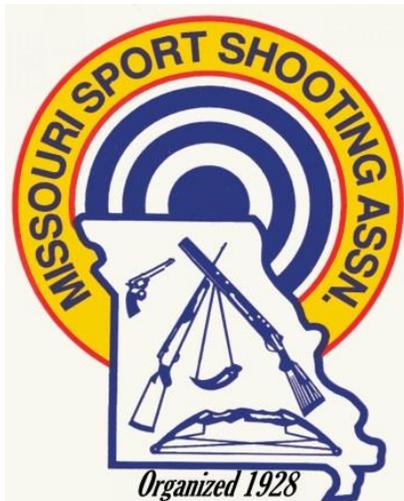


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- ✓ Be a current or former Missouri resident, and register Missouri as your state of residence.
- ✓ Be recommended by a current MSSA member, or request your own free 1-year membership.

If you qualify, or know someone who qualifies, just fill out an MSSA membership application, obtainable from either the MSSA website www.MissouriSportShooting.org or from the back of this publication. Instead of a membership dues check, send a signed note and pledge that you (or they) are active duty military and a current or former Missouri resident and register Missouri as your/their state of residence.

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THE PRESIDENT'S PODIUM

(The following article should have appeared in the spring issue of the newsletter. GL)

DECEMBER LIBERTY NOTES

By Kevin Jamison, President MSSA

“When trouble arises and things look bad, there is always one individual who perceives a solution and is willing to take command. Very often, that individual is crazy.” Annon.

We need some people crazy enough to step up and get things done.

Maria Sanchez, a commentator in the local tabloid, tells us that mass killers are not deterred by armed security and that no one has ever stopped a mass killer. This would be alarming if it was remotely true. There are cases of mass killers bypassing guarded locations to attack similar targets. The Aurora theater killer bypassed theaters closer to home to attack one with a “no guns” sign. At Pearl Mississippi Middle School and the Appalachia School of Law citizens retrieved guns and stopped the killer; but people died while they went for their guns.

Ms. Sanchez also says that the reason psychopaths, such as the killer at Newton, have “easy access” to guns are the NRA. She sarcastically thanks the NRA. Again, this is not remotely true. The Newton killer obtained his

guns by murdering his mother; not “easy access” as most people define the term. The NRA pushed a bill through Congress requiring states to transmit the names of people found incompetent to the NICS system. This law referred to people found incompetent after a full hearing in front of a judge, not people who have seen a counselor or come back from the war with PTSD. Ms. Sanchez should thank the NRA, but of course she will not.

Someone wrote to the local tabloid stating that he was appalled at the NRA claim that “Guns don’t kill people, people kill people.” He states that without guns it is not possible to kill effectively. This would be funny if it was not so insane. Insanity is, roughly speaking, an inability to understand or deal with reality. People are killed in vast numbers with objects other than guns. The local tabloid used 40% of a page to report on a school attack in which only the assailant was killed. A tiny blurb at the side mentioned a drug dealer convicted of killing nine people, eight of them children, through arson. The worst mass murder in American history was an arson attack on a Detroit school in 1958 killing 92 children and three nuns.

The problem is that we have people reacting emotionally to a disaster. Someone or something must be punished and that someone is us and that something is our gun collections and any guns we may want to buy in the future and any guns we may want to leave our children and any rights we may want to leave our children.

There was a movie called "The Dresser" concerning a great Shakespearian actor who was sliding into dementia while trying to put on "King Lear." The director, the producer, the theater owner and others reacted to the disaster of an insane actor playing an insane king. They all said that they must do "something." The actor's dresser, an assistant/servant, would always demure stating that they must do the *right* thing. The right thing is hard. It requires thinking. Many people do not like thinking. To get people thinking we must present our own emotional stories. People who have defended themselves are an obvious source. There are an appalling number of people who insist that it is not possible to act in self-defense. If they are wrong about that, what else might they be wrong about?

In 1886, Thomas Reed, Speaker of the House of Representatives, observed, "One of the greatest delusions in the world is the hope that the evils in this world are to be cured by legislation."

A letter to the local tabloid asks if the NRA and mental illness are not two sides of the same coin. His conclusion is that they are because we engage in the "brutal" sport of hunting. So much for the claim that no one wants to take our hunting guns. If they could just define clinging to guns as a mental illness they would be set. This is not far-fetched; they think it is crazy to want to own guns. They really believe that we are crazy.

I constantly hear claims that "no one wants to take your guns." To this I reply, "I am not as stupid as I look." They must think that I look incredibly stupid or they would not tell me

such a palpable lie. Every national anti-gun organization began with the objective of banning guns. When they found out that this did not play well with the public, they changed it to "control" guns. When the level of control they envisioned became obvious they changed to "gun safety." They have had the nerve to demand to know why the NRA has "changed" from a sportsman's organization promoting safety to a supposed skill for the gun industry. Phrasing the question like this pretends that it is true, it is a lie. The NRA has promoted gun safety since it began and continues to do so today. The opposition's idea of gun safety, from people who know nothing about guns, is to take as many types of guns away as possible as quickly as possible. Several eastern states and California have laws demanding registration of certain semi-automatic firearms and bans on other "assault rifles." California has sometimes determined that registered guns were also banned and the owners were told to "get them out of town by sundown" (so to speak). Owners of semi-automatic rifles and magazines in these states had to turn them into the police, cut them up, or move them out of the state. This is a taking. Some states restrict or ban the inheritance of these guns. If I cannot pass my guns to my heirs, a substantial part of my estate, this is a taking. If my sons cannot inherit my guns, my funeral will be a very sad day indeed. These laws have not passed in Missouri because of our strong grassroots activism; but they do try.

Then there is Chicago and Washington D.C. These are cities which have very specifically and in language even their city governments can understand been told that their citizens have a right to own guns. They have acquiesced to these rulings in the spirit of Jim Crow. They established rules which required people to take time from work to apply, take classes, undergo background checks (beyond the NICS system) and pay fees amounting to the cost of some guns. An example is the recent book *Emily Got Her Gun* in which a Washington D.C. reporter went through all of the hoops, fees, and

delays to obtain the right to own a gun in our nation's capital. This only gives her the right to own a pistol; she cannot carry it, that is still impossible. I have begun reading the book and it seems a story worthy of Kafka.

A Colorado teenager, described as an opinionated socialist and anti-gun, purchased a shotgun, made three Molotov cocktails, strapped on a machete and went after a teacher. He wounded a student and set a bookcase on fire but was immediately confronted by a police officer attached to the school. The teenager immediately committed suicide. When we suggested that armed staff at schools could prevent mass killings we were ridiculed. This case proves that we were right. The media will not give us credit for being right, but we must bring up these facts whenever we are lied to.

The Missouri Supreme Court has issued a decision stating that the phrase in the Missouri Constitution prohibiting "retrospective laws" only applies to civil laws. The Court has already found that new disabilities for people previously convicted of crimes does not violate the *ex-post facto* provision of our Constitution. I am trying to resolve the reasoning in this line of cases but it appears that if the legislature requires everyone who had ever been convicted of a DWI to embroider a scarlet "A" on their breast, it would be legal. And there are those who would think it a good idea.

We shall overcome.

DAN SMITH

2014

MSSA is saddened to learn that Dan Smith passed away recently.

Dan has been a member of the Top Gun family for over 9 years, as both an instructor and an associate. Many of you have come to know him through his training classes and passionate support of the 2nd Amendment. He was always a great friend and supporter of rights for gun owners, dedicating a great portion of his life to a cause that he truly believed in. He will be greatly missed not only as a friend, but for the contributions that he made to Top Gun, Missouri Carry, and so many other 2nd Amendment organizations. A true friend and a member of the gun community has been lost.

THE PRESIDENT'S PODIUM

MARCH LIBERTY NOTES

By K. L. Jamison, President MSSA

1. Steve Martin, comedian, author, actor and banjo virtuoso has released "My Pretty One." The song concerns a possessive boyfriend who reacts badly to the lady ending their relationship. In his goofy, joyful style he recounts talking the lady into one last ride in his truck, which ends on a deserted gravel road. He pulls a knife, she pulls a gun.
2. A German Company has created a "smart gun" which requires an electronic signal from a watch in order to operate; which it does unreliably. It costs \$1,800 for the package.
3. Connecticut, gun owners trying to register "assault weapons" and magazines too late have received letters ordering them to remove the guns and magazines from the state or turn them in. Now they know where the offending parties live. Remember this the next time you are told that "no one" wants to take your guns.
4. Yes, a Missouri legislator introduced a bill REQUIRING homeowners to flee their home if a home invader or burglar enters.
5. I received a Raven .25 pistol as part of my fee in a case. Let the zombie apocalypse come! My .25 needs have been met! It is part of my "and alcohol was involved" collection.
6. Massad Ayoob tells of a prosecutor who argued that a shooting was cold blooded murder because each time the semi-automatic pistol was fired it had to be manually cocked. The defense attorney called Uncle Mas in desperation to ask if that was true. A "good shoot" is not enough; you have to explain why it was a good shoot to some prize idiots.
7. There was a recent shooting in SE Missouri. A veteran chased a young man out of his house at gunpoint. The young man went to the veteran's brother and complained. The brother, a known drug addict later found to have PCP and meth in his system, charged over and banged on the door. His mother, afraid that he would break down the door, opened it. This was not a good alternative. Brother charged the veteran who still had his gun. The brother was shot at a range of five feet. The prosecutor filed first degree (premeditated) murder charges. The prosecutor's theory is that when the young man left, the veteran must have known he would complain to the brother and the brother would charge over. Therefore he laid in wait and it was premeditated. This is stupid. It is open and shut castle doctrine. Some of the police officers said that as a veteran he should have been able to club his brother with the gun and therefore it was murder. This train of guess and supposition has

I could say a great deal, but stupid seems to cover it. The bill is doubtless dead on arrival but it shows the mentality that we must guard against.

put the veteran in jail on a half-million dollar bond.

8. It is said that President Obama has ended the Afghan and Iraq wars. I disagree. He has lost those wars, there is a difference. All he had to do was negotiate a status of forces agreement so we would continue to have some leverage. He has snatched defeat from the jaws of victory. Soon these nations will see a real war on women.
 9. Saw a DVD on the Science of Sex Appeal. It appears that I must be much better looking or much richer in order to qualify.
 10. Dick Metcalf wrote a piece for Guns and Ammo magazine to the effect that some regulation of the Second Amendment was valid. His first problem is that he took the phrase “well-regulated militia” to mean “controlled.” In the late 18th century it meant “trained.” His second problem was that the opposition took his argument for “some” regulation to mean any Jim Crow harassment or confiscation scheme that they could dream up. We are often criticized for not compromising. The gun movement has compromised in the past, and was rewarded with more demands for compromise. We know what does not work. Dick Metcalf no longer writes for Guns and Ammo.
 11. I was once asked to recommend a book on the Constitution. I could not find an adequate commentary. Kelly Jarboe has found *The U.S. Constitution—a Reader* to be very satisfactory. It is put out by Hillsdale College.
 12. The Brady bunch is suing a local gun shop. In the press conference they said that they are not anti-gun and not anti-
- second amendment. I say that I am not as stupid as they think I am. They must think I am incredibly stupid if they believe that I will buy their claim that they are not anti-gun.
13. The website www.gunfacts.info gives us the facts needed to refute the opposition arguments. Its only defect is that it does not advise *how* to argue this information. It is not possible to give the entire contents of this web site in one conversation. Small bits work better. Connecting each element to something that interests the other party is the best strategy. Tell a golfer that you have to shoot your own holes, but the object is similar, to hit all the targets with as few rounds as possible. People want to protect schools. In every other case when we want to protect the people in a building, we put someone with a gun in the building. If they don't think teachers should have guns, ask why they don't think women are trustworthy. Teaching is predominately a female profession. By phrasing distrusting teachers as distrust of women makes it harder to make the anti-gun argument. I would like to say “its in the Constitution stupid” but insulting someone at the start never works. A bald statement that it is in the Constitution does not work without tying it to something the other party values. See *How to Win Friends and Influence People*. It should be simple. It is not. If it was easy, anybody could do it.
 14. The opposition has a manual to guide its minions on how to argue with us. The Second Amendment Foundation uncovered it as part of one of their lawsuits and has made it available. It is valuable to see the other side's thinking—so to speak. They repeatedly argue that since the NRA is silent in the aftermath of a massacre, which proves that it has no

response to such an atrocity. Our side waits to discover the facts, and out of sympathy for the victims, and that is taken against us. The anti-gun side declared that the Navy Yard shooting proved that AR-15s must be banned, before the shots had echoed. It was later learned that the killer had used a sporting shotgun. They were not criticized for jumping to conclusions; we were criticized for waiting for the facts.

15. For many years Manions has auctioned militaria from its Kansas City Kansas office. Recently its website suffered a catastrophic failure and repairs were beyond the financial capability of the company. It is going out of business. Anyone with a consignment there needs to make arrangements to pick it up immediately. It is sad to see one of our community go under.
16. Interesting. I'm seeing reports that police officers are prohibited from carrying guns in certain areas. The federal courts have not allowed law enforcement to carry in the courts for many years, even when they testify. Now the NFL will not allow off-duty law enforcement to carry at football games. The exception is Texas, which always claims to be an exception. Their constitution takes precedence over football rules. There was a recent report of an Oklahoma sheriff's association visiting their legislatures who were ejected because they carried guns. Eighty years ago police arrested other law enforcement officers if they carried out of their jurisdiction. This went on until police training became uniform. It has been a little over ten years since police officers were unable to carry outside of their own state. It took a twelve year federal battle to change that prejudice. Now they are distrusted because they

carry guns. The prejudices against the rest of us are worse.

We shall overcome.

MISSOURI STATE M1 GARAND RIFLE CHAMPIONSHIP

Sponsored by the **Owensville Gun Club as the State M1 Garand Rifle Championship. The Championship match is sanctioned by the Missouri Sport Shooting Association and the Civilian Marksmanship Program, It is conducted at the Owensville Gun Club range in Owensville, Missouri. The championship tournament will be conducted as a CMP M1 Garand match on JUNE 29, 2014.**

Officials for this tournament are:

Don Merritt	Match Director
Kurt Emken	Deputy Match Director
Mark Ehlert	Range Officer

RANGE LOCATION: Three (3) miles west of Owensville on the north side of Highway 28. There is a cemetery on the left side (south) of Hwy 28 just before the entrance to the range on the right side (north) of Hwy 28.

ELIGIBILITY: Membership in the Missouri State Shooting Association is required **for Missouri residents participating in the state championship match.** Memberships will be available at registration. **All participants must complete a CMP Eligibility Affidavit and Liability Agreement (if not previously submitted).**

REGISTRATION: Individual registration and entry fees must be received by 8:30 AM, 25 June, 2014. Mail entry fee to:

Don Merritt
2008 Lake Northwoods Rd.
Owensville, MO 65066
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You are not registered until your money is received. Competitors may register before the matches up to the range capacity.

THE PRESIDENT'S PODIUM

APRIL LIBERTY NOTES

By K. L. Jamison, President MSSA

1. The local paper published a long article claiming that the US Border Patrol is trigger happy. They object to Patrolmen shooting at persons who throw rocks. If they doubt that a rock can kill or injure I have a number of such cases in my files. In one case they claim that a person was shot when crouching down on the ground. Their proof is the angle of the bullet in the body. This only shows the position of the gun relative to the body. In rough terrain one person could be shooting down at a standing person. The dead man could have been bent over charging the Patrolman. The paper's irrefutable proof was that the coroner had declared the cause of death to be "homicide." This only means that the person was killed by another person. It does not mean that he was murdered. I try to keep death certificates out of evidence in self-defense cases because many people have the wrong impression that homicide and murder are synonymous.
2. I took my girlfriend to a gun show. It was a test and the test was successful; other people see her too.
3. Local police agencies held a shooting competition to raise money for the Special Olympics. A number of civilians participated. The local paper gave the event substantial and favorable coverage.
4. Again a mass killing at Ft. Hood. The killer is again another soldier and again in a place where no guns are allowed. I saw a news program in which talking heads, apparently retired officers argued against allowing soldiers to carry guns. They say that people who argue that soldiers should be allowed to have guns have not served, that it would cause inconvenience and incidents. They argue that if soldiers carried guns they bullets "would have been bullets going everywhere." They argue that that if soldiers were armed then the psycho would have had an M-16. First, I did serve. I know that senior officers do not trust enlisted men; grubby smelly noisy people with questionable taste in music, but there are senior NCO's and officers in whom the paperwork says the military vests all trust and confidence. If the paperwork says so, it cannot possibly be wrong. If the killer had an M-16, so would a hundred others. During the massacre bullets were going almost everywhere, except at the psycho. The moment an MP appeared the killer committed suicide. If there are been other armed persons there, the massacre would have ended quickly or never begun.

It is the link with the charity that did it. It is difficult to criticize any event which helps disabled children. As the new President of WMSA, I encourage our members to donate blood. It is difficult to criticize such a program and its purpose is to emphasize that after ten (10) years of concealed carry in Missouri, there has been no "blood in the streets." People who cannot donate for some reason can get family and friends to donate. Wear your "Guns Save Lives" buttons, your Glock T-Shirts and NRA caps when you donate. Let me know when you have done so, I intend to brag on my people.

5. I am reliably informed that soldiers in Afghanistan and Iraq carried loaded guns at all times. I do not see why they would become unreliable once they are in their own country.
6. A Vernon New Jersey schoolchild sent for psychological evaluation because another student was "twirling a pencil like a gun." The complaining student demanded that he be sent to "juvie". It is reported that the complaining student had been bullying the other boy and the complaint is an extension of that bullying. The school administration claims that they had no choice. It appears that thinking was just too hard.
7. Former New York Mayor Blumberg has promised to put \$50 million into anti-gun political candidates in this election year. We will have to match him with organization. Every time you hear an anti-gun statement, put a quarter in a coffee can, I would drink the coffee first, but that is just me. The quarters add up. This September marks the 25th anniversary of the founding of WMSA, certainly this is worth a quarter now and again. When we began, we had trouble getting politicians to answer our messages. Today they contact us. They ask our opinion on legislation. This is due to the efforts of our members. When we show our strength, they appreciate our position.
8. A psycho shoots at random cars in south Kansas City, another psycho shoots up the Jewish Center in Overland Park. These are the acts of evil men. Guess who will be blamed.
9. There is much propaganda about mentally ill people being allowed to buy guns. This is not true. It is being used as

an excuse to disarm veterans who, according to Nancy Pelosi, are all mentally ill. She cannot understand men and women who would sacrifice themselves for such as her. Federal law requires all persons who are adjudicated mentally ill by a court to be reported to the NICS system. This law was pushed through by the NRA, who gets no credit for it. It also has a provision to allow people to escape the crazy computer. That is probably what gripes the anti-gun people. They think that anyone who owns guns is crazy. The propaganda is intended to extend the law to include more and more of us. We can win this, but we have to fight to win.

10. A businessman in Washington D.C. has been convicted of attempted possession of ammunition. The man had a dud shotgun shell and a Minnie ball for a Civil War era muzzle-loader. He had tried to fire the shotgun shell during a hunting trip. It had misfired due to a defective primer or damp powder. The deer he had tried to shoot panicked and ran into a tree, breaking its neck. He kept the shell as a souvenir. The judge examined the shell, shook it and received alarming advice on how dangerous it was by prize idiots employed as prosecutors. He rejected the charge based on the shotgun shell due to lack of expert testimony. The Minnie ball had a hollow at the base. This is designed to cause the bullet to expand and engage the rifling. The judge seems to have believed that this made it a hollow point. Even without any evidence of gunpowder or percussion caps he thought it dangerous and found the man guilty of attempted possession of ammunition. The possession of muzzle loading guns is not illegal in the District, but God forbid they have ammunition. The businessman must now register as a gun offender. This is what they call a "reasonable" gun law.

11. A man in southwest Missouri was charged with murder. The victim's family immediately filed a wrongful death suit against him. They then froze the defendant's assets. Without being able to sell his property he was unable to post bond. I admire the ingenuity of the legal work. I am concerned that it might be used against one of us. There have been problems with extremely high bonds in gun cases. They claim that because we own guns then we must be dangerous, even when our guns have been confiscated. High bonds are intended to keep the defendant in jail pending trial.
12. California State Senator Leland Yee has a reputation for being violently anti-gun. He is now under arrest for the black-market sale of guns. It was always the bootleggers who voted prohibition.
13. There is a proposal to establish a "gun court" in Jackson County. This is to establish uniform and severe treatment and very high bonds in gun cases. This has not been done, but the prosecutor's office has been concentrating gun cases with specific prosecutors. The difference may be subtle, but it is there.
14. I do the legal instruction for a concealed carry class at Great Guns in Liberty. As part of the program I explain the requirements for using deadly force (killing) home intruders. In one class a student said that he didn't care what the rules were if he caught someone in his home he would . . . I told him to shut up, and not in a nice way. If he ever had to shoot an intruder, good shoot, bad shoot or ambiguous; he would be in trouble if he completed the statement. A class full of witnesses would be able to testify that he intended to disregard the law. There is a reason we have a right to remain silent.
15. The suspect arrested for the local highway shootings tried to buy a handgun with a laser sight from a private party. The deal fell through when the suspect refused to identify himself to the seller. It pays to know whom you do business with. Imagine what would have fallen on the seller if he had sold a gun that was later used in these shootings.

We shall overcome.

CHALLENGE!

The MSSA is beginning a new membership drive. To stay strong and continue to show that Missourians are law abiding pro-2nd Amendment gun owners, it is necessary to grow.

A **contest** has been created to add a little excitement. For **every new member** paid application that a current member submits, the current member will have his or her name entered one time into a drawing (per quarter). If 5 names are submitted by one current member, then that current member will be entered into that quarterly drawing 5 times. It is the responsibility of the current member to make sure that a referral note is sent with the new member applications. This is so proper credit of the membership is given.

The two drawings will be at the October and January meetings and the prizes will be embroidered **MSSA attaché cases**. After that, the prize will be any item from **our** MSSA store site.

THE PRESIDENT'S PODIUM

MAY LIBERTY NOTES

THREE FLAGS

By K. L. Jamison

I've worn out three flags since the war began. Like many others, I've flown the national colors since September, 2001; the date we were forced to recognize that someone was at war with us. This is a small thing, little more than an act of solidarity with men and women on the sharp end of the war. The wind has taken its toll on my flag and again it needs replacement.

Wearing out flags is not the only thing we have accomplished since 2001. Two Supreme Court decisions have found that we have an individual constitutional right to possess guns. Anti-gun persons claim that the Court ruled that government could impose "reasonable" restrictions on guns. Their idea of reasonable is

not at all reasonable. Their claim is really the exception to the Court's ruling. The Court found that we have a right to possess guns for self-defense. It did state that government could impose gun restrictions but could not infringe on the core right to possess guns. We continue to fight their misrepresentation of the Court's ruling.

Together we have passed a concealed carry law, a castle doctrine, and reformed a number of firearms laws. We have preserved hunting and sport shooting. We have protected the right to use lead bullets in Missouri. We have protected ranges from harassing lawsuits. Uncounted young people have been taught the shooting sports. A great many anti-gun persons demand gun "safety." We can say that we have financed gun safety training for young people while they have done nothing but talk. Now there is more to do.

Every time we have reformed a gun law we have been told it would lead to "blood in the streets." It never has. The usual suspects continue to predict blood in the streets, and they

continue to be wrong. To emphasize how wrong they are, I encourage everyone to donate blood. We are not the people who shed blood, we donate blood. Contact your local Red Cross or doctor's office. Find out where you can donate blood. When you donate, wear an MSSA cap or gun button or read a gun magazine. Make sure that they know it who is donating. Let me know when you donate; I intend to brag on our people.

This is an election year. In the next few months a great deal of venom will fill the media; much of it will be directed at us. Ex- New York Mayor Bloomberg is providing \$50 million to anti-gun candidates in order to buy elections this year. We will hear that gun owners are deliberately out to make the community less safe. Experience shows that we have made the community much safer. We cannot expect the media to report our success. We have to do so ourselves.

We have friends running for office. These friends are in both major parties. MSSA does not endorse candidates; there are national and local groups who do an excellent job of rating candidates. The Western Missouri Shooters Alliance in Kansas City and the Gateway Civil Liberties Alliance in St. Louis are active on the local level. Contact them for information. Help the friendly candidates.

I quickly found a new flag. But it was made in the People's Republic of China, which did not seem right. I eventually found a flag at Sam's Club. It was made in the United States. It may have been the only manufactured item in the place that was made in the United States. I snapped it up. I like to encourage American industry.

We shall overcome.

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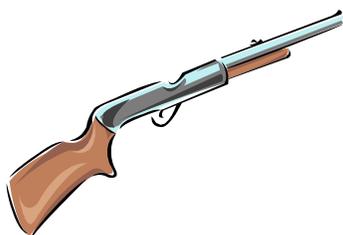
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AD/ARTICLE DEADLINES

Feb 1 • May 1 • Aug 1 • Nov 1

LAST CALL FOR THE 29TH ANNUAL JUNIOR RIFLE CAMPS



The 29th annual MSSA-NRA Junior 3 Position Smallbore International Rifle Competition Camps are scheduled for 2014 by John Leinberger, Junior Programs Director for MSSA. Both camps will again be at Buck Snort Range (an outdoor range) near Marshall, Missouri and are open to youths from ages 10 through 17.

The first camp is Thursday, June 19, 2014 to Sunday June 22, 2014. The Second camp is Thursday July 10, 2014 to Sunday July 13, 2014. Fee for each camp is \$150.00. Fee includes

bunkhouse style lodging, meals from Thursday dinner through Sunday lunch, shooting literature, instructional materials, expert classroom and hands on instruction, ammunition, and approved tournament fees. For additional information and camp application forms contact:

John Leinberger
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2014 BUCKSNORT SCHEDULE

MONTH	DATES	DISCIPLINE	EVENT
April	12	All	Spring Work Day
	13	High Power	XTC practice
	26-27	Small Bore	Spring Prone Matches
May	3-4	High Power	NRA Regional
June	7-8	High Power	State High Power Championship
	14-15	Small Bore	NRA Prone Regional
	19-22	Small Bore	Junior Camp
July	10-13	Small Bore	Junior Camp

July	31	High Power	Planet Matches start
August	1-3	High Power	Planet Matches continuation
September	6-7	High Power	State Service Rifle Championship
	13-14	Small Bore	State Prone Championship
	27-28	Small Bore	State 3 Position Championship
October	4-5	High Power	State Mid-Range Championship
	25	All	Fall Work Day

MSSA QUARTERLY MEETING MINUTES

MSSA Annual Board Meeting
April 5, 2014

Meeting called to order at 1400 by Kevin Jamison.

Members present:

Kevin Jamison, President
Grace Leinberger, Vice President
Lee Koester, Treasurer
Mike Kight, Secretary
Phil Anderson, Executive Officer
Dale Barron, Director
Terry Brookman, Director
Don Merritt, Director
Greg Meredith, Director
Mary Butler, Director
Eric Burger, Director
Mona Oliver, Director
John Leinberger, Director, Junior Programs

Minutes from previous meeting read. Motion to approve by Lee Koester. Second by Greg Meredith.

Executive Officer's Report

\$3828.02 Balance in High Power account.
State High Power Championship moved from Benchrest Rifle/Pistol Club to Bucksnot Shooting Club.

Junior High Power to compete at Camp Perry the last two weeks in July.

Phil Anderson submitted his resignation as Executive Officer, effective at meetings end.
Motion to accept report, Grace Leinberger, Second, Kevin Jamison.

Treasurer's Report

\$13,093.12 Checking account balance. Net Loss for quarter, \$6298.16

Balance in C.D. is \$18,130.21

Motion to accept report, Mike Kight. Second, Dale Barron

Secretary's Report

Total Membership -751

Adult membership, 476 Junior membership,59
Affiliate membership,34 Life membership,170 Life Benefactors,9 Honorary Life members,3 Life Affiliate members,3

Correspondence received: Certificate of Membership from USA Shooting for 2014.

Discussion of new printer friendly applications. Grace will send out to Affiliates.

Discussion of meeting with Missouri State High School FFA Chapters for affiliation with MSSA. Motion to accept report, Kevin Jamison. Second, Eric Burger.

Junior Program Report

Balance \$4760 not including \$1200 camp fees to deposit.

Junior Camps scheduled for June 19-22 and July 10-13

Air Rifle Target Sprint competition at Willard, Mo. May 10th in conjunction with Willard Junior Naval ROTC

Linn Technical College will start shooting team in addition to 4-H team.

Junior Olympic match and CMP Regional Qualifying match to be held Jan 5-6.

Motion to accept report, Terry Brookman. Second, Greg Meredith

Old Business

Electronic Scoring – Decision to drop request.

High Power Funding – Not requesting funds at this time.

New Business

Apparel Store. Address is mssa1928.qbstores.com
Store is linked on MSSA web page and operational.

Public Discussion

Garrett Spurgeon was recognized for qualifying for US Olympic team and placing 2nd in NCAA

Reminder to send items electronically to Grace for inclusion to Newsletter

Don Merritt announced that on April 6, 2014 at the Owensville Gun Club, the 93rd M-1's for Vets rifle will be presented. They will be at Arnold Rifle/Pistol Club and Camp Hope to present additional rifles. They are also taking 8 Veterans to Oklahoma City Games. The MSSA State Garand Championship will be at Owensville Gun Club on June 29th at 9am.

Rally Day- Discussed low turnout due to weather and lack of pressing issues. Decided to coordinate with Clubs and newspapers for April 8, 2015 rally.

Pioneer Gun Club expressed appreciation for the loan of rifles for their meets.

Election of Officers

For Three year terms, vote to retain unopposed members Eric Burger, Kevin Jamison, Greg Meredith, Mona Oliver, Don Merritt.

Motion to accept, Grace Leinberger. Second, Lee Koester.

Motion by Kevin Jamison, Second Mike Kight to accept the following resignations:

Terry Struse(2yr), Larry Crawford(1yr), Sheila Stokes-Begley(1yr), Marc Perez(1yr)

Those nominated to complete the unexpired terms of the above named directors by Grace Leinberger, Second Mike Kight.

Don Wynne – 1 yr term

Zac Painter – 1 yr term

James Jungers – 1 yr term

Vince Winkeler – 2 yr term

Motion by Kevin Jamison to exit meeting for Executive Session, second Lee Koester at 15:30

Executive Session

Officer Elections

President- Kevin Jamison nominated by Grace Leinberger. Second, Vince Winkeler

Vice President- Grace Leinberger nominated by Kevin Jamison. Second, Don Wynne

Treasurer- Lee Koester nominated by Kevin Jamison. Second, Mike Kight

Secretary – Mike Kight nominated by Lee Koester.

Second, Grace Leinberger

Executive Officer- Greg Meredith nominated by Lee Koester. Second by Mona Oliver

Slate approved by acclamation

Return to Regular Meeting at 1539

Next meeting set for electronic session July 21-27

July 21-26 – proposals

July 27 – vote

October 4th meeting at noon

January 3rd meeting at noon

April 4th Annual meeting at 2pm

Motion to adjourn 15:45 by Don Merritt. Second, Lee Koester

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Willard High School NJROTC Host First Regional “Target Sprint”

May 12, 2014

“Target Sprint was incredibly challenging, but a lot of fun,” said Cadet/Lieutenant Commander Halea Slack, who took first place in a women’s division at the new event. Slack, who is the Company Commanding Officer for the Willard High School NJROTC unit added, “Running around the track and then shooting right after requires a lot of concentration as you try to slow down your heart rate and breathing so you can hit the targets.”

Over 20 shooters/runners took part in the event last Saturday at the Willard High School track. The WHS NJROTC unit conducted the new event in cooperation with the Missouri Sport Shooting Association. “We are hoping this event catches on and is sanctioned by the Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP),” said retired Navy Capt. Steve Burnett, the shooting coach and Senior Naval Science Instructor for WHS. “The cadets seemed to love the event.”

CMP officials were on hand to coordinate and observe the event. “The cadets at Willard are the first shooters to do this event with CMP officials coordinating,” said Sommer Wood, CMP camps and clinics coordinator. “We are looking at the possibility of having this as a sanctioned CMP event so Willard NJROTC conducting this event is very helpful.”

John Leinberger, the Missouri CMP state director and junior program director for the Missouri Sport Shooting Association, first suggested to Burnett to hold a “Target Sprint” in Willard and brought the needed equipment to the match. Leinberger designed the new special target holder stands for the target boxes all of which was purchased by the Association for

the event. “This was a trial run for us and I’m really happy the stands and the targets worked well together,” Leinberger said. “I could see the shooters really enjoyed the competition.”

Sarah Hall, a CMP finance clerk and rifle instructor, was also impressed with the event. She and Wood actually participated by completing the competition. Hall said, “You can really feel it after running quickly around the track. You really have to use all your shooting skills to be able to knock down the targets with your heart racing.”

Matt Carroll who is the CMP South Anniston, Al, coordinator was also on hand. He helped set up the targets and stands. “I was impressed how smoothly it went,” he said. He also said the CMP is looking at this event to see if it is something they want to sanction.

Target Sprint combines three 400-meter runs with two 5-shot rifle shooting series that are fired at biathlon-type knockdown targets. The athlete who completes all five stages the fastest is the winner. Competitors are in separate categories for age groups and male and female. There are different awards for shooters/runners who shoot from a supported or traditional standing position.

Burnett noted traditional standing simply means you are not allowed to rest your rifle on anything. Burnett said they had awards for both traditional standing and supported.

Shelby Kling took first place in the women’s 14 to 15 year old age group. In the women’s 16 to 18 year old group winners included: first place, Cadet/Lieutenant Commander Halea Slack; second place, Cadet/Master Chief Coral Rios, and third place, Cadet/Senior Chief Marena Ogle. In the men’s division supported winners included: first place, Cadet/PO2 Elijah Riggins; second place, Cadet/PO2 Bobby Peters, and third place, Cadet/Lieutenant Commander Cameron Smith. In the men’s traditional standing division winners included: first place, Cadet/PO2 Shane McHaffie; second place, Cadet/PO2 Justin Hudson, and third place Cadet/Commander Matthew Walters.

“It was challenging, but a lot of fun,” said Walters, who is also the Battalion Commander. “Overall it was a great experience. I hope they make this a regular sanctioned competition.”

Target Sprint is designed to be open to all age groups. “We kept it to high school age students for our event,” said Cadet/Hannah Sharp, the Commanding Officer of the Willard NJROTC Rifle Team. “Next time

we will probably open it up to all the age groups, but we need to do it earlier in the school year so more teams can participate.”

Retired Marine MSgt Gary McClelland, a Naval Science Instructor at Willard who helped stage the event also ran and shot the course to see what it was like. “I think this is a great event for all age groups,” he said. “Next year we just need to schedule it earlier.”



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