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THE NEWSLETTER OF THE OAK RIDGE SPORTSMEN'S ASSOCIATION

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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## TREASURE DISCOVERED IN OAK RIDGE

No, we didn't find a pirate treasure chest on ORSA property. It's just that I've heard some friends at the range say "We've been bequeathed a treasure here at ORSA". It's true...thanks to the vision, hard work, and dedication of those who came before us, we have a world-class shooting facility right here in Oak Ridge. The quality and the wide variety of activities we have makes ORSA second to none. Long-time member Leonard Abbatiello has written a couple articles about the founding and early years of the Club, and I hope you'll take the time to read them at <http://orsaonline.org/history.asp> or just click on the ORSA History link under the NEWS tab on our homepage.

CALLING ALL OLD TIMERS! As we near the 75th Anniversary of ORSA, the Board has given me the opportunity to compile the history of our great organization. I am working on a timeline that shows major range construction and additions, as well as significant milestones for the club. I have many (not all) newsletters from about 1960, but I'm sure I'm missing a lot of information. Can you help? Do you have pertinent stuff squirreled away? Something you think is important? Know of any shooting Champions from ORSA? Maybe some pictures from the old days? Stories to tell? As far as pictures and documents, I can scan whatever you have and return the original. Please contact me if you have anything to share!

**RON RAYMOND** - ORSA Historian  
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## PLAN TO ATTEND THE ORSA ANNUAL MEETING & HOLIDAY DINNER

**Wednesday, December 5th, 2019**  
**At the Elks Lodge**  
648 Emory Valley Road, Oak Ridge

**Limited Open Bar Begins at 6:30**  
**Dinner begins at 7:00**

*Please bring a side dish, salad, or dessert*  
*ORSA will provide turkey and ham.*  
Please call Ed Johnson at 483-9573  
and let him know how many will be  
attending so the club can buy the  
proper amount of food.

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!**  
**BE THERE!**



## TN STATE CMP GAMES CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

On September 28, ORSA High Power hosted the TN State CMP Garand/Springfield/Vintage Military (GSM) matches. Traditionally known as the “CMP Games Match” for the first time.

The CMP sponsors many types of matches for Air Rifle, Smallbore rifle and pistol as well service rifle. The Games Matches with the M1 Garand are what the CMP has been known for, mostly through the rifle sales program. The Games matches are the simplest type of highpower match to participate in as it only requires

- An “as-issued” service rifle, typically a surplus M1, or other “milsurp”.
- Shooting mat, scope and a few other accessories as desired by the shooter.

For that reason, the CMP Games is a starting point for anyone wanting to see what high power is about or considering getting into more serious high power competition as many folks have the basic gear and “milsurp” rifle in the home safe. While there is somewhat of a collector market for older rifles, the sheer numbers of M1 Garands, Springfields and other vintage rifles mean that there are plenty that are being shot, continue to shoot, and there’s a good supply for many parts. These rifles are meant to be shot and cared for. In fact, the CMP currently sells M1 Garand’s from refurbished parts with a new barrel and stock for as little as \$650 at the time this article is written.

Work for this match began months earlier with CMP Coordinator Kyle Kirschenmann scouring vendors and contacts from previous matches for door prizes. He was not disappointed. We received prizes from Hornady, Creedmoor Sports, Midway USA, Vortex, and Orion 7 Enterprises.

Match was attended by a good mix of old and new shooters as well as local and several that traveled out of state.

The Championship consisted of the three matches

which are the same course of fire all shot from the 200 yd line. While the weather cooperated, it cooperated too much as it was abnormally warm for the end of September. As a result, ORSA members set up a canopy for use later in the day as the temperature hit the 90’s.

As a result, several shooters only shot one or two matches, leaving only the brave souls to shoot all three matches into the afternoon. The morning began with first pair of relays, a total of 14 shooters began mostly with the venerable M1 Garand. Two additional matches were held, with 9 shooters firing the M1903 Springfield and then 8 shooters using a variety of vintage military bolt guns. The vintage bolt match consisted of a majority of Swiss K31s, at least two M1917’s and one M1898 Krag-Jørgenson which was the first smokeless rifle adopted by the US Army before the turn of the century, the one before last.

Of note the “best in show” award went to David Graham of Louisville Ky, who brought his M1917 to shoot for the vintage bolt match. This particular M1917 was a former parade rifle with the stock painted white and all metal surfaces chromed and polished, before it was turned back in, sold for surplus then restored to firing condition. While a bit unusual at first, it is certainly in keeping with the history of these rifles that began their life at the forefront of “modern technology”, then make their way serving various roles as newer technology is introduced, before eventually beings sold as “surplus” though the CMP or the CMP’s predecessor, the US Army’s Department of Civilian Marksmanship, or DCM.

At the end of the match, David Graham had first pick of the door prizes and then scorecards were drawn randomly for the remainder.

There are several other CMP Games weekend matches at ORSA before the end of the year, so please check the rangefinder, or look for a clinic to attend in Spring of 2020.

The individual match winners are:

PLACE	M1 GARAND	SPRINGFIELD	VINTAGE MILITARY
1st	Kyle Kirschenmann ..... 282-7X	David Kiefer..... 277-4X	David Graham..... 279-2X
2nd	David Kiefer ..... 277-3X	David Graham..... 272-2X	John Wollenberg..... 274-3X
3rd	John Chubb ..... 277-3X	John Chubb ..... 269-3X	John Chubb..... 273-1X

The Overall 3-Gun Aggregate Gold Medal goes to David Graham, of Louisville KY, with a total score of 823-6X.

PLACE	3-GUN AGGREGATE
1st	David Graham ..... 823-6X
2nd	John Chubb ..... 819-7X
3rd	David Kiefer ..... 818-10X

# ORSA SPORTING CLAYS

## NEWS FROM SKEET & TRAP & SPORTING CLAYS

- November 10th is our annual ST&SC meeting at 2:00 pm in the clubhouse. Please try to attend. Sporting Clays will be closed due to the meeting and the skeet and trap fields will be closed during the meeting.
- Nov. 1st we are going to winter hours. Winter schedule runs through February. Fields will be open:  
Skeet Fri. 11-2, Sat. 11-3 & Sun. 12-4  
Trap Tues. 11-2, Sat. 11-3 & Sun. 12-4  
Sporting Clays Fri. 12-4, Sat. 9-4 and Sun. 1-4
- The night skeet league continues to have record attendance. In January the skeet League will move to Sunday afternoon. Additional information will forthcoming in next month's Rangefinder.
- September 28th we held our annual Fall Trap Shoot. Very successful with 30 shooters using 5,000 targets. Trap shooting on Tuesdays remains very popular with three fields being required at times.
- November 16th we will hold our fall Intra-club Skeet & Trap Shoot. This shoot consists of 50 skeet targets and 50 trap targets. This is a fun shoot that gives both skeet and trap shooters a chance to shoot targets they don't usually shoot. Loaner guns will be available for those who don't have guns for both sports.
- Prizes will be awarded by a Lewis scoring system so luck is as important as skill. This is a breakfast shoot. Eat at 9:00 register at 10:00 shoot at 10:30. Prizes awarded as soon as shooting is finished. You have to be present to get your prize. Cost is \$10 skeet and \$10 trap.
- Prizes will be awarded by Lewis scoring system. So luck is as important as skill. Everyone has a chance to win.
- The Fall Sporting Clays shoot was held October 5th with 52 shooters. This was a great turnout. Sporting Clays is the fastest growing clay game in the country. If you haven't tried golf with a shotgun yet come on out. We'll help you get started.
- Sporting Clays Junior Clinic was held October 7th & 8th. We had ten junior shooters and four certified Sporting Clays instructors with a safety officer. The clinic was very beneficial to our junior shooters who are the future of our shooting sports.
- The Fall Wobble Shoot has been canceled. Will be back in the spring.

**LARRY MCNAMEE** - *President of S,T&SC*



## SPECIAL ACTION PISTOL MEETING

There will be a special election for the Vice President position on the Action Pistol board on December 16th at the ORSA clubhouse. Meeting time is 7 pm. If interested please provide a short bio to Byrl Adkisson email:

orsaidpa@comcast.net. Submission must be submitted by December 7th. Voters must be present to vote.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks for your help.

# RF CLASSIFIEDS

## FOR PERSONAL SALE:

### Contact Steve Stinnett, 865-414-5488

- For Sale: Winchester 1873 Sporter with Pistol Grip. 38/357. 14-Round Magazine capacity. Polished and blue finish. Semi-Buckhorn rear sight, gold bead front sight. 24" octagonal barrel, black walnut Grade II/III stock. Crescent metal recoil pad, brass cartridge lifter and steel loading gate. Model # 534229137. \$1200 Cash. [10/3]

### Contact davefichtner@gmail.com, 865-300-7553

- For Sale: M1 Garand International Harvester, 1954. Perfect condition. Complete with sling and 2 clips. Photos available. \$2295. [10/6]

### Contact John MacCurdy, 704-905-5778

- Fab Velocity XLR5 AR, 12 gauge. 30-inch, recoil system, adjustable fore end weights, and adjustable comb. High gloss grade 4 wood, silver nitrate receiver. No better target auto-loader made. \$2,200. [10/12]

### Contact Kent Campbell at campbell.kb@gmail.com

- Rock River Arms AR-15: 16" HBAR chambered in 5.56x45 NATO w/bird cage flash hider, Flat Top Upper, Rainier Arms Raptor Charging Handle, Nikon 1-4x variable scope w/BDC reticle, 45 degree offset BUIS, two 30rd mags & one 20rd mag. \$1,500 [10/17]

### Contact Tommy Maxwell at 865-850-7179 or email at: john6132@att.net

- M1 Garand, DCM (Not CMP) rebuild, and less than 100 Rounds. Springfield 26XXXXX, SA65 barrel, all par reparkerized. \$1100
- M-14 Stocks, new walnut, no buttplate. \$75
- New Big Red with all metal. \$85
- USGI fiberglass with all metal, fair condition. \$50 (10/17)

### RANGEFINDER CLASSIFIED POLICY

Members-In-Good-Standing may submit ads for the sale of firearms, ammo, reloading supplies & equipment, legal firearms accessories and targetry. Ads are for private person-to-person sale. No business-related ads will be accepted. Submit your ad in MS Word if at all possible via email to orsasec@gmail.com. All ads are subject to approval by the ORSA Board of Directors.

## 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](http://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.

Please remember that each edition of the Rangefinder is also available online at ORSAONLINE ([www.orsaonline.org/newsletters.asp](http://www.orsaonline.org/newsletters.asp)) and is normally available before the edition arrives by mail.

## PRODUCT WARNING AND RECALL NOTICE

### WINCHESTER® Super-X 17 HMR 20 Grain Jacketed Hollow Point

Olin Winchester, LLC is recalling two (2) lots of 17 HMR 20 Grain Jacketed Hollow Point Rimfire rifle ammunition.

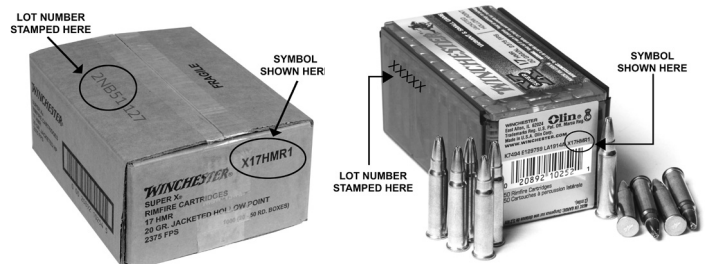
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Lot Numbers (last four characters):

NB51 and NB61. Winchester has determined the above lots of 17 HMR ammunition may contain no powder charges. Ammunition with no powder charges may result in a bullet remaining in the barrel (i.e., a bullet-in-bore obstruction). Firing a subsequent bullet into the bore obstruction could cause firearm damage, rendering the firearm inoperable and subjecting the shooter and bystanders to a risk of serious personal injury.

DO NOT USE WINCHESTER® 17 HMR 20 GRAIN JHP SYMBOL X17HMR1 THAT HAS A LOT NUMBER ENDING IN NB51 or NB61. The ammunition Lot Number is stamped on the top of the 1000-round case and the outside of the 50-round plastic box as indicated here.

X17HMR1 X17HMR1. To determine if your ammunition is subject to this notice, review the Symbol and Lot Number. If it is Symbol X17HMR1 and the last four characters of the Lot Number are NB51 or NB61, immediately discontinue use and contact Win-



chester toll-free at 844-653-8358 for free UPS pick-up of the recalled ammunition.

This notice applies only to Symbol X17HMR1 with Lot Numbers ending in NB51 and NB61. Other Symbols or Lot Numbers are not subject to this recall.

If you have any questions concerning this 17 HMR rimfire rifle ammunition recall please call toll-free 844-653-8358, write to Winchester (600 Powder Mill Road, East Alton, IL 62024 Attn: X17HMR1 Recall), or visit our website at [www.winchester.com](http://www.winchester.com).

We apologize for this inconvenience.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					<b>1</b> HP Practice Skeet 10 -1  Sporting Clays 1 - 5	<b>2</b> Sporting Clays 9-5 IDPA 8am Airgun League 10am Wind Dog Shootout 8AM CH Fall Wobble Trap 9am
<b>3</b> Skeet & Trap 12 – 4 Sporting Clays 1-4 R&P Random Doubles Team Match 10AM CH End of Season Cookout CH	<b>4</b> L R Practice 2 PM Smallbore Class 7pm	<b>5</b> HP Practice Trap 10 - 1 Precision Pistol 5pm	<b>6</b> HP Practice Rimfire Practice 5PM ORSA Board Meeting 6:30PM CH	<b>7</b> HP Practice	<b>8</b> HP Practice Skeet 11-2  Sporting Clays 12 - 4	<b>9</b> Skeet & Trap 11–3 Sporting Clays 9-4 Cowboy Match 8:30 CMP GSMM 10am CH Private Party, CH 3pm
<b>10</b> Skeet & Trap 12 – 4 Sporting Clays 1-4 Vintage Sniper 8am CH Carbine Match 1pm CR S&T Annual Meeting CH 2	<b>11</b> L R Practice 2 PM Smallbore Class 7pm	<b>12</b> HP Practice Trap 10 - 1 Precision Pistol 5pm	<b>13</b> HP Practice Rimfire Practice 5pm	<b>14</b> HP Practice	<b>15</b> HP Practice Skeet 11-2  Sporting Clays 12 - 4	<b>16</b> Skeet & Trap 11–3 Sporting Clays 9-4 Airgun League 10am USPSA 9am Intra Club S&T Breakfast shoot 9-3
<b>17</b> Skeet & Trap 12 – 4 Sporting Clays 1-4 Precision Pistol Match 9AM ID	<b>18</b> L R Practice 2 PM Smallbore Class 7pm	<b>19</b> HP Practice Trap 10 - 1 Precision Pistol 5pm	<b>20</b> HP Practice Rimfire Practice 5pm Orientation 6:30 CH	<b>21</b> HP Practice  R&P Club Meeting 6:30 CH	<b>22</b> HP Practice Skeet 11-3 Sporting Clays 9-4	<b>23</b> Sporting Clays 9-5 Steel Challenge 9am
<b>24</b> Skeet & Trap 12 – 4 Sporting Clays 1-4 Steel Challenge 9am 3-Gun 9am	<b>25</b> L R Practice 2 PM Smallbore Class 7pm	<b>26</b> HP Practice Trap 10 - 1 Precision Pistol 5pm Action Pistol Club Meeting 7PM CH	<b>27</b> HP Practice Rimfire Practice 5pm	<b>28</b> HP Practice	<b>29</b> HP Practice Skeet 11-3 Sporting Clays 9-4	<b>30</b> Skeet & Trap 10–4 Sporting Clays 9-5  Rev 10.25.19

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b> Skeet & Trap 12-4 Sporting Clays 12-4	<b>2</b> L R Practice 2 pm  Smallbore Class 7pm	<b>3</b> Trap 11 – 2 HP Practice  Precision Pistol 5PM	<b>4</b> HP Practice Rimfire Practice 5PM	<b>5</b> HP Practice	<b>6</b> Skeet 11- 2 Sporting Clays 12-4  HP Practice	<b>7</b> Skeet & Trap 11-2 Sporting Clays 9–4 IDPA 8am RP Christmas Party Airgun League 10AM
<b>8</b> Skeet & Trap 12-4 Sporting Clays 12-4	<b>9</b> L R Practice 2 PM  Smallbore Class 7pm	<b>10</b> Trap 11 – 2 HP Practice  Precision Pistol 5PM	<b>11</b> HP Practice  Rimfire Practice 5PM	<b>12</b> HP Practice	<b>13</b> Skeet 11- 2 Sporting Clays 12-4  HP Practice	<b>14</b> Skeet & Trap 11-2 Sporting Clays 9–4 Cowboy Match 8:30 Private Party 4-7 PM. CH
<b>15</b> Skeet & Trap 12-4 Sporting Clays 12-4 Precision Pistol Match 9AM	<b>16</b> L R Practice 2 PM Special AP Meeting 7pm CH Smallbore Class 7pm	<b>17</b> Trap 11 – 2 HP Practice  Precision Pistol 5PM	<b>18</b> HP Practice  Rimfire Practice 5PM  Orientation 6:30 CH	<b>19</b> HP Practice  RP Club Meeting CH 6:30PM	<b>20</b> Skeet 11- 2 Sporting Clays 12-4  HP Practice	<b>21</b> Skeet & Trap 11-2 Sporting Clays 9–4 USPSA 9AM  Airgun League 10AM
<b>22</b> Skeet & Trap 12-4 Sporting Clays 12-4	<b>23</b> L R Practice 2 PM  Smallbore Class 7pm	<b>24</b> Trap 11 – 2 HP Practice  Precision Pistol 5PM	<b>25</b> HP Practice  Rimfire Practice 5pm	<b>26</b> HP Practice	<b>27</b> Skeet 11- 2 Sporting Clays 12-4  HP Practice	<b>28</b> Skeet & Trap 11-2 Sporting Clays 9–4 Steel Challenge 9am
<b>29</b> Skeet & Trap 12-4 Sporting Clays 12-4 3 Gun 9AM Steel Challenge 9AM	<b>30</b> L R Practice 2 PM  Smallbore Class 7pm	<b>31</b> Trap 11 – 2 HP Practice				Rev 10.31.19



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