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The current membership count is at 1986+ members

Please remember that when using any of the ORSA Ranges safety should be your #1 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 & EAR protection regardless of whether you are shooting or just watching.

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Membership Renewals

For some of you it will soon be time to renew your ORSA membership. Until recently renewals were based upon a one year cycle ending in December. With the new gate system, its permanent access cards along with last year's by-law change the annual Jan/Feb key & lock change is a thing of the past. Access cards are automatically deactivated once a members' 12 month membership is up. A nuisance by-product of this is that the upcoming renewal period is preceded by the Holiday Season and Hunting season, unfairly taxing our volunteer Membership Secretary.

Please do not bombard the membership secretary with inquiries asking "When is my ORSA membership due to expire? I don't want my card to stop working!!" It is a fair question & statement to ask...because many members have no idea when their respective membership will expire based on the recent changes. Please look at the address stamp on the back of this Rangefinder just above or near your name. The date shown is your official membership expiration date. With the membership renewal cycle having begun in earnest please watch for a renewal package in your mailbox. It will be sent to the current postal address that ORSA has on file for you. It will be sent out approximately 75 days prior to your memberships' official expiration date. Because of the added printing & postage costs ORSA will not be mailing replacement renewal forms (when requested), but don't worry it will be available for download from the ORSA website for those of you who inevitably loose or misplace it. Remember it is the responsibility of the member to return your renewal for processing in a timely manner. Processing the renewals is not an overnight process, the ORSA PO Box is checked weekly and applications processed in the order received. Processing a renewal form is not an overnight process either so please respect the work that the volunteer membership secretary does for the membership, don't wait for the last minute to renew. If you choose to wait don't be surprised if your card doesn't work the morning following your expiration date.

2010 Toys for Tots Charity Shoot

On Saturday, November 6, 2010, the 4th Annual Toys for Tots Charity Shoot was held at the ORSA Action Pistol Range. The match provided 7 unique and challenging stages for the 82 registered participants. The generosity of the shooters was outstanding and provided the Marines with an abundance of toys. A delicious lunch was prepared and served by Mrs. Cheryl Levy. Thanks to all of those that helped with the planning, stage set-up, and tear down. Thanks to Mark Levy and the Safety Officers that gave up their time to make this year's match a success. A Special Thank You to the companies and individuals that donated gifts and merchandise for the prize table:

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Attention Club Members

Michael Madden - Action Pistol Club President

Once again the Action Pistol Range is being used as a plinking range. Due to seasonal demands on other ranges, the AP Range is being used in the **wrong** manner. These violations can jeopardize the whole club. The ranges at ORSA are located and built to assure safety for our club members and our surrounding neighbors. If the misuse of the AP Range continues, the use of the AP range will be **limited to sanctioned matches only**.

FOR SALE

- ◇ 16 ga shotgun shells - 2 Boxes 16 ga Winchester Pheasant shotgun shells; 2 3/4"- #6 - 1 1/8 shot, 3 1/4 powder - \$5/box. 1 box 16 ga Federal Game Load shotgun shells; 2 3/4"- #6 - 1 shot, 3 1/4 powder \$5/box. 1 box 16 ga Winchester Double X magnum shotgun shells - shells; 2 3/4"- #6 - 1 1/4 shot, 3 1/4 powder - \$5/box. 33 each loose bagged 16 ga shotgun shells, mostly Winchester Super X , Remington, Browning - \$5. 40 S&W cal Bullets 2 boxes of 50 each Winchester 180 gr JHP - \$15/box 1 box of 50 each UMC Remington 180 gr FMJ - \$15/box 2 boxes of 50 each SPEER Lawman 165 gr TMJ - \$15/box 1 bag of 100 rds Orbit Ammo 180 gr JHP - \$25 1 bag of 62 rds Orbit Ammo 180 gr JHP - \$20 Pictures available Call 865-425-7727 Joddy Collins Email: jvc1@bellsouth.net

- ◇ World war 2 German Mauser 98 30-06 hunting ammo and armor piercing ammo, all for \$450.00 Call Ken Palmer 865-659-4303



Richard Stouder. On 8 November Republicans, at the local, state and congressional levels, were reelected or elected at historical levels. There is an expectation, by those that voted for those same Republicans, that liberty and individual freedom will begin a road to recovery and that the great excesses of government will begin to ebb. And a lot of us expect the incoming Congress to repeal a chunk of gun laws as unjust and unconstitutional. Is there a linkage between freedom, independence, smaller government and gun rights?

Gun laws - more than 20,000 of them - serve big government by unwinding natural values and rights of armed defense of the person and permit massive transfers of our liberty and wealth to others little by little. How gun control is related to crises of our time is in how the gun control experiments and trials tested and proven on gun bans, restrictions and regulations give valuable feedback to social engineers as to how far they can push the electorate. It's not enough to say that citizens must be disarmed first before any tyranny, it is more: it is a

continual series of tests on how much the American public can be controlled.

The idea -- the experiment - gauges how America's most vociferous defenders of liberty (gun owners) are actually very tolerant thanks to their respect for due process and faith in the law. This is used against gun owners (and everyone else) in pushing back the borders of how far government can go in unreasonableness against protest. Get it past gun owners first, and the rest of the nation is easy prey. This is what we are seeing now in scandals seemingly unrelated to gun control. All of the fighting we see in news media every day now between indifferent, stubborn officials and their tea party constituents is gleaned from what is learned from gun control. The big government advocates have a very high confidence level in how far they can go thanks to what they know about how far they have been able to go in gun control.

This reveals what gun control has been hiding: personal freedom, independence and the citizen authority to act. The best evidence is in how successful that freedom and independent authority to act is in states which do not have severe gun laws. The correctness and the dignity of the repeal of all gun laws is in the conservative value that not only do the officials obey the constituents and respect their rights in this republic, but that they trust them because they believe in the system of American republicanism. Gun control is Number One on the list of the Left's tests and abuses because it yields up that sort of social engineering information: how far can you push the American people on an issue that means so much to, say, oh.. 80 million? What can you learn about dividing Americans?

Americans are tyrannized by coercive rules and penalties, by sweeping mandates, by takings, by taxations, by abuses of powers, by bankruptcy in defending those cases, by education content, by zero-tolerance in school and workplace, and other paradigms of many who never consult the parent or citizen, but so-called experts. All of these are groomed for success by a blueprint of what is learned from Gun Control. All of these speak only to factions of America such that one cannot count on understanding and support from other Americans. All of these can be unwound for all by the repeal of all gun laws.

Repeal all gun laws as just the beginning of getting out from under bigger government and away from dependency on our very own public servants. I would assert to gun owners and non-gun owners alike that it is that the health of the second amendment is the primary indicator of the overall health of the nation.

Let's start off the 112th Congress by letting them know about the linkage between gun rights and freedom.

UPCOMING MEMBERSHIP ORIENTATION SESSIONS

Membership will offer the mandatory orientation sessions for new members on about the 3rd Sunday of each month in the **ORSA Clubhouse**. If you are a new applicant to ORSA and unsure of your current whether you should attend one of the upcoming sessions please contact me at orsamembership@gmail.com.

Attending the mandatory orientation sessions prior to being approved as a new member will **not** grant you access to the facility any sooner. An email confirming the current status of your application is usually sent approximately 7-10 days prior to the scheduled orientation session. All sessions will be at 2:00pm at the Indoor Range unless otherwise noted in your email confirmation. The front gate will be unlocked at approximately 30 minutes prior and will be locked closed promptly at 2:35pm. Late arrivals will **not** be admitted to the orientation session.

Dates for upcoming sessions on the following Sunday's: **December 19 2010, 2011 - January 16, February 20, March 20**

Skeet and Trap Notes

Richard Stouder

On the 14th of November we had our annual Skeet and Trap meeting. We had a nice turnout and thanks to all who attended.

The first order of business that I want to highlight is the election of new officers. I thank all of those who have supported me over the past three years as I have served and will continue to serve as president of Skeet & Trap. As your president I am your representative on the ORSA Board of Directors and as such I would encourage you to bring to my attention things or issues that you would like raised to the ORSA Board. Better yet come to the Board Meetings the first Wednesday of each month. But if you can't attend I will be happy to bring your issue/concern to the Board's attention.

Rick Andrews was elected as your vice president. Rick will be in charge of our range officers as well as the representative to the Tennessee Skeet Association and NSSA. We are looking at ways to both make the RO process less onerous while keeping the focus on safety. If you want to be a volunteer RO please contact Rick at 865-310-1074 or at torr243@bellsouth.net. Rick is also going to initiate some training in basic shot-gunning safety as well as introduction to skeet. If you would like to help Rick in this or help create introduction to trap please get in touch with Rick.

Bob Hancock was elected as Secretary/Treasurer for Skeet & Trap. Bob is replacing Henry Marambio who has served as both president and secretary/treasurer for many years. Thanks to Henry for his service to the club and welcome to Bob who as a trap shooter is a welcome addition to Skeet & Trap leadership.

At the meeting we discussed the new Claymate system and the associated procedures we have been using since June. In October we had a visit by Promatic to troubleshoot the problems we have had with field #2. The fixes seem to be working as we have not had any problems with field #2 since then. Because of the problems with field #2 we have not been able to get a finite handle on the costs but because of the new system and the procedures we instituted we can assure you the theft problem has been eliminated. On Jan 1 we will start a detailed accounting of our processes which should give us a definitive analysis of costs, inventory, sales and profits. But from the data that we do have available it does appear that the budget deficits we have seen in the past years have been eliminated.

We have issued/sold over 200 shot cards since June and the process where we have eight range supervisors who sell on weekends and during the week when a range supervisor is at the range seems to be working. You need to know, by sight, who are the range supervisors so that if you need to get or add to your shot card then you can ask them when they are at the ranges. If you have suggestions as to how we can make the process more user-friendly then please let me know.

For projects this year we will again look at how we can address the drainage issues on the various ranges. We will also request funds to purchase a spare controller that would work on either the skeet or trap ranges in the event of a total failure of one of the controllers.

Lastly there is concern that shooting under the lights could cause problems with the city or the communities surrounding ORSA. We are sensitive to this and will monitor carefully so that we continue to be good neighbors and don't do anything that jeopardizes our continued operation as a club.

Happy Holidays and New Year to each of you and I look forward to our new shooting year.

ORSA ACTIVITIES – January and February 2011

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
December 26 Skeet & Trap Skeet Field Noon to 4:00 PM	December 27 Long Range Practice 2:30 PM HP 1000 yds <i>SB Rifle Class 7 - 9 PM ID</i>	December 28 HP Practice Noon <i>JOAD 4 - 6 PM Pistol Practice ID 6 - 8 PM</i>	December 29 HP Practice Noon <i>SB Practice 5-9 PM ID</i>	December 30 HP Practice Noon <i>JOAD 4 - 6 PM Archery 6-9 PM ID</i>	December 31 High Power Practice 9 AM - all day	January 1 Skeet & Trap Skeet Field 9 AM - 4:00 PM <i>IDPA Action Pistol 10 AM</i>
2 Skeet & Trap <i>Cowboy Setup</i>	3 Long Range Practice <i>SB Rifle Class</i>	4 HP Practice <i>JOAD</i> Pistol League	5 HP Practice <i>SB Practice</i> R & P 6:30 PM <i>ORSA Board 7:30 PM</i>	6 HP Practice <i>JOAD</i> Archery	7 HP Practice	8 Cowboy Action Match 8:30 AM - AP <i>Skeet & Trap</i>
9 Skeet & Trap	10 Long Range Practice <i>SB Rifle Class</i>	11 HP Practice <i>JOAD</i> Pistol League	12 HP Practice <i>SB Practice</i>	13 HP Practice <i>JOAD</i> Archery	14 HP Practice	15 Skeet & Trap <i>USPSA Action Pistol</i>
16 3 Gun Match AP 1 PM Practice 10 AM <i>New Member Orientation 2 PM CH</i> Skeet League	17 Long Range Practice <i>SB Rifle Class</i>	18 HP Practice <i>JOAD</i> Pistol League	19 HP Practice <i>SB Practice</i>	20 HP Practice <i>JOAD</i> Archery	21 HP Practice	22 Skeet & Trap <i>Steel Challenge Match - AP 10 AM</i>
23 Skeet League	24 Long Range Practice <i>SB Class SB Class</i>	25 HP Practice <i>JOAD</i> Pistol League <i>Action Pistol Gander Mt 7PM</i>	26 HP Practice <i>SB Practice</i> Master Site Plan Meeting 7:30 PM CH	27 HP Practice <i>JOAD</i> Archery	28 HP Practice	29 Skeet & Trap
30 Skeet League Skeet Field 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM	31 Long Range Practice 2:30 PM 1000 yards HP <i>SB Class 7 - 9 PM ID</i>	February 1 HP Practice Noon <i>JOAD 4 - 6 PM ID</i> Pistol League ID 6 - 8 PM	2 HP Practice Noon <i>SB Practice 5-9 PM ID R & P 6:30 PM ORSA Board 7:30 PM</i>	3 HP Practice Noon <i>JOAD 4 - 6 PM ID Archery 6-9 PM ID</i>	4 HP Practice 9 AM All Day	5 Skeet & Trap Skeet Field 9 AM - 4:00 PM <i>IDPA 10 AM</i>
6 Skeet League <i>Cowboy Setup</i>	7 Long Range Practice <i>SB Class</i>	8 HP Practice <i>JOAD</i> Pistol League	9 HP Practice Noon 600 yards <i>SB Practice 5-9 PM ID</i>	10 HP Practice <i>JOAD</i> Archery	11 HP Practice	12 Cowboy Action Match 8:30 AM AP <i>Skeet & Trap</i>
13 Skeet League	14 Long Range Practice <i>SB Class</i>	15 HP Practice <i>JOAD</i> Pistol League	16 HP Practice <i>Smallbore Practice</i>	17 HP Practice <i>JOAD</i> <i>Archery</i>	18 HP Practice	19 Skeet & Trap <i>USPSA Action Pistol</i>
20 3 Gun Match AP 1 PM Practice 10 AM <i>New Member Orientation 2 PM CH</i> Skeet League	21 Long Range Practice <i>SB Class</i>	22 HP Practice <i>JOAD</i> Pistol League	23 HP Practice <i>Smallbore Practice</i>	24 HP Practice <i>JOAD</i> <i>Archery</i>	25 HP Practice	26 CMP/DCM Service Rifle Clinic HP & CH 8:00 AM <i>Skeet & Trap</i> Steel Challenge AP 10 AM
27 Skeet League	28 Long Range Practice <i>SB Class</i>	March 1 HP Practice <i>JOAD</i> Pistol League <i>Action Pistol Club Meeting 7 PM Gander Mountain</i>	March 2 HP Practice <i>Smallbore Practice</i> Master Site Plan Meeting 7:30 PM CH	March 3 HP Practice <i>JOAD</i> <i>Archery</i>	March 4 HP Practice	March 5 NRA HP Match HP & CH 8:00 AM <i>Skeet & Trap</i>
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
S & T - Skeet & Trap SB - Smallbore HP - Highpower AP - Action Pistol JOAD - JR Olympic Archery Dev ID - Indoor Range CR - Competition Range CH - Clubhouse						



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