



TRI-CITIES METALLIC SILHOUETTE ASSOCIATION
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February 2017 Club Newsletter

Upcoming meetings: March 2 and April 6, 2017 (all meetings are at the Griggs Hunter Ed room @ 7pm)

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

General Announcements

The 2017 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.

TCMSA wants you to know: Don't put firearms on the shelves behind the line, they wind up pointing at other shooters, use the racks instead. To put firearms in a case, use the firing point benches or some other area where you don't point them at other shooters.

Match Reports: Gaylord said the Jan 7th CMP had 3 people show, with only 1 complete score submitted. The Jan 14th .22 match was called due to weather. The Jan 21st SHP was called again. The next CMP is Feb 4th-hopefully. The next .22 is Feb 11 and the next SHP is Feb 18th. Bob said the Dec benchrest match had 9 shooters and the Jan 28th match had 13 shooters. The next match is Feb 25th.

Board Report: Steve said they had elections at their Jan meeting. He was elected as Chair and Bob Birney was elected Secretary. At the meeting they discussed expanding range use and feel there are enough competition events at this time-with over 900 members vying for range space. They had also sent a letter to Brad Peck seeking his support for us purchasing land for a range on our own. They're also looking at ways to reduce the load on the membership chair and modernize the process.

Safety Committee Report: Mark said there had been no incidents reported. He also shared that with so many members the Safety Advisor program will need more volunteers in the spring. Consider joining the program.

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

Range Report: Greg said he went out to empty the garbage and got stuck and had to dig himself out. Parking lot is full of frozen ice/snow ridges. There are also 3 large puddles on the road from the highway to the range. Many recommended no 2-wheel drive vehicles, and no low profile vehicles.

This range is ALL our responsibility. All members should be safe and considerate of the facility and its contents. **Every member is accountable for the condition of the range.**

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS: None.

Help you wife purchase a conceal carry firearm, Pt. 2... https://www.gunsamerica.com/blog/help-wife-purchase-concealed-carry-firearm-part-2-search/?utm_source=email&utm_medium=20161230_FridayDigest_1012g&utm_campaign=/blog/help-wife-purchase-concealed-carry-firearm-part-2-search/

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

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