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## September 2016 Club Newsletter

Upcoming meetings: October 6 and November 3, 2016 (all meetings are at the Griggs Hunter Ed room @ 7pm)

Upcoming work parties: Consult our website (maintenance chair Greg Hagen 545-4705)

### General Announcements

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The 2016 club calendar is up on the website (see link above). As always, it may be updated as new things come up, but we hope these changes will be minimal. Be sure to take a look at the calendar before you head out to the range, and pay special attention to which events allow general shooting while the event is going on. We don't want you to waste your time or fuel driving out to the range if you won't be able to shoot.

**Membership:** Dues: It is \$80 to join with renewals at \$60, or \$40 if you participated in a work party in the last year. If the renewal is late (after July 1st) you will need to rejoin at \$80. You can mail your renewal to the club address during Jan/Feb to save from being on long lines during meetings, or come to a meeting to renew but face the lines. Also please remember that our membership committee is made up of volunteers, and all of them have day jobs, and remember that all mail in the Tri-Cities now goes through Spokane, so make sure to send in your renewal early so you don't get locked out.

**Reminder: There has also been a policy change, you must renew before July 1 or you will be considered a new member, meaning dues will be \$80 and you must go through new member orientation again.**

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***TCMSA wants you to know:*** Eye & ear protection is required when the range is hot for anyone in front of the parking pipe. It is also strongly suggested anywhere at the range when the line is hot. Remember it's hard to shoot well when you are blind, and hearing loss is probably the only disability in the world where everyone around you gets mad at you for being disabled.

The club rules are on the website and posted at the range. Take a moment to read them the next time you are there, you might remember something you forgot or learn something you never knew.

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**Match Reports:** Gaylord said the Aug 6th CMP match had 9 shooters. The next match is Sept. 3rd. The Aug 13th .22 rimfire match had 21 shooters-including 2 juniors and 2 women. The next match is Sept 10th. Bob said the Aug 14th 3-gun match had 15 shooters. It was a good turnout. He reminded that equipment to use is available and there's no need to run. Participants range from 12-70 yrs. The next match is Sept 11th. Gaylord said the Aug 20th SHP had 9 shooters. The next match is Sept 17th. There was no Benchrest report-but the next match is a registered match on Sept 24th.

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**Board Report:** Steve said they met last week. They addressed 3 topics. 1-The father in the "non-members at the range incident" is deceased-that's why he didn't renew. Incident still being looked into-**and they are looking at other lock options.** 2-They are working on the NRA grant for the 3-gun trailer. Anyone interested can help; also would welcome anyone with possible contacts for trailer discounts to contact them. 3-There have been complaints of the range being too busy with events, etc. He's reminding members to check the website and online calendar before heading to the range. There are sometimes last minute closures. Also be sure to send in your email on the web page so you get notices, too.

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**Safety Committee Report:** Mark said he hadn't heard of any issues. Dave was not present. He still has Safety Advisor shifts to fill. Any past advisors or those interested can contact him. You get work party credit, you can shoot while you're on duty and you get a \$25 gift card per shift!

**Reminder: Members are responsible for all the guests they bring to the range.**

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**Range Report:** Greg said there was no work party scheduled at this time. The Aug 21st work party cleared tumbleweeds in the pistol area and along the 200 yd CMP road. He reminded that the shot-up target frames are under the trailer and they make good kindling or garden stakes. There are a lot of them-so help yourselves.

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**OLD BUSINESS:** Ray reminded that the free, open to the public Hunter sight-ins are Sat Sept 10 from 10-3 and Sun Sept 18 from 9-2. You get work party credit and can shoot during the lulls.

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**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

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**How To Fix The Top Pistol Shooting Errors: Part Two.** Read this article to pick up some corrective tips for newbies and seasoned shooters alike. It helps to review... <http://guncarrier.com/diy-guide-fixing-shooting-errors-vol-2/>

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Stay safe, keep your powder dry and we'll see you at the range!

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