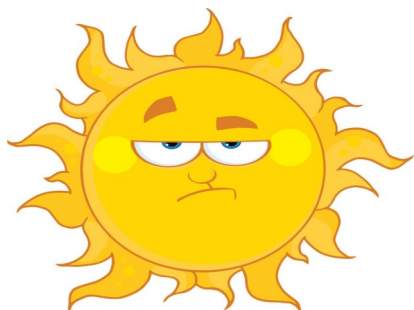


MCSA NEWSLETTER



JUNE 2022



**WAKE
ME
WHEN
IT'S SUMMER!**

- NOTICE -

**Tuesday Night shoots
are cancelled
for June, July,
and August**

CURRENT AVAILABLE- CLASSES

PISTOL FOR BEGINNERS

- Sat, July 22nd **SOLD OUT**
- August 27, 2022

NRA BASIC PISTOL

- Sat/Sun, July 9/10th **SOLD OUT**
- Sat/Sun, Aug 13/14th

NRA PISTOL INSTRUCTOR

(Basic Pistol is a pre-requisite)

- Sept 10/11th

NRA RANGE SAFETY OFFICER

- October, Sat/Sun, 8/9th





MCSA BBQ POTLUCK

From Val Martin, Susanna Jones, Kathy Hakala

Please join us Sunday, July 31, 2022, noon until 5 pm, at The Mason Lake Camp, 1052 E. Mason Lake Drive West (Green Diamond) for a BBQ.

The cost is \$15 per person, age 11 & older; 10 and under is free

The club will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, buns, cheese, lettuce, pickles, condiments, water and paper products, tablecloths, charcoal. Attendees will bring a dish to pass.



Please let us know what you are going to bring. There is a sign-up sheet on the range bulletin board to the left as you walk in....or you can email MCSACelebration@gmail.com.

Please bring a "large bowl" or enough to share of your favorite dish:

- ♦ **Salad (what kind? Bring utensils)**
- ♦ **Baked Beans (bring utensils)**
- ♦ **Chips**
- ♦ **Soda (MCSA bringing water, liquor is BYOB)**
- ♦ **Dessert (what kind? Ideas: fruit, watermelon, brownies, cookies, etc)**
- ♦ **Other (ice, veggie tray, tomatoes or other; please identify)**

So far we haven't heard about too many items being donated for door prizes, but there will be some. Please let us know if you have any items to donate for the door prizes. In the past we have had items made by members; baked goods; items donated by the community and various industry companies. The door prizes are lots of fun and help raise funds for MCSA.

There will be a 50/50 raffle. A winner will be drawn from the 50/50 tickets sold and the winner will receive 50% of the total proceeds from the raffle.

We will need volunteers, so here is an opportunity to get some volunteer hours. We will need help setting up, cooking, cleaning up and more. Sue Ickes will be coordinating volunteers, so if you would like to volunteer, please email Sue Ickes at cats1915@gmail.com or the committee at mcsacelebration@gmail.com

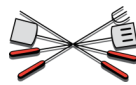


REGISTRATION

Registration and payment can be made by check, mailed to MCSA, PO Box 1122, Shelton, WA 98584 or put in the dropbox on the office door. The “donation” part of the Paypal on the MCSA website can be used, BUT please be sure to email mcsacelebration@gmail.com with your information as there is no spot for it on the donation area.

Registration and payment cut off is July 15th.

We hope to see you at the BBQ!



MCSA BBQ, Sunday, July 31 @ 12 PM to 5 PM; Eat @ 12:30ish

Name: _____

Contact # (only used if necessary): _____

\$15 per person age 11 & older; # _____

Children under 10 free; # _____

Total Paid \$ _____



Proposed Fee/Dues Increases

By Val Martin

All clubs are only as vibrant as the membership of the club. It is important that members attend meetings whenever possible and contact members of the Board or Trustees if they have questions, suggestions or concerns.

At the July 6th meeting the membership will be discussing the change to the "Standing Rules" as proposed at the June 1st meeting, regarding a potential fee/dues increase. There have been some requests for a consolidated "chart" with the information.

	Current	Proposed	\$ Increase
Events			
Member	\$8.00	\$10.00	\$2.00
Non-Member	\$10.00	\$15.00	\$5.00
Non-Member Guest	\$5.00	\$10.00	\$5.00
Volunteer Hours	\$3.75	\$5.25	\$1.50
Dues			
Single	\$125.00	\$175.00	\$50.00
Family	\$187.50	\$262.50	\$75.00
Limited Member	\$50.00	\$70.00	\$20.00
Single - after 20 Hours volunteering	\$50.00	\$70.00	\$20.00
Family - after 30 hours volunteering	\$75.00	\$105.00	\$30.00

New Members **

Single Membership	\$220.00	\$270.00	\$50.00
Single - working	\$145.00	\$0.00	
Family Membership	\$282.50	\$357.50	\$75.00
Family - working	\$170.00	\$0.00	

****The change to the New Members 1st year dues is there is no choice of “working” or “non-working”. All new members will pay the full dues, including initiation fee and FOB fee. When a member volunteers, each hour will be credited at the rate of \$5.25, up to a maximum of 20 hours for “single membership” and 30 hours for “family membership”. The credit for the hours members volunteering will be applied to the following year’s dues, which means the credit is given for actual hours volunteered, not those anticipated to be worked.**

The proposal was also made to eliminate the Lifetime Membership, which is a paid membership. There is no proposal to change the “Lifetime Achievement” membership that is awarded by membership every other year.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact any member of the Board or one of the Trustees.

Why a Rate Increase??

By Lynn Ludeman

An answer to the question **Why should we consider raising rates at MCSA?**

A member recently asked the obvious question of why? It is a very good question considering that according to the monthly reports from our Treasurer, it does look like we have lots of money. Seems like finances always look pretty good from a distance until you look a little closer – and especially as long as you have some additional information to go along with the closer view.

As of June 1, the ready assets, meaning what we could lay our hands on to use if needed, were limited to what is in the bank, which currently is \$134,492.77, after removing the raffle money that cannot be used for a year. In the June 1 financial report to members, there was another \$175,863.00 representing the building and a couple of categories of inventory, so not cash available to us, but assets that would require conversion if we needed to access it.

It is worth noting that we can and have sold some of the inventory, but the value shown on the balance sheet may or may not represent what we’d be able to get for an inventory item if we were to sell it. It would all depend on the condition of the inventory item in question as well as the supply and demand at the time. The amounts in the balance sheet represent what the item was purchased for, not necessarily what it is worth now. In other words, if we think of the building, shown as “fixed valuation” with a value of a little over \$50,000 (but if we did sell it, we would not need the rest of this discussion!), that leaves about \$125,000 of other inventory.

So the bottom line is if we, for an example, want to replace the backstop system including filtered ventilation and also refinish the floors, we are close to just having enough money in the bank to pay for it. Assuming that \$134,000 does pay for the backstop, ventilation and floors, it would leave us with nothing to pay the electricity, garbage, water, taxes, insurance, hazardous waste management, supplies needed, etc. going forward.

There are some other projects on the wish list, too. That list is always in development, and it is created by suggestions from members. One such suggestion is an Outdoor range. Another is to increase the footprint of our port property lease and put up an additional range building that would be 50 meters or about 164' instead of just 50'.

We will be putting more effort this year into applying for grants so that may be a help in the future but until a grant is awarded, we can't factor it in.

We will be considering the proposed changes at the July 6 Membership meeting but there will be time for discussion before a vote is tallied. Our By Laws do not allow voting by proxy but members can attend in person at the range or on Zoom. If you need to attend on Zoom, please request your Zoom link by July 5, otherwise I cannot guarantee it will get to your in-box on the day of the meeting.

Your opinion is valued, so please do attend and cast your vote!

Thanks,

Lynn Ludeman, MCSA President



... You're a grand ole flag
You're a high-flying flag
And forever in peace may you wave
You're the emblem of
The land I love
The home of the free and the brave.
Ev'ry heart beats true
Under red, white, and blue
Where there's never a boast or brag
But should old acquaintance be forgot
Keep your eye on the Grand Ole Flag

"You're a Grand Ole Flag"

Song by George M. Cohan



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.

July 17, 2022 Agenda

LET'S TALK AMMUNITION

We will have an open discussion regarding ammunition. Some of us have questions about ammunition and many of us know the answers. We will share information with each other as a group about different brands, the different calibers, what works best or not well in which guns, difference in grains, and where we get our ammo, and any other information we can think of.

Please email Bonnie if you would like to share your supplier's contact information, I will compile the information and provide to everyone at the meeting.

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

Check out our Facebook group

Ladies of Caliber at MCSA





EVER GIVE THOUGHT TO AIR GUNS?

by Jim Virden



The last few years have been rough on us shooters. Firearms being hard to find, ammo non-existent and when things finally settled down, gun prices are steep, especially ammo. 9mm rounds went from \$11.00 a box then to as much as \$24.00 today and local inventory is usually low, or still limited. Online ordering isn't convenient for everyone either.

Enter the air gun !

Air guns are inexpensive, pistols as low as \$50.00, rifles \$100.00 and up. The ammo is cheap, as little as \$7.00 for 500 rounds and is readily available in most stores. Wal-Mart, Cabela's and Big 5 all have good selections, as well as numerous online companies. They are surprisingly very accurate, and come in a wide assortment of profiles. Power can be either CO2, single or multiple pump, single-shot break-barrel, or PCP, which requires air charging from a tank, and are pressure regulated.

Looking at the first 3 options, common pellet calibers are either .177 (most popular) or .22 cal. Single-shot break-barrel guns can fire a .177 pellet up to 1,400 ft. per sec., approaching that of a .22 rim-fire, or up to 600 fps in the CO2 models. The main difference is the pellet weight, about 7.5 to 10.5 grains for lead vs. 36- 40 grains for a rim-fire .22 . Most pistols are lower, varying from 380 to 500 ft. per sec.

Range distances can be anything, however, most pistol targets are at 10, 20 ,or 30 yard distances. Rifles usually go out further, up to 50 yards or more, and all gun types are adaptable to red-dot sights and scopes. Nickel sized groups can be achieved with most of these guns,

both rifle and pistol. In addition, air guns have little or zero recoil, and are very quiet, which allows shooting in backyards, basements, even garages. They are very versatile whether target shooting, plinking outdoors, hunting small game, or pest control. They can also help hone your shooting skills such as aiming, eyesight, breathing, trigger pull, timing, and eliminate flinching.

Shooting air guns has improved my accuracy with my other guns as a bonus. Fred Nachbar and I shoot air guns weekly when possible, usually Monday afternoons, and Gordy Osberg joins us on occasion. We are certainly open to anyone who would like to join us, learn about air-guns, observe, handle the equipment, and even try them out. If interested, get ahold of us and we can set a time at the range to do this. Fred's email is: spindrift@q.com and Jim's: jimvaustinmac@hcc.net

We hope this might entice more members to get into air gunning. I know you will enjoy it.

*** ALWAYS, ALWAYS, ALWAYS ***

ALWAYS keep your firearm pointed in a safe direction.

ALWAYS keep your finger off the trigger until ready to shoot.

ALWAYS keep the gun unloaded until ready to use.



Mason County Sportsman's Associations 2nd Annual

RUMMAGE SALE

July 23rd 10am – 5pm

521 W. Business Pk Rd

Directions: From Hwy 101, turn left or right on to W. Sanderson Way (Port of Shelton). Turn right on to W. Business Park Rd. (Follow the road up past the curve.) Mason County Sportsman's Association is on the left.





Mason County Sportsman's Association

521 W. Business Park Rd
Shelton WA 98584
At Port of Shelton
Sanderson Air Field

Dave Kaufman
Fundraising Chairman
360-229-6948
fund_raising@masoncountysa.com

Mailing Address:
PO Box 1122
Shelton WA 98584

2nd Annual MCSA Members Rummage Sale

July 23 10am-5pm

Details: Members wanting to sell at the Rummage Sale will set up their own tables. If you need a table, contact Dave (contact info above), please indicate how many tables you'll need. Member sellers will handle your own money. Donations to the club are always welcome! But not required. You are responsible for cleaning up your area after the sale.

No Firearm or Ammunition Sales on Port Property

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**MASON COUNTY SPORTSMAN'S
ASSOCIATION
RAFFLE
\$ 3.00 TICKET**



**MUST BE 21 AND LEGAL TO OWN A FIREARM IN WA STATE
1000 TICKETS PRINTED EACH \$3.00 TICKET WILL GIVE YOU A
CHANCE TO WIN A**

Sig Sauer P 365 9mm Pistol



**DRAWING WILL BE HELD AT MASON COUNTY SPORTSMAN'S RANGE
521 W. BUSINESS PARK RD SHELTON. MCSA IS A 501 (C) 3
CHARITABLE NON PROFIT ORGANIZATION**

**DRAWING ON Sept 1, 2022
AT MEMBERS MEETING
NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN**



FLAG DAY

By Suzy Sands



"In 1916, the anniversary of the Flag Resolution of 1777 became a nationally observed event by a proclamation by President Woodrow Wilson. However, it was not designated as National Flag Day until August 3rd, 1949, when an Act of Congress designated June 14th of each year as National Flag Day."

(<https://www.military.com/flag-day>)

While not a federal holiday, Flag Day is still an important day to remember and celebrate. We respect the Stars and Stripes...does that mean we pledge to the physical material used to create the flag. No! We pledge allegiance to the United State of America, a Republic that stands for pride, strength, bravery, compassion, unity, sacrifice, opportunity, hope, and freedom...Those are the things that are symbolized by our flag!!

I have a memory that I would like to share; it touched my heart and cemented my appreciation for **all** we have in the USA. In college, 1988, I was fortunate to be able to travel to Russia and other countries in Eastern Europe as a part of my degree program. It was Fall Quarter, so it was wet and cold. What an amazing experience! I learned so much about the culture and the people in that part of the world. I hold those memories closely, but they are overshadowed and pale in comparison to a more powerful event that happened one day.



We were on a bus, listening to our guide talk about Moscow, its history, and the "glories" of communism (*One year before the fall of the Berlin Wall!*). Turning onto a street, my attention was immediately moved to a stark change in scenery; no one missed it and its effect was noticeable on the entire bus, to our group and the Russian guides. The Star Spangled Banner, gently waving in the breeze, was a dramatic contrast against the bleak colors of Moscow

and the chilly overcast sky. It was huge and prominent, demanding attention and respect. It was a comfort and made me instantly homesick.

The moment was fleeting as the bus driver quickly moved us off that street, wanting to quickly get back to his scripted lesson for the day, but it was enough to lift my spirits and revive me as we continued on. That powerful moment has stayed with me to this day, especially as Flag Day comes around this month.



WHAT DO THE COLORS REPRESENT

Red

- Red signifies hardiness and valor. It basically refers to the great courage our veterans display in the face of danger, especially in battle.
- Some say that red represents the blood shed by patriots in battle. Red can also signify the readiness to sacrifice.

White

- White symbolizes purity and innocence, and pure intentions and ideals are at the core of the American belief system.

Blue

- Blue means vigilance, perseverance, and justice. Blue is meant to remind us as American citizens to keep a careful watch for possible danger or difficulties, and it also reminds us that we'll be able to make it through those difficulties.
- The blue in the American flag honors the importance of a just and fair country. Without justice, perseverance, and vigilance, America would not be the country we all know and love today.

MEANING BEHIND THE 13 FOLDS

The flag-folding ceremony represents the same religious principles on which our great country was originally founded.

1. The first fold of our flag is a symbol of life.
2. The second fold is a symbol of our belief in eternal life.
3. The third fold is made in honor and remembrance of the veteran departing our ranks, and who gave a portion of his or her life for the defense of our country to attain peace throughout the world.
4. The fourth fold represents our weaker nature; as American citizens trusting in God, it is Him we turn to in times of peace, as well as in times of war, for His divine guidance.
5. The fifth fold is a tribute to our country. In the words of Stephen Decatur, "Our



country, in dealing with other countries, may she always be right, but it is still our country, right or wrong."

6. The sixth fold is for where our hearts lie. It is with our heart that we pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.
7. The seventh fold is a tribute to our armed forces, for it is through the armed forces that we protect our country and our flag against all enemies, whether they be found within or without the boundaries of our republic.
8. The eighth fold is a tribute to the one who entered into the valley of the shadow of death, that we might see the light of day, and to honor our mother, for whom it flies on Mother's Day.
9. The ninth fold is a tribute to womanhood. It has been through their faith, love, loyalty, and devotion that has molded the character of the men and women who have made this country great.
10. The 10th fold is a tribute to father, who has also given his sons and daughters for the defense of our country since he or she was first born.
11. The 11th fold represents the lower portion of the seal of King David and King Solomon and glorifies the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.
12. The 12th fold represents an emblem of eternity and glorifies God the Father, the Son, and Holy Ghost.
13. The 13th and last fold, when the flag is completely folded, the stars are uppermost, reminding us of our national motto, "In God We Trust."

(<https://www.military.com/flag-day/meaning-behind-13-flag-folds.html>)

Further American Flag links:

<https://www.military.com/flag-day>

<https://www.prd.uscourts.gov/flag-united-states-america>

<https://www.usa.gov/flag>

<https://nationalflagfoundation.org/10-fascinating-facts-about-the-american-flag/>



NRA Rules...

Know your target and what is beyond.

Be absolutely sure you have identified your target beyond any doubt. Equally important, be aware of the area beyond your target. This means observing your prospective area of fire before you shoot. Never fire in a direction in which there are people or any other potential for mishap. Think first. Shoot second.

Know how to use the gun safely.

"Before handling a gun, learn how it operates. Know its basic parts, how to safely open and close the action and remove any ammunition from the gun or magazine. Remember, a gun's mechanical safety device is never foolproof. Nothing can ever replace safe gun handling. "

Use only the correct ammunition for your gun.

"Only BBs, pellets, cartridges or shells designed for a particular gun can be fired safely in that gun. Most guns have the ammunition type stamped on the barrel. Ammunition can be identified by information printed on the box and sometimes stamped on the cartridge. Do not shoot the gun unless you know you have the proper ammunition. "

Wear eye and ear protection as appropriate.

"Guns are loud and the noise can cause hearing damage. They can also emit debris and hot gasses that could cause eye injury. For these reasons, shooting glasses and hearing protection should be worn by shooters and spectators. "

Never use alcohol, over-the-counter drugs or prescription drugs before or while shooting.

"Guns are loud and the noise can cause hearing damage. They can also emit debris and hot gasses that could cause eye injury. For these reasons, shooting glasses and hearing protection should be worn by shooters and spectators. "

Store guns so they are not accessible to unauthorized persons.

"Many factors must be considered when deciding where and how to store guns. A person's particular situation will be a major part of the consideration. Dozens of gun storage devices, as well as locking devices that attach directly to the gun, are available. However, mechanical locking devices, like the mechanical safeties built into guns, can fail and should not be used as a substitute for safe gun handling and the observance of all gun-safety rules. "

WINCHESTER PROGRAMS

Members: \$8.00

Non-Members: \$10.00

NRA .22 Pistol Marksmanship

First Thursday of each month from 6:00 to 7:30 pm. Bring revolver or semi-auto .22 pistol and 100 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 semi-auto .380 caliber or larger and at least 60 rounds.

If you have **articles, stories, pictures, classified ads, or ideas** for the newsletter please send them to **Suzy Sands....**

Email suzysands@gmail.com

cell phone 530-262-1893

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Training	Dan McCarty	206-947-2038	training@masoncountysa.com
Volunteer Coordinator	Sue Ickes	360-627-1064	cats1915@gmail.com

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