MCSA NEWSLETTER





JANUARY 2022

RAFFLE WINNER

Chalise Ryder, MCSA member from Shelton, is the winner of the .22 Browning Buckmark!



Congratulations!!

Thank you to everyone who participated!! We sold 237 tickets for a total of \$1185, with a net of \$599 after expenses.

It was a short raffle year because of COVID. Even so, we still grossed \$4185 to close out 2021.

Stay tuned for news about the next raffle.

We always can use help selling tickets...if you are interested please contact Dave Kaufman at 360-427-4007 or 360-229-6948 (cell), email: daks4u@comcast.net.

Keep in mind that the money we make on the raffles goes back into the club for pending improvement projects!

CURRENT CLASSES:

- Pistol for Beginners
 Class February 12, 2022 >>
 SOLD OUT
- NRA Basic Pistol Class March 26 and 27, 2022

WINCHESTER

PROGRAMS

Members: \$8.00 Non-Members: \$10.00 Juniors: \$1.00

NRA Pistol Marksmanship

First Thursday of each month from 6:00 to 7:30 pm. Bring revolver or semiauto .22 pistol and 200 rounds.

NRA Winchester Bullseye

Second Thursday of each month from 6:00 to 7:30 pm. Bring .22 pistol and 100 rounds.

NRA Rim Fire Rifle Marksmanship

Third Thursday of each month, 6:00 to 7:30 pm. Bring your .22 rifle and 100 rounds and any equipment you need for rifle bench rest position.

NRA Defensive Pistol Marksmanship

Fourth Thursday of each month, 6:00 to 7:30 pm. Bring revolver or semiauto .380 caliber or larger and at least 60 rounds.



IMPORTANT —RANGE DAMAGE

By VP Keith Martin

We have discovered some holes in the yellow 4x4 strip at the range.



This yellow should not be receiving any holes (YELLOW MEANS NO-SHOOT!!).



Targets are not to be placed on the 4x4 strip. This is damage to the range that we should not be doing.





We meet from 3 – 6 PM, 3rd Sunday of the Month, except for December.

Cost for each event is \$8 MCSA member/ \$10 non-member.

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

February 20, 2022 Agenda

911 Calls & Situational Drills

Presentation by Terry Miller

Terry will play real 911 calls and we will have a discussion about them. We will proceed to do situational drills in the range.

Contact Kim 360-507-0009 or Bonnie 360-490-7911, Bonniejubb@msn.com

Check out our Facebook group

Ladies of Caliber at MCSA



RANGE HEATERS

Reminder to members about the heat in the range:

The only heat in the range is provided by the radiant heat bulbs in the ceiling.

The radiant heat does not heat the air, only the person positioned directly under it. The placement of the heaters is over the 50 foot line, using the wall switch marked heater rows 1 & 2. There is another bank of heaters over the 35 foot line, which can be turned on using the wall switch marked heater rows 3 & 4.

Unless you are planning to shoot at either the 50 foot or the 35 foot line, please do not turn the heaters on!

The reason we request this is that running the heaters will not heat the air, but it will use up the bulb life, without giving the heat benefit to anyone. The bulbs each cost about \$90 + tax and shipping to replace.

So please – only turn on the heat for the row you are going to shoot at. If you are not planning to shoot at the 50 or the 35 foot lines, you'll need to consider wearing layers because the radiant heat bulbs won't help you!





TABLES

By Frederick J. Nachbar

I have just finished repairing two range tables. These repairs would not be necessary if care would have been exercised while folding the legs. If, while folding the legs, the long articulated rod is not laying next to the bottom of the table, *DO NOT FORCE IT CLOSED!* If it is sticking out from the bottom of the table, open the legs back up and close again with the long-articulated rod pushed to closed properly.

THEN ATTACH A NOTE TO THE UNDERSIDE OF SAID TABLE NOTING THE PROBLEM so I or another member can correct the problem.

The tables have been around a few years, have been used a lot, and are wearing out. It will not be until February that new tables can be purchased. Even at that it will be a while until all tables that need to be replaced are replaced.

Thank you, members, for your cooperation.

Firearm Safety

By Frederick J. Nachbar

n October 21, 2021 a completely avoidable tragedy occurred on the movie set filming "Rust". Actor/Producer Alec Baldwin cross drew a pistol, aimed at the camera, pulled the trigger, or just let the hammer fall, killing cinematographer Halyna Hutchens and wounding Joe Sousa the director.

My reading of multiple accounts has informed me that none, I repeat, none of the

basic safety rules of firearms handling were followed.

- 1) As I read the articles a very low budget of \$6-7 million was set. This necessitated a very tight filming schedule of 21 days. Possibly these were 12+ hour days.
- 2) Due to the low budget, the best, most experienced personnel were not hired as the prop team, especially the "armorer". The "Armorer" is the person that maintains the firearms, checks the firearms for functionality and ensures the correct firearm is distributed to the correct actor with the correct "ammunition". (By correct "ammunition" it is meant a blank cartridge or a dummy cartridge.)
- 3) This may surprise some members, but real firearms, that can fire real ammunition, are used as props in the film industry. To wit, they are supposed to be loaded with blanks or dummy cartridges. Blanks are cartridges that have primers, powder but no projectile (bullet). Dummy cartridges are facsimiles of real cartridges without primers or powder. What using real firearms does is allow the possibility of having a real cartridge introduced into the firearm used as a prop.

Things that went wrong:

- 1) Four people handled the firearm and, at this writing, it is unclear if the first two, assistant prop manager and the "armorer", checked the cylinder of said firearm. It is clear that the assistant director and the actor, Alex Baldwin, DID NOT CHECK THE FIREARM'S CYLINDER to make sure it was unloaded before using it.
- 2) According to the Sheriff's Department of Santa Fe County, New Mexico a box of "ammunition" containing a mixture of LIVE CARTRIDGES, DUMMY CARTRIDGES AND BLANKS, was found on the set. As of this writing it is not clear how many of each category of cartridges were in the box.
- 3) Due to the low budget of the film a remote controlled camera was not used for a scene that the firearm was to be pointed at the camera. This means that the firearm was going to be pointed at the camera with a person behind it to run the camera.

Safety Violations

1) First and foremost, NEVER, NEVER, point a firearm at something you do not want to destroy, especially a person. This is the number one rule of the always, always,

always safety rules!

- a. Always point the muzzle in a safe direction.
- b. Always keep your finger out of the trigger guard until you have the target in your sights.
 - c. Always keep the firearm unloaded until ready to use.

Changes in the movie industry that should be mandatory:

- 1) Movie sets should ONLY use firearms designed to ONLY fire blanks.
- 2) The movie industry must mandate strict training protocols and tests to become qualified as an "armorer".
- 3) The movie industry MUST mandate strict firearm safety courses such as the NRA's firearm safety courses for ALL personnel involved with handling firearms on the sets.
- 4) The movie industry MUST mandate that if a firearm is to be pointed at the camera that camera MUST be remote controlled.
 - 5) The movie industry MUST mandate NO LIVE AMMUNITION ON THE SET.

Incorporating the above would go a long, long way in avoiding such a tragedy and greatly increase safety for all involved.

NRA Fundamentals for Gun Safety

ALWAYS

Keep the Gun Pointed in a SAFE Direction

ALWAYS

Keep the Your FINGER Off the Trigger

ALWAYS

Keep the Gun UNLOADED Until Ready to Use



VOLUNTEER NEEDED!

ooking for a volunteer to moderate the club Zoom meetings.

The volunteer would need to be proficient with Zoom and would need to be able to reliably attend Membership meetings on the first Weds. evening of every month.

The meeting moderator volunteer would earn hours for the time spent in meetings.

Please contact President Lynn Ludeman, president@masoncountysa.com or 206-406-3562 if you are willing and able to help out!





CHARITABLE GIVING

The Charitable Giving Committee is looking for suggestions for this year's giving.

We are looking for local 501C3 organizations that could use help.

Please send nominations to the Charitable Giving Committee to me, VP Keith Martin, or any other of the board members.

If you have **articles, stories, pictures, classified ads, or ideas** for the newsletter, please send them to **Suzy Sands....** Email **suzysands@gmail.com** or leave a message at my cell phone, **530-262-1893**.



SHOOTING EVENTS

USPSA

To participate in this match, competitors must register through Practiscore and pay on-line as part of that registration. There is no longer an option for walk-in registration.

Shoot Coordinator:	Greg Beck (360) 790-2683		
Usual days to shoot:	First Sunday of the month; Starts at 9AM - All day event		
Type of firearms:	.38 Special/9mm or larger		
Type of holster:	Holsters must draw from the side at the hip and must point down. No cross draws or shoulder holsters.		
Reloading devices:	You will need enough reloading devices for at least 30 rounds. That's 5 speed loaders for revolvers, 3-4 magazines for pistols		
Hearing and eye protection:	Mandatory, a brimmed hat is recommended		
How much ammunition:	110 rounds		
Fee for shoot:	\$25.00		

Action Pistol League Programs

APL: Action Pistol League, for the new and intermediate shooter wishing to improve their combat shooting skills and move on to USPSA, IDPA and NRA Action Pistol Matches. APL follows the USPSA format.

Program Coordinator:	Charlie Travaglione (360) 426-5372	
Usual days to shoot:	First Tuesday of the month. Setup starts at 5:30PM, shooting starts at 6PM	
Type of firearms:	Center-fire pistols and six shot revolvers To be competitive, a full size frame is recommended	
Type of holster:	Holsters must draw from the side at the hip and must point down. No cross draws or shoulder holsters.	
Reloading devices:	You will need enough reloading devices to hold 24 rounds. For revolvers, that would be 4 speed loaders, for pistols 3 magazines @ 8 rounds each.	
Hearing and eye protection:	Mandatory, a brimmed hat is recommended	
How much ammunition:	50 rounds total for the match.	
Fee for shoot:	\$8.00 members, \$10 for non-members, \$1.00 Juniors, \$24 for 5 matches (members only)	

T/C-APL: Tactical Carry Action Pistol

Fun match, for the new, intermediate and experienced shooter wishing to practice and improve their combat shooting skills and move on to USPSA, IDPA and NRA Action Pistol Matches. APL follows the USPSA format.

Shoot Coordinator:	Matt Crane and Charlie T. Call or email 360-426-5372 or charliet@hctc.com	
Usual days to shoot:	Second Tuesday of the month, setup starts at 5:30PM, shooting starts at 6PM.	
Type of firearms:	Center-fire pistol or six shot revolver, concealed carry sized frame.	
Type of holster:	Holsters must draw from the side at the hip and must point down, no cross draws or shoulder holsters. Isters must be outside the waistband, draw from the side at the hip and must point down. No cross draws or shoulder holsters.	
Reloading devices:	You will need enough reloading devices to hold 24 rounds. For revolvers, that would be 4 speedloaders, for pistols 3 magazines @ 8 rounds each.	
Hearing and eye protection:	Mandatory, a brimmed hat is recommended	
How much ammunition:	50 rounds total for the match.	
Fee for shoot:	\$8.00 members, \$10 for non-members, \$1.00 Juniors, \$24 for 5 matches (members only)	

2 Gun Action Pistol Match

For the new, intermediate and experienced shooter wishing to practice and improve their combat shooting skills and move on to USPSA, IDPA and NRA Action Pistol

Shoot Coordinator:	Matt Crane and Charlie T. Call or email 360-426-5372 or	
Usual days to shoot:	Third Tuesday of the month.	
Type of firearms:	Center-fire pistols and six shot revolvers with the addition of a pistol caliber carbine. To be competitive, a full size frame is recommended.	
Type of holster:	Holsters must be outside the waistband, draw from the side at the hip and must point down. No cross draws or shoulder holsters.	
Reloading devices:	You will need enough reloading devices to hold 24 rounds. For revolvers, that would be 4 speedloaders, for pistols 3 magazines @ 8 rounds each.	
Hearing and eye protection:	Mandatory, a brimmed hat is recommended	
How much ammunition:	50 rounds	
Fee for shoot:	\$8.00 members, \$10 for non-members, \$1.00 Juniors, \$24 for 5 matches (members only)	

.22 LR Match Action Pistol League

This night's shoot will be based on 22 LR platform, with either pistol or rifle allowed and may be a regular action, 2 gun or fun match type event.

Shoot Coordinator:	Matt Crane and Charlie T. Call or email 360-426-5372 or charliet@hctc.com	
Usual days to shoot:	Fourth Tuesday of the month. 5-8 pm	
Type of firearms and ammunition:	Bring your .22lr caliber firearm unloaded in a bag or box with appropriate ammunition.	
Hearing and eye protection:	Mandatory, a brimmed hat is recommended	
Fee for shoot:	\$8.00 members, \$10 for non-members, Juniors shoot for \$1 when accompanied with an adult. Spectators welcome, with eye and ear protection.	



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