

**Tri-Cities Shooting Association, Inc.
Presents the 2017 Vintage Military Rifle (VMR) Matches**

Day	Date	~ Start Time	Match Director
Sunday	April 2 nd	REG ~ 0830 START 0900	Sean Reffalt or George Hager
Sunday	May 7 th	REG ~ 0830 START 0900	Sean Reffalt or George Hager
Friday	August 4th	REG ~ 0830 START 0900	Sean Reffalt
Sunday	October 15th	REG ~ 0830 START 0900	Sean Reffalt or George Hager
Saturday	November 11 th	REG ~ 0830 START 0900	George Hager or Sean Reffalt

LOCATION: Rattlesnake Mountain Shooting Facility, located 10 miles NW of Richland, WA. Access to the range is through the main gate on SR 225 (Horn Road) approximately 3 mi south of SR 240 and approximately 8.5 mi north of I-82 in Benton City. Facilities at the range are primitive. Lavatories are available (portapotties) but there is no water. Please prepare accordingly.

OPEN TO: Any individual with a safe rifle used by any nation's military prior to about 1960. Rifles are limited to no more than .35 caliber so the marker disks will stay in the holes. No full-automatic rifles are allowed.

RULES: This is an informal competition. The match program is similar to NRA Sporting Rifle. The distance is 200 yards. The targets are the old 5V with a 12-inch aiming black. Ammunition may be commercial manufactured or hand loaded safe ammunition and will be provided by the competitor. Tracer, incendiary or armor piercing ammunition is prohibited.

ENTRY FEES: \$10.00 each event. Juniors shoot for free. No cash awards will be given in 2014.

SCHEDULE

- (a) Orientation and Safety meeting for all competitors at the 200 yd line Registration Office.
- (b) Competitors will be divided into groups who will take turns pulling targets.
- (c) Each change of position will have a 3 minute preparation time.
- (d) Shooting sequence is as follows:

PRONE 3 minute preparation time.

2 sighter shots and 10 shots for record, prone. Time limit: 12 min.

PRONE RAPID FIRE 3 minute preparation time.

10 shots for record, prone, rapid fire. Time limit: 30 sec per 5 shot string.

SITTING or KNEELING, RAPID FIRE 3 minute preparation time.

10 shots for record, sitting or kneeling, rapid fire. Time limit: 30 sec per 5 shot string.

STANDING OFFHAND 3 minute preparation time.

10 shots for record, standing. Time limit: 10 min.

The match is the aggregate of the four stages

Rapid fire courses are fired in two 5-shot strings. Competitors will be in position and loaded prior to commencing fire.

OTHER DETAILS:

- Slings may be used for prone and sitting/kneeling courses but not for standing/offhand.
- Gloves may be worn. Specialized shooting gloves are permitted.
- Coats may be worn, and may be of a style, construction or type used for competition shooting.
- Ear protection is required.
- For more information contact Gary Meerdink at: gary.meerdink@tcsa.info.
- Empty Chamber Indicators (ECI) are required (available at range.)

EMPTY CHAMBER INDICATOR (ECI): An Empty Chamber Indicator is required to be in your rifle at all times except during the preparation period and the firing of your relay.

Please have an Empty Chamber Indicator in your rifle when you arrive at the range to check in.

If you do not have an Empty Chamber indicator, please arrive at the range with your rifle unloaded and the action open. Let the Match Director know you do not have an Empty Chamber Indicator, and one will be provided.

HANDLING OF FIREARMS:

Handling firearms behind the firing line is not permitted. The handling of firearms is defined as anything a competitor does to operate the mechanism, shoulder, aim, put a sling on, load, practice loading, insert a clip or magazine, or otherwise perform any action that would prepare the competitor to fire the firearm.

Adjusting or blackening sights, adjusting slings without placing them on the arm or making minor adjustments to the firearm in the ready area or behind the firing line is not regarded as handling the firearm, and is permitted as long as an ECI remains inserted.

Competitors may load clips or removable magazines in the ready area (so long as they are not inserted in the firearm).

After competitors are instructed to carry their rifles and equipment to the firing line, they are permitted to handle their rifles on the firing line as long as the muzzle remains pointed up or downrange and an ECI remains inserted. After arrival at the firing line and prior to the start of the preparation period, competitors may put a sling on and assume position with the rifle. Competitors may not remove the ECI, close the action or dry fire until the Range Officer announces the start of the preparation period.