## Tri-Cities Shooting Association, Inc. Presents the 2018 Senior Match High Power Rifle Range

Day	Date	~ Reg Time	~ Start Time	Distances & Target	Match Director
Tuesday	March 27	0800	0900	200/300 MR63-F	Gary Meerdink
Tuesday	April 24	0800	0900	200/300 MR63-F	Gary Meerdink
Tuesday	May 22	0800	0900	200/300 MR63-F	Gary Meerdink
Tuesday	June 26	0700	0800	200/300 MR63-F	Gary Meerdink
Tuesday	July 24	0700	0800	200/300 MR63-F	Gary Meerdink
Tuesday	August 28	0700	0800	200/300 MR63-F	Gary Meerdink
Tuesday	September 25	0800	0900	200/300 MR63-F	Gary Meerdink
Tuesday	October 23	0800	0900	200/300 MR63-F	Gary Meerdink

**LOCATION:** At the High Power Rifle Range on the Rattlesnake Mountain Shooting Facility, located 10 miles NW of Richland, WA. Access to the range is through the 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 senior with any safe rifle. Younger shooters are welcome but will be excluded from the prize pool.

**RULES:** This is an informal competition. The distances are 200 and 300 yards. The targets are the F-Class targets (MR63-F for 200/300.)

The match is all slow fire. Any position may be used by the shooter. Stools and sticks may be used.

The match score is the aggregate of the two stages.

Competitors will be in position prior to commencing fire.

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. This is a fund raising event for the 1000 yard rifle range (1KYD) development. No cash prizes will be awarded in 2018. There may be prizes offered if prize donations are available.

## SCHEDULE

- (a) Orientation and mandatory safety briefing for all competitors at the 200 yard registration office.
- (b) Competitors will be divided into groups who will take turns pulling targets.
- (c) Shooting sequence is as follows:

First relay goes to the 200 yard line, second relay to the pits to pull targets.

There is a three minute preparation time.

There are unlimited optional sighter shots and ten shots for record (20 min time limit.)

Upon completion, the first relay goes to the 300 yard line, the second relay remains in the pits. At the 300 yard line, the preparation time and timed slow fire sequence are repeated.

Upon completion and the range being declared "safe," the first relay goes to the pits to pull targets, the second relay goes to the 200 yard line to repeat the preparation time and timed slow fire sequence.

Upon completion, the second relay goes to the 300 yard line, the first relay remains in the pits. At the 300 yard line, the preparation time and timed slow fire sequence are repeated.

- (d) All competitors will assist putting away range equipment (targets, flags, etc.)
- (e) All competitors will meet at the 200 yard registration office for match summary and prize distribution.

## **OTHER DETAILS:**

- Slings may be used.
- Rear bags may be used.
- Any sight, open or telescopic.
- Bipods attached to the rifle may be used.
- Ear protection is required. Empty Chamber Indicators (ECI) are required (available at range.)
- For more information contact Gary Meerdink at 509-627-5301 or <a href="mailto:gary.meerdink@tcsa.info">gary.meerdink@tcsa.info</a>
- More detailed information about ECI on the next page.

**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.