a method called the Mental Management System - a process of maximizing the chance of having consistent mental performance, under pressure and on demand.

An outstanding performance is powerful and it feels easy. Poor performance is troubled with frustration and extra effort. When do you expend the greatest effort - when you are doing well or when you are doing poorly? When you are doing well, you are balanced and in harmony. Suddenly it feels easy.

MMS focuses on integrating your conscious and unconscious mind with your self-image, developing each to its full potential, while maintaining balance between them.

Your **Conscious Mind** is the source of your thoughts and mental pictures. It controls your senses: sight, sound, smell, touch, and taste. It's what you think about, the images you hold in your mind.

Your **Subconscious Mind** is the source of your skills and power to perform. Your best performances are accomplished subconsciously. You develop your skills repetitiously, in the conscious mode, until they become automatically performed by your subconscious.

Your **Self-Image** makes you act like YOU. What you believe about yourself is the total of your habits and attitudes. Your performance and self-image are always equal.

The seven principles of the Mental Management System give you a "map" for how your mind works. These concepts work for all winners in sports, business and personal development. Success follows a set course - these seven principles are the boundaries of its path.

Success is not an accident.

Oysterfest

Thank you to all those who stepped up to volunteer at Oysterfest in October. It was a tremendous success! Here are a few pictures!





















Mason County Sportsman's Association



MCSA is a local 501c3 club that promotes training and educational opportunities for basic firearm safety.

We actively support the safe enjoyment of firearms and friendly competition.

Gift Certificates for Classes available:

Pistol for Beginners - \$60.

NRA Basic Pistol - \$80.

NRA Basic Rifle - \$80.

All three of the above classes include range time, with our training firearms and ammunition.

NRA Range Safety Officer Certification - \$80.

All MCSA classes take place at our indoor range in Shelton WA. More information about each class can be found at **masoncountysa.com**, Education and Training tab.

We also have Gift Certificates available for club membership, contact us at membership@masoncountysa.com.

Mason County Sportsman's Association Indoor Range (not a mailing address) W. 521 Business Park Road, Shelton 98584 near the Shelton Airport off Hwy 101

If you have questions or you'd like to purchase a Gift Certificate, Contact Lynn at 206-406-3562 or email secretary@masoncountysa.com.

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