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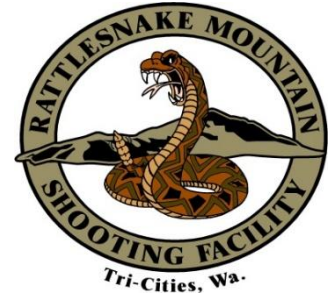
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

By: Mark Verwest

MEMBERSHIP DUES INCREASE

Effective DECEMBER 1, 2025

SINGLE ADULT: \$ 75.00 SPOUSAL: \$ 115

Our last dues increase was in 2012. Since then, our operating costs have skyrocketed. See Chart below. In order to stay solvent, we are forced to increase our dues. At the last two Membership/Board Meetings, the dues increases were discussed and debated. The outcome was a unanimous decision to increase the Single Adult Membership rate to \$75.00 and the Spousal Membership to \$115. This increase is essential to maintain and provide the shooting venues and services available at the Rattlesnake Mountain Shooting Facility.

Expense Description	2012 Basic Costs	2024 Basic Costs
Property Tax	\$647.18	\$1,101.35
Liability Insurance	\$8,558.31	\$36,642.00
Sales Tax	\$10,316.16	\$23,857.46
Range Supplies	6,316.16	\$61,685.18
Range Maintenance	\$14,676.20	\$25,750.66
Electric Bill	\$3,140.99	\$6,174.84
Telecommunications	\$414.07	\$3,308.08
Trash and Portable toilet maintenance	\$4,745.74	\$21,552.70
Total:	\$34,138.61	\$180,072.17

RSO TRAINING CLASS

By: Dan Martini

Our next **Range Safety Officer Class** will be held on **Friday, December 12** from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the Shotgun Range House. To get your name on the Class List, you have to be a current member of the TCSA. If you can make the Class date and want to become a TCSA Range Safety Officer, send a reply email message to dantini@charter.net with a YES and include your name and TCSA Membership number and I will add your name to the RSO Class list.

ADVANTAGES OF BEING A RSO

The advantages of being a RSO and obligating yourself as a volunteer at TCSA means that on days when the Range is not open to the general public - YOU - as a RSO can use the Range. Having gone through the RSO Training Class and volunteering your time you are able to go to the Range any time you like!

To become a TCSA RSO, you need to have and maintain your TCSA Membership, complete an 8-hour Class and volunteer to stand 3 days per year at the Rose-Iris General Purpose Range on a Wednesday, Friday, Saturday or Sunday. You choose which of those three days you will be able to meet.

For more information and to get your name on the list for the next RSO Class contact **Dan Martini** at dantini@charter.net.

TCSA FACILITIES

ROSE-IRIS RANGE – A 100-yard range with 20 covered firing points. This day use Range Safety Officer supervised facility is operated for public use on a regularly scheduled basis Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays.

RIMFIRE PLINKING RANGE – A 50-yard 22-caliber Range Safety Officer supervised Shooting Range with reactive targets.

CENTERFIRE PLINKING RANGE – A 50-yard handgun pistol/revolver RSO supervised range with reactive targets for firearms using black powder or standard pistol cartridges.

COWBOY / PRACTICAL PISTOL BAYS – Ranges consisting of 13 bays of varying lengths designed to support a variety of action shooting disciplines such as; Practical (IPSC/ USPSA) 3-Gun Sports and Cowboy (SASS) groups.

Cowboy Action Rep. – **Charles Kissler** – 509.783.8505

Nelson Thomas – 509.727.4678

Practical Pistol Rep. – **Rich Nelson** – 509.521.6529

1000-YARD, HIGH-POWER RANGE – A Range consisting of 100, 200, 300, 600, 800, 900 & 1000-yard firing lines that can support 20 firing stations on each firing line (utilizes manned target operation). The 400-yard line has 5 firing stations and the 500-yard line has 10 firing stations. This Range supports High-Power Rifle, Long Range PALMA and Precision Shooting Events of various disciplines, including 50-Caliber.

High-Power Rep. – **Mike Sowa** – 541.571.1892

SMALLBORE COMPETITION RANGE – A 100 Yard Range with 20 firing points. The SCR is designed for optimum support of and exclusively for .22LR (smallbore) Competition Events. The Range is only to be used for Smallbore Events scheduled and supervised by a TCSA trained Match Director. No casual use or individual practice is allowed. Future plans include covered firing points and shooting benches.

High-Power Rep. – **Mike Sowa** – 541.571.1892

Range Use and Scheduling – **Ron Jorgensen** – 509.554.0048

HUNTER EDUCATION RANGE: This Range has been designed to support Hunter Education Training Classes and also has a practical field exercise area containing obstacles hunters could expect to encounter in the field. The covered firing line can be used independently by current RSO's as an overflow from the Rose-Iris Range and may be available for RSO supervised public event use when not being used for the conduct of Hunter Education Classes.

Hunter Ed. Rep. – **Randy Absolon** – 509.845.3632

PRIMITIVE USE RANGE: – A Range Area for muzzle loading and primitive Sagebrush Free Trappers reenactment events with parking, staging and various range areas.

Primitive Range Rep. – **Clint Bouslaugh** – 509.585.6415

SHOTGUN RANGE: Includes a set of two ATA regulation Trap Fields, two Skeet Ranges and a Sporting Clay Range supporting five firing stations and a Pattern Board.

Shotgun Rep. – **Mark Monopoli** – 509.531.6929

HUNTER EDUCATION AND SAFETY ASSOCIATION

By: **Randy Absolon**

We are in between Classes right now. I anticipate our next Class will be a **Traditional Class** starting in **mid-January 2026**. I will get this Class set up this month.



Other **Field Skills Evaluations** are shown on the WDFW website. As more instructors start fall hunting, there are typically fewer classes available and they tend to fill up quickly. Be prepared to travel farther to get in a class that fits your schedule.

RSOs using the HESA Range are expected to sign in at the Rose-Iris Range before going over to the HESA Range to shoot. You are also expected to clean up when you are done shooting, including returning target stands to the Rose-Iris Range House and picking up brass.

Always remember to treat every firearm as if it was loaded, control the direction of your muzzle, be sure of your target and what lies beyond it, keep your finger off the trigger until you are ready to shoot and know your zone of fire and stick to it.

If you have questions about our Hunter Education Classes, contact me at: randyabsolon@gmail.com.

“WELCOME” NEW MEMBERS



Welcome! In this Newsletter you can find the contact information for the Board Members and above you can find contact information for the different Ranges. The Ranges were built and are maintained by volunteers. We encourage you to get involved and be a part of TCSA.

New members from this past month should have already received their membership card(s). If you have not received your card, contact **Sue Verwest** at membership@tcsa.info or 509.735.1662.

Check out our TCSA web site www.tcsa.info for a variety of information. The Newsletter is posted on the web site the beginning of each month.

WEATHER CONDITIONS at the Range can be found on our homepage -



Hearing and Eye protection required when shooting!



CHIEF RSO REPORT

By: Mike Ensminger

The new Rose-Iris gate is installed and working better than ever. Thanks to **Tom Holt, Dave Kelsey, Chuck Nay, Steve Steer, Curtis Cleveland** and **Mark Verwest** for jumping in to make it happen. I am constantly impressed by what we can accomplish on this Range with volunteers.



Even though Membership Renewal time is not technically till Spring, there is a benefit to early renewal if you are an RSO. If you have renewed when we start issuing 2026 memberships in mid-January, you will have access to the duty sign up calendar when your renewal is processed (i.e., before everyone else).

Please make sure flags are down and lock boxes secured when you are the last to leave the Range. We have been finding bravo flags flying at unoccupied ranges fairly often lately and worse than that, lock boxes/containers left unlocked.

If you (an RSO) did not receive several emails in November regarding gate operations, please check your spam or junk folder to see if they landed there. I had that problem for a while, but when I added no.reply@tcsa.info to my contacts it appears to have fixed it so they land in my inbox. This is the best way we have to notify you of unplanned closures or other impacts, so that email might save you a wasted trip to the range someday.

RSO Questions / Concerns
Chief RSO - Mike Ensminger
chiefrso@tcsa.info or 509.521.9628

ALL MEMBERS MUST show a current **Membership Card** to the RSO on duty upon arrival at the **Range**. Membership Cards need to be shown at **all Ranges** and **all Events** or you will be required to pay the **non-member Range Use Fee**. **EVERYONE must sign-in!**



RSO Access Key Cards and RSO Badges are not to be used in place of or as a substitute for your Membership identification card.

KEEP THE RANGE CLEAN

Keep **YOUR** Range clean of trash and spent cartridges. Garbage cans are available. Please be sure the enclosure tops are closed so the garbage can't blow out. Buckets are provided for spent cartridges.

Take a moment to clean up after yourself when you are done shooting.



RATTLESNAKE MOUNTAIN STEEL SHOOTERS

By: Mike Ensminger



40 guns completed the **November ISSA Match**, with Mike Czebotar once again showing us how it's done. I am starting to think there may be something to be said for practice, after all...

Our next Match will be on **December 7**, shooter's meeting at 9:15. Sign-ups are at the Range on Match Day, cash or check only.

If you would like us to pre-squad you, send an email to mikeberta4@gmail.com with names and number of guns each (1 or 2) and we will make sure you can keep your group together.

PRIMITIVE RANGE



By: Clint Bouslaugh

The November Shoot went well and we are looking forward to our final shoot of the year. The **December Shoot** will be on the **20th** from 9:00 to noon. Bring out your favorite muzzleloader and a thermos of hot coffee and enjoy a morning of shooting.

COWBOY ACTION

By: Mike Ensminger



We had 14 shooters in November and a fairly pretty day that got colder by the minute. There were almost enough votes to cut the match one stage shorter but everyone stuck it out.

We will be shooting again **December 27**, shooter's meeting at 9 a.m.

"Winter Rules" are in effect, meaning wear whatever keeps you warm, all firearms and ammunition can be staged (no fumbling through heavy coats required) and .22s are OK in any category that does not have caliber specific rules.

Matches are scheduled through the winter, but if the forecast looks particularly bad, please check the website or give us a call before driving out, just in case we come to our senses and decide to stay home.

Applications for the **Washington State Championship** in **April** will be out shortly, so keep an eye on www.Rattlesnakegulch.org.

SAFE SHOOTING SPORTS OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH

By: Dave McNeal

NOVEMBER REPORT:

Free Skeet Sunday at noon on November 9 was followed at 2:00 p.m. by a **tutorial class on how to fit and use a rifle sling to support marksmanship**. Thanks to **John Julian** for presentation, demonstration and assisting with an exercise in practicing what was learned. PDF copies of the handout, **Safe Shooting Sports for Youth; Introduction to Rifle Slings** are available on request TCSAYouth@TCSA.info.

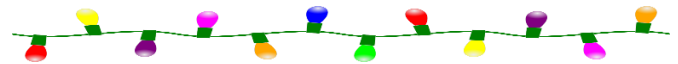
A Smallbore Sporter Match on November 16 allowed participants in the Sling Class to put their training to use. Thanks to **George Hager** for special effort in arranging and conducting the Match as a make-up event for our junior shooters who were unable to attend the November 8 Match because they were participating in the Veterans Day Parade. It was the first time any of the shooters had fired in a three-position match. With 600 points possible in the event, **Eli McNeal** took first place with 532 8X using his Ruger American .22 and Leupold variable scope. **Liam McNeal** scored 518 13X with his grandfather's vintage 10/22 and a Bushnell 3200 which was donated to the TCSA youth program by **Mark Cammers**. **Drazen Brown** took third place with 481 5X using a TCSA loaner 10/22 topped with the vintage Redfield Wideview donated to the program by his uncle **Bob Tucker** and fitted with a sling donated by **John Julian**. Congratulations to the shooters and thanks for the donations that made the match successful.

COMING IN DECEMBER:

Free Shotgun 5 Stand Sunday will be **December 21** at 12:00 Noon-- Shooters aged 18 and under, accompanied by an adult, can bring their shotguns and shells to the Rattlesnake Mountain Shotgun Range and learn about (or refresh their skills) with two free rounds of 5 Stand. If you plan to attend and participate in this activity, **please RSVP** to president@tcsashotgun.com.

INTO THE FUTURE:

We are compiling a list of shooting and indoor activities for wintertime. If you have Events that you would like to sponsor or that you would like to have presented, please send your thoughts to TCSAYouth@tcsa.info. Please note that many of the "adult" matches and events at RMSF are kid friendly too.



RENEWAL SEASON IS AROUND THE CORNER

By: Sue Verwest

Renewals for this next year are already being received. The 2026 Membership Card is being designed! For those of you who have already renewed for this next coming year – your new membership card(s) **will be mailed in mid-January**. Once again – we will have a prize which will be given away to a lucky winner who renews early. Details will be in next month's Newsletter.

Renewal Forms can be found at the Rose-Iris Range and the Shotgun Range. They can also be printed from our website - www.tcsa.info, click the Join/Renew Tab at the top of the page and then click the link to the Membership Form.

TCSA PUBLIC MEETING

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11
6:30 p.m. – NOTE NEW TIME

RICHLAND LIBRARY
(Rooms A and B)



ROSE-IRIS RANGE

Hours of Operation
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday

CHECK OUT THE TCSA WEB-PAGE

www.tcsa.info

Calendar of Events - Range Photos
Shooting Venues - Frequently Asked Questions
Items For Sale - TCSA Forms - Monthly Newsletter
Weather - Range Rules - Banned Ammo

WEATHER CONDITIONS at the Range can be found on our homepage -



With the winter upon us, be sure to **check the road conditions** before driving out to the Range. **If we need to close the Range due to weather conditions we will try to get it posted on the Website and Facebook as soon as possible.**

SHOTGUN REPORT

By: Mark Monopoli

**SHOTGUN RANGE WILL BE CLOSED
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24**

Well, this is it, the final Shotgun Report of 2025! After I hit send on this little beauty I'll go in and create a new folder named 2026, which just seems crazy. I took over the Shotgun Report from **Roberta Johnson** in November of 2017! With the beginning of my 9th year writing this Pulitzer prized piece, all I can say is careful what you wish for kids.

Happy Thanksgiving everyone! Christmas is coming fast, and then we move onto the glory of 2026 and all that the new year holds for us. The Shotgun Range will see some new things, while some things will stay the same.

Firmly under the "Same" column will be our **Monthly Shoots** and **Monthly Youth Shoot Days**. They have all been well received, and while we may tweak some of the rules, we will primarily stick with the same format.

The monthly **100 Bird Trap Shoots** will remain on the **1st Sunday** of each month and not really change that much. We may tweak the "yardage awarded" for wins and near wins, but nothing too drastic.

The **2nd Sunday** of each month we will stick with the **50 Bird Skeet Shoots**. While the format is going to stay the same there will be one notable difference. Beginning in January you will have the option to shoot Registered Skeet targets each month for your NSSA averages. This is not a requirement for the shoot, but an option you can choose to sign up for.

5-Stand will still rule the **3rd Sunday** of each month and will most likely stick with the same format. We may be designating some of the shoots as Registered, but again, it is not a requirement for you to shoot.

What's "new" you may ask? First off, we have begun work on improving the existing **Sporting Clays** road on the hill and are looking at getting a full-time course up there once again. **Don Klages** was kind enough to bring his mower and tractor out once again to get the ball rolling. Look for more info on this soon.

Also, under the "new" column will be some **Registered Skeet Shoots** at Rattlesnake! We have Registered the Shotgun Range with both the National Skeet Shooting Association (NSSA) and the National Sporting Clays Association (NSCA) to make this happen. **Jacob Witherel, Dawson Van Diest, Andrew Gould** and **Bill Fisher** are the driving force behind these shoots. We are currently selecting dates for these shoots, keep an eye out for more info next month.

In an effort to bring some social events to the Shotgun Range we will also be hosting our "**Friday Night F-Around Shoots**" this year. Calm down, the "**F**" stands for **FUN!**

We will be hosting a series of social shoots on Friday afternoon/evenings that have a heavy emphasis on the social side rather than the competition side. Bring out the wife/husband/friends and let's have a good time! Look for more info on these shoots soon.

Want to receive monthly emails about upcoming events and Shotgun Range info? Send me an email to president@tcsashotgun.com and I will add you to our list.

DECEMBER SHOOTS AT RATTLESNAKE

- **December 7** **100 Bird Trap Shoot**
- **December 14** **50 Bird Skeet Shoot**
- **December 21*** **50 Bird 5-Stand Shoot**
- **December 21*** **Youth 5-Stand Day**
- **December 21** **Christmas Fun Shoot**

Our regular monthly shoots will go off like normal along with the Christmas Shoot. *Christmas shoot will take precedence on the 21st.

Monthly Shoot winners for November are: Trap Shoot saw **John Wilgus** return to his true potential with a 91/100 for the win over **John Dyes** 81/100. **Dawson Van Diest** won the Skeet Shoot with a commanding 50/50 to crush all who dared compete against him. Of course, Dawson promptly missed the 51st bird while "demonstrating" Skeet for the Youth shooters. **Tom Walchuk** and **Don Klages** tied for 2nd with 47/50. While 5-Stand was a bit difficult this month, it was still enjoyable. Scratch that, I'd fire the target setter, but he's the only one that does it currently. **Don Klages** pulled off the win with a 38/50 while **Jacob Witherel** grabbed 2nd with a 34/50.

Want to know what's going on at the Shotgun Range? See the Calendar at www.tcsashotgun.com to see what's what. 98% of the information contained there is 97.3% correct most of the time.

RSO Scheduler for Shotgun, David Russie has been handling scheduling and such. We appreciate everyone volunteering their time at the Range again this year. You can reach **David Russie** at roscheduler@gmail.com or at 509-979-3664 call/text.

Have a great month everyone!

SHOTGUN RANGE HOURS

Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Current weather conditions at the Range can be found at www.tcsashotgun.com and www.tcsa.info.

Thanks for reading! Feel free to drop me an email at mark.monopoli@outlook.com.



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PRACTICAL PISTOL



By: Pam Harper



USPSA National Range Officers Institute,

NROI, has a website that has valuable information about the Rules and interpretations of the Rules.

Check it out at <https://nroi.org>

TIDBITS: USPSA RULES - concerning the 'external safety'.

DQ offenses for not having the Safety on while in the holster or placed on an object. **SAFETY FIRST**, people!!!

10.5.11 Holstering or placing a loaded firearm, in any of the following conditions:

10.5.11.1 A single action self-loading firearm with the safety not applied. If the primary safety on the firearm cannot be engaged due to the design of the firearm and the hammer or trigger cannot be actuated in the condition the gun is in, the safety does not have to be applied. If the gun is completely empty, the safety need not be applied.

10.5.11.2 A double action or selective action pistol with the hammer cocked and the safety not applied.

10.5.11.3 A revolver with the hammer cocked.

All these conditions apply the entire time the firearm is in the holster or placed on an object as required by the Written Stage Briefing. See 8.1.2.5.

NATIONAL NEWS: www.uspsa.org

Mark your Calendars. The dates for **USPSA Nationals 2026:**

May 27 – 31: World Speed Shooting Championship (Steel Challenge) @ CMP Marksmanship Park, Talladega, AL

July 17 – 19: USPSA Multigun Nationals @ Forest Lake Sportsmans Club, Forest Lake, MN

August 19 – 23: USPSA Race Gun Nationals (Open, Lim, Lim10, LO, PCC) @ Cardinal Shooting Center, Marengo, OH

September 16 – 20: USPSA Factory Gun Nationals (Carry Optics, Prod, SS, and Rev) @ Southern Utah Practical Shooting (SUPS), Hurricane, UT

October 2 – 4: IPSC US Nationals @ Greater Pittsburgh Gun Club, Bulger, PA

The **USPSA Rules:**

<https://uspsa.org/documents/rules/current/USPSA-Competition-Rules.pdf> can be downloaded to your phone for easy access.

The USPSA Rules Change Log is located here

<https://uspsa.org/documents/rules/current/Competition-Rules-Change-Log.pdf>

LOCAL NEWS:

EWPSA is hosting a **RO Seminar March 14 - 15**. To register for this seminar go to <https://uspsa.org/seminars>

EWPSA is hosting the **2026 Washington State Championship!** Registration will open **January 1, 2026 at 5 p.m. PST.**

All **EWPSA Match** results can be found here - [Practiscore.com](https://rebrand.ly/EWPSAscores) search EWPSA in the Results tab): <https://rebrand.ly/EWPSAscores>

EWPSA Results:

Monthly 2-Gun Match November 1 had 36 competitors with 5 Divisions. The Division winners were: Armored: **David Pinnt** (overall winner); Heavy Metal: **Brandon Tinker**; Open: **Elijah Bovensi**; Retro: **Brian Humann**; and Tactical: **Rob Lee**.

The **USPSA Match** on November 16 had 67 competitors with 8/9 USPSA Divisions represented. The Division winners were: Limited Optics: **Sam Wagg** (overall winner); Carry Optics: **Vicente Hall**; Limited: **Daniel Hughes**; Limited 10: **Dwight Hughes**; Open: **JD Thomas**; PCC: **Mike Czebotar**; Production: **Ben Jensen**; and Revolver: **Trevor VanArsdale**.

Action 2-Gun match November 22 had 26 competitors with x Divisions. The Division winners were: Armored: **Nicolas Espitia** (overall winner); Heavy Metal: **Mark Madden**; and Open: **David Pinnt**.

COMING UP:

All upcoming **EWPSA Matches** and **registrations** can be found here (Practiscore.com): <https://bit.ly/EWPSAmatches>

EWPSA will be hosting:

Monthly 2-Gun Match December 6. Sign-in begins at 9:00 a.m. Shooting briefing at 9:20, shooting begins at 9:30 a.m. Set-up begins at 7:30 a.m. The Match cost is \$20 per TCSA member and \$25 per non-member. More details on Practiscore.

USPSA Monthly Match December 21. Gates will open at 9:00 a.m., New Shooters briefing at 9:30, shooters meeting at 9:45 a.m., shooting begins around 10:00. The Match cost is \$20 TCSA members / \$25 non-members. More details on Practiscore.

Check out our Inland Empire Section News at:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/267093763957174/?ref=bookmarks>

Check out local news on Facebook –

[Eastern Washington Practical Shooters Association](#)

Any questions or comments can be directed to:

Rich Nelson at Chickadeeranch@gmail.com

Merry Christmas

HIGH-POWER

By: Dave Baalman

December is upon us and soon a new year! For all you High-Power Match Directors, watch your email. We will be scheduling our annual meeting to set the 2026 schedule soon. For everyone else, check the home page of our website. If we have to close the Range due to snow or for some other reason, we will post it on the website and Facebook. We don't want you to rush out to the Range to try out that new toy Santa left in your stocking just to find the gate blocked off.

Schedule wise for December, the only things we have got are an **NRL 22 Match** on **December 6**, and a **PRS 22 Match** on **December 7**. Both are at HESA so the High-Power Range is wide open all month.

Looking back at November and the end of October, we had a **Youth 22 Match** on October 26. Match winners were **Jonah Niedziela** at 25 yards (195-8x) and **Anna Winkel** at 50 yards (196-7x). Well done!



October 26 – Youth Smallbore Match

At the October 28 **Mini-Palma**, the scores were excellent for the conditions (windy and cold). **Ben Cook** and **Tom Halecki** both shot a perfect score of 450. Ben was the match winner by virtue of a higher X count.

The November 5 **Dewar Match** was held in cool and breezy conditions that kept the scores down. **Mike Bunch** took the Match win (399-33x) followed by **Brandon Tinker** (398-31x) who edged out **Tom Halecki** (398-25x) for 2nd place by his X count. **Tom Walchuk** took the High card honors with an impressive 200-15X in the wind at 100 yards.

The November 6 **Vintage Smallbore Match** was a windy one for the books. Even with 10 mph and 20 mph gusts, some fine scores were shot. **Mike Bunch** took the Match win with a 399-26x and high card with a 200-16x using iron

sights. **Brandon Tinker** was second with a 398-29x and **Glen Buxton** took third with a 398-19x.

For the last **USBR Match** of the year, it was a crisp, cool morning with hardly any breeze but enough light fog moving slowly in and out to keep you guessing as to whether or not it was going to get worse. 7 shooters showed up and with the fog almost gone, the first of a two-card match had been fired. Second card was shot under sunny skies with little to no wind and the fog now retreated to the river. **Ben Cook** was Match winner with a 487-14x and firing the first 250. **Mike Bunch** was second with a 480-8x and coming in third place was **Glen Buxton** with a 471-2x.

The last **ARA Match** of the year was greeted with dense fog during practice but cleared enough by Match time for decent although rainy shooting conditions. **Ben Cook** took top honors with match win (4500-23x) and high score card (2300-11x). Congratulations Ben!

The smallbore benchrest style competition shooting that includes 5 disciplines (50/100 Dewar, Vintage, USBR, ARA and Mini-Palma) concluded for the year. **Ben Cook** was the winner of the inaugural "**Phillip Keuhlen Cup**". Points are accumulated shooting all 5 disciplines for a total of 44 matches from March through November.

1st place: **Ben Cook**

2nd place: **Mike Bunch**

3rd place: **Tom Halecki**

And finally, the last **Youth Smallbore Event** of the year was conducted as a Rimfire Sporter Match and as a make-up event for our junior shooters who were participants in the 2026 Veterans Day Parade and were unable to attend the 2025 TCSA Smallbore Sporter Match on November 8. Due to illness and other conflicts only three shooters were able to participate in the makeup match, but all the participants and all of their responsible adults were very pleased with the opportunity. It was the first time that these shooters had fired in any three-position match with repeater rifles. With 600 points possible in the event, **Eli McNeal** took first place with 532-8x using his Ruger American .22 and Leupold variable scope. **Liam McNeal** scored 518-13x with his grandfather's 1970's vintage 10/22 and a variable Bushnell 3200 which was donated to the TCSA youth program by **Mark Cammers**. **Drazen Brown** took third place with 481-5x using a TCSA loaner 10/22 topped with the Redfield Widefield donated to the program by his uncle **Bob Tucker** and fitted with a sling donated by **John Julian**.



The full schedule is available at <https://www.tcsahighpower.org/>. You can see a full description of each match on our website as well <https://www.tcsahighpower.org/match-descriptions>

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UPCOMING EVENTS FOR DECEMBER

Saturday December 6

EWPSA Monthly 2 Gun

NRL 22 Rimfire Match - HESA Range

Sunday December 7

ISSA Steel

PRS 22 Rimfire Match - HESA Range

100 Bird Trap Shoot

Thursday December 11

TCSA General Meeting – Richland Public Library

Friday December 12

RSO Training Class

Sunday, December 14

50-Bird Skeet Shoot

Saturday December 20

Primitive Match

Sunday December 21

USPSA Match

50-Bird 5-Stand Shoot

Shotgun Youth 5-Stand Shoot

Wednesday December 24 – Christmas Eve

Rose Iris Range OPEN

Shotgun Range CLOSED

Saturday December 27

Cowboy Match

ROSE-IRIS RANGE STEEL GONG INFORMATION

Target Dimensions

~ 200 yards	12"
~ 250 yards	15"
~ 300 yards	16" and 6"
~ 350 yards	18" and 7"
~ 400 yards	20" and 8"
~ 450 yards	21", 9" and one in the middle is about 3" wide x 4" tall

Check out the "For Sale" items on our web-site

www.tcsa.info

Send your "For Sale" or "Wanted" items to

membership@tcsa.info



LIFE / PATRON / BENEFACTOR MEMBERS

This is the time of year when the Life / Patron / Benefactor Members need to update their information if they have a RSO Endorsement.

The information that needs updating or confirmation is email address, phone number and mailing address. By updating this information, you will keep your **Access Key Card activated for 2026**. To update, complete a Membership Renewal form with the Personal Information filled in or email this information to **Sue Verwest** at membership@tcsa.info. Thank You!

