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Please remember that when using any of the ORSA Ranges, safety should be your number one concern. Everyone must be diligent in observing and correcting unsafe actions by anyone on the ranges. Also remember that you should always wear proper EYE and EAR protection regardless of whether you are shooting or just watching.

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MEMBERSHIP NEWS

WEAR YOUR ACCESS BADGE! Or have it immediately available as identification at all times!

Unfortunately we have been seeing situations where freeloaders that have not paid dues, or may not even be ORSA members, are following members through the gates or otherwise accessing ORSA ranges. ORSA ranges are not available to non-members or the general public for safety and security reasons. Please help us identify people who might not be properly oriented to ORSA safety and security rules by always wearing your provided Access Badge.

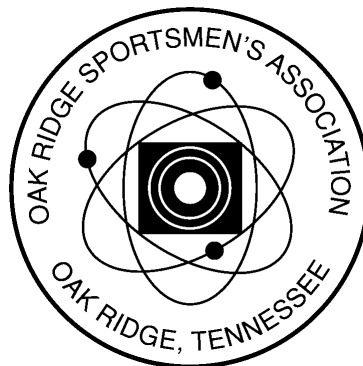
If wearing it on your shirt, vest, or around your neck interferes with your shooting exercise then please keep it handy on your body for presentation when asked. Range Safety Officers (RSOs) and any member will be requesting membership identification. If you see someone doing something you feel is unsafe or suspicious please ask them to present their Access Badge. If anyone refuses to properly identify themselves contact an RSO or Board member

immediately Report the incident to a Board member. We take safety and security seriously at ORSA.

In addition, in order to assure appropriate access to the ORSA facilities, we will be deactivating longstanding legacy security gate pin codes. Proper access to ORSA facilities is gained by placing your badge in proximity to the badge readers. We will continue to use posted temporary pin codes to allow nonmember attendees access to approved shooting events. This policy is in place to assure ORSA has truly effective security for our facilities.

Summer is here and I have never had many mosquito bites at ORSA. I would still highly recommend DEET (chiggers) and Permethrin (ticks) if you venture into woods or tall grass! ORSA's ranges are usually free of crowds during weekdays. Come join us for some early "cool-of-the-morning" or late afternoon weekday shooting when you can.

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7TH ANNUAL SKEET AND TRAP SHOOT BENEFITING SMOKY MTN. SERVICE DOGS 7TH ANNUAL PULL FOR OUR VETERANS SKEET AND TRAP FUN SHOOT

October 5-6, 2018

Oak Ridge Sportsmen's Association – 2625 Oak Ridge Turnpike Oak Ridge, TN 37830

October 5 (Friday) Flight 1 and Law Enforcement Appreciation

1:30 pm – Registration/check-in
2:00 pm – Flight 1
4:30 pm – Organizing LE squads
5:00 pm – LE shooting begins
7:00 pm – Dinner

October 6 (Saturday) Flights 2-4

7:30 am – Registration/check-in
8:30 am – Opening ceremony
9:30 am – Flight 2
11:00 am – Lunch and speaker
1:00 pm – Flight 3
3:00 pm – Flight 4

- October 5-6 October 2018: Skeet and Trap Shoot - 25 skeet, 25 wobble trap, 25 trap and 25 skeet doubles.
- You do not need to be experienced in skeet or trap. This is a great way for patriots to contribute to our charity and have a lot of fun shooting exciting targets. All fees from the shoot will go to the charity.
- Entry fee: \$100. Entry fee includes breakfast and lunch, 100 birds, t-shirt and hat.
- Drawings: Instead of a silent auction we will have several items available via drawing. You can buy your tickets in the clubhouse Friday or Saturday. Drawing winners need not be present to win.
- Registration forms available at www.pfov.org. Please register by September 15th to guarantee shirt size. Payments are on-line only.

**For more information visit: www.pfov.org or email: pullfourveterans@comcast.net
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2018 ORSA-NSSA YOUTH SKEET CLINIC

June 5, 2018 – Oak Ridge, TN The Oak Ridge Sportsman's Association (ORSA) hosted it's 3rd NSSA Youth Skeet Clinic, ending today. 15 athletes ages 9 to 18 participated, with excellent instruction. The athletes were mostly from local Scholastic Clay Target Program team and had all different skill levels. Athletes from 5 different SCTP teams were in attendance.

Some were looking for that elusive consistency that come from solid mechanics and a strong mental game, like 15 year old Cole Prince.

"I'm absolutely pounding targets" Cole said. "My technique was good, but Doug took it to another level". Cole was referring to Master Instructor Doug Thompson.

First year shooter Preston McCarthy, 17, said "My confidence level is so much higher (than before). I know now that I can break targets. This was a great two days at the range."

The clinic was not only for experienced athletes, but also for those new to shotgunning. One athlete had never fired a shotgun, but was consistently breaking pairs and the singles at 3, 4 and 5 by the end of the clinic. A permanent grin was on his tired, sweaty face.

The athletes put in two hard days of learning, shooting

around 20 rounds, with focus on technique, understanding of the game and having fun. NSSA provided partial funding, ORSA organized the event, plus provided food, T-Shirts, targets and a great atmosphere. Four NSSA Certified Instructors plus one instructor from ORSA gave a great student/instructor ratio which helps to ensure a great camp.

It certainly was good to see the investment in the future of the sport paying off by the smiles on these young athletes faces. Many of them

will be competing in the Tennessee State SCTP Championships in a few weeks and a few will be heading to Marengo, OH for the SCTP National Championships in July. It's a solid good bet that this clinic will be beneficial to them in their upcoming shoots.

"This a model youth camp, and is how we'd like to do this going forward" said Thompson, who is the National Chief Youth Instructor. "The NSSA works with local gun clubs, who organize the event. The NSSA instructors are brought in by the club, and the athletes are recruited into competitive skeet shooting for a life-time." Thanks to the NSSA, ORSA, the volunteers, instructors and athletes for such a great clinic, and for a great review of our sport!



RF Classifieds

FOR SALE BY MEMBERS:

Contact Robert at 865 684-9526

- Ruger LC9S, 9mm, original box and accessories including one extended mag, and one standard mag. Excellent Condition. \$240.
- Ruger Ranch Rifle, 223 cal., Stainless finish, with ATI black stock, folding and adjustable. Has four rails attached for optics and accessories. Flip up rear sight and standard front sight blade can be used with removal of receiver-mounted rail. 2-30 round mags plus one 20-round mag. Excellent condition. \$625

Call David at 865-660-4457 or email at po1fugate@comcast.net.

- Leupold Mark AR MOD 1 1.5X4X20MM 300 yard parallax. This is the scope sold by White Oak Armament made by the Leupold custom shop for service rifle competitions. It is CMP legal. These scopes are being redesigned and will list for around \$1800. This one is for sale at \$520; you can't get them anymore so it would be a good investment and a great scope for service rifle competitions.

Contact Josh Talley at (865) 719-3159 or rjtall@gmail.com

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- 9mm Prepped Brass - ready to reload. Resized/Deprimed. Case mouth expanded. Wet tumbled. Primer pockets cleaned. \$27.50/500 or \$50.00/1000 - cash.
Meet in Maryville only.

Contact Jim Wyatt at 865-804-6239 (leave message if no answer)

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- Remington 700 BDL 270 Left Handed \$500.00.
- Savage model SF116 stainless steel 300 Win Mag new in box \$450.00

WANTED BY MEMBERS:

Contact Monty J Montgomery at Rollemhd2000@aol.com or 615-305-1719

- Colt Single Action Army Revolver, 1st or 2nd Gen. Prefer .45LC or .44-40.



NOTICE: The July Board of directors meeting has been moved from July 4th to July 11th. The board meeting is open to all members.



IN THEIR OWN WORDS

“There is no reason for anyone in the country, for anyone except a police officer or a military person, to own, to have,, to use a handgun. The only way to control handgun use in this country is to prohibit the guns. And the only way to do that is to change the Constitution.”

Then NBC President Michael Gartner in
USA Today in an op-ed in 1992

“...There is no individual right to bear arms in the Bill of Rights...”

USA Today Editorial in 1994

“...law-abiding Americans have no unconditional right to firearms access...”

New York Post op-ed in 1994

“...There is no Constitutional guarantee for private ownership of firearms...”

Austin American-Statesman in 2000

“Repeal the Second Amendment”

Karen Carter Peterson, Chairwoman of the
Louisiana Democratic Party

“I ask, Who are the militia? They consist now of the whole people...”

— George Mason (1788)

“A well regulated Militia being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms shall not be infringed.”

— Article Two, Bill of Rights

REPEAL THE SECOND AMENDMENT??

We can become complacent now that we have the current President, control of both houses of Congress and have a conservative majority in the US Supreme Court. But with

every criminal mass shooting the calls for abridgement of, or complete repeal, of the Second Amendment get louder and louder. With the mass media behind them the gun control crowd gets more emboldened. The following editorial does a great job of outlining the history behind the Second Amendment and I’m quoting it, in part.

THE DECONSTRUCTION AND REPEAL OF THE SECOND AMENDMENT

There is a growing chorus of leftist calls to amend the 2A until they can rally enough populist support to fully repeal it. Mark Alexander, The Patriot Post, May 22, 2018

Article Two (the Second Amendment) was written as a prescription against government intrusion upon and usurpation of the Natural Rights of Man, because "the right of the people to keep and bear Arms" is the most formidable line of defense against government intrusion on those rights.

Indeed, this inherent right is the first civil right — the fundamental guarantor of all others — as affirmed by our Founders.

In fact, the first shots of the eight-year struggle for American independence, fired at Lexington and Concord, were in response to the British government's attempt to disarm "the People."

It was understood then, as now, that the inherent right to self-defense was irrevocable — and not to be infringed. It was and remains the most fundamental of the unalienable Rights of Man — the rights of all people.

After the conclusion of the Revolutionary War, during the 1788 Massachusetts Convention debates for ratification of the U.S. Constitution, Samuel Adams proclaimed, "The said Constitution shall never be construed ... to prevent the People of the United States who are peaceable citizens from keeping their own arms." Other states provided similar assurances in their constitutions, based on common law.

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Once our Constitution was ratified, the debate over the addition of a "Bill of Rights," including the Second Amendment right to self-defense, was hotly contested. Many of our Founders argued that the mere reiteration of these innate and unalienable Rights of Mankind within the Constitution might imply that they are somehow subject to amendment, as if granted to the people by the state rather than inherent as "endowed by their Creator."

In his first Bill of Rights draft, James Madison proposed what would become the Second Amendment. This was a concession to the Anti-Federalists, who insisted upon the enumeration of these specific Liberties in the Constitution, much to the objection of the Federalists, who believe this might imply to future generations that those inherent rights were subject to amendment.

Given the preeminent status of the Second Amendment and the growing chorus of leftists calling to amend it until they can rally enough populist support to fully repeal it, we should be clear that our Founders never intended for this right to be infringed. And we should be equally clear about what our Founders intended to convey with each clause: "A well regulated Militia being necessary to the security of a free State," and "the right of the people to keep and bear Arms shall not be infringed."

The reference to "a well regulated militia" has been a subject of some popular dispute.

Do these words refer to a standing army as some suggest — a national body of armed forces necessary for the safety and security of the nation, but which could be a potential threat to its citizens under the control of an oppressive regime?

While the militia reference is not to a standing army, it's clear that our Founders had a uniform concern for such military bodies. At the Constitutional Convention, Madison said: "A standing military force, with an overgrown Executive will not long be safe companions to Liberty. The means of defense against foreign danger have been always the instruments of tyranny at home."

According to Madison: "Besides the advantage of being armed, which the Americans possess over the people of almost every other nation, the existence of subordinate governments, to which the people are attached, and by which the militia officers are appointed, forms a barrier against the enterprises of ambition, more insurmountable than any which a simple government of any form can admit of."

Madison also observed, prophetically, that in Europe, "the governments are afraid to trust the people with arms." (I note "prophetically" because the inability of Europeans to defend themselves against the tyrannical socialist dictatorships of both Adolf Hitler and Joseph Stalin resulted in the deaths of more than 35 million European civilians.)

More specifically, as Noah Webster wrote in 1787: "Before a standing army can rule, the people must be disarmed; as they are in almost every kingdom in Europe. The supreme power in America cannot enforce unjust laws by the sword; because the whole body of the people are armed, and consti-

tute a force superior to any band of regular troops that can be, on any pretense, raised in the United States. A military force, at the command of Congress, can execute no laws, but such as the people perceive to be just and constitutional; for they will possess the power, and jealousy will instantly inspire the inclination, to resist the execution of a law which appears to them unjust and oppressive."

..., there exists a cynical and malicious argument for undermining the Second Amendment. This argument is made by historical revisionists who insist that because "a well regulated militia" refers to a state militia (or guard), it only authorizes "the people to keep and bear Arms" in their capacity as members of such militias.

The Second Amendment, however, has two clauses, just as it has two purposes. The first affirms the advantage of "a well regulated militia." The second affirms the "right of the people" (not state militias) "to keep and bear Arms." Thus, the second does not limit or restrict the right "to keep and bear Arms" to militias, but rather affirms the "right of the people" to do so.

It was also generally understood that "militia" was a reference to the whole body of "the People," though state militias were generally limited to able-bodied men.

George Mason, whose Virginia Bill of Rights was the inspiration for our Constitution's Bill of Rights, noted in the ratification debates, "I ask, Who are the militia? They consist now of the whole people..." He noted as well that to disarm the people "was the best and most effectual way to enslave them."

Virginia statesman Richard Henry Lee wrote, "To preserve Liberty, it is essential that the whole body of the people always possess arms, and be taught alike, especially when young, how to use them."

Likewise during the ratification debates, Patrick Henry declared: "The great object is that every man be armed. Everyone who is able may have a gun. ... Are we at last brought to such humiliating and debasing degradation, that we cannot be trusted with arms for our defense?"

Our Founders agreed and articulated repeatedly that the inherent "right of the people to keep and bear Arms" was the most dependable assurance of preserving Liberty.

In his magisterial Commentaries on the Constitution (1833), Justice Joseph Story, appointed to the Supreme Court by James Madison, affirmed the preeminence of the Second Amendment: "The right of the citizens to keep and bear arms has justly been considered as the palladium [safeguard] of the Liberties of a Republic; since it offers a strong moral check against usurpation and arbitrary power of the rulers; and will generally, even if these are successful in the first instance, enable the People to resist and triumph over them."

Jefferson asked rhetorically: "What country can preserve its liberties, if their rulers are not warned from time to time that their people preserve the spirit of resistance? Let them take arms."

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"If the representatives of the people betray their constituents," Alexander Hamilton observed, "there is then no recourse left but in the exertion of that original right of self-defense which is paramount to all positive forms of government." He added, "Little more can reasonably be aimed at, with respect to the people at large, than to have them properly armed and equipped."

Historically, there have been no successful attempts to modify the Second Amendment's assurance of the innate rights of the people to defend their Liberty, but there are now threats to do so. That is precisely why in the debates over ratification of the Bill of Rights, as previously noted, many of our Founders expressed concern that the enumeration of such rights might imply to future generations that they were subject to amendment.

That notwithstanding, Second Amendment rights have most certainly been subject to much alteration by judicial misinterpretation and outright activism.

Given the Supreme Court's rejection of the Democrat Party leadership's effort to redefine "militia" as something other than "the People," there is now a new rationale for repealing the Second Amendment.

That argument is this: At the time the Second Amendment was ratified, the most sophisticated weapon was a flint-

lock — a far less deadly weapon than the "black assault rifles" used in the extremely rare but high-profile mass murders today, which Democrats exploit as political fodder in order to stir up their anti-2A constituents advocating repeal.

In my recent debate with a wealthy suburban leftist after one such attack, he insisted, "If not repeal, I think the best solution would be to amend the Second Amendment so that the arms mentioned are limited to those from when the amendment was written. Then anyone who wanted could have a musket or a flintlock — nothing more."

I responded, "Using your 'logic,' the First Amendment's freedom of speech would only apply to the town crier, and freedom of the press would only apply to opinions written with a quill pen on parchment?"

No response...

Statists in the executive, legislative and judicial branches, who favor a centralized socialist government, endeavor wherever possible to enfeeble and erode the Second Amendment. For in doing so, they move ever closer to their ultimate objective (and that of their uninformed constituents) — disarming the American people and demoting our constitutional standing as "citizens" to our ancestors' standing as "subjects."

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THE RIGHT TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS

The Right to Keep and Bear Arms (RKBA) column is now available each month on the ORSAONLINE web site at (www.orsaonline.org/rkba.asp). From time to time, the RKBA column will be included in the printed version which is mailed to members' homes when space permits.

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July 2018

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
						1 Modern Military/GSM Club Match 10 AM 200 yard line Skeet & Trap 12-4
2 Smallbore Class 7-9 ID 2 PM Long Range Practice	3 5 PM Bullseye Pistol ID Range HP Practice Skeet & Trap 10-1	4 HP Practice Skeet & Trap 10-1	5 Competitive Archery ID HP Practice	6 HP Practice Skeet & Trap 10-1	7 IDPA Skeet & Trap 10-4	8 Cowboy Setup 1 PM Skeet & Trap 12-4
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27 Smallbore Class 7-9 ID 2 PM Long Range Practice	28 5 PM Bullseye Pistol ID Cowboy Shoot 9 AM HP Practice Skeet & Trap 10-1	29 HP Practice Skeet & Trap 10-1	30 Competitive Archery ID HP Practice	31 HP Practice Skeet & Trap 10-1		



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