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January 2018 Club Newsletter

Upcoming meetings: February 1 and March 1, 2018 (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 2018 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.

It is now the time to think about 2018 membership dues. To avoid the lines at the meetings, you can mail a check to:

TCMSA
P.O. Box 4587
Pasco, WA 99302

Remember, when mailing your dues, it will take about 3 weeks before you receive the new combination to the gate. The combination is changed on April 1st.

TCMSA wants you to know: You must get positive confirmation from everyone **BEFORE** you make the range cold. It's also a good idea to look up & down the line one more time after you blow the horn & turn the strobes on to make sure everyone is clear that the range is cold.

President's Column:

Your Club elections were held at the January 4, 2018 meeting, and the results are:

President:	Gaylord Baker
Vice President:	Michael Fowler
Treasurer:	Richard Kilgore
Secretary:	Cosette Baker
Membership Coordinator:	Dwayne Locker
Board Position 1:	David Baalman
Board Position 2:	Alex Job

Bill High, the long time membership coordinator is retiring this year and will be moving out of the area. Dwayne Locker will be spending time with Bill to learn the system. Bill, thanks for all you have done for the Club.

The new calendar for 2018 is posted on the web page, please check it before you go to the range! Wednesdays are when we close the range for maintenance, and it will be closed on Wednesday January 24th for weed spraying.

A new addition is being added to the Club newsletter called **DON'T BE THIS GUY**. It will feature pictures of damage or trash at the range. Recent postings have been someone leaving fired shotgun cases littering the ground and one of the target upright 4x4's that has been severely damage by persons shooting it. You don't want to go to the range and have to clean up someone's trash, or spend Club money to replace shot up equipment.

Remember....no steel core ammo on any of the steel targets! Steel core destroys the targets your club pays for.

Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP) Match: The January 6th competition had 9 shooters, 8 were CMP, 1 was Any-Any. Any-Any means he was using a scope with greater than 4.5 power magnification. Any service rifle, auto or bolt action, from any nation, is eligible for this match. The course is 50 rounds for record plus sighters. We follow the rules on course of fire, but are very lax on saved rounds and alibis. Everyone gets to fire all rounds per stage. The next competition is February 3rd, setup is at 0830, and shooting starts at 0900. The cost for this is \$5.

100 yard .22 rimfire Match: The December 9th competition had 17 participants, including 1 woman. The divisions were 3 Plinker, 3 prone bipod, 1 prone sling, 4 Sporter, and 2 Unlimited. This very popular shoot requires 40 rounds for record and allows unlimited sighters. The cost is free with donations accepted. The next competition is January 13th and Feb 10th, with setup at 0830, shooting starts at 0900.

If you don't have a .22 rifle setup for 100 yards, bring your 17HMR. If we get enough interest, we may add a 17HMR classification.

Safety Committee Report:

Since it about time to renew I would like to suggest that all members read our range rules again to refresh your memory before the spring season starts. If we all work together and watch out for each other we can continue to have a safe and well maintained range for us to enjoy our hobby at.

Some members bring their own pistol or rifle steel plates and gongs to shoot. If you see some steel hanging that is not normally there please do not shoot it as it may be someone's personal property.

Another courtesy item is to remove your targets from the target frames before you leave the range. It is more important this time of year as they get wet and then the wind blows them all over the range requiring manpower at a work party to pickup.

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Don't Be This Guy

- 1) There are frames for targets at 200 yds. for members' use. Using an upright like this will get the board shot up. The lone uprights at 200 yards are for hanging CMP match targets.
- 2) The clays on the ground at 100 yds are not properly placed. They should be centered in the berm. There should be no shooting at any targets on the ground.



Board Report: None.

If you conceal carry on a daily basis, it's worth reading this article to alert you of flaws on your holster due to wear and tear...

https://bearingarms.com/tom-k/2018/01/02/gruesome-photos-remind-gun-owners-check-holsters/?utm_source=badaily&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=nl

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

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