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Junior High-Power Shooters Attend National Matches

BY GREG MEREDITH

Every year, high power shooters from all over the United States and abroad make their pilgrimage to Camp Perry on the shores of Lake Erie. Their quest is to test their nerve and flex their muscles in the most prestigious high power matches in the country. At the end of every July and first part of August, the home base for the Ohio National Guard welcomes nearly 4000 shooters for both the CMP National Trophy Matches and the NRA National High Power Championship. This year was no exception, with record turn-out for the Trophy Matches.

Representatives from the Show-Me State made their presence known with approximately two dozen high-power shooters from various parts of the state participating. This contingent included 4 junior shooters who took two weeks of

their summer vacation to show their metal and represent the state with honor. Those participating this year included Christopher Calumpong and Ashley Blevins from Rayville, Austin Zimmerman from Excelsior Springs, and Michael Chirco from St. Louis.

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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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AMBUSH

It seemed like an ambush. I received a compliment, and I always expect compliments to be prelude to an ambush. The difference was that this was a letter from a member complimenting the entire board, and the others are truly deserving. I am perpetually astonished at the dedication of the members of our board. In the heat of summer, over long distances, organizing complex events, board members step up and it get done. However, one of them has run away from home.

Zac Bauer has moved to Arkansas and has been forced to leave the board. This move gives him better employment, but deprives us of his energy and knowledge. Zac edited this newsletter and served as our webmaster. As webmaster, he dragged our website into the 21st century, and me with it. At board meetings, he would give detailed technical reports regarding his progress. I would threaten him with hellfire and damnation if he did not use words that I can understand in his reports. This dumbed down his presentation considerably, but he showed us what is possible. One year, he served as master of ceremonies for our Rally Day in Jefferson City. Just before the event began, he expressed concern that something would go wrong. I told him that whatever happened, it was his fault. With this distinctly unhelpful advice, he went forward and did a magnificent job. We hope that he will do as well in Arkansas. Of course, if he fails miserably, he may come back.

Zac's departure demonstrated the continued need for more help on the board. A member who is not able to make the commitment to join the board can help by taking charge of a project or assisting a board member. Lee can always use help recruiting new members. It is rewarding to preserve our sport for the next generation. The next generation will fire solar-powered air rifles loaded with biodegradable pellets into holographic targets scored by lasers.

If you help this generation, you will be able to tell the next generation how hard things were in the old days. The members of the next generation will roll their eyes, but you will have earned the right to bore them.

Speaking of ambushes; it is unfortunate that our country will be led towards this new generation by a man who hates us. In order to survive to teach the next generation, we shall have to teach people not to hate us. The average citizen must be taught that we are their neighbors. We must teach them that we are not to be feared or hated. When people are taught by one side to fear guns, they are not converted by thrusting guns upon them. When they converse about their golf game, talk about a pleasant afternoon sending bullets into paper targets. ubiquitous T-Shirts and caps with gun logos worn by an excruciatingly polite shooter will provide good advertising. When we are insulted in the press, a short, polite letter in rebuttal tells the readers that the insulting views are not universally held, or especially true. These things are easily done. They do not have the drama of large rallies, although there will be some of those, but they make people less and less interested in taking away our rights. Every little bit helps. If we keep plugging away, one day we will ambush the other side.

MSSA NEEDS YOU

A Board member is unable to remain on the board. This leaves a hole in our ranks. If you have had an opinion on how things should be done, this is your chance. Under our bylaws, a new board member will be appointed to serve until our annual meeting on 27 April, 2013 at the DAV Hall in Jefferson City.

Anyone who wants the job should send their application to my office for consideration at the next Board meeting at the American Legion Post 202 on Legion Lane in Columbia on 12 January, 2013, beginning at Noon. This is just off Hwy WW, which is just off Hwy 63. It would be good to have you there for consideration. If this is not possible, provide your history and desires for MSSA to:

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Junior High-Power Shooters Attend National Matches

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The first week of the Matches consisted of both individual and team matches with a match each day of the week. Matches in which the Juniors participated included the prestigious President's 100, National Trophy Individual match (LEG), and the CMP Junior Team match called the Freedom's Fire Match (two-person teams).

During the President's 100, both Christopher Calumpong and Austin Zimmerman came within two and three points respectively of breaking into the top 100 out of 1200 competitors. Unfortunately, they will have to wait another year to bring home the elusive metal.

During the NTI, Christopher Calumpong shot a 484 out of a possible 500, earning him 32nd place overall and a gold medal. Austin Zimmerman shot a 467-6x, earning him the final spot for LEG points and a bronze medal. Even though Ashley Blevins and Michael Chirco did not break into the metal count on either event, both advanced their average score (which is typically very hard given the pressure of competing on the National stage).

The final match of the week was the Freedom's Fire team match. The team of Calumpong/Zimmerman finished 16th out of 83 teams. The team of Blevins/Chirco finished one X out of 20th place to finish 21st and out of the medal count.

After a couple restful days of swimming at the beach and attending a local theme park, the juniors readied themselves for the second week, which was the start of NRA competition. The week started out with both four-person and two-person team matches. The highlight during the team matches involved Calumpong and Zimmerman finishing 3rd in the two-person Whistler Boy match, earning them a place on the awards podium.

The remainder of the week concluded with four days of individual matches



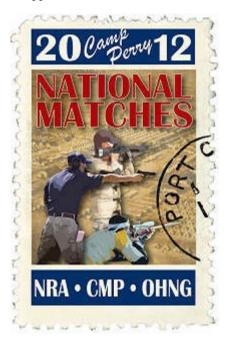
Austin Zimmerman (L) and Christopher Calumpong (R) teamed up and won third place in the Whistler Boy match.

totaling 2400 points in the aggregate. All Junior shooters represented themselves well. For starters, Christopher Calumpong fired an aggregate score of 2346-86x, which gave him first place overall in the Junior category and National Champion recognition.

Austin Zimmerman fired a 2291-50X score which placed him 18th overall in the Master Class Civilian Service Rifle category. Ashley Blevins scored at 2176-30x and finished top woman in the Sharpshooter's Class of the Civilian Service Rifle category. Michael Chirco, who never fired in a 3 position high power event before coming to Camp Perry, finished with a 2122-34. This score placed him 6th overall in the Marksman Class and second junior for that category. Oh, to be young and not know fear.

After a lot of celebrating and a long trip back home, all kids are ready to go back to Camp Perry and try again next year. Unfortunately, Ashley Blevins will have to compete as an adult since she has outgrown her Junior status. Best wishes to all, and thank you for the memories.

A special thanks goes out to Scott Pieper, Larry Ailor, and Benchrest Club of St. Louis. A fund-raising match was held early in the year that provided assistance to the Juniors for travel and lodging expenses while at Camp Perry. The Juniors would not have been able to compete as long (or not at all) without the support.



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JUNIOR COMPETITIVE 3-POSITION SMALLBORE RIFLE CAMPS

Held at Bucksnort Gun Club

BY JOHN LEINBERGER

Two MSSA/NRA Junior Competitive 3-Position Smallbore Rifle Camps were held at the Bucksnort Gun Club rifle range near Marshall, Mo. The first camp was held June 14 -17, 2012 with 11 junior shooters attending. The second camp was held July 12 - 15, 2012 with 9 junior shooters attending. MSSA has sponsored these camps annually since 1985.

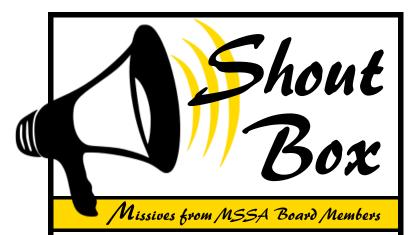
Levels of instruction were provided for beginner, intermediate, and advanced junior shooters. Instruction included firearm safety, range safety, the fundamentals of firing the shot, the three positions – prone, standing and kneeling, shooting with wind and mirage. An NRA 3-Position International 3-Position Smallbore Rifle Competition was held at the end of each camp.

Attending the first camp were Jackson Barry, Garrett Black ford, Abigail Decker, Molly Decker, Caitlin Painter, Kyle Painter, Zack Painter, Theo Kickoff, Gray den Sitter, Caitlin Straining, and Keegan Straining. Camp staff included Cheryl Teeters, Mary Butler, Jacob Butler Kurt Shine, Garrett Spurgeon, Harold Miederhoff, Georger Hamilton, and John Leinberger.

Attending the second camp were Makennon Doran, Robert Broadstreet, Michael Chirco, Andrew Holeman, Robert McCammon, Kaitlyn Strannigan, Keegan Strannigan, Jack Hausman and Foster Speichinger. Camp staff included Mary Butler, Jacob Butler, Zack Painter, Paul Villmer, Harold Miederhoff, George Hamilton, Mike Stojan, and John Leinberger.

Due to technical problems with the camera, there are no photos from the other camp.





From: Lee Koester, MSSA Secretary/Treasurer

Are you interested in becoming an MSSA Board Member? We have a slot open.

MSSA President Kevin Jamison is soliciting applicants for appointment to the board to fill the open position from Jan 12 until the members meeting in April (at which time, the appointee comes up for election by the membership to fill the position for the remainder of that term [2 yrs]).

If you are interested, please contact our president, Kevin Jamison, at: KLJamisonLaw@earthlink.net

We welcome our new affiliates:

Camp Hope

And also welcome new or upgraded Life members:

Jeff Silva – Grain Valley
Shawn Watson – Independence, KS
Raymond Ramhoff – St. Louis
Dwayne Dever – Excelsior Springs
Anthony Grillo – Fenton
Robert Hendron – St. Louis
Stanley Schultz – Charlton

Our condolences to the families of those we have lost from our ranks:

Dale Strannigan – St. Louis Richard King – Ballwin

We now have an account for MSSA Foundation Donation. We are hoping to have our 501c3 status soon for those of you who wish to make tax deductible donations. We will keep you informed of progress.

A BIG THANK YOU to all those who donated in memory of Dale Strannigan. The Junior programs will be the recipient and additional funds will be added from MSSA at the end of the year.

🖅rom: Mona Oliver, Editor

In the last issue, I credited the wrong person for the write-up of the 2011 changes in MSSA bylaws regarding membership types; that was instead submitted by Phil Anderson. Thanks, Phil...and my apologies!

Proposed Changes to MSSA Bylaws

A proposal to change the age requirement for MSSA Junior Membership has been submitted for review to the Board by John Leinberger, MSSA Junior Program Director, and Phil Anderson, MSSA Executive Officer. Their proposed change to the bylaws will likely be decided at the next Board meeting on Jan 12, 2012.

Currently, the cut-off for MSSA Junior membership is 18 years of age, on the Junior member's 18th birthday. If the Board adopts the change, the new age limit would be 20 – but the cut-off would be extended *beyond* the birthday, to the *end of that same year*. (This allows Junior shooters to continue competing as Juniors in Junior championships, to finish out their season for that year.)

This change would align MSSA with NRA and USA Shooting age requirements for Juniors, whereby "a person may compete as a Junior through December 31 of the calendar year in which his or her 20th birthday occurs."

This is, in fact, the very same language that has been proposed for the MSSA bylaws (language to be deleted is struck-out, language to be added is underlined and in bold print):

ARTICLE IX - Membership

B) Individual Annual Junior Membership (no voting privileges, special membership category for junior shooters). Junior members shall be under 18 years old. A person shall be considered a junior member through December 31 of the calendar year in which his or her 20th birthday occurs.

It's anticipated that the Board will approve the proposal.

Other changes in the bylaws may also be forthcoming; there will be discussion, at least. (Board operational issues, mostly.) In the wings is a proposal of minor edits, or changes that don't change anything (punctuation; deletion of a small bit of dreg language).

That next January board meeting is open to the membership. If you're interested in these matters, make an effort to be there. The members of the Board would be pleased to see you and welcome your input. You may also email input for the Board to:

editor@missourisportshooting.org

Current MSSA bylaws are included in this issue (see page 15). If changed, an updated copy will be included in the next issue.

-Editor





Shooter Spotlight:

GARRETT SPURGEON

We know Garrett, it seems he's been in the news at MSSA for quite some time. A Junior MSSA member and competitor, the Canton native proved to be a remarkable shooter early on, proficient in both smallbore and air rifle: high J2 smallbore shooter at the 2010 and 2011 USA Nationals, high J2 air rifle at the 2011 National Junior Olympics, four-time National Junior Olympics qualifier, winning two Bronze medals in smallbore in 2007 and Gold in air rifle in 2009, and of course, a two-time Missouri air rifle state champion (2010, 2011). But that's not all – earlier this year, he competed in the U.S. Olympic trials in smallbore and air rifle, finishing in the

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top 10 in both competitions! This earned him a spot as an *alternate* for the London Games (air rifle), a *great* accomplishment, though he'll not be taking the trip (only 2 shooters make the team, and he's the *6th* alternate).

In the meantime, he's off to college at West Virginia University, and is on the rifle team there. The entire team is simply outstanding, too, only just coming off five weeks of being ranked #1. Garrett may be the Freshman, but he's no slouch; in his WVU Rifle Range debut, he shot a personal-best in smallbore for the discipline win...and set a school record. Wow.

Okay, yeah, I'm a fan. Go, Garrett!!

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The Main site ...

MissouriSportShooting.org

The Facebook page...

Facebook.com/MissouriSportShooting

The Branch site (includes store and online forums!) ...

MissouriCarry.com

And finally...Twitter! @MSSAnews (to be linked to FB) – and for commentary, @MissouriShooter...

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(Only recently set up, but we'll be tweeting more, soon!)

Membership Renewal Online

At MSSA's Main site, click the "Purchase Membership" link at the top of the left column, and you'll be whisked to the online store. At the store, add your member type to the shopping basket, then "View Basket" to checkout.:)

MISSOURI GUN SHOWS

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Nov 23-25	Columbia, Boone County Fairgrounds	1
Nov 23-25	Warsaw, Community Building	5
Dec 1-2	Springfield, Ozark Empire Fairgrounds	1
Dec 7-9	Adrian, Adrian Optimist Community Center	5
Dec 14-16	Cape Girardeau, Arena Building	5
Dec 15-16	Pacific, The Eagles Club	2
Dec 22-23	Kansas City, KCI Expo Centerline	1
Dec 28-30	St Charles, St Charles Convention Center	1
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Jan 4-6	Poplar Bluff, Black River Coliseum	5
Jan 4-6	St Louis, Orlando Gardens Banquet Center	2
Jan 5-6	Columbia, Boone County Fairgrounds	1
Jan 12-13	Farmington, Civic Center	1
Jan 12-13	Kansas City, KCI Expo Center	1
Jan 19-20	Springfield, Ozark Empire Fairgrounds	1
Jan 26-27	Sedalia, Missouri State Fairgrounds	1
Feb 1-3	Cape Girardeau, Arena Building	5
Feb 1-3	St Charles, Heart of St Charles Banquet Center	er 3
Feb 1-3	Columbia, Boone County Fairgrounds	1
Feb 9-10	Joplin, Holiday Inn Convention Center	1
Feb 15-17	Branson, Our Lady of the Lake Parrish Center	4
Feb 16-17	Kansas City, KCI Expo Center	1
Feb 23-24	Lebanon, Cowan Civic Center	1

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New Three-Position Air Rifle Rules Released

By Vicki Donoho, CMP Program Coordinator

The 9th edition of the *National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle Rules* has just been released. The National Three-Position Air Rifle Council whose members include The American Legion, BSA, CMP, the Daisy-US Jaycee Shooter Education Program, 4-H Shooting Sports, USA Shooting and the Army, Marine Corps, Navy and Air Force JROTC Commands, issues a new rulebook to govern three-position air rifle shooting in the USA every two years. The new 2012-2014 rulebook goes into effect immediately.

The new rulebook can be downloaded from the CMP website at:

www.TheCMP.org/3P/Rules.pdf

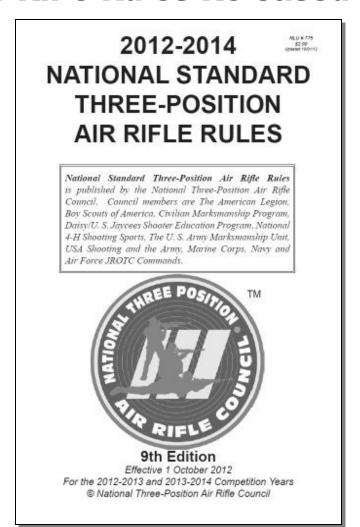
The 2012-2014 National Standard Rulebook has several rules that were changed to keep national 3-position air rifle rules in line with what competitors will see in USAS/ISSF rules at larger competitions. The ISSF is changing its rules for 10m and 50m rifle and pistol events to have separate "preparation and sighting" periods before record or competition firing begins. Since this will become the new international standard, the Council decided that junior position air rifle competitors in the U. S. should use the same procedures. To adapt this change to 3-position air rifle, the course of fire will start with a call to the firing line, followed by a 10-minute preparation and sighting stage. Commands to start record fire are given at the end of the sighting stage. No further sighting shots may be taken after record fire begins. Time limits for the record fire stages are shortened to reflect the fact that there is now a separate time for firing sighters.

In addition to adapting 3-position air rifle rules in the U. S. to the new international standard, these changes will make it much easier to facilitate the coaching of sporter class shooters that is permitted during sighters. Now when the preparation and sighting period ends, all coaching must stop and coaches must step back from the firing line. The changes from prone to standing and standing to kneeling include a 5-minute changeover stage followed by a separate 5-minute sighting stage. Match directors have the option of extending sighting stages to 10 minutes. The CMP has already tested this course of fire change during its monthly match at Camp Perry and Anniston on 22 September and found that competitors and coaches adapted with no difficulties. Most of these changes were also tested in the CMP Junior Rifle Camps this past summer. Course of fire changes are further explained in Rule 5.3 below.

The following rules are the major changes, or rule clarifications that were made to help the rules be more easily understood. Please note, this is NOT a complete list of changes. All changes from the previous rules are underlined in the rulebook so new rules can easily be identified.

Rule 2.4 - LOAD

The command "LOAD" is no longer given before "START" in regular competitions. The command "LOAD" is still given prior to "START" in finals. This change reflects the fact that there is a separate preparation and sighting time before record fire. The



preparation and sighting time begins with "START" because not all shooters will be ready to start firing at the beginning of the time so "LOAD" is an inappropriate command. The command "START" allows competitors to continue to prepare their positions and then load and fire when they are ready to start firing sighters.

Rule 3.2.3 - Best-Four-Count Teams (formerly Organization Teams)

The previous rules included a provision for match sponsors to conduct special team matches where teams could enter more than four shooters and only the best four scores would count for the team total. These were called "organization teams," but that name is now changed to "best-four-count teams." If the best-four-count team rule is used, this must be stated in the match program to clarify if teams shoot five and count four or if more than five shoot. Best-four-count team scores are not eligible for National Records.

Rule 4.1.7 - 600 FPS Velocity Restriction

The new rules clarify that match directors do not have to check rifle velocities unless they feel a rifle was altered to be a "high velocity" rifle. It also recognized that using non-lead pellets may produce velocities slightly above the 600 fps maximum.

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Rule 4.2.4 - Stock (sporter)

The AFAG Edge centered or neutral position for the butt-plate is defined as having the top of the butt-plate 15 mm below the centerline of the bore.

Rule 4.6.2 - Shooting Trousers

There may be a maximum of seven belt loops, not more than 20mm in width, with at least 80 mm between belt loops.

When rifle clothing manufacturers began using larger and stiffer seat pads as a means of adding support to shooting trousers, the ISSF Rifle Committee finally decided to stop fighting the enforcement challenges this presented and banned all seat pads on rifle shooting trousers starting in 2013. Since this change will ultimately affect many junior shooters in the U.S., the Council decided to adopt this change, but with a two-year grace period. The grace period will permit all shooting trousers that are currently legal to continue to be used without requiring that seat pads be removed. With the change in the ISSF rules, new shooting trousers will, however, no longer have seat pads. It is also expected that advanced juniors who compete in USAS/ISSF events will have to remove seat pads from old trousers immediately. The present plan is to require all seat pads to be removed not later than 1 January 2014, but the Council will monitor how this transition is progressing.

Rule 4.6.4 - Shoes

In another change designed to put more limits on performance-enhancing features in rifle shooter clothing, the new ISSF rules mandate that shoe soles can no longer be cut square or flat on the toe or heel, but must follow the external curvature of the shoe and not extend more than 5.0 mm beyond the external dimensions of the shoe at any point. Modifying shooting shoes to round off the toes and heels is a relatively easy modification to make and since many junior shooters in the U. S. will have to make this change, the Council also adopted this rule, but again with a two-year grace period. Shooting shoes that are legal under current rules can continue to be used with the expectation that full compliance with this rule must be achieved not later than 1 January 2014.

Rule 5.1.4 - Physical Impairments, Substituting Positions

In response to the need to provide shooting opportunities for a growing number of athletes with impairments who want to fire in 3-position air rifle competitions, the Council updated this rule to provide more guidance for athletes and match directors. The Council feels that athletes with impairments must be allowed to compete in 3-position air rifle events to the maximum extent possible and as long as the adaptive means used by an athlete does not provide an unfair advantage. The revised rule is closely linked with rules and classification procedures used by the IPC (International Paralympic Committee). Any coach or junior program that has an athlete with a physical impairment is urged to contact the USA Shooting Paralympic Director Bob Foth (Bob.Foth@usashooting.org) to obtain guidance in applying this rule. And match directors are urged to welcome and include athletes with impairments who comply with this rule into their competitions.

Rule 5.3 - Competition Events and Time Limits

The time limits were changed to reflect changes that are occurring at the international level. Competitions will now be structured to have separate changeover, preparation and sighting, and record stages. This will help alleviate some of the issues coaches, parents, and match directors have had with the rule that allows coaching during the sighting period for sporter shooters.

- It will be easier to control and monitor coaching on the line in the sporter class. After the sighting period time is over, all coaches must leave the firing line making it easier for Range Officers to ensure that no one is coached after record firing begins.
- A coach will not accidentally provide coaching to an athlete after they have switched to record.
- 3. Athletes next to a sporter shooter who is receiving coaching will not be interrupted during record shots.
- 4. With separate 10 or 5-minute sighter only periods, sporter shooters might shoot more than one or two sighters! (This was not an intended benefit, but it was seen this summer when the CMP Summer Camp program tried the proposed changes).

Refer to charts 5.3.2 and 5.3.3 on pages 22 – 23 for the new time limits and stage order. A range officer script, "Firing Procedures and Range Officer Commands", is now listed in the rulebook starting on page 53. Range Officers are urged to use this script to assist them in adapting to the new procedures.

Rule 7.16 - Malfunctions

No extra time will be given for a malfunction or malfunction repair. An athlete may repair a rifle after notifying the Range Officer or a replacement rifle may be authorized by the Range Officer if there is physical evidence that the malfunction cannot be repaired. Additional sighting shots may be allowed if the athlete must get out of position to facilitate the repair, but only within the remaining shooting time. This change is necessitated by a need to eliminate delays caused by giving shooters extra time for malfunctions that frequently throw matches off schedule. It reflects a view that shooters are responsible for arriving at a competition with rifles and equipment that are well maintained and in good condition.

Rule 7.17 - Late Arrivals

An athlete who arrives late for a scheduled relay on which he/she was squadded will be permitted to start, but no extra time will be allowed. If an athlete arrives after record fire has begun, he/she will be permitted to start, but no extra time will be allowed and no sighting shots will be permitted. If an athlete can demonstrate that his/her delayed arrival was due to circumstances beyond his/her control, he/she may be re-squadded on another relay or permitted to start at a later time if this does not delay the scheduled start of a Final.

Rule 7.18 - Spectators and Media

This rule was updated to help better prepare competitors for larger competitions. Spectators may speak in normal tones and should also be allowed to cheer during competitions.

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Rule 10.1 - Final Round Procedures

The Final consists of unlimited sighting shots fired in an eight (8) minute combined Preparation and Sighting Stage and a Record Fire Stage consisting of ten (10) record shots, each fired on command within a 45 second time limit. Note that the shot time has been shortened. All Finals for Three-Position or Standing events are fired in the standing position.

Rule 10.2.1 - Assigning Firing Points

Finalists must fire together on eight adjacent firing points. Finalists are assigned firing points with the highest-ranked athlete on the first point (left), the next highest-ranked athlete on the second point, etc. If an athlete does not appear for a Final by the time the presentation of athletes begins, he/she will be given the last place in the Final and will not be allowed to start late. If more than one athlete fails to appear, their final rankings will be decided according to Rule 8.6.1.

Appendix Section II - Junior EIC Award Program

The EIC program and its point distribution system is changing rather significantly. This was done to alleviate some problems that occurred with the previous program. The objective of these changes is to improve the system so that the best shooters are the ones earning EIC points and the Distinguished Badge, regardless of location.

The values of EIC points awarded are now equal between sporter and precision classes. The difference in point values was originally set in hopes of encouraging sporter shooters to advance to precision. It turned out that this was not a practical option for many programs and shooters because schools or clubs with teams often do not have the funds to make the switch or are located in areas where precision class competition is not available.

The rule that did not allow subsequent points to be earned in the sporter class once precision points had been earned has also been removed. Athletes may now shoot either sporter or precision classes (in different competitions) and earn points in both classes that will be combined while working towards their Distinguished Badge. This will allow athletes wanting to switch to precision on their own, to still earn points while shooting for a high school team that only fires in the sporter class, a situation that occurs quite frequently.

All National Council Member Championships (Daisy, American Legion, 4H, JROTC Championships) and Junior Olympic Championship (or equivalent) will remain the same with points being awarded based on a percentage of the Non-Distinguished shooters that competed.

Cup Matches will now award EIC points based on established cut scores and the number of competitors at the competition (overall number, not just Non-Distinguished). The larger the Cup Match, the higher the point value for each leg (gold/silver/bronze. EIC cut scores were calculated on the basis of scores fired by competitors that earned EIC points in the National Council Member Championships and the National Junior Olympic Championship in the past year. These scores will be recalculated annually.

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It is a good day for Liberty.

A Topeka man will spend 15 consecutive weekends in jail; pay a \$1,500 fine and 8,000 in restitution for killing a record whitetail buck. The problem was that he was poaching when he shot the deer. He also lost his hunting privileges for 5 years and had to surrender the deer's antlers and the gun used to kill the deer. He was caught when he took the antlers to the Monster Buck Classic where he was recognized for having the largest antlers ever taken in Kansas. The antlers were recognized by conservation agents as having come from a deer 100 miles from where the man claimed to have shot it. He confessed to poaching. In the immortal words of John Wayne, "Life is hard. It's even harder when you're stupid."

I saw "Deciphering Dogs," a DVD about the relationship between wolves and dogs and between dogs and people. It seems that dogs have shared our caves for at least 13,000 years, some say 100,000. Dogs have physical differences from their ancestor wolves. There is some indication that if the gentlest cubs of a litter are interbred, the result is a species with a gentler disposition and physical differences. If a human points at a certain place, the dog will investigate, (something not even a monkey will do). If a dog points, the human shoots at birds.

If you are to fail at anything, fail at suicide. Once you have failure out of your system, you can go on to greatness.

I have inquired. The earth will not cease rotating in honor of the Sabbath. I cannot do less than a ball of rock and mud. It should be noted that the earth does the same thing over and over while I put a little variety into the day.

In the old TV series "Paladin," the title character carries a seven and a half inch Colt .45 Peacemaker. In the initial episode, Richard Boone pointed the cocked revolver at the camera and evenly announces that it has a one-ounce trigger pull. In a later episode, it is said to have a two-ounce trigger pull. In either configuration, the vibrations from Richard Boone's rich baritone alone would cause the gun to fire. It sounds ominous as can be, but I am not going to carry a gun that will speak when it is not spoken to. I am collecting examples of such superstitions for a primer I am writing currently called "How Guns Work." I might change that to "Guns for Dummies" but the dummies corporation may have a copyright on the term. Anyone with similar superstitions to share, please send them my way.

There are Heroes in the world. A 14-year-old Pakistani girl is threatened by the Taliban for advocating education for girls. She continues this "crime" and a thug enters her school bus with a rifle and shoots her. She has survived, indicating that the Taliban are not only psychotic tyrants but bad shots. She will live, and the indications are that this unarmed schoolgirl will continue to fight for an education.

It is a good day for Liberty. I had an arraignment hearing recently. This is typically a routine appearance in which the defendant is reminded that he is charged with a crime, and all that business with handcuffs and jail cells was not a bad dream. My client had been charged with possession of a firearm while intoxicated, and his bail conditions demanded that he not possess alcohol or firearms until the case was over. My client is a hunter and suffers from a debilitating disease which might make this season his last. I asked that this condition be dropped on the grounds that it is unconstitutional. When I made this motion, the low buzz of sound in the courtroom stopped as if a great door had closed. Since Heller and MacDonald have declared the right to own guns to be a personal right, a defendant cannot be deprived of his Constitutional rights until after he is convicted or found insane. The judge asked the prosecutor's opinion. I had discussed this with her just before court in the faint hope that she might agree. She did not, of course, but could not tell the judge she needed time to research the question. She claimed that the circumstances argued against the modification. The judge asked for some detail, knowing only what was in a very brief complaint. The prosecutor, having little more background than the judge, went through an inaccurate recitation of the genesis of the charge. She, and the judge, seem to have assumed that the charge involved firing a gun in the vicinity of a person. I objected to the recitation. For some time, my client had been attacked in his own back yard by his neighbor's dogs. He began to carry a gun when going to feed his own dog. I told the judge that she could deny him alcohol, because there is no right to drink alcohol, but there is a right to possess guns. This gave the judge an easy way to split the baby and get these silly people out of her courtroom. In the end, we got less than half. My client was allowed to possess firearms under circumstances reasonably related to sporting use. Some days, the magic works. This is not much, but many other big principles grew from small cases. I cannot claim to have come up with this argument myself. I saw a reference to the principle on one of the e-mail boards. Each one takes a piece of the struggle, and they add up.

A court has ruled that the Lawful Commerce in Arms law is unconstitutional and a crime victim can sue the company which made the gun the criminal used. We thought that we had won this argument. Now another case must wind its way to the Supreme Court. Another court has ruled that American citizens living in foreign countries cannot purchase firearms of any kind under any circumstances because they do not reside in one of the

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WHO, WHAT AND WHEN

K. L. Jamison, Esq.

He had owned the gun for a dozen years before he found what type of gun it was. It was a *stolen* gun. It was quickly proven that it had born this distinction since my client was an infant, and he was released, without the distinguished firearm. It was annoying and a financial loss; but it could have been worse. Receiving stolen property, to include any firearm, is a Class C felony punishable by up to seven years in prison. The statute cites evidence of receiving stolen property, some of which sounds very much like getting a very good deal at a gun show.

A bill of sale helps prove that the transaction was not illegal. This brief document shows that the seller did not sell to a prohibited person, and the buyer did not buy the gun illegally. If the parties had contemplated an illegal sale, they would not have documented the transaction.

The bill of sale does not create a "list." It is not filed with any office, and therefore, gun ownership cannot be registered or traced. It does not have to be notarized. It does not have to be typed. It does not have to be carried with the gun; although, there are insistent stories to the contrary.

The sample below is offered as a guide without charge. The caution is that you often get what you pay for. A version that can be printed out on a 3x5 card is available for download from my website at no cost (see the "Gun Show Lawyer" page at **KLJamisonLaw.com**). These are convenient for wallet carry in the eternal hope of stumbling on the perfect gun. These forms fall in the "better than nothing" category, but if they keep you out of jail, that is just good enough.

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Liberty Notes

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50 states. President Obama has pledged to impose a new Assault Weapons Act and further burdens if re-elected. Citizens continue to be arrested for making casual stops when they transport firearms across the country. Citizens are arrested due to involuntary stops when flying across the country with unloaded guns in their luggage; this is another one we thought that we had won. Citizens continue to be charged for acts of selfdefense. The drug wars in the southwest are used to excuse compiling illegal lists of gun ownership. Such lists only expand. No matter how the election goes, we shall have work to do.

I see increasing numbers of letters to the editor and editorials denouncing gun owners as dangerous, evil, idiots. The NRA is depicted as a greedy Machiavellian force quite willing to endanger children. These comments are accompanied by cartoons of Thuggish, Neanderthal brutes wearing NRA caps. When the NRA is depicted as the essence of evil, they are talking about each of us. Even those of us who are not members of the NRA are painted with this broad brush. We must push back. Every time there is an anti-NRA/Gun Owner cartoon or editorial, we must write letters. The paper will print them because then people will buy papers. We cannot let these things slide. Many people will not take the Star because of its prejudiced editorial policy. This hurts us more than them. We can still read the paper on a computer, or the library for that matter.

Mary Sanchez, columnist for the local tabloid, dismisses surveys of self-defense cases as merely anecdotal. There are eleven studies of self-defense frequency. Their results range from 1.5 to 3.5 cases of self-defense per year. The most detailed study finds 2.5 million defensive gun uses per year. That is about one every twelve seconds. If we do not present this data in a calm, polite manner, no one will.

We shall overcome.

Help Expose Everyone to Firearms and Safe Shooting

by Marc Perez, MSSA Director

In my 40 years as an active shooter, I have exposed many people to the wonderful world of firearms. My wife and daughter enjoy target shooting, and yet they have no interest in getting a CCW endorsement: the mindset for using a firearm for personal defense is just not there. That is perfectly fine, not everyone is suited for using a firearm in self defense. Not having a proper mindset for carrying a concealed firearm is not in their or the public's best interest. At the class (at my home) where I took my CCW class a decade ago, of the 14 people there, perhaps only half went on to get the CCW endorsement. CCW was new to Missouri, and many were there for education and information.

Through the years, I have introduced dozens of people to shooting. I am not an instructor, and I do send people to NRA-certified firearms instructors. I have encouraged many to subscribe to the Missouri Sport Shooting Association's online forum located at MissouriCarry.com (an MSSA branch website). MissouriCarry.com also has a long list of instructors throughout the state. We, as members of a firearms organization (MSSA), have the insight and ability to steer people we meet to MSSA websites and encourage them to actually join with us. The MSSA is very involved through education, promotion of firearms and youth shooting programs in exposing and instructing the next generation of firearms owners and shooters.

I strongly encourage members of the MSSA to reach out and help educate the public at large about firearms. So what can you do to help enlighten and educate? There certainly are many ways all of us can be involved. Do you belong to a "gun club?" Invite your friends, neighbors or coworkers to a range day. A member of the MSSA

invited me to go with him out to Bench Rest Rifle Club (BRRC) in Wright City, Missouri (an affiliate member of the MSSA). I really had no interest in actually "joining" a shooting club. After a few visits, I found out how much more there was to learn about shooting sports. I met extremely knowledgeable people and improved my handgun and rifle and shotgun shooting skills. A club may expose you to a greater variety of firearms, technical data related to ballistics, and competitions, and provides an opportunity to meet and talk with some of the most knowledgeable and skilled shooters anywhere. Another bonus was the clinics that were held. The "match" clinic was impressive in learning how a shooting match was held as well as the firearm safety associated with so many people handling their firearms in a safe manner in close proximity. There are many classes from appropriately certified instructors, not only for actual shooting, but for providing great detail on safety, competition shooting, and ballistics.

We (shooters) have unfortunately been the subject of widespread media misinformation and unfortunate highprofile events. The more people who know about firearms and responsible firearm ownership and practice, the better we are as a firearms community.

As members of MSSA, we can do more and accomplish much, to reach out to the public, to educate and inform. Take some pictures of shooting sports or hunting trips, send them into the newsletter editor. Write a short article, and send it to the editor of the newsletter. Go to the BOD meetings and annual banquet and election. MSSA can do so much more, if just a few will do a little more.

The future depends on us...

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MINUTES* - MSSA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

BY LEE KOESTER, MSSA SECRETARY/TREASURER

*Tentative, subject to Board approval.

Board Meeting, July 14 to July 20, 2012

Conducted electronically via email.

Meeting called to order at 8:00 am, Saturday, July 14, 2012. In attendance: Grace Leinberger, Lee Koester, Michael Meyer, Marc Perez, Terry Struse, Mona Oliver, Don Merritt, Philip Anderson, Kevin Jamison, John Leinberger, Sheila Stokes-Begley

Call for review and vote to approve minutes of last meeting. Motion to approve report; seconded, voted and passed.

Call for Financial report by Lee Koester. Report made. Motion to approve report; seconded, voted and passed.

Call for Membership report by Lee Koester. Report made. Motion to approve report; seconded, voted and passed.

Call for Junior Program Financial report by John Leinberger. Report made. Motion to approve; seconded, voted, passed.

Call for Junior High Power report by Phil Anderson. No report was made.

Motion made to approve establishment of Guidelines & Procedures Manual. Seconded, voted, motion passed.

Motion made to establish guidelines for Board members attendance at meetings. To be discussed at October meeting. Meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm, July 20, 2012.

NEXT BOARD MEETINGJanuary 12, 2013 at NOON

at the American Legion Post 202 in Columbia, Missouri

Future Meetings & Events

MSSA Members Meeting – April 27, 2013 at 2 pm at the DAV MSSA Awards Dinner – April 27, 2013 at 6 pm at the DAV

Except for the occasion of the Annual Members Meeting, MSSA Board Meetings are held at the American Legion Post 202 located at 600 Legion Lane in Columbia, MO.

DIRECTIONS TO POST 202

FROM the I-70 and Hwy 63 interchange in Columbia,
GO SOUTH on Hwy 63 South to the Broadway / WW exit.
TAKE THE EXIT for Broadway / Route WW.
TURN LEFT (east) onto Route WW.
GO EAST on Route WW approx 1/2 mile to Legion Lane.
TURN LEFT (north) onto Legion Lane.
The American Legion building is at the top of the hill.

The Annual Meeting & Awards Dinner will both be held at the "DAV," the Disabled American Veterans Chapter Hall in Jefferson City. More info, including map & directions, will be posted in the newsletter prior to these events.

Meeting dates and map links are also posted at MissouriSportShooting.org

Board Meeting, October 13, 2012

Meeting was called to order by Kevin Jamison at 12:00 pm.

In attendance: Kevin Jamison, Lee Koester, John Leinberger, Grace Leinberger, Marc Perez, Dale Barron, Greg Meredith, Eric Berger, Terry Brookman, and Mona Oliver. Members absent: Phil Anderson, Larry Crawford, Mike Kight, Donald Merritt, Michael Meyer, Sheila Stokes-Begley, and Terry Struse.

Finance report presented by Lee Koester. Motion to approve report; motion seconded and passed, approved via voice vote.

Secretary report presented by Lee Koester. Reported 752 members including Annual, Junior, and Life members. Motion for approval; seconded and passed, approved via voice vote.

Junior Program report presented by John Leinberger. Continuing discussion of storage trailer for Jr. Program approved with discussion on insurance and licensing. Motion to license and insure under Jr. Program, trailer to become property of MSSA upon dissolve of Jr. Program. Motion seconded and passed, approved via voice vote.

Discussion of difference in Adult/Junior age among MSSA (18th birthday), CMP, NRA and USA Shooting (20th birthday). Proposal will be written and published for change to bylaws to change Junior age to 21 to comply with other organizations.

Other equipment restrictions to follow for inclusion in MSSA Guidelines & Procedures Manual.

Discussion of old business concerning business cards for gun show distribution. Also discussion of new brochures for distribution. Business card printing approved.

Discussion of Emeritus Board membership. Discussion of possible nominations. No conclusions were forthcoming.

Discussion of MSSA Guidelines & Procedures Manual. Topics of discussion were Guidelines for Donations, Quorum, and Board Membership. These are items that clarify procedures not addressed specifically in bylaws.

Greg Jeffery is unable to serve, his board position is open and needs filling. Interested members should apply to Kevin Jamison at KLJamisonLaw@earthlink.net for consideration of appointment to the board. The President's appointee will be confirmed by the Board at the January 12, 2013 quarterly meeting to serve until the annual meeting on April 27, 2013, at which time the general membership will vote to fill the position for the remainder of the term (2 years).

Rally Day was discussed and will be organized; Marc volunteered to handle the reservation for the event at the Capitol Rotunda. An announcement will be made in the newsletter when the date is determined.

Motion to adjourn was seconded and passed on voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 2:35 pm.

MSSA BYLAWS

AS AMENDED AND APPROVED APRIL 9, 2011

ARTICLE I - Name

The name of this Pro Forma Decree Corporation is THE MISSOURI SPORT SHOOTING ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE II - Location

The location of the corporation shall be in the City of Jefferson City, County of Cole, State of Missouri.

ARTICLE III - Duration

The duration of the corporation shall be perpetual.

ARTICLE IV - Purpose

The purposes and objectives of the Missouri Sport Shooting Association are:

- A) To promote and defend the individual citizen's right to keep and bear arms for all legitimate purposes.
- B) To promote and further marksmanship training and competitions in the use of rifle, pistol, shotgun and archery equipment to the end that such skill shall be of use and benefit in defense of person, property, state and nation, and in all shooting sports.
- C) It shall be the further purpose of this Association to promote and perpetuate the legal sport of hunting.

ARTICLE V - Power to Acquire Property

The corporation may acquire, in any legal manner, by purchase, gift, devise, bequest, or otherwise, any and all kinds of property which the Board of Directors may, by resolution, accept.

ARTICLE VI - Power to Borrow, Pledge and Convey

The corporation, through its Board of Directors, shall be empowered to borrow money, and to secure the payment of such indebtedness by the mortgage, pledge or hypothecation of any and all property of the corporation, unless such right as to particular property be denied in restrictions imposed by the donor of such property at the time of donation. The corporation may sell, lease, and convey any of the corporate property unless denied such right by the conveyance of such particular property to the corporation. Money or securities in the Treasurer's hands may be loaned or invested and reinvested in such manner, under such conditions, and on such items as the Board of Directors, without restrictions, may from time to time determine.

ARTICLE VII - Board of Directors

The affairs and property of the corporation shall be controlled and directed by a Board of eighteen (18) Directors who shall be elected at large and shall be members of this corporation. All employees of and contractors to the Association serve at the will of the Board of Directors.

- A) Manner of Election: The present members to serve until expiration of their present terms. Thereafter, as said terms expire (at their respective terms of one year, two years and three years) the general membership at each annual meeting shall vote by secret written ballot to elect by a majority vote six Directors to serve for three years.
- B) Vacancy: Any vacancy on the Board shall be filled by appointment by the President, subject to confirmation by a majority vote of the Board of Directors at their next meeting. Said appointee shall serve until the

- next annual meeting at which time the general membership shall vote to fill the balance of the unexpired term.
- C) Meetings: Board meetings shall be held quarterly at the place and time suitable to the Board members. Special Board meetings may be called by order of the President or the Vice President.
- D) Expulsion: Any Board member can be expelled for failure to perform his or her duties by a 2/3 vote of the Board. Said action may be taken at any regular or special meeting of the Board.
- E) Appeal: Any member so expelled may appeal to the general membership at the next annual meeting and upon receiving a majority vote shall be reinstated.

ARTICLE VIII - Officers

Immediately following the annual election, the Directors shall elect from among themselves by secret ballot the following Officers each of whom shall serve for one year: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and Executive Officer. Officers may appoint Assistants to perform certain duties of the Office as directed by the Officer. Officers are responsible to report such appointments to the Secretary for record.

A) Duties of President

- The President shall preside at all Association, Board and general membership meetings;
- Shall appoint all committees and shall be a member ex officio thereof;
- 3) Shall be authorized to sign checks in the absence of the Treasurer.

B) Duties of Vice President

 The Vice President shall preside in the absence of the President or at his request at all meetings.

C) Duties of Treasurer

- The Treasurer shall have charge of all Association funds and maintain current accounts receivable and accounts payable ledgers;
- Shall also have custody of any certificates of deposit or savings accounts;
- Upon approval and direction of the Board, shall invest surplus funds in certificates of deposit or interest-bearing accounts;
- 4) Shall furnish quarterly financial reports. The last quarterly report shall also be read at the annual meeting of the organization;
- Shall prepare and submit an annual budget for Board approval at the first Directors meeting following the annual meeting;
- 6) Shall have charge of all financial records of the Association.

D) Duties of Secretary

- The Secretary shall record the minutes of the quarterly board meeting and the annual members meeting of the Association.
- Shall have charge of all non-financial official records of the Association, including the newsletter to the members.
- Shall maintain all membership records of the Association and assist the Executive Officer as needed in the State Championship Match approval process.

- 4) Shall be authorized to sign checks in the absence of the Treasurer.
- E) Duties of the Executive Officer
 - The Executive Officer shall assist member Clubs in the promotion of State Championship Matches by furnishing awards approved by the Board of Directors and shall approve all programs for State Championship Matches.
 - Shall collect complete records of all Championship Matches, results and schedules. Said information shall be promptly conveyed to the Secretary for consideration of publication in The Missouri Shooter and for record.
 - Shall be responsible for the annual inventory of all Association equipment.

F) Bonding:

All Officers of the Board shall be subject to bonding in accordance with their position and probability of liability as determined by the Board annually.

ARTICLE IX - Membership

The following memberships are available to all American citizens of good repute in the following categories. The dues structure of each category shall be set annually by the Board of Directors.

- A) Individual Annual Membership
- B) Individual Annual Junior Membership (no voting privileges, special membership category for junior shooters). Junior members shall be under 18 years old.
- C) Individual Life Membership
- D) Individual Benefactor Membership
- E) Affiliate Membership (Club or Organization)
- F) Military (One year free. Submit signed declaration of Missouri residency and active duty military service)
- G) Individual Honorary Life Membership (Granted by Board -- individual holds no voting privileges -- may be revoked by the Board.)

ARTICLE X - Amendments

The Board of Directors may adopt, repeal, or amend the Bylaws provided such actions are not inconsistent with the Articles of Incorporation as amended.

ARTICLE XI - State Championship Matches

- A) All State Championship Matches must be sponsored and conducted by Clubs which are affiliated with the Missouri Sport Shooting Association and any national body governing that particular shooting discipline.
- B) Said Matches will be in accordance with such additional regulations as may be deemed necessary by the Executive Committee.
- C) Procedure of requesting State Championship Matches:
 - Application to conduct and sponsor a Missouri Championship Match must be made in writing to the attention of the Executive Officer of the Missouri Sport Shooting Association. It must be accompanied by a preliminary program and proposed dates for approval by the Executive Officer. In the event the Executive

- Officer is unable to perform this duty, the approval may be made by the MSSA Secretary, Vice President or President.
- Dates and program must be subsequently approved by the national sanctioning body governing that shooting discipline.
- Changes in the program must be approved by both the Missouri Sport Shooting Association and the national sanctioning body governing the concerned discipline.
- A final match bulletin when published must be sent to the Executive Officer for the records of the Missouri Sport Shooting Association.
- All competitors receiving the title of "State Champion" must be a resident of the State of Missouri at the time the tournament is conducted.
- 6) All adult Missouri residents shooting in a State Championship Match must be a member of the State Association. All Junior shooters competing in a State Championship Match must be either a member of the State Association in their own right or a member of a Junior Club that is affiliated with the State Association.
- 7) The Match Sponsor shall submit the fees collected for Association new members and renewals, Association tournament fees, two copies of the results, including a roster of participants with addresses to the Executive Officer within 30 days of the completion of the tournament.

D) Awards:

- The Missouri Sport Shooting Association will provide suitable awards to organizations sponsoring Missouri Championship Matches.
- Type and number of awards to be provided by the Missouri Sport Shooting Association will be determined annually by the Board of Directors
- 3) There shall be a fee collected for the State Championship Matches as set by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE XII - Suspension or Expulsion of Members or Clubs

- A) Member Club. A Member Club shall be suspended upon non-payment of annual dues. It shall be expelled for causes detrimental to the Association, upon majority vote of the Board of Directors.
- B) Individuals. Individuals shall be suspended upon non-payment of annual dues. An individual shall be expelled for causes detrimental to the Association, upon majority vote of the Board of Directors.
- C) Reinstatement Any Club or individual member may be reinstated after being suspended upon the payment of current and delinquent dues. Any Club or individual member that has been expelled may be reinstated by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE XIII - Rules of Order

All meetings and general order of business conducted by this association shall lie in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order.

ARTICLE XIV - Dissolution

Dissolution shall be accomplished in accordance with the laws of the State of Missouri. All assets after the payment or disposition of all obligations shall be transferred or assigned to the National Rifle Association of America.



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

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The 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.

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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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