MCSA News



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May 2019

Air Pistol Booth

Many thanks to all the volunteers who helped to setup, tear down or work the air pistol booth for Matlock Old Timers Fair in Matlock and/or Shrimpfest in Brinon. There were many smiles while contestants attempted to pop balloons, hit cans/plastic bottles or compete for a trophy in the target shoot.

According to Keith Martin, Air Pistol Booth Chairman, "the best part of working the booth is the smile on the faces of the 'kids'...whether they were 8 or 60"! The participants came from near and far (a trophy winner at Shrimpfest was from Tallahassee FL) to demonstrate their skills or try their luck, in a safe and fun environment!

This is a great way to earn volunteer hours while helping the community learn about MCSA and gun safety. There will be another opportunity to help out at Oysterfest which is held the first weekend in October at the Shelton Airport. Come out and lend a hand, while providing an opportunity for "kids" of all ages to have a fun, safe environment to shoot an air pistol!

Please see page 9 for more pictures!



Washington: Lawsuit Against I-1639 Proceeds After Motion To Dismiss Denied

From NRS-ILA

On May 20th, the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington rejected a motion by the government defendants to dismiss the lawsuit filed by NRA and the SAF against Washington's gun control ballot initiative, I-1639. The lawsuit may now proceed. NRA and SAF previously filed the lawsuit in November, 2018. Initiative 1639 classifies ordinary, recreational firearms in common use as "assault" weapons, denies young adults the right to self-protection, and bans the sale of firearms to out-of-state residents. The provision restricting the Second Amendment rights of young adults went into effect on January 1st, 2019. The other provisions are set to take effect on July 1st, 2019.



Awards night for the Jr program. Congratulations to all!



Ladies of Caliber

June 16 Plate Race Tutorial with Greg Beck July 21 Field Trip, details to come

Aug 18 Open Topic

Sept 15 Defensive Drills with CRSO Terry Miller

Oct 20 Chief Deputy Sheriff Ryan Spurling will speak

Nov 18 Firearm Cleaning Clinic with Gary Mills of

Curly Wolf Guns

No LOC event in December

We meet from 3 – 6 PM, 3rd Sunday of the Month. Cost for each meeting is \$8 MCSA member/ \$10 nonmember.

Bring your unloaded firearm in a box or bag, at least 50 rounds of ammunition, eye and ear protection and a brimmed hat. Most meetings include range time for practice in addition to the program.

Contact Kim 360-507-0009 or Lynn 206-406-3562

Check out our Facebook group Ladies of Caliber at MCSA

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MCSA Event Schedule

First Sunday 9:30 am: USPSA Match

Third Sunday 3 pm: Ladies of Caliber

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 2019

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

June 8 & 9 NRA Basic Pistol Course
July 13 Multi State Concealed Carry

Class

Sept 7 & 8 NRA Basic Rifle

Oct 26 & 27 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.

Raffle Central

By Bill Zeigler

The excitement is growing. At the June 5th MCSA meeting, at 7 pm. a winner will be drawn for the S&W 9 mm Shield semi auto pistol and then a winner will be drawn for the S&W 380 EZ semi auto pistol. We will also draw a name from the sign in log for a patriot lap quilt. Tickets for the new raffle, the Mossberg #500 combo shotgun, are now available. They are \$5 donation each and only 650 were printed. If you miss this upcoming general meeting, you are CRAZY.

Father's Day is June 16th, and let me remind you what a wonderful day it could be for Dad with a steak dinner and a fist full of raffle tickets: A Happy Pappy for sure.

Remember, helping sell raffle tickets earns you working hours and reduced dues for your next renewal.

Bill Zeigler 206-919-0488

News Update

- Don't forget to fill out the Range Inspection Sheet after every event or sanctioned gathering.
- 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.
- 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.
- Please don't shoot at the target hangers!
- 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.

"A veteran is someone who, at one point in their life, wrote a blank check made payable to The United States of America for any amount, up to and including their life."

Our flag does not fly because the wind moves it. It flies with the last breath of each soldier/sailor/marine/airman who died to protect it.

Notice to MCSA raffle winners

The IRS requires issuance of a Form 1099 MISC to winners of a prize with a value (our cost) of \$600 and over. A copy also goes to the IRS. This amount will have to be reported on the winner's income tax return.

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 valeriejean91360@yahoo@com

Justin Joins Capital City Rifle Team

By Todd Sillars

Justin Sillars, second year Shelton High School team shooter and this past year's team captain, is working to take his skill to the next level. With the help of all the coaches and the Mason County Sportsman Association, Justin has taken his skills as a small-bore precision shooter to earn not just the distinguished expert in small-bore, but in air rifle as well. In the past two seasons, Justin has barely missed any practices with Coach Bragg and his fellow coaches and volunteers. This last season Justin showed his dedication to the sport and his team by rallying them, almost single handedly, to participate in a state-wide indoor championship match at the Capital City Rifle and Pistol Club in Littlerock. In less than 48 hours he was able to get 10 shooters to commit, helped them sign up and arrange with Coach Bragg for access to the gear as well as transportation. Justin placed second in A class and a fellow (first year) shooter, Richard Wood, placed first in D class. Months later at the Wenatchee outdoor competition I watched as he received his and Richard's medals. He was equally excited for his teammate and told many people how proud he was of all the shooters from the Shelton High School team.

It was out of that competition that Justin met Coach Zach, fellow coach to John Crossman, from the Capital City Rifle Team. This team shoots year-round and after the regular indoor season, they switch to outdoor at the Tacoma Rifle and Revolver Club. The outdoor Small bore is 50 yards and quite different than indoor. Striving to expand his experience in the sport and continue to get practice year-round, it was his intention to convince Zach and John to let him on the team. As Justin will be a senior next year, the club was concerned they would only have one year with him, however due to his clear dedication and positive character, they agreed. In true dedicated fashion Justin has made it to nearly every Tuesday and Thursday practice since mid-April in University Place. His first outdoor match was the Paul Bunyan match in Puyallup. He even convinced his mother to "Go Camping" over Mother's Day weekend in Wenatchee so he could attend one our states largest outdoor Junior competitions. That experience further solidified his

commitment to the sport and he has since been feverishly looking for a left-handed competition rifle of his own. This is no small task. He works for the community, friends and has a job as a life guard to help raise the money. Even with Coach Bragg's generosity that has allowed him to continue practicing, by the end of next school year Justin will need to succeed in this task if he wishes to continue in the sport. Justin is looking forward to shooting back in Shelton next season, especially because of the commute. More importantly Justin looks forward to gathering his Shelton shooters next year, again as team captain, and seeing all the coaches. Meanwhile he continues to hone his skills, raise money for ammo and his precision small bore rifle.









Meet the Executive Director

Mark Gardner was appointed to the position of Executive Officer recently. Mark answered some questions so we could get to know him a little bit better.

Who taught you to shoot? I grew up in Eastern WA near Leavenworth, my father was a WA state trooper at the time and that means there was always a loaded firearm in the house. My father instructed us in the proper use and handling of firearms at a very early age. We got one on one instruction from an awarded marksman employed by WSP! Lots of fun shooting .22LR and 357 magnum pistols!

How long have you been shooting I have been shooting since I was about 7 years old and found in my teenage years was focused more on girls than guns, however I grew much more interested in shooting after I turned 25. I have shot bowling pin matches for a few years and after moving to Shelton in 2005 I found MCSA!

How/why did you get involved with MCSA I found myself wanting to shoot more and my involvement with Evergreen Shooting Club was too far to drive for load testing and adjustments. The idea of shooting indoors at a range only 12 min. away was just too much to resist! Not to mention the shooting events they held! This is where I got started shooting action pistol and USPSA events.

Do you hold a specific role in the club? If so, what and briefly what does it entail? Do you have any specific goals you would like to works towards? I began shooting the Tuesday night matches and with the growing need for RO's at our events and Jacks gentle pushing and shoving me in that direction I became on RO. Later Jack asked me to be match director at a few matches and I enjoyed that as well. Further down the road Jack asked me to help out by volunteering for the Safety Committee. I had often felt I could do more but was hesitant to jump in with both feet. I have finally jumped in and now its sink or swim! As for our future together I hope to be able to serve our club effectively by performing the XO duties and I hope to expand our matches to include more fun and family friendly events. I will be working with some of our members to put this together. You will be hearing more about these soon I hope!

Do you see any specific challenges in the club and do you have any ideas on how to solve them? The challenges I see are getting more people out to our current matches and promoting our matches to non-members that are local to Shelton and surrounding areas. I want to create a need for a larger range, and have the finances to make it happen! If we can secure an outdoor range the possibilities are huge!

What do you like most about MCSA? I most enjoy the heated indoor range and shooting with the members I have become friends with here!

What MCSA events do you participate in? I have been involved with the Winchester .22LR matches but most recently/currently I shoot the PPC, Action Pistol, Carry Pistol and two gun matches.

What do you like to shoot? I started with a cheap 1911 in 45acp but have moved up to an STI 2011 chambered in 40S&W and have really been enjoying that! For my personal carry gun I have a S&W Body Guard in 380acp, it's small but easy to carry! My most recent gun is a custom build of my own, a Ruger 10-22 that has no Ruger parts at all! Looking forward to some matches with this new gun!

What would you like to tell the membership about MCSA? Our club MCSA is a direct reflection of its members, our goal needs to be a unified membership with valued service and services available to our members and community. Let's keep moving forward and make this a club that can be a model to all others.





Thank you Larry Prouty, Marv Voskuhl and Herbert Gofigan for a great job painting the meeting room, it looks fantastic!

Tomb of the Unknowns Guards Begin Use of Custom M17 Pistols

Submitted by Bill Zeigler

Recently, Tomb Guards from the US Army's 3d U.S. Infantry Regiment (The Old Guard) were presented with 4 ceremonial M17 pistols at Arlington National Cemetery. These works of art were created by SIG SAUER specifically for use by the Guards.

This ceremony marks the first use of the M17, which will accompany the Sentinels of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldiers as they stand guard 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

The unique distinguishing features for the M17 Tomb of the Unknown Pistols include:

- Pistol Names: each of the four pistols bears the name of Silence, Respect, Dignity, or Perseverance and is featured on the dust cover. Dignity and Perseverance represent "The Sentinel's Creed," and Silence and Respect represent the request to the public by Arlington National Cemetery when visiting the Tomb of the Unknown, and during the Changing of the Guard;
- Custom Wood Grips: in 1921 the chosen Unknown was transported to the United States of America aboard the USS Olympia. The custom wood grips are made with wood from the USS Olympia and include the crest of the 3rd Guard, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier identification badge inset;
- Cocking Serrations: XXI cocking serrations are engraved on the slide to signify the twenty-one steps it takes for the Tomb Sentinels to walk by the Tomb of the Unknowns and the military honor of a 21 Gun Salute;
- Sight Plate: an engraved impression of the Greek Figures featured on the east panel of the Tomb Peace, Victory, and Valor are featured on the sight plate;
- Sights: a glass insert made with marble dust from the Tomb of the Unknown fills the sights of the ceremonial pistols;
- Engraved Magazines: the 21-round magazines feature an aluminum base plate engraved with the names of the Greek figures featured on the Tomb of the Unknown Peace, Victory, and Valor and include a name plate on the bottom of the magazine engraved with the Tomb Sentinel badge number.
- Serial Numbers: the pistols are serialized with a unique set of serial numbers that incorporate items of significance to the Old Guard: "LS" represents line six of the Sentinels' Creed, "My standard will remain perfection; "02JUL37" to signify the first 24-hour guard posted at the Tomb of the Unknown on July 3, 1937; "21" to signify the 21 steps it takes the Tomb Sentinels to walk by the Tomb of the Unknown, and the military honor of a 21 Gun Salute.

The full series of M17 Tomb of the Unknown Soldier Pistols serial numbers are LS02JUL37A21 (Silence), LS02JUL37B21 (Respect), LS02JUL37C21 (Dignity), LS02JUL37D21 (Perseverance)







With Winning in Mind: Mental Management System – Part 5

Compilation by Carla Baker

Principle Number 3 - The Subconscious Mind is the source of all mental power.

Good news - you have within the power to achieve anything you desire. Bad news - you only use 5% of available power, but using more takes knowledge and more effort.

Good performance looks easy. Remember the last time you watched gymnastics, figure skating or grand prix jumping? They make it look so easy, but you know it isn't. It takes years of training and a lifetime of dedication to the sport. It looks easy because their performance is subconsciously automated. Performers at the top of their game report they just feel the flow of the performance, not thinking about easy or hard bits.

Thinking about performance puts your Conscious Mind in the driver's seat, overriding your Subconscious. When this happens, performance tends to deteriorate. Conscious override is a big problem during competitions when performers try extra hard to do well. Allow your Subconscious to do the work.

Lanny's **Action Statement for Principle Number 3** - I am so well-trained that all my performance is subconsciously done. I trust my Subconscious to guide my performance in competition.

Principle Number 4 - The Subconscious moves you to do whatever the Conscious Mind is picturing.

Whatever you and others say affects what your Conscious Mind pictures. Even when you are talking to someone else about <u>their</u> performance, your Conscious Mind is busy picturing what you said, with <u>you</u> in the driver's seat.

The bad news - every time you give your Conscious Mind a reason to think something or picture something as a negative, the better it gets at doing so. The good news - every time you give your Conscious Mind a reason to think something or picture something as a positive, the better it gets at doing so. Said another way - everyone knows the saying "Practice makes perfect." That's only partially true. "Practice only makes you perfect at what you practice." Which do you want? Start today.

Lanny says, "Being positive is your only hope. Positive pictures demand positive results from the Subconscious. If you think negatively, you have to expect negative results."

You have a choice. Which will you chose?

Lanny's **Action Statement for Principle Number 4** - I realize that my Subconscious power is moving me to perform what I am consciously picturing. I control what I picture and I picture only what I want to see happen.

What would you write as your affirmation for Principles Number 3 and Number 4?

Control your Conscious thoughts and pictures and your Subconscious will move you closer and closer to your goals.

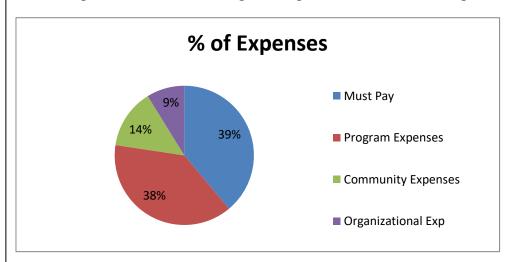
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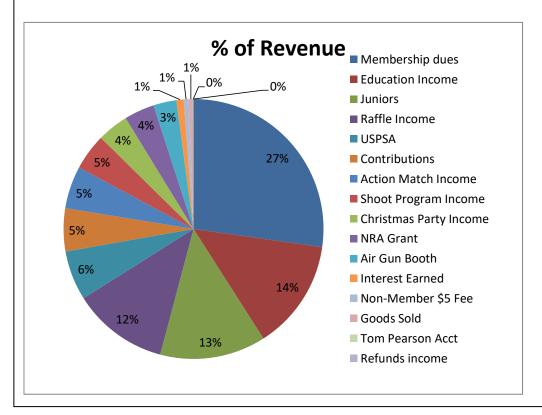
Have you ever wondered where the funds come from that MCSA receives? Wondered where the money goes, which programs and how much?

Marv Voskuhl, Treasurer, gave a report at the May Board meeting and I have summarized the information below.

The Income accounts are individual, but the expense categories are by group:

- Must Pay rent, utilities, theft loss, insurance, legal fees, range maintenance, taxes
- Program education, juniors, Action Match, shooting
- Community Christmas party, raffle, charitable giving, air gun booth
- Organizational advertising, office/general admin, bank charges, membership, postage





Pictures from Matlock & Shrimpfest









