



THE RANGEFINDER

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The current membership count is at approximately 2200+ 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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Skeet and Trap Notes

Richard Stouder

For any of us who have been to the ranges lately you cannot help but notice the construction on skeet field number 1. This is the work that was voted on by the S&T membership and approved by the ORSA Board for capital improvements. We bought a wobble trap from Promatic after checking several suppliers for the best deal. We got a "like new" machine at a reduced cost. Another reason that we chose Promatic is that we have gotten outstanding customer service from them after we purchased the Claymate System as well as the machine that is in low house on skeet field #1. Also as voted on by the membership we are constructing a trap overlay as well as handicap access. As part of this project we also are expanding the target storage house so that we can keep all of our S&T equipment and spare parts and have a place to do machine repair. This will relieve the tight spaces in the target storage area.

Rick Andrews has been leading this whole construction effort. Bob Hancock has also been there every step of the way as has Greg Kraft, who is responsible for all the electrical. There have been several others who have donated their time to this, including John Cameron, George Kwicien, and Boyd Dearden. This has been a huge undertaking and these members are owed a great deal of thanks from all the members who will soon enjoy the new capabilities this field will soon offer. I also want to thank all those regular shooters who have given way and cooperated while this construction has been in progress.



WOUNDED WARRIOR PROJECT

Steve Meadows has led an initiative to raise money for the Wounded Warrior Project (WWP); <http://www.woundedwarriorproject.org/>. Steve was able to get his company, UBS and the Ivy Fund to sponsor fund raising dinners. I had the privilege to be associated with one of these events back in February where \$60K was raised. Stacy Hall then had the idea that we should have a charity shoot hosted at ORSA. She has been in contact with the WWP to get the event sanction. Stacy sought out some members to help with organizing and we are well on the way to having a very successful shoot. The 1st Annual ORSA Wounded Warrior Fundraiser will be held on **Saturday - 16 June 2012**. The event is open to the first sixty shooters who sign up. The entry fee is \$100 for 100 birds; combinations of skeet, skeet doubles, trap, and wobble trap. Interested shooters need contact Joddy Collins at jvcl@bellsouth.net.

We already have a large number of sponsors to pay for all the associated costs, food, drinks, registrant trinkets, shooter awards and a number of door prizes. Our objective in the sponsorship is to free up the shooter entry fee (normally part of the entry fee goes to shoot costs) so that we can send all the entry monies to the WWP. Visitors are encouraged and we will have donation forms available in the clubhouse; shooters and folks who donate will all be eligible for the door prizes.

The charity shoot will open at 8:00 AM Saturday morning with shooting beginning promptly at 9:00 AM. We will shoot from 9-12 and then a sponsor-funded lunch and a program from 12-2 PM. During the program we will show videos from the WWP program and we will have MSG (R) Richard Robertson who will be our guest speaker. Rich was severely wounded by an IED and will recount his experiences and what the WWP means to wounded veterans. I have already gotten a long list of volunteers and if you want to help we can find something for you to do. But the biggest help would be to donate to this very worthy cause. Please come out and shoot and/or donate.

Handgun Carry Permit Classes

Jody Zorsch

Our next handgun carry permit class will be Saturday May 26th. The class will be a combination of classroom and range instruction. The class will start at 11:00am at the clubhouse and we will shoot at the indoor range. Fee for the class is \$30.00 for ORSA members & their spouses. Non-members are also welcome to attend for \$60.

The class is an 8 hour class. Since we start at 11am – we don't break for lunch, but you are invited to bring lunch with you and/or any drinks/snacks you'd like with you.

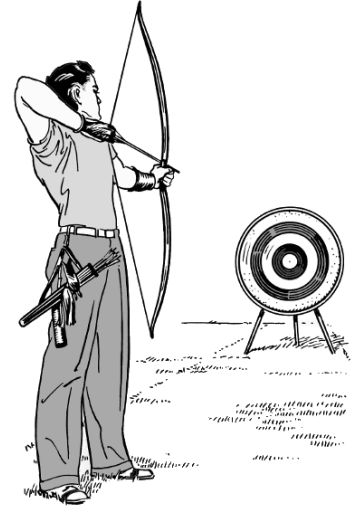
Class space is limited so RSVP's are required.

For more information and to register for the class contact Jody Zorsch at jzorsch@highland.net or 423-628-5471

ATTENTION ARCHERS

Don Wood

Spring is here and it is time to hit the range to be ready for next season both the red and white courses are ready for use. I would like to encourage everyone to come out on Thursday night and shoot with us all unknown distances, angles, and different animal 3D targets. We would like to know how many people use our range throughout the year to be able to keep up with the wear and tear on our targets. Some of the targets are difficult to spot so if you shoot with us on Thursday's you will get to know the range.



UPCOMING MEMBERSHIP ORIENTATION SESSIONS

Membership will offer the mandatory orientation sessions for new members on about the 3rd Tuesday 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 6:30pm at the clubhouse unless otherwise noted in your email confirmation. The front gate will be unlocked approximately 30 minutes prior and will be locked closed promptly at 6:35pm. Late arrivals will **not** be admitted to the orientation session.



Richard Stouder ♦ The Violence Policy Center This year, Wisconsin became the 49th state to recognize the right of its citizens to carry firearms. Now, only one state remains in the Dark Ages -- that being the home state of Mr. Obama, Illinois. But as can be imagined, the anti-gun media is predicting that letting citizens carry firearms will result in carnage in the streets, shootouts in bars, angry parents settling scores on the ball field with their firearms. And to supposedly prove their point, they cite a bogus report of the Violence Policy Center (VPC), entitled "Concealed Carry Killers." The faux report says that "since May 2007 at least 300 people -- including 11 law enforcement officers -- have been killed by private citizens legally allowed to carry handguns in killings not ruled self-defense"

But, in fact, the VPC, showing its anti-gun right bias, has many errors of fact and inference. The report:

- Double counts victims to inflate their statistics;
- Counts people who are still alive today, as though they had been murdered by concealed carry permit holders;
- Includes deaths that were caused by rifles, beatings or strangulation -- in other words, tabulating deaths that were clearly NOT caused by concealed handguns; and
- In some cases, even counts "murderers" who were later cleared in court as having acted in self-defense.

Less than half of the deaths which were attributed to concealed carry holders by the VPC were actually "committed by a permit holder drawing and firing his or her concealed weapon."

As compared to concealed carry permit holders, the average American is almost 8 times more likely to be convicted of crimes and over 40 times more likely to be convicted of burglary -- and police officers are almost 800 times more likely to violate the law.

There are an estimated six million citizens who possess a concealed carry permit. The number of legal concealed carriers is probably higher, considering the growing number of states that recognize the right of their citizens to carry without a permit.

Press reports indicate that concealed carry is at an ALL TIME HIGH, even while crime rates have been dropping in the U.S. over the past few years. Yet, we've been hearing the left's cries of doom and gloom as far back as the mid-1980s, when Florida kicked off the modern concealed carry movement with the enactment of its "shall issue" law.

Prior to its passage in 1987, there was a vigorous debate in the Florida legislature. Opponents of the law claimed that a carry law would turn the Sunshine State into the "Gunshine State." Murder rates started dropping immediately after the passage of the law, prompting one of the chief opponents, Rep. Ron Silver, to admit that he had been wrong about concealed carry.

Such was the case in Texas, as well. One of the chief opponents in the Lone Star State was Senior Cpl. Glenn White, who is president of the Dallas Police Association. White lobbied against the law in 1993 and 1995 because he thought it would lead to wholesale armed conflict.

Senior Cpl. White admits, though, "All the horror stories I thought would come to pass didn't happen. No bogeyman. I think it's worked out well, and that says good things about the citizens who have permits. I'm a convert." It takes guts to look at the evidence and admit you were mistaken. Kudos to Rep. Silver and Senior Cpl. White for being "man enough" to admit they were wrong.

Other items of note

Dad Arrested, Strip-Searched After Daughter Draws Picture Of Gun In School

A Canadian father was arrested and strip-searched Wednesday after his 4-year-old daughter drew a picture of a gun in her kindergarten class. Ontario dad Jesse Sansone told the Toronto Sun his little girl's drawing was supposed to be him, getting monsters and bad guys. Her teacher apparently thought differently, and the school contacted child protective services. When Sansone arrived to pick his daughter up, three police officers were waiting to take him into custody. "I'm picking up my kids and then, next thing you know, I'm locked up," he told the Waterloo Region Record. "I was in shock. This is completely insane."

America's Chief Law Enforcement Officer

"We need to do this every day of the week and just really brainwash people into thinking about guns in a vastly different way," then-U.S. Attorney Eric Holder advocated in a 1995 C-SPAN video that surfaced over the weekend on Breitbart.com and has since gone viral in the gun activist community. Comparing it to the way government helped create a stigma for smoking, Holder bragged "Now we have people who cower outside of buildings and kind of smoke in private and don't want to admit it."

The MAGIC of Gun Control

Gun control is like magic, a trick meant to fool people into believing the impossible. In his brand new book, *The MAGIC of Gun Control*, Sheriff Richard Mack reveals the lies if gun control. By showing you what the politicians -- he calls them "Polimagicians" -- don't want you to see, Sheriff Mack is ruining their show.

The MAGIC of Gun Control is changing minds across the country. Many people who took the polimagicians at their word -- believing that they actually possess magical powers -- are confronted with the evidence against gun control. Mack shows convincingly that gun control laws make all citizens (even non-gun owners) less safe.

Elections matter. Citizens must be informed and involved. The Bill of Rights was created because of a distrust of an over-reaching central government. Without the full force of the Second Amendment, the rest of the rights in the Bill of Rights are defenseless.

ORSA ACTIVITIES – May & June 2012

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
29 Skeet & Trap Skeet Field NRA LR Fullbore Match 8 AM HP 1000 yards all day	30 Long Range Practice & Range Preparation Smallbore Class 7-9 PM ID	May 1 HP Practice & Range Preparation Basic Pistol Course ID 6 - 8 PM	2 Big Ed's Registered HP Tournament 7 AM CH & 600 yards S & T Skeet & Trap 4 PM - 7 PM SB Practice 5-9 PM ID R & P 6:30 PM CH ORSA Board 7:30 PM	3 Big Ed's Registered HP Tournament 7 AM CH & 600 yards Spring Fling S & T SB League - CR 4 PM to sunset Archery 6 - 9 PM ID	4 Big Ed's Registered HP Match 7 AM CH & HP 600 yards	5 Big Ed's Registered HP Tournament 7 AM CH & 600 yards Skeet & Trap 9 AM - 6 PM IDPA Action Pistol 10 AM
6 Big Ed's Reg HP Match 7 AM CH & HP Skeet & Trap Cowby Set Up AP	7 Long Range Practice 1000 yards 2:30 PM SB Class	8 HP Practice Noon Basic Pistol Course	9 HP Practice Noon Sheet & Trap SB Practice	10 HP Practice Noon SB League Archery Spring Fling S & T	11 NRA Regional LR Championship CH & HP 8 AM 1000 yards All Day	12 Cowboy Action Match 8:30 AM AP NRA Regional LR Championship CH & HP 1000 yds 8 AM All Day
13 Skeet & Trap NRA Regional LR Championship CH & HP 1000 yds 8 AM All Day	14 Long Range Practice SB Class	15 HP Practice Basic Pistol Course	16 HP Practice Skeet & Trap Smallbore Practice	17 HP Practice SB League Archery Spring Fling S & T	18 High Power Practice 9 AM	19 Skeet & Trap USPSA Action Pistol CMP Rifle Clinic 8AM CH & HP 200 yards
20 Pistol Match 8 AM – 5 PM CR & ID 3 Gun Shoot AP 10 AM Skeet & Trap Long Range Clinic CH & HP 1000 yards 8 AM	21 Long Range Practice SB Class	22 HP Practice Basic Pistol Course	23 HP Practice Skeet & Trap Smallbore Practice	24 HP Practice SB League Archery Spring Fling S & T	25 High Power Practice 9 AM	26 Skeet & Trap Steel Challenge 10 AM AP IBS Match HP 600 yards 8 AM Carry Class 10 – 5 CH 4 PM ID
27 NRA Fullbore HP 8 AM 1000 yards all day Skeet & Trap Skeet Field	28 HP Range Prep all day 600 yards Smallbore Class 7 - 9 PM ID	29 HP Range Prep All Day 600 yards Pistol Practice AP Meeting CH 7 PM First Pistol League CR 6 – 8 PM	30 NRA Reg Champ 7 AM all day CH & HP 600 yards Skeet & Trap Skeet Field Smallbore Practice ID 5 -9 PM	31 NRA Reg Champ 7 AM all day CH & HP 600 yards SB League - CR 4 PM to sunset Archery 6 - 9 PM ID	June 1 NRA Reg HP Championship CH & HP 7 AM all day 600 yards	2 NRA Reg Champ HP & CH 7 AM 600 yards Skeet & Trap Skeet Field IDPA – AP 10 AM
3 NRA Reg HP Champ all day HP & CH 7 AM 600 yards Skeet & Trap Cowboy Set Up	4 Sniper Class HP all day SB Class	5 Sniper Class HP all day Pistol League 6 – 8 PM CR	6 Sniper Class HP all day R & P 6:30 PM ID ORSA Board 7:30 PM ID Skeet & Trap Smallbore Practice	7 Sniper Class HP all day SB League Archery	8 Sniper Class HP all day	9 Cowboy Action Match 8:30 AM AP Skeet & Trap NRA LR Rifle Match 9 AM HP All Day 1000 yards
10 NRA LR Palma Rifle Match HP 1000 yards 8 AM Skeet & Trap	11 Long Range Practice HP 2:30 PM SB Class	12 HP Practice Noon Pistol League	13 HP Practice Noon Skeet & Trap Smallbore Practice	14 HP Practice Noon SB League Archery	15 HP Practice	16 USPSA – AP Camp Perry Practice HP 8 AM 600 yards Wounded Warrior Skeet Shoot CH and S & T all day
17 Pistol Match 8 AM–5 PM ID & CR Camp Perry Prac HP 10 AM 600 yards 3 Gun Shoot AP 10 AM Skeet & Trap	18 Long Range Practice SB Class	19 HP Practice Pistol League	20 HP Practice Skeet & Trap Smallbore Practice	21 HP Practice SB League Archery	22 HP Practice	23 Steel Challenge AP 10 AM IBS Match HP 8 AM 600 yards Skeet & Trap
24 NRA Fullbore Match HP 8 AM 1000 yards Skeet & Trap	25 Long Range Practice SB Class	26 HP Practice Pistol League Action Pistol Meeting CH 7 PM	27 HP Practice Skeet & Trap Smallbore Practice	28 HP Practice SB League Archery	29 HP Practice	30 Camp Perry Practice HP 8 AM 600 yards Skeet & Trap
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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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