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The President's Podium

Kevin L. Jamison, MSSA President

TWENTY YEARS AGO

Twenty years ago we passed license to carry. We had been showing up for Rally Day over thirteen years and the legislator passed it to get rid of us. The governor vetoed it and we showed up during the veto session in the fall. The bill passed again with more votes than it had in the spring. A lawsuit was filed to stop the law from going into effect. We hired lawyers and showed up in court. We won. Sometimes all that is necessary for victory is to show up.

License to carry will be twenty years old next spring. This spring we celebrate the twentieth anniversary of it passing the legislature.

Rally Day will be 19 April, 2023 between 10 AM and noon. People with a license to carry can carry in the Capital Building. The nineteenth of April is the anniversary of the day in 1775 when one of my distinguished ancestors was a toll taker on Concord Bridge. With the family musket he took a toll of British soldiers coming to take his neighbors' guns.

Our Rally Day is not so dramatic. We gather in the Rotunda of the Capital Building. Speakers from our groups and the legislature speak. We learn what is being done and what must be done. Various politicians count our numbers. This directly relates to our influence. Then we go to visit our legislators in their offices. This also adds to our influence.

All that is necessary to prevent bad legislation and to promote good legislation is to be a face in a crowd. We are trying to stop bills repealing the Second Amendment Preservation Act, and bills to repeal constitutional carry. We are trying to pass bills allowing concealed carry on public transportation. In mid-January a person was shot on a Kansas City bus. The bad guys carry anyway. We should be allowed to do so.

In another twenty years, someone will write about advancements made in the rights of gun owners. Be at Rally Day, and you can brag that you were a part of it.

FOR THE CHILDREN

The usual suspects like to say that we love our guns more than our children. They like to say that we accept the deaths of children as a cost of our hobby. This is not true on many levels.

Gun owners have defended their children with guns. Children have defended themselves with guns. The usual suspects deny that there is proof of self-defense with guns. At most they will grudgingly admit to some anecdotal evidence of no more than a couple of thousand a year. The real number was recently found to be 1.7 million cases according to a national survey. This is denounced as untrue by the usual suspects and they will not listen to evidence contradicting their prejudice. In the 1990's a nationwide study found that the number was 2.5 million. The Center for Disease Control was tasked with disproving this study. In 1996, 1997. and 1998, it studies the matter and each year found 2.5 million self-defense cases. This is not what they wanted to find and did not publicize their results. They were found following a Freedom of Information Act request.

We are the people who actually teach gun safety. We teach it to children. The usual suspects brag about distributing gun locks. We are the people who teach people how to use them.

I want my grandchildren to enjoy the same rights as I do. I want a grandchild to take an elderly AR-15 from the gun safe and say "Grandpa didn't shoot this very much. He spent his time preserving the right to own it. It was time well spent."

I thank-you for the honor of being your president.

MSSA MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of the MSSA is to protect and preserve the shooting sports at the state level. MSSA will promote and improve the shooting sports by sponsoring marksmanship training and competitions throughout the state of Missouri. MSSA will work for the rights of the gun owner, shooter, collector, hunter, archer, black powder enthusiast, and trapper. MSSA will support the free exchange of ideas, information and education related to gun ownership, shooting, hunting, firearms and related topics.

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2022 MISSOURI STATE MID RANGE CHAMPIONSHIP

1-2 OCTOBER BUCKSNORT SHOOTING CLUB

By Greg Meredith

The annual tournament to close out competitive shooting in Missouri was held at the Bucksnort Shooting Club near Marshall, MO in early October. Sixty-eight competitors representing 11 different states participated in the event. It was the highest participation for this event since before the Covid virus shut down most of the country. The weather was pleasant for the event with no rain or snow.

The discipline for this Championship

is to shoot all rounds from 600 yards in a prone position with slow-fire cadence (with reload between each round). The competitors are required to shoot with a sling and can use either irons or telescopic sights.

There were others who competed in the new AR-Tactical division and a few who shot F-Class/Target Rifle. The latter two divisions would be out of competition for the State Championship title but earn bragging rights amongst fellow competitors.

The format for the weekend was to shoot an 800-point match on Saturday for the State Individual Championship. Sunday is reserved for a 1600-point Team Match with each member of the 4-person Teams firing 40 rounds for record. Many good scores were shot each day.

A listing of the winners for both the Individual and Team matches are listed below:

Saturday Oct 1

NAME	RESIDENCE	SCORE	AWARDS
Morgan Dietrich	Ankeny, IA	800-47X	Match Winner
David Phillips	Blue Springs, MO	797-54X	2 nd Place, State Champ
Harry Harrison	Silva, MO	797-41X	3 rd Place
Shirley McGee	Brookville, KS	794-44X	1 st High Master Class
Scott Young	Columbia, MO	794-42X	2 nd High Master Class
Mike Borkon	Shawnee Mission, KS	792-39X	3 rd High Master Class
Megan Hilbish	Emporia, KS	786-31X	1 st Master Class
John Heger	Maize, KS	778-29X	2 nd Master Class
Mark Ehlert	Rosebud, MO	785-32X	1st Expert Class, State Senior Chmp
Mike McCormick	Blackwater, MO	790-36X	1 st Sharpshooters Class
Thomas Carr	Harker Heights, TX	794-22X	1 st Unclassified
Jared Cempa	Richland, MO	793-34X	1st Place AR-Tactical
Ryan Cokerham	Columbia, MO	788-36X	1st Place F-T/R
Sharon Croswhite	Higbee, MO	764-23X	State Women's Champion
Shad Cramer	St. Peters, MO	677-17X	State Iron Sight Champion

Sunday Oct 2

TEAM MEMBERS	RESIDENCE	SCORE	PLACE
KSRA: Shirley McGee Steve McGee Harold Mauck John Heger	Brookville, KS Brookville, KS Hutchison, KS Maize, KS	1589-81X	1 st Place Team
PIGS MIGHT FLY: David Philllips, Jr Scott Young Steve Hoy Cristafer Strannigan	Blue Springs, MO Columbia, MO Bois D'Arc, MO Lake Lotawana, MO	1579-90X	MO Team Champions
CVO WHITE: Steve Licata Steve Napier Aaron Wintterle John Schwent	Liberty, MO Warrensburg, MO Mount Vernon, MO Kingsville, MO	1561-52X	1 st AR Tactical Class



Competitors listening to the safety brief prior to the Saturday match



Scorekeepers awaiting the start of the match



Shad Cramer preparing to shoot while Kent Finlay scores



Shooting Gear ready on the firing line prior to commencement of firing



A warm fire was the ideal spot during Saturday evening take a nap



Daniel Klingensmith (left) and John Schwent have lighthearted conversation prior to commencement of match



Harry Harrison practicing his shooting position next to his camper

CMP Match Notifications

by the Civilian Marksmanship Program

The CMP is giving CMP-affiliated clubs the opportunity to notify surrounding area clubs about their upcoming CMP Sanctioned Matches

Missouri

The Owensville Gun Club is holding GSM/Carbine Matches on April 16, May 21, June 25, August 20, September 17, and October 1, 2023. The location of the range is 1515 Hwy 28, Owensville, MO. Match begins at 9:00 AM.

For more info, contact the match director, James Miller: jcgarand8@gmail.com

Surrounding States

The Weeping Water Gun Club is holding a .22 Rimfire Pistol EIC Match on April 29, May 20 and June 17, 2023. They will also be holding an EIC Service Pistol match on May 20 and September 23, 2023. The location of the range is 3590 Scenic Dr., Weeping Water, NE.

For more info, contact the match director, Christopher Picinn: **chris.picinni@gmail.com**

The Aurora Sportsmen's Club is holding CMP EIC Service Pistol, EIC Service Revolver, and .22 Rimfire Pistol EIC Matches on May 13 and September 16, 2023. The location of the range is 7858 Preserve Rd., Waterman, IL. Match begins at 1:30 PM.

For more info, contact the match director, Ralph Wilson: rawilson@rawilson.net

The Millcreek High Power & Junior Division is holding an EIC Service Pistol Match on 09/16/2023. The location of the range is 7125 Gardner Rd., De Soto, KS. Match begins at 1 PM.

For more info, contact the match director, Michael Borkon: Mborkon@aol.com

For information on holding your own CMP affiliated match, please check out the CMP Competitions webpage at the CMP.org/competitions/

Joplin Rifle & Pistol Club's

BENEFIT TOYBOX MATCH 2022

by Les Welch

The Joplin Rifle & Pistol Club held their annual Toy Box benefit match on Dec. 3, 2021. This was the 20th year that the club has held this match to assist the Salvation Army in providing toys to underprivileged area children for Christmas.

The match is a CMP sanctioned Garand/Springfield/Vintage Course A fired at 200 yards. The entry fee is a new toy in wrap with a value of at least \$25. We also have members that aren't competing come by and donate toys, we always have hot coffee and donuts for them and the competitors.

The Duquesne Police Department has transported the toys from the range to the Salvation Army every year. There are a lot of people to make this match a success, and each and

every one of them are appreciated.

The Osage Orange Sharpshooters Club donated over \$400 as a club, and then their members that competed also donated toys for their entry fee. Their club always has a strong presence at this match and is one of the reasons for our success with this match year after year.

Between the Joplin club and the OOS club donations and the entry fees and other donations, we raised a little over a thousand dollars worth of toys for area children to have a little better Christmas than they might have had otherwise.

This is a pretty dedicated bunch of competitors, a lot of them have been to every one of these matches and helped make this annual charity match a big success.

The competitors in the Match and Category and Scores:

1st	Bill Corcoran	Unlimited Garand	265-2X
2nd	Mike Thorn	Unlimited Garand	265-1X
3rd	Kevin Loudermilk	Unlimited Garand	231-2X
1st	Chris Parrot	As Issued Garand	266-2X
2nd	Mike Royale	As Issued Garand	256-5X
3rd	Scott Ives	As Issued Garand	250
1st	Clint Irwin	Springfield 03A3	260-2X
1st	Terry Nakano	Vintage 98 Krag	225-1X
2nd	Terry Nakano	Vintage 98 Krag	239-3X

Our number was up a little from last year; hopefully, that trend will continue.



Hodgdon® Announces the Passing of Co-Founder Bob Hodgdon

Robert Eltinge "Bob" Hodgdon went home to be with his Lord and Savior on Friday, January 13, 2023. Bob was born in Kansas City, Kansas on August 19, 1938 to Bruce and Amy Hodgdon. Bob grew up in suburban Kansas City and was extremely active in his hometown community. He attended Baker University in Baldwin City, KS before graduating Summa Cum Laude from the University of Kansas in 1961. Bob also served in the United States Air Force and the Air Force Reserves from 1957-1961.

Bob's personal and professional life was intertwined with the Hodgdon Powder Company his parents founded in 1947. From his earliest age, Bob and his brother J.B. were instrumental to company operations – Bob often told the story of weighing and loading gun powder into retail bags in the family basement. Throughout his 70+ year career, Bob served in multiple positions at the company, but notably served as President from 1976-1997 and Board Chairman 2014-2017. He was voted as Board Chairman Emeritus in 2017. He also assisted with the design and lead the team constructing the Pyrodex Plant in Herington, Kansas in 1979 and helped to design and build The Bullet Hole, a 44-station indoor shooting range in 1967.

Bob was a loving father to four – Chris (Adele) Hodgdon, Heidi (Erwin) Rodriguez, Stacie (Bryant Larimore) Hodgdon and Alisa Hodgdon – and grandfather of 11 and great-

grandfather to 8.

In addition to his professional pursuits, Bob consistently invested his time and finances into his community. He served as volunteer to many civic organizations, such as Volunteers in Prison, Christian Sportsmen's Fellowship, Cross International, Pastor Serve and the National Christian Foundation. Bob was also a member of the Westside Family Church in Lenexa, Kansas, where he served on the Pastor Advisory Team and lead Divorce Care and Crown classes.

Along with his work at the Hodgdon Powder Company, Bob was very active in the Hunting and Shooting industry. He served as board member for the National Rifle Association, a board member and trustee of the NRA Foundation, a founding member of the National Shooting Sports Foundation, a member of the Kansas State Rifle Association and a founding member of the Kansas Sportsmen's Alliance.

Bob was kind, generous and passionate about the causes he believed in and was devoted to. His leadership of the Hodgdon Powder Company, through some very difficult transitions, resulted in the company achieving a level of success that could not have been imagined by the previous generation. Many people benefited from Bob's good works over the course of his lifetime, and he will be missed.

On behalf of everyone at MSSA, we extend our sincere condolences to the family and friends of Bob Hodgdon. The Hodgdon family and company have provided extremely generous donations to the Missouri Sport Shooting Association over many years, and we will never forget the support that was given. Thank you, Bob. Rest in peace.



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Liberty Notes

BY KEVIN L. JAMISON

January 2023

It is a Good Day for Liberty.

For ten years, pistol arm braces have been legal. That has changed. They are now a National Firearms Act weapon; a short-barreled rifle. The new rule came out in mid-January. The following day someone called me and asked what the new rule meant. The new rule is 300 pages. I have had no time to read it much less understand it. It gave 120 days for brace owners to register their brace at a cost of \$200 each. I suspect the rule is 300 pages to make it easy for innocent persons to violate it. By the time you read this there will be considerably less than 120 days to register the braces.

You may have heard that President Trump said that we should throw out the Constitution. Like many things one hears in the media, this is not quite true. He said that we should throw out all regulations that stand in the way of him being President including those in the Constitution. He followed it with a comment about the legitimacy of President Biden's administration. I will admit, this is a foolish statement foolishly phrased. I think that the worst thing is that it focuses on the past election. He should focus on the future. He has presented a proposal on how to combat the drug cartels. This is great. It is something America needs. He has the gumption to see it through. There are other potential candidates for the nomination. None of the possibilities seem Democratic. Some Republicans look good. We will see what happens.

St. Louis is prosecuting people who have had guns stolen from their cars. St. Louis has a City ordinance requiring safe storage. These prosecutions discourage police reports. It is also illegal under state law for a city to have a law that is more restrictive than state law. They do not care. They declare places "no guns" and then arrest people

who left their guns in their cars. They do not care.

People say that we have won the gunrights war. Yet, we have cities with ordinances like St. Louis. Illinois has banned "assault rifles." Other states have followed suit. The governor of Connecticut wants to ban even "grandfathered" firearms. Such laws have been proposed in Missouri. So have laws repealing Constitutional or "permitless" carry and the Second Amendment Preservation Act. Laws have been proposed enacting Red Flag laws and more. The BATF-E just changed the rule on pistol braces to make millions of Americans felons. We have not won until we discourage these attempts. We have fought them off so far. To continue doing so, we need members. We need people to write letters to legislators; short, polite letters.

Rally Day is 19 April, 2023 in the Rotunda of the Capital Building from 10AM to noon. This is your chance to meet your legislators. Face to Face.

A letter to the local tabloid says that a third of the country has a criminal record. I don't know if that is true. She goes on to demand that persons with a felony record should be banned from owing guns. She would be happy to know that this has been the law since 1968. The Mayor of Kansas City told the local tabloid that in 2016 the legislature passed a law allowing persons convicted of adult abuse to carry guns. The legislature did no such thing. In 2016, it was already federal law that such persons could not possess guns. The Missouri legislature cannot overturn a federal law. These comments are not just nonsense, they are lies. We have to keep fighting them. If we don't fight them, people will believe them.

A Missouri prosecutor convicted a man of murder based on the 911 call he made. She had taken a class from a Deputy Police Chief who claimed that linguistic patterns show if someone is a murderer. The "science" he teaches is not recognized in Missouri. The prosecutor called a 911 operator as a witness to say the call sounded "staged."

The defense objected, but the judge let the testimony in. The defendant was given a new trial. This time the judge refused to allow the opinion evidence. A number of people have been falsely charged based on this pseudo-science of evaluating 911 calls. Some callers are found to be too calm, some too excited. We are told that rape victims react to the assault in different ways. This pseudoscience claims to determine how people should always act during 911 calls. This is nonsense. Calls to 911 are short. A small sample is the basis of much pseudo-science. There is no baseline to determine the caller's normal speech patterns. The founder of this pseudoscience gives seminars to law enforcement and prosecutors. After this short seminar, they have the mystical ability to determine guilt from a short 911 call. It discourages reports to 911. He does not share the research that forms the basis of his system. This is always a suspicious aspect of a "science." There are prosecutors and detectives who have been converted to this pseudo-science. It promises a clear easy way to find the guilty party. As new converts, these people are devoted to the cause. I still advocate calling 911. The statement should be limited to that in the WMSA "Stay Out of Jail Card." (See WMSA.net.)

I Second That.

February 2023

It is a Good Day for Liberty.

The Missouri legislature overwhelmingly defeated a proposal to ban children from carrying guns in public. A St. Louis representative said that children were carrying AR 15's on the street and there was nothing the police could do about it. As in many of these claims—that is a lie. St. Louis ordinance 15.130.040 bans anyone from carrying any weapon that is exposed in whole or in part. This applies to anyone regardless of age. The ordinance has existed at least since 1960. Kansas City prohibits carrying openly unless the person has a license to carry concealed. Concealed-carry licenses are not available to juveniles. Under state law 21.750, cities can have more restrictive laws regarding open carry than state law. The usual suspects are outraged at the legislature's vote. The proposal may have been made as a false flag to claim a problem that does not exist and to create outrage over the claimed problem or as a stick with

which to beat the Republican legislature.

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I saw a movie called "Smile." It concerned a demon that jumped from person to person making them do horrible things. It is, after all, a horror movie. Before the horrible thing is done, the possessed person smiles. It is a Freddy Kruger sort of smile. It is a smile that says, "I'm coming to kill you. It will be so much fun." It is the sort of thing that one must put in a self-defense statement. One must explain why one was in fear of life and limb. Was he stalking you? What was the assailant's expression, the look in his eye, the tone of his voice, his posture, how did he move. Was he "eye balling" you, "Mean mugging," or any of the colorful expressions for threatening looks. The enemy is not always a male. It could be any one of the dozens of claimed genders; but you get my point. People practice shooting. They practice self-defense. They do not practice the immediate aftermath. It is necessary to practice drawing your cell phone and starting the camera function to document what is happening or just happened. It is also important to be the first to call 911. The WMSA [Western Missouri Shooters Alliance] "Stay Out of Jail" card has a list of thing to tell the 911 operator. The first person to call is the one identified as the victim. Other people will call with imaginative versions of what happened. Filming the incident with a cell phone and calling with the cell phone at the same time does not seem possible; at least not to me. If the assailant is still mobile, active, and hostile, the video may be more important to document what led up to the self-defense incident. If smoke is coming out of the barrel of your gun, the 911 call is critical.

There comes a time in every man's life when he must consider if the .45 ACP is too much for his arthritis. It is against the Guy Code to admit weakness or age. But, I have prided myself on my firm grasp on reality, and weakening grip on John Browning's prize invention. The 9mm beckons to me. With some version inhabiting that cartridge, I will have better accuracy. I lean towards the Hi-Power, also a Browning design. I have an Argentine "Detective" version of the pistol that I like. I love my CZ 75 compact. There are two problems. I



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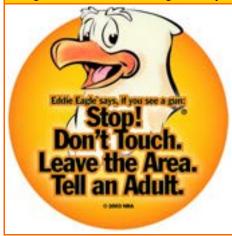
cannot get enough of the 14-round magazines for it. The primary problem is that I use it in my Concealed Carry class. No good can come of mixing live ammunition with a training aid. Ask Alex Baldwin late at night when he is drunk. Yes, I have a Glock 19, but the trigger gets some getting used to; I am not there yet. The one I have has an after-market slide with an electronic sight. I have a client who has one with an electronic sight, and he loves it. He finds the accuracy phenomenal. I understand the accuracy potential. However, I am not comfortable relying on technology. I cannot help the fear of the battery failing when needed. I have had too many flashlights go bad on me.

I have fired a number of 9mm guns. There was an Uzi submachine gun back when I wore a Green Beret. That is not a great choice for concealed carry these days for a variety of reasons. I fired an 1896 "Bolo" Mauser, which is also not a great concealed-carry choice these days. I found it rather clunky. There was a P 38. The first round was double action and the rest single action. They hit in different spots on the target. Doubtless I could get used to that. The Sig people allowed people to fire the new military pistol at Frontier Justice. I saw no problems, but I would have to fire a few hundred rounds to be sure. I have read

some complaints, and one commentator advises waiting a year after a new gun is introduced before investing in one. The old designs have been fully vetted. I'm an old design, too.

I wonder if we had drag queens teach gun safety if we could finally get it into schools. One school was interested in the Eddie Eagle gun-safety program. But it insisted on whiting out the NRA copyright notice. They would rather see kids die than give NRA the credit.

NRA's Eddie Eagle GunSafe Program has taught over 31 MLLION KIDS gun safety!



I Second That.

From the Editor...

I must apologize for the extreme lateness of this newsletter, but it couldn't be helped. It was one crazy thing after another at our house, for roughly a month or so, from the house filling with smoke (twice!) to about a half-dozen trips to the local emergency room with most requiring a stay in the hospital. One of the trips was for me, after I fell and broke my arm, but I went home that same day in a nice cast. Trying to type with my dominant arm in a cast was a whole 'nother aggravation that slowed me down. That, and computer troubles.

But I did get finished! And we're all right. We got through alive, and the house didn't burn down. Me, I spent 3 weeks in the permanent cast and was just switched to a removable cast yesterday, which made it a lot easier to wrap up this newsletter. I've been told I'll be in this new cast for 2 more weeks, and then, I'll be in a brace for awhile. It could have been worse.

I plan on being at the MSSA meeting and dinner. Please come and join me! Let's celebrate being alive and take a few pictures for the *next* newsletter!

See you there, eh.

-Mona

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A Cheap Legal Memo

K. L. JAMISON

I did not watch the Superbowl. I knew the Chiefs had won. I heard the gunfire. This bothered me. It is illegal to fire guns in the city limits.

The NRA safety rules are specific: "Be sure of your target and what is beyond." Violation of safe-shooting rules has been found to be the basis for a manslaughter conviction. See *State v Whiteley*, 294 S.W.3d 114 (Mo.App. S.D. 2009).

What goes up must come down. People have been injured and killed from celebratory gunfire. This creates consequences. A few years ago a child was killed by celebratory gunfire. There is a bill in the legislature to make firing a gun in the city limits a felony. This complicates our lives. It makes people think there should be more restrictions on owning guns.

The day following the Superbowl a man called in to a radio station to complain about the gunfire. He had made a recording. Much of what this guy recorded was probably fireworks; but not all. Now a radio audience believes that there should be "reasonable restrictions."

My father was on Okinawa when WW II ended. As he recalled, "Every nut on the island started shooting in the air." Mrs. Jamison's boy hit the deepest bunker he could find and stayed there until the euphoria died down. People were killed celebrating the end of WW II.

Kevin L. Jamison is an attorney in the Kansas City, Missouri area concentrating in the area of weapons and self-defense.

Please send questions to Kevin L. Jamison, 2614 NE 56th Ter, Gladstone, MO 64119-2311 or KLJamisonLaw@earthlink.net

Individual answers are not usually possible but may be addressed in future columns.

This information is for legal information purposes and does not constitute legal advice.

For specific questions, you should consult a qualified attorney.

MSSA MINUTES*



*Tentative, Subject to Board Approval

MSSA BOARD MEETING, 15-22 January, 2023

Minutes by Colin Nichols

The MSSA Board of Directors Meeting for January 2023 was called to order by MSSA President Kevin Jamison. The meeting was conducted by email communications from 8am, Sunday, 15 January, 2023, through 5pm, Sunday, 22 January, 2023.

Participating in the communications were the following Board Members: President Kevin L. Jamison, Secretary/Treasurer Lee Koester, Executive Officer Greg Meredith, Newsletter Editor Mona Oliver, Webmaster Vince Winkeler, William Alvord, David Jones, Chris Shoffner, Scott Young, Rich Zellich, and Colin Nichols (monitoring).

There being no notifications of errors, or objections to, the minutes of the last meeting as published in "The Missouri Shooter," Vol 22, Issue 4 (pg. 17), the minutes were tacitly approved as published.

Lee Koester presented the Membership Report:

Annual Adult members: 193; Life Adult members: 161; Annual Junior members: 5; Annual Associate members: 17; Life Associate members: 8; Total members: 384.

Lee Koester presented the Financial Report:

Checking Account: \$18,278; Edward Jones Stock: \$28,808 (still losing money from peak earnings, but ABOVE initial investment).

Greg Meredith presented the Executive Officer's Report:

The Junior High Power Fund is currently at \$1,686; to date, three State Championships have been approved for the 2023 Season.

Old Business:

Lee Koester stated he had not received any member comments on the proposed by-laws change to reduce the number of Board of Director seats to 15 over the course of three years by electing only FIVE seats each year. Final vote to approve will be held by the general membership at the Annual Meeting scheduled for 25 March, 2023.

New Business:

- 1) The following members' board seats are up for election at the Annual Meeting: Kevin Jamison, Greg Meredith, Mona Oliver, Eric Burger, David Jones, and Donald Merritt (who requests to be replaced due to busy-ness issues).
- 2) Lee's proposal to be approved by the General Membership at the Annual Meeting was seconded by Greg Meredith. All participating members voted in favor of reducing number of Board seats and presenting the proposal to the General Membership, there were NO votes against reducing Board seats and/or presenting proposal.

With no further business being presented, the online meeting/communication session was ended at 5pm, Sunday, 22 January, 2023.

Gateway Civil Liberties Alliance

"Defending Your Gun Rights" We invite you to see how you can participate.



Come to our next meeting and see for yourself Meetings are held at:

Gateway Gun Club

13547 Missouri Bottom Rd Bridgeton, MO 63044 (314) 344-1050

GatewayGunClubSTL.com

Directions: bit.ly/gatewaygunclubmap

WE MEET AT 7 PM, FIRST THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH

Meetings often feature an exciting guest speaker, the fielding of open questions, sharing of legislative news & info, and intelligent discussion. (An added bonus, the Gateway Gun Club's ranges are open to the public until 7:00 pm on weekdays!)

questions@gclastl.org

www.GCLASTL.org

866-385-GUNS (4867) P.O. Box 440280, Brentwood, MO 63144

NEXT MSSA BOARD MEETING

ANNUAL MEETING & AWARDS DINNER

Annual Members Meeting, March 25, 2023 @ 4 pm and MSSA Awards Dinner, March 25, 2023 @ 6 pm

both events to be held at American Legion Post 202, 3669 Legion Ln., Columbia, MO 65201

– DETAILS ON PAGE 15 –

FUTURE 2023 BOARD MEETINGS TO BE SCHEDULED BY THE NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS AFTER THE ANNUAL MEETING ADJOURNS

MSSA - WHO TO CONTACT

Please contact Lee Koester at missourisportshooting@outlook.com

(checked no less than once a week, please be patient)

for any of the following:

Changes in your membership info (such as name, address, phone or email), questions about your membership expiration date, to report if you have not received your membership card or find an error in your card (e.g., incorrect date or name), or to report the passing of a member.

IF YOU DO NOT HAVE EMAIL, just use a membership application to specify what needs to be updated and mail it to the address on the form. (You might also consider renewing your membership at that time.)

OTHER CONTACTS

Please contact **Greg Meredith** at **GMeredith1986@gmail.com** for information about MSSA-sanctioned matches in Missouri, Please contact Mona Oliver at MonaOliver@gmail.com about *The Missouri Shooter* submissions or questions.

March 25, 2023

American Legion Post 202 3669 Legion Ln. Columbia, MO 65201

AmericanLegionPost202.org/directions.php

Quick Directions: From I-70, go south on Hwy 63 to the Broadway/WW exit. Go east on Broadway to Legion Lane. Turn left onto Legion Lane. Follow the road uphill to Legion Hall.

ANNUAL MEMBERS MEETING

Starts at 4 p.m.

RESERVATIONS NOT NEEDED FOR MEETING

You will need your membership card to vote in the elections!

The Members Meeting is held in conjunction with the quarterly meeting of the Board of Directors. Elections for the Board will begin after the Board's business has been conducted. Candidates will be nominated by members present who will then vote to fill six 3-year term positions on the Board as well as any empty/interim positions.

The Members Meeting ends after the elections are conducted.

The new Board is then sequestered to elect MSSA officers and to set the next four quarters' board meeting dates.

THE MSSA AWARDS DINNER IS AT 6 PM, SAME LOCATION!
There is normally a break between the meeting and dinner.
See dinner details on right.

MSSA AWARDS DINNER

Starts at 6 p.m.

RESERVED SEATING ONLY - NO "WALK-INS" MUST RECEIVE RESERVATIONS BY MARCH 11

(Deadline is two weeks before meeting date.)

Dinner costs \$20 per person.

Enjoy a great meal with great friends!

Activities include door prizes and silent auctions!

There will also be the M1 Garand drawing!

(Tickets required to enter M1 drawing – see back of newsletter.)

Send your Dinner Reservation* to:

MSSA – Dinner 6140 N. Wagon Trail Rd. Columbia, MO 65202-9658

Please be sure to list name(s) and number in party!

Confirmation will be sent to those with email addresses included.

MSSA ANNUAL AWARDS DINNER RESERVATION

RESERVATION DEADLINE – MUST RECEIVE BY MARCH 11, 2023

(PREREGISTRATION IS REQUIRED - NO "WALK-INS")

*There will be a special drawing for those with PREPAID reservations!

X \$20 (per person) = \$ Total* Check #:

Mail Reservation to:

MSSA – DINNER 6140 N. WAGON TRAIL RD. COLUMBIA, MO 65202-9658

Thanks! Lee – MSSA Sec/Treas

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MSSA cannot and will not endorse any candidate running for political office. We provide information to our members so they can make informed decisions based on past and current positions taken by political candidates on Second Amendment issues.

Entry into M1 Drawing without donation limited to one ticket per person per year.



If your MSSA membership expiration is close, please use the application on the back of this issue and renew now!

THE MISSOURI SHOOTER

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MSSA offers free gun, shooting, or hunting-related advertising space for members who may post ads of sixty (60) words or less per issue, space available, on a first-come basis. Ads must be sent to the Editor by U.S. Mail or email and arrive before the publishing deadline. Emailed ad content should be in plain text, Microsoft Word, or OpenOffice format. All correspondence must include your name, return address and phone number.

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FREE MEMBERSHIP

To Missouri's Active Duty Military

MSSA will send a free one-year membership, including our quarterly newsletter, "THE MISSOURI SHOOTER," to any active-duty service member from Missouri. Here's how the free one-year membership works:

- ✓ Be full-time active military duty.
- 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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AD/ARTICLE DEADLINES

Feb 1 • May 1 • Aug 1 • Nov 1

THE MISSOURI SHOOTER newsletter is a quarterly publication normally mailed in the months of February, May, August, and November. DEADLINES: Articles and advertisements are due by February 1, May 1, August 1, and November 1 for inclusion in that month's publication.

THE MISSOURI SHOOTER is distributed to MSSA members and interested parties free of charge at the discretion of the MSSA Board of Directors for the purpose of the free exchange of ideas, information and education related to gun ownership, shooting, hunting, firearms and related topics. Authors and article sources will be attributed if known.

THE MISSOURI SHOOTER shall endeavor to print true and factual information and note when facts and figures are not verifiable. Readers are cautioned to corroborate for themselves the validity of any questionable information. Errors or corrections should be submitted in writing and will be printed in the following issue. In no case shall MSSA, its officers or members be liable for any accidental misinformation. The Editor reserves the right to reject submissions at will and edit submitted content for clarity, length, accuracy, spelling, grammar, language, and appropriateness.

MSSA is soliciting true and original shooting, hunting, or firearms related articles by members and other interested parties for publication.

Ranges/Clubs may also submit upcoming events, matches, and gun shows.

Graphics and photos may be included with your submission. (Minimum 300dpi resolution graphics preferred.) Please indicate if you would like photos returned, and we will do our best to do so; however, neither MSSA nor its members shall be liable for loss or damage of submitted materials.

All submissions should include name, address, email and phone number. We may contact you regarding questions or edits. Articles may be sent via email as attachments. Most common document types are acceptable (e.g., Word, OpenOffice, plain text files). You may send articles to be considered for publication to MSSA – Editor, 6140 N. Wagon Trail Rd., Columbia, MO 65202, or to the Editor's email address (provided above).

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Copper-colored 1.5-inch **Collector/Challenge Coins** display the MSSA logo on one side with the first sentence of MSSA's Mission Statement on the other. These unique coins are a Fund Raiser Project run by an MSSA member at no upfront cost to MSSA. 50% of the proceeds from Challenge Coin sales go to MSSA.

The traditional **MSSA Logo Patch and Lapel Pin** are also available and are sold together in a patch-and-pin pack! 100% of the proceeds from these sales go to MSSA.

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Address:
City, State Zip:
Challenge Coin: Qty x \$20/each = \$ Patch & Pin Pack: Qty x \$10/each = \$
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Send order and payment (checks payable to Lee Koester) to:
Lee Koester – Coin 6140 N. Wagon Trail Rd.

Columbia, MO 65202-9658

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M1 GARAND DRAWING



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