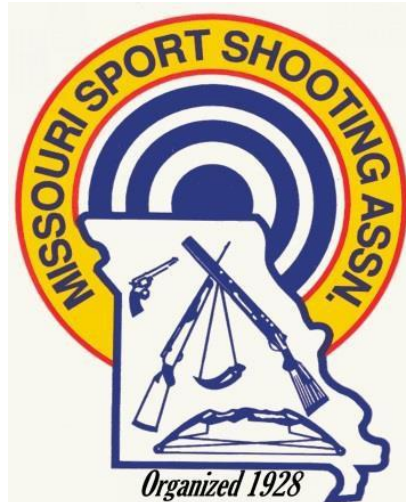


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The Missouri Sport Shooting Association (MSSA) is the official state association for the **National Rifle Association (NRA)**, The **Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP)**, and **USA Shooting**, and an affiliate of the **Conservation Federation of Missouri**.

It is with great sadness that we report Grace Leinberger, MSSA Vice President, has lost her three-month battle with cancer. Grace was a longtime MSSA board member and newsletter editor. Along with her husband John, she was instrumental in coaching USA Shooting, Civilian Marksmanship Program, and NRA sanctioned events. Grace did not want any fuss, she did not want a funeral. In lieu of flowers, contributions should be sent to:

MSSA Juniors Program
P.O. Box 303
Linn, MO 65051-0303

It is with great sadness that we report Mike Kight, MSSA Secretary, passed away February 3rd very unexpectedly. Mike was a longtime MSSA board member and only recently became Secretary. Our prayers go to the family. Mike will be missed.

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THE MISSOURI SHOOTER newsletter is published quarterly and normally mailed in the first half of the month following a quarterly Board meeting. DEADLINES: Articles and advertisements are due by Feb 1, May 1, Aug 1, and Nov 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. In any event, the Editor reserves the right to reject submissions or edit for clarity, length, accuracy, language and appropriateness, and to prevent libel.

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

Junior members may submit school compositions and reports. We will also publish a range or club's upcoming events, matches, and gun shows.

Graphics and photos may be included with your article (image files 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, and phone number so we may contact you regarding questions or editing. Articles may be sent via email as attachments. Articles should be created using MS Office. Send all submissions to be considered for publication to the Editor of THE MISSOURI SHOOTER, at the postal or email address provided above.

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"For Sale/Wanted" by MSSA Members

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. Email should be in plain text, Microsoft Word. All correspondence should include your return address and phone number.

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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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Presidents Podium

BY KEVIN L. JAMISON

It is a good day for Liberty.

1. I've read *The Second Amendment A Biography* by Michael Waldman. Someone called it a "scholarly work." Ha! He claims that in Colonial times people kept their guns in public arsenals because they would rust if left at home. The idea that people would meekly leave their muskets in a government building is as absurd as the belief that humidity would not penetrate a government building. Yet, he earnestly makes this claim as if reminding us of something that is common knowledge. He cites the notorious fraud *Arming America* by Michael Bellesiles. He sympathizes with the discredited author stating that his research was destroyed by rain and that he had cited records destroyed in an earthquake. He does not mention that Bellesiles "research" was discredited as fraudulent. Historians found that nearly every document he cited for the absence of arms in Colonial America actually said the opposite, that arms were common. Waldman also does not mention that the records Bellesiles cited were destroyed in the San Francisco earthquake about 85 or 90 years before Bellesiles claims to have seen them. Waldman dismisses quotations from the founders regarding the importance of private arms. He claims that when Jefferson wrote "One loves to possess arms." Jefferson was referring to letters he was trying to recover and not the pleasure of shooting. This makes no sense whatsoever, but the author throws it out as if we must believe it because he was so bold as to write it. At every point he evades, dismisses or distorts evidence. After a few pages I realized that the work was useless but kept reading, it was like watching a train wreck; a train crashing into a UFO piloted by

Bigfoot. The only point in reading the book is to see what arguments will be thrown against us. It serves to remind us of the staggering intellectual dishonesty that we face.

2. Remington has settled a lawsuit regarding its M 700 rifle. As part of the settlement it is upgrading all rifles to improve the safety. There have been a number of lawsuits claiming discharges when the safety was taken off. Remington says that all rifles involved were first damaged by rust or kitchen table gunsmithing. It also says that no one has been able to replicate the defect. Still, a free upgrade, how bad can that be? Contact Remington for details.
3. Terrorists attacked "Charlie Hebdo" a satirical magazine in Paris. They used REAL assault weapons, AK-47s and there were reports of an RPG. Twelve people were murdered. They said they were taking revenge for cartoons mocking Islam. Some people can't take a joke. The world has reacted to the attack by waving pencils and chanting "*Je Suis Charlie*" We Are Charlie.
4. A pencil as a symbol of resistance to terrorism would have to be very sharp to be useful at the tactical level. The war has needed a symbol. At the strategic level, cartoons could be helpful. Movements can take a great deal of abuse, but they cannot take being mocked.
5. If there are any cartoonists out there, we can use you. It is great fun to mock the anti-gunners. You will get hate mail but may take comfort in not being threatened with death.
6. For a "scholarly purpose" I was asked a difficult question. If there were no Second Amendment, why should we adopt one? The scholar demanded I confine myself to a one-sentence reply—that is the hard part. There is a world of possibilities; It is a God-given right. The state cannot protect the individual and so cannot prevent the individual from having the means to protect himself. Many others. I replied: "The government must not have a monopoly; power must be divided at

every possible point, political, legal, financial and force.”

7. What is your one-sentence reason to enact a Second Amendment if there was none? Send in your answer. I shall abuse my nearly limitless power as president to ask Bob to publish them.
8. Terrorists, the satanic verses of modern Islam, have executed journalists and aid workers, kidnaped hundreds of schoolgirls and sold them into slavery, murdered cartoonists, murdered 132 schoolchildren and 16 staff at a school in Pakistan, shot a schoolgirl in Pakistan for demanding the right to an education. Coming soon to a theater near you. We have already seen police officers ambushed on a less coherent ideology. A terrorist opened fire at Ft. Hood and it literally took an act of congress to label it a terrorist act. The mentally unbalanced, society’s losers will want to be part of something larger, something powerful and they will hit a soft target. Don’t be a soft target. There are plans for lone wolf attacks. Be a lone sheepdog.
9. Four robbers attacked “She’s a Pistol” gun shop in Shawnee. They came in violent, hitting the owner who went down. Her husband is said to have opened fire on them taking out three before going down. All four were captured. This follows burglaries of gun shops by different thugs. It has caused gun shops to fort up. For many reasons we are in a higher level of alert.
10. A woman in the St. Louis area has been charged with endangering the welfare of a child. A six-year-old found her gun on a high dresser, behind a box. He was wounded handling the gun. Those are the facts. This makes anyone and everyone who leaves a gun where a child could reach it liable for felony charges. Keep control of your gun. Lock it up when it is not on your body.
11. Ms. Gunn-Barrett, head of “New Yorkers Against Gun Violence” debated NRA board member Scott Bach at New York University.

During the debate she said, “There’s no such thing as a law-abiding gun owner.” She claimed that we can be perfectly law-abiding one minute and then snap and do something criminal. That is what they think of us. That being the case they will not stop until they take all of our guns. You do allow ticking time bombs to remain armed.

12. Lawmakers from several states, including Missouri have formed a nationwide coalition to attack our rights. No matter what we do, no matter what success we have, the opposition continues to work against us. We have to work that much harder.
13. An anonymous donor, a man with a bag over his head, has given us a rare firearm for our next drawing.
14. Rally Day will be Wednesday, 8 April, 2015 from 10 to noon in the Rotunda of the Capital Building in Jefferson City. Plan to take the day and join us. You can tell your legislator face to face to stop a bad bill or promote a good one.

We shall overcome.

MEMBERSHIP 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.

Meeting Dates and Annual Meeting and Awards Dinner

All meetings and Annual Awards Dinner will be held at the American Legion Post 202 hall at least until further notice. From I-70 go south on Hwy 63 to Broadway/WW exit. Go east to Legion Lane. Left and follow uphill to Legion hall.

April Meeting and Annual Awards Dinner

is April 4, 2015. 2pm to 5pm Dinner served at 6pm. Be sure to reserve your seat at the Annual Meeting and Awards Dinner. This year, the reserved price for dinner is \$15 per person. If you do not reserve your dinner, the price is \$20 at the door. It will be the same great meal with great friends. Door prizes and silent auctions will again be among the activities. This is the place where the drawing for the M1 Garand is held. You must acquire tickets to be eligible. Please list Name and number in party. Send reservation payments to:

MSSA – Dinner
PO Box 209
Winfield, Mo. 63389-0209

Confirmation will be sent to those with e-mail address included.

****There will be a special drawing for those who with prepaid reserved seats****

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AD/ARTICLE DEADLINES
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NEWSLETTER

We have had a little trouble getting the newsletter out lately. Various reasons: sickness, busy with prior commitments, etc.

For a while at least, I will be trying, I have never done a newsletter before. It will be short and sweet. Not many frills until I learn how. Articles will be accepted but they must be short.

Please limit to 200 words or less. If you sent articles previously that were not published, please send again. Please resize if necessary.

Deadline will be adhered to without exception.

You don't get in on time it ain't getting in.

For now please send articles, comments, notifications, etc. to:

leekoester@hotmail.com.
Header to read: MSSA article

October 4, 2014 meeting.

Called to order at 12:00

Members present: Kevin Jamison, Lee Koester Jr, Mike Kight, Vince Winkeler, James Jungers, Eric Burger, Terry Brookman, Dale Barron, Mona Oliver.

Treasurers Report: \$13,496.82 in checking account. \$18,308.87 in certificate of deposit, with maturity date of 9-12-15. Motion to accept: Terry Brookman. Second Mona Oliver

Secretary's Report: Total membership :583. Adult-327, Junior-42, Life-179, Affiliates-35

Correspondence Received: Amendment of address from Charles Crane Agency from P.O. Box 10170 to P.O. Box 209.

Executive Officer's Report: 8 State rifles in use. \$1411.79 in Hi Power account. Discussion of purchases of rifle cases, scopes, rifle parts. Motion to accept: Mike Kight. Second: Lee Koester Jr.

Old Business: Discussion of Arnold Jr Shooters at Sparta Championships. Terry Brookman to send photos and article for newsletter.

New Business: Discussion of support for Friends of NRA banquets. Authorize \$1,000 stipend for representatives or auction. Motion to accept: Lee Koester Jr. Second: Eric Burger

Motion to adjourn: Kevin Jamison. Second: James Jungers. Meeting called at 13:24.

Next meeting: January 3, 2015. 12:00

*January 3rd meeting cancelled due to weather.

Brief online meeting held to table all agenda.*



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MISSOURI NRA REGIONAL HIGH POWER CHAMPIONSHIP

The 2014 NRA Regional Championship was held at Bucksport Shooting Club on May 3. The turnout was good with 45 competitors from 5 states participating.

The weather is typically an issue early in May in Missouri. A good example is last year when four inches of snow fell 2 days before the event. This year was not as interesting weather-wise. The weather was pleasant with sunshine and mild winds as well as temperatures.

Along with the non-typical weather, there seems to be a trend of change in the type of weapon systems being found on the line. In the past there have been military leaf sights, peep sights, aperture sights, lens filters, micro sights and now this year there is even optics. With the ever changing trend in military technology, there is always the civilian desire to replicate into sporting use. On the line, we are seeing the culmination of this practice put into competitive games.

In Photo 1, you can see Lapua's Kevin Thomas demonstrating usage of the ACOG site with his Designated Marksmen's Rifle.

In Photo 2, we have Columbia's Scott Young using the reinvented AR15 platform transformed into a "Space Gun."

In Photo 3, we have Columbia's Jeff Lindblom still shooting the antiquated AR15 A2.

Despite the variety of weapons on the line, the quality of shooting was still above par. Winners of the various categories are listed below.

Match Category	Winner	Score
Overall	Jeff Lindblom	786-29x
High Senior	Michael Borkon	781-26x
High Junior	Aaron McGovern	763-10x

Winners in each classification are indicated as follows:

Classification	Winner	Score
High Master	Jim Bates	773-20x
Master	Walt Kraft	772-20x
Expert	Aaron McGovern	763-10x
Marksman	M. Young	732-08x
Unclassified	N. Austin	728-12x





State Championships
at Bucksnot Shooting Club a Success

Two State High Power Championships were held in the Fall of 2014 at the Bucksnot Club near Marshall, MO. In early September, the Service Rifle Championship was held and then a month later the Mid-Range Championship was held. Participation was better than average with 42 competitors at the Service Rifle Championship and 76 at the Mid-Range Championship.

Winners at the Service Rifle Championship include the following:

Match Category	Winner	Score
State Champion	Jeff Lindblom	779-27X
Senior Champion	Kent Finlay	745-14X
Junior Champion	Sam Henderson	751-12X
Woman Champion	Rachel Apple	732-10X

For the first time in 20 years, a luncheon was held during the match for the Competitors. A contingent of Family members of the club put together a wonderful lunch including grilled hamburgers, hot dogs, sides and home made pie. I didn't see anyone dissapointed they had to Cease Fire for faboulous meal. A thanks goes out to the individuals who put it on.

In early October, 76 competitors from 7 states converged on the Bucksnot Range for the Mid-Range Championship. Weather was cooperative and all shooting was completed. The winners included:

Mach Category	Winner	Score
State Champion	Gary Tittle	779-25X
Senior Champion	Gary Tittle	779-25X
Service Rifle	Jeff Lindblom	760-23X
Junior Champion	Sam Henderson	768-23X
Woman Champion	Rachel Apple	682-8X

A special thanks goes out to donors who provided prizes and donations for the Competitor T-shirts, Luncheon and match winners. They include:

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Jeff Lindblom receiving his Service Rifle Championship trophy from Carla Cramer



Sam Henderson receiving one of his many awards from Match Director Cristafer Strannigan



Rachel Apple excited about her “Kermit” powers while Dr. Taz Harman (with brush) demonstrating the proper method to apply grease to the target carriers.

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TIME TO RENEW...?

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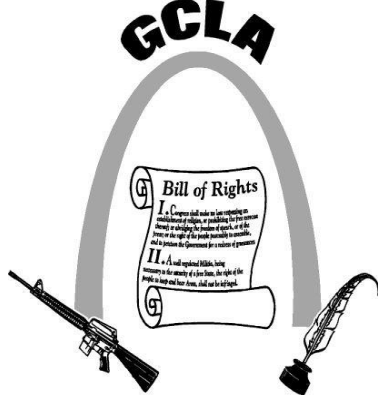
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**2015 MSSA JUNIOR SMALLBORE RIFLE COMPETITION
RIFLE CAMPS**

John E. Leinberger

The Missouri Sport Shooting Association will have two Junior Smallbore Rifle Competition Camps this Summer.

The first camp will be held June 18 – 21, 2015 at the Bucksnot Gun Club near Marshall, Mo. This camp will be for advanced junior smallbore shooters that have experience at either NRA, USA SHOOTING, or CMP competitions. The camp will have training for 3 position smallbore rifle competition.

The second camp will be held June 25 -28, 2015 at the Bucksnot Gun Club near Marshall, MO. This camp will be for beginner, intermediate, or advanced junior smallbore shooters. The camp will have training for 3 position smallbore rifle competition.

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