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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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NEWS FROM SKEET & TRAP & SPORTING CLAYS



Happy New Year! We are starting off on a very positive note with the Polar Bear League. We had over 50 shooters the first week. The Polar Bear Skeet League runs through February and then the Skeet League goes back to Thursday nights in April.

And mark your calendars for the Skeet and Trap Intra-club shoot which will be held February 15th. A delicious breakfast is included with your shoot registration fee which is \$10.00 for skeet and \$10.00 for trap, plus targets from your target card. Where can you shoot and eat for \$20?? You must shoot both events to win cash prizes. Prizes will be awarded by the Lewis system, so your luck counts as much as your skill. Loaner guns will be available if needed.

Looking back at 2019, we welcomed over 300 new shooters to Skeet, Trap and Sporting Clays. In 2019, we threw 504,000 targets at SKEET&TRAP and 424,000 targets at Sporting Clays, a total of almost one-million targets for our first full year of operating Sporting Clays and our regular skeet and trap programs. If you haven't tried golf with a shotgun come out and give it a try. It's a lot of fun with a lot of nice people.

Tuesday trap shooting continues to be very popular. We shoot the Big 50 ATA registered targets and fun targets as well weather permitting.

Thanks for your continued support of our shotgun activities at ORSA.

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





We will have a meeting February 8, 2020 at 8:00 AM at the Clubhouse. Anyone interested in pursuing archery should plan to attend, especially if you are a beginner. We will be glad to help you find the items you need to get started. On the regular agenda, we will be discussing layout for the walkthrough ranges. Looking forward to seeing you there.

DON WOOD - *President, Archery*

BE A CERTIFIED RANGE OFFICER

As most of you are aware, the Ed Johnson Indoor Range is staffed by volunteers who have passed a Certified Range Officer (CRO) Safety Course. This course is a requirement to be a Certified Range Officer and fulfill the duties required for oversight and enforce the safety protocols of the indoor range. We are looking to add to the current staff of volunteers we have fulfilling those positions. The process starts with attending classroom training, and passing an exam, and demonstrating familiarity with our range-specific rules. Once you have attended the necessary training and have been certified to work at the indoor range, you are required to fulfill the volunteer duties as CRO when needed. The schedule works out so that each person will only have to work a 2-3 hour shift once each 5-7 weeks. The following steps are all that is required to participate as a CRO.

1. Contact me (Tim French) via email at orsariflepistol@gmail.com to be placed on the CRO list.
2. Attend the Range Office Training course that we will provide once we have enough potential candidates.
3. Attend the Indoor Range-specific training required to understand the safety protocols needed for the IR.
4. Be available to provide the CRO duties whenever Ed Johnson contacts you with the new schedule every 6-8 weeks.

As you can see the process to become a volunteer to work in the IR is fairly simple and we look forward to seeing each of you show up on the list to become new volunteers.

TIM FRENCH - *President Rifle/Pistol*

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Contact Brad Cantrell, (865) 382-0326

- I have a Springfield 1898 Krag Jorgenson 30/40 rifle and around 20 rounds of ammo.
- Gun has a peep sight, bluing is in good shape, normal wear. Gun has been sporterized. \$400 OBO

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- For Sale: Browning 725 Field Shotgun, 12 Gauge, 28 inch barrels, 5 Flush Invector DS chokes, 2-SK, IC, Mod, & Full. Twin bead sights. Manual Safety, Ejectors, Browning Inflex Recoil Pad. Outstanding condition and not many rounds fired. All original box and manual. \$1650

Contact David Swann, sprdave175@gmail.com, or call or text 970-270-3033

- 2019 Remington V3 Waterfowl Pro 12 ga. Syn Stock Real Tree Max-5 Semi-Auto. New in Box, never fired. \$825
- 1976 Winchester Model 94 Bi-Centennial 30-30, never fired, excellent condition in original boxes with all original accessories. \$900

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Contact M. J. Montgomery (615) 305-1719 cell, email Rollemhd2000@aol.com

- Wanted: The Book entitled: "Colt .45 Service Pistols Models of 1911 and 1911A1" by Charles W. Clawson. 3rd Edition. Will consider enlarged and revised edition of the Collectors Guide.

Contact Kyle Brazil via email at brazil.kyle@gmail.com, or call (325) 215-9364

- 30 caliber 125 grain Nosler Ballistic Tips - 4 unopened boxes of 50 bullets (200 total) - \$50
- 30 caliber 220 grain Sierra Match King (BTHP) - 1 unopened box of 500 bullets, 1 open box with at least 250 bullets remaining - \$175
- 30 caliber 208 grain Hornady BTHP Match - 1 unopened box of 100 bullets - \$20
- 22 caliber 55 grain Hornady VMAX - 4 unopened boxes of 250 bullets (1,000 total) - \$120

Contact Dennis Rice at (865)805-7459, or via email at drice0517@comcast.net

- Browning Citori 725, 12 GA, left-handed, Factory and Briley choke sets. Nice Browning hard case, too. \$2600 for everything.

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.

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

KNOX COUNTY: LOSING THE BATTLE AGAINST GUN BIAS



One might believe that the front lines in the battle against anti-gun bias would be the liberal bastions of Hollywood, New York, or Chicago. Unfortunately, this is not the case. It is within the hallways of Knox County schools, and is being fully funded by you, the tax-payer.

The full-frontal attack on the 2nd Amendment is effectively being made quietly and subtly by the largest and most influential employer in the county; the Knox County School System. There are approximately 8,300 full time employees and they have our children's attention for 8 hours a day. The Liberal's goal in Knox County is to take away every positive interaction with firearms and their positive uses from a generation of kids. Then it'll be much easier to move the agenda forward to banning all guns, which is their stated goal.

Three recent incidents that demonstrate the intention of the Leftist in our Schools to attempt remove firearms from every element of American life.

In the first, I was asked to accompany a squad of non-shooters at a charity sporting clays event a few years ago. Of the four-gun squad, 3 had some experience, and actually had a good time. The 4th was Indya Kincannon, the new Knoxville City Mayor. She had never held a firearm; and did not appear to be interested in how to safely do so. I had to disarm her twice to keep her from muzzle sweeping her squad-mates. After the 3rd station she stopped participating. She made it known that she was Chairman of the school board and that Knox County Schools would never entertain this dangerous sport. In her words, Knox County youth have no place being near or using guns in any form. True to her word, in campaigning for mayor, she led the charge to stop gun shows at Chilhowee Park. There are less than 50 athletes that compete in organized shooting sports out of 57,800 students in the County.

In the second event, a Scholastic Clay Target Program athlete wore his shooting team T-shirt to middle school, and oddly, the young man was closely followed by the school resource officer for the first three periods. Then, at the end of the 3rd period the officer asked him to come to the office with him. He then questioned the student as to whether he had "evil intentions", had thought about doing "bad stuff" or was a fan of people who did "mass shootings". The athlete was incorrectly told that his Team Shirt was a serious violation of the dress code (Knox County Dress Code does not forbid gun images). The young man was then taken to lost and found where he was given an old t-shirt to wear.

In the third example, a highly accomplished athlete is considering attending college on a shooting scholarship. Upon receipt of the offer from the college she approached one of the assistant principals, about the possibility of having a "signing ceremony" on school property. However, the assistant principal emphatically told her "NO!" and began to admonish her for even thinking that the school would support a "fake sport" (She shoots Olympic Trap and has won the TN State Championship). In a later meeting with the principal, she was berated for thinking of using "school property" for a non-school (firearms-related) event.

In contrast, 4 surrounding county schools heavily promote the shooting sports. It's a "letter sport" in these areas and scholarships are universally celebrated. Some local shooting teams even give scholarships to their graduating athletes.

So clearly, the battle for gun rights is now beyond the NRA and the Congress - **rather it's right here in our own backyard.** What can you as an individual do? First, take a kid shooting. Make it safe, fun and rewarding. Let the parents know safety is your primary concern. Show them that you're first going to teach the young person how to safely handle a loaded firearm and unload it. The youngster is certain to come across a firearm at some point and needs to know how to ensure it's unloaded and safe. Offer to bring the parent(s) along and/or have a certified instructor available. Provide proper eye and ear protection. (Most new shooters are afraid of the noise more than anything). Ensure the gun is proper for a new shooter (fit, low recoil ammo, etc). Finally, make sure they have fun and nothing except safety is taken seriously.

Second, take an adult to the range. Someone who might not be part of the firearm culture, but who would be apathetic with the loss of the resource. Use the same rules of fun, common sense safety and enjoyment as you would with your own children or grandchildren.

Finally, VOTE and for candidates who support the shooting sports and the 2nd Amendment. Failure to do so guarantees degradation of our fundamental right to protect ourselves, enjoy our sport and protect our hunting & firearms legacy.

To be effective in this particular struggle you need not go to Washington, call Congress, organize a rally or lobby for the NRA. You can best influence by doing what we love to do:

TAKE SOMEONE SHOOTING TODAY!

YOUNG SHOOTER HIGHLIGHT: KINCAID GILLESPIE

As part of a new series highlighting young shooters, we'd like to introduce you to Kincaid Gillespie. As a Sophomore at Carson Newman, Kincaid is on her way to a BS in Nursing with aspirations of working in Pediatrics. Spend a few minutes with her and you can see how her soft, caring demeanor is perfect to work with little people in need.

However, meet her on the shotgun range and you'll see determination, composure and poise. Kincaid, now 19, started her shooting career while at Gibbs High School in the 2015-2016 season with the Tennessee Scholastic Clay Target Program. She was introduced to the sport by a friend from her church who was also part of the TNSCTP. As with most athletes she started with Trap and learned the ropes of safety, competition, and self-reliance.

As Kincaid gained confidence she gravitated to skeet and sporting clays, the disciplines she now calls "Home". She also enjoys pistol shooting, and hopes to improve her technique and performance on the line as time moves forward. Her next challenge, though, is to become proficient in double skeet. Given that her scores continue to improve despite the rigorous schedule and demands of a college student, you should expect her to become highly advanced there. As a testament to her work ethic, Kincaid scored her personal best at both skeet and sporting in last year's TNSCTP State Championship while maintaining a 3.5 GPA and making the Dean's List.



It's unusual for a Nursing Student to love firearms and the clay target sports, so Kincaid gets asked lots of questions about her sport and is universally remembered as the shotgun athlete; and is a great ambassador for our sport. When asked about her shooting hero(s), she named two gentlemen who have continually encouraged her, been patient with her and had a lot of fun with her on the range. If you see Dave Simmons and Jim Blair, thank them for helping this impressive young lady.



When asked about how the shotgun sports have influenced her, Kincaid quickly replied: "This sport has given me more confidence and taught and shown me what true sportsmanship is." She continued, "I have tried other sports, but I never got into other sports until shooting. This is because this sport is more self-paced, and I have enjoyed challenging myself to become better as I look back to see how far I've come. Even though you are on a team, this is an individual sport as well, and I have always been more of a reserved/shy person, so I have enjoyed the fact that I was my biggest competitor."

Not only have the shooting sports been beneficial for Kincaid on a growth level, but it also has helped with her schooling from a financial standpoint. Kincaid won several scholarships: including the Henry Naff Optimist Club, and Bob & Willodene Peek Family scholarships. Two shooting scholarships are also among her awards; the N2Dust Shotgun Sports Most Valuable Team Member Scholarship, and the National Scholastic Clay Target Program Scholarship. She says that winning the SCTP Scholarship is the accomplishment she's most proud of (so far).

Looking forward Kincaid hopes to take the lessons she's learned and apply them as a care-giver, and possibly use the drive for excellence to obtain her CRNA as a Nurse Anesthetist. We expect she will do whatever she puts her mind to. **Please help us congratulate Kincaid Gillespie as one of the young people we all admire.**

February 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Acronyms LR - Long Range HP - Highpower Rifle Range SB - Smallbore Rifle SC - Sporting Clays ID - Ed Johnson Indoor Range						1 S&T 11-3 SC 9-4 Indoor Air League ID 10-12 IDPA 9AM ID Open 12-4
2 Skeet 12-2 Trap 12-4 Polar Bear League 2-4 Polar Bears CH 12:30-6 PM SC 12-4 ID Open ID 2-4	3 LR Practice Smallbore Class ID 7PM	HP Practice Trap 11-2 Precision Pistol League ID 5 PM Cowboys 9 AM ID Open 1-3	5 HP Practice ORSA Board Mtg CH 6:30 SB Practice ID 4 PM	6 HP Practice ID Open 1-3	7 HP Practice Skeet 11-2 SC 12-4	8 S&T 11-3 SC 9-4 Archery Mtg 8 AM CH Cowboys 9:30 AM NRL22 Prec. Rimfire 10AM ID Open 12-4
9 Skeet 12-2 Trap 12-4 Polar Bear League 2-4 Polar Bears CH 12:30-6 PM SC 12-4 Archery League 5:30 PM ID Open ID 2-4	10 LR Practice Smallbore Class ID 7PM	11 HP Practice Trap 11-2 Precision Pistol League ID 5 PM ID Open 1-3	12 HP Practice SB Practice ID 4 PM	13 HP Practice ID Open 1-3	14 HP Practice Skeet 11-2 SC 12-4 Valentine's Day	15 S&T Intra-Club CH 8-4 SC 9-4 Indoor Air League ID 10 - 12 USPSA 10 AM ID Open 12-4
16 Skeet 12-2 Trap 12-4 Polar Bear 2-4 Polar Bear League 2-4 Polar Bears CH 12:30-6 PM Precision Pistol Match ID 9 AM ID Open 2-4	17 LR Practice Smallbore Class ID 7PM President's Day	18 HP Practice Trap 11-2 Precision Pistol League ID 5 PM ID Open 1-3	19 HP Practice Orientation 6:30 CH SB Practice ID 4 PM	20 HP Practice R & P Club Mtg 6:30 CH ID Open 1-3	21 HP Practice Skeet 11-2 SC 12-4	22 SC 9-4 Steel Challenge 9 AM ID Open 12-4
23 Skeet 12-2 Trap 12-4 Polar Bear League 2-4 Polar Bears CH 12:30-6 PM SC 12-4 Steel Challenge 9AM ID Open 2-4	24 LR Practice AP Meeting CH 7PM Smallbore Class ID 7PM	25 HP Practice Trap 11-2 Precision Pistol League ID 5 PM ID Open 1-3	26 HP Practice SB Practice ID 4 PM	27 HP Practice ID Open 1-3	28 HP Practice Skeet 11-2 SC 12-4	29 S&T 11-3 SC 9-4 AP Special Event TBD ID Open 12-4 Rev 01.10.2020

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 S&T 12-4 SC 1-5 TIME CHANGE Spring Ahead ID Open 2-4	2 LR Practice Smallbore Class ID 7PM	3 HP Practice Trap 10-1 Prec Pistol League CR 5 PM ID Open 1-3	4 HP Practice Skeet 10-1 ORSA BOARD MTG 6:30	5 HP Practice ID Open 1-3	6 HP Practice Skeet 10-1 SC 1-5	7 NRA App HP CH 8 AM S&T 10-4 SC 9-5 Indoor Air League ID 10 AM IDPA 9 AM ID Open 12-4
8 NRA Mid Range 3x600 HP S&T 12-4 SC 1-5 Precision Pistol Match ID 9AM ID Open 2-4	9 LR Practice Smallbore Class ID 7PM	10 HP Practice Trap 10-1 Prec Pistol League CR 5 PM Cowboys 9AM ID Open 1-3	11 HP Practice Skeet 10-1	12 HP Practice ID Open 1-3	13 HP Practice Skeet 10-1 SC 1-5	14 NRA LR App HP CH 8 AM S&T 10-4 SC 9-5 NLR 22 Prec Rimfire 10 AM Cowboys 9:30 AM ID Open 12-4
15 NRA LR App HP CH 8 AM S&T 12-4 SC 1-5 Precision Pistol Match CR 9 AM	16 LR Practice	17 HP Practice Trap 10-1 Prec Pistol League CR 5 PM ID Open 1-3 St Patrick's Day	18 HP Practice Skeet 10-1 ORIENTATION 6:30 CH	19 HP Practice R&P Club Mtg 6:30 CH ID Open 1-3	20 HP Practice Skeet 10-1 SC 1-5	21 CMP Rifle Clinic ID 8 S&T 10-4 SC 9-5 Indoor Air League ID 10 AM USPSA 10 AM ID Open 12-4
22 LR Clinic CH 8 S&T 12-4 SC 1-5 Steel Challenge 9 AM Multi Gun / 3-Gun 10 AM ID Open 2-4	23 LR Practice	24 HP Practice Trap 10-1 Prec Pistol League CR 5 PM ID Open 1-3	25 HP Practice Skeet 10-1	26 HP Practice ID Open 1-3	27 HP Practice Skeet 10-1 SC 1-5 Muzzleloader Event Kickoff CH 3-8 PM	28 Wobble Shoot 9-5 & CH 9-5 Muzzleloader CH HP 8 AM SC 9-5 Steel Challenge 9 AM ID Open 12-4
29 Muzzleloader CH HP 8 AM S&T 12-4 SC 1-5 AP Special Event TBD ID Open 2-4	30 LR Practice Prec Pistol League CR 5 PM AP Meeting CH 7PM	31 HP Practice Trap 10-1 ID Open 1-3	Notes: COMPETITORS: Read Match Bulletins Rev 12.27.2019		Acronyms LR - Long Range HP - Highpower Rifle Range SB - Smallbore Rifle SC - Sporting Clays S&T - Skeet & Trap ID - Ed Johnson Indoor Range	



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