



# The Rattler

MAY 2025

Official Newsletter of the Rattlesnake Mountain Shooting Facility and the Tri-Cities Shooting Association, Inc.

### GENERAL INFORMATION:

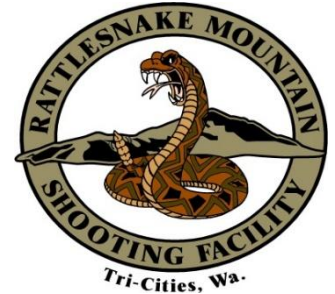
Web: [www.tcsa.info](http://www.tcsa.info)

Mailing Address:

TCSA  
P.O. Box 785  
Richland, WA 99352

### TCSA OFFICERS

Mark Verwest	President	509.735.1662	<a href="mailto:mverwest1662@charter.net">mverwest1662@charter.net</a>
George Hager	Vice-President	979.229.1615	<a href="mailto:george.hager@gmail.com">george.hager@gmail.com</a>
Megan Hughes	Secretary	509.905.7138	<a href="mailto:meglea32@outlook.com">meglea32@outlook.com</a>
Mark Monopoli	Treasurer	509.531.6929	<a href="mailto:mark.monopoli@outlook.com">mark.monopoli@outlook.com</a>
Mike Ensminger	Chief RSO	509.521.9628	<a href="mailto:chiefrso@tcsa.info">chiefrso@tcsa.info</a>
Dan Martini	Mbr at Large	509.627.3198	<a href="mailto:dantini@charter.net">dantini@charter.net</a>
Chuck Nay	Oper. Officer	509.572.7115	<a href="mailto:chuckmail60@gmail.com">chuckmail60@gmail.com</a>



Sue Verwest  
Newsletter and Membership  
[membership@tcsa.info](mailto:membership@tcsa.info) or 509.735.1662

Ron Jorgensen  
Range Use Request / Range Events  
[Events@tcsa.info](mailto:Events@tcsa.info)

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

By: Mark Verwest

At the General Membership / TCSA Board Meeting on April 10, the winners of the Early Renewal Prizes were drawn. **Douglas Dhondt** was the first drawn and had his pick of the prizes. He seemed very pleased to be one of the winners as did Member # 3780 who won a new Caldwell lead sled that was generously donated by a former member.

The TCSA really appreciates when you renew early as it helps considerably with the logistics of getting renewal forms processed. Thanks to everyone who renewed early this year and best of luck in the next year's drawing.

I am pleased to announce that **Megan Hughes** was unanimously voted in as the new Secretary during the April meeting. I am sure she will be an outstanding addition to the Board. Thanks for volunteering your time and expertise, Megan!

.....  
**ROSE-IRIS RANGE**

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

Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday

.....  
**TCSA PUBLIC MEETING**

**THURSDAY, MAY 8**  
7:00 p.m.

**RICHLAND LIBRARY**  
(Conference Room A & B)

## FIRST SHOTS HANDGUN CLASS

By: Mike Ensminger

On **Saturday, May 10**, the TCSA is hosting **First Shots Handgun Classes**. This is a great opportunity for new shooters to get to get started in a low-pressure setting.

We still have available space in the 8:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. classes. The classes include:

An educational introduction to the safe recreational use of firearms.

A review of the local requirements for owning and purchasing a firearm.

Individual firearm training.

A rundown of shooting sports opportunities at TCSA for all levels of interest.

A chance to give shooting a try!

**Firearms and ammunition are provided by TCSA and there is no charge to attendees.**

To sign up, email **Mike Ensminger** with your name and choice of class time - [chiefrso@tcsa.info](mailto:chiefrso@tcsa.info).

**FREE ~~ FREE ~~ FREE**

## YOUTH INTRODUCTION TO BLACK POWDER

This Event will be held on **May 17** for youth ages 12 – 17. This is an opportunity to come out and learn about muzzleloading firearms. Youth will be able to shoot both flintlock and percussion rifles and pistols.

There will be two sessions -- 9:00 to 10:30 and 10:30 to noon. More details for this Event in the Primitive Article on page 4.

## 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. – **Curt Berger** – 541.720.7826

**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

.....



**Hearing and Eye protection required when shooting!**



## HUNTER EDUCATION AND SAFETY ASSOCIATION

**By: Randy Absolon**



We held our April 26 Evaluation for students who had completed the online portion of the hybrid course. Of the 17 students registered, 12 attended class (one had called in sick) and all 12 passed the class. We have one additional Field Skills Evaluation scheduled this spring which will be held on **May 10**. Registration is currently open on the WDFW website for that session.

Our June **Traditional Class** is set up and will run from **June 16** through **July 3**. Registration will open on **May 26**, and like our Online Evaluations, our Traditional Classes have been filling up quickly.

**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 never cross obstacles with a loaded firearm.

If you have questions about our Hunter Education Classes, contact me at: [randyabsolon@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:membership@tcsa.info) or 509.735.1662.

Check out our TCSA web site [www.tcsa.info](http://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 -



# CHIEF RSO REPORT

By: Mike Ensminger



The Rose-Iris Range Duty Calendar is filling up (hope you didn't want a Wednesday this year), but there are plenty of slots available, including one in May. If you have any trouble getting into the RSO website, finding dates that work for you or even need help fixing it if you accidentally picked the wrong date, give me a call.

RSO Questions / Concerns  
**Chief RSO - Mike Ensminger**  
[chiefrso@tcsa.info](mailto:chiefrso@tcsa.info) or 509.521.9628

## RSO - ROSE-IRIS DUTY DAY SCHEDULING FOR 2025 TO 2026

**Rose-Iris RSO's – Your 3 Duty Days for the year need to be scheduled by May 31.** If you haven't already scheduled yourself, please do so as soon as possible. The sooner you renew, the more choices you will have !

## **APRIL started a NEW MEMBERSHIP YEAR**

**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!**



## **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.



The Handicapped Parking spot is only for those with a state approved handicapped permit.

# NEXT RANGE SAFETY OFFICER CLASS

By: Dan Martini

Our next **Range Safety Officer Training Class** will be held on **Friday May 23** 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 this Class date and want to become a TCSA Range Safety Officer send a reply email message to [dantini@charter.net](mailto:dantini@charter.net) with a YES and include your TCSA Membership number and I will add your name to the RSO Class list. **I will not entertain or consider replies I get within a week of the class date so if you are interested, send me your replies right away.**

## **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](mailto:dantini@charter.net).

## **CHECK OUT THE TCSA WEB-PAGE**

[www.tcsa.info](http://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**

# RATTLESNAKE MOUNTAIN STEEL SHOOTERS

By: Mike Ensminger

We had 44 guns competing in our April Match, with **Mike Czebotar** back in the top spot. Scores are posted on Practiscore.com. Search on "rattlesnake".



We will be shooting again **May 4**, starting at 9:15 a.m. Signups are still at the Range (cash or check), but we will pre-squad you and your group if you send an email to [mikeberta4@gmail.com](mailto:mikeberta4@gmail.com) with names and number of guns (1 or 2).

## COWBOY ACTION

By: Mike Ensminger



April closed once again with TCSA hosting the **SASS Washington State Cowboy Action Shooting Championship**. 100 shooters took part, representing Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, North Dakota and even British Columbia, Canada. Scores are posted on Practiscore.com, just search on rattlesnake gulch and you will find them.

We will be back on our regular schedule in May, shooting on the **4th Saturday - May 24th**, starting at 9 a.m.

Since May has 5 Saturdays, we will also be holding a **Wild Bunch Match** on **May 31** also starting at 9 a.m.

Check out the "For Sale" items on our web-site [www.tcsa.info](http://www.tcsa.info)



Send your "For Sale" or "Wanted" items to [membership@tcsa.info](mailto:membership@tcsa.info)

## RATTLESNAKES

Once it starts warming up, we have uninvited guests show up on our Ranges. Watch where you step. Be aware of your surroundings. Watch when you reach for things!



# PRIMITIVE RANGE



By: Clint Bouslaugh

The **May Shoot** will be on the **17th**, this is our annual "**Youth Introduction to Black Powder**" Event. Youth ages 12 - 17 will have the opportunity to come out and learn about muzzle-loading firearms. They will be able to shoot both flintlock and percussion rifles and pistols. There will be two sessions, one from 9:00 to 10:30 and one from 10:30 to noon. Please call **Clinton Bouslaugh** at 509.619.4981 to register for the Event. Space is limited, if we have an overabundance of youth wanting to participate, we may hold an additional event in June.

We meet the third Saturday of the month. Anyone interested in muzzleloading firearms can come out and we will try to answer any questions you may have and give you the opportunity to take a few shots.



## 22 LONG RIFLE MATCHES UNDERWAY

By: Ron Jorgensen

The Match season for the **.22 LR Smallbore** is underway with a full schedule. Seven matches will be conducted at the Rose-Iris Range with most of them scheduled on a Tuesday or Thursday. Registration for most Matches is at 7:45 a.m. and Match start 9:00 am. These are fun matches with shooting off a bench. Most matches are 50 yards. We also offer Smallbore Matches at the High-Power Range.

Check out the High-Power Website for a complete calendar along with match descriptions. Match entry fees are \$10.00 with proceeds going to the purchase of match supplies and range improvements. So, dust off that .22 and come out and join in the fun.

**TCSA is also hosting Youth Smallbore Matches** at the recently completed **Smallbore Competition Range** near the gate to the Shotgun range. These are held on Saturday or Sunday and are free to the shooters. Contact Dave McNeil for more information at [TCSAYouth@tcsa.info](mailto:TCSAYouth@tcsa.info) or 509.366.6879.





# SAFE SHOOTING OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH

By: Dave McNeal

**Free Trap Sunday** was on April 6 - We had three young shooters participate in a two-round match. **Eli McNeal** took high score. Thank you, **Mark Monopoli** for running the Match and coaching the shooters!

## 25 Yard Youth Smallbore Matches

We held three Orientation sessions with young shooters and their adults and with RSOs to prepare them for a successful series of Smallbore Matches. We had 11 adults with 14 pre-18ers and 4 RSOs aboard following the Orientations. Thank you, **Phil Keuhlen**, for making this possible!

The inaugural event for the new Smallbore Competition Range was the First 2025 **Youth 25 Yard Smallbore Match**, April 12 with 8 shooters and their accompanying adults participating. The wind was brisk enough to require stabilizers on the target frames, but the **scores were impressive. Even more impressive was the conduct of the shooters.** Shooters ranged in age from 9 to 16. The second Match was April 27 with higher windspeeds and 10 shooters showing **impeccable conduct and great marksmanship.**

While the format is a Match, we try to avoid over-competitiveness. The shooters have varying degrees of experience, the firearms range from scoped sporters to fairly sophisticated target rifles, ammunition is mostly (but not all) plinker grade and the accompanying adults have a range of coaching experience. We encourage the participants to **strive for self-improvement rather than "winning"** at this point in their shooting development.

### April 12 Youth 25 Yard Smallbore Results

Anna Winkle	198	10X
Finn Cooper	188	5X
Liam McNeal	198	10X
Eli McNeal	196	13X
David Minton	180	3X
Gabby Macatangay	162	1X
Brooklyn Grijalva	168	4X
Izaiah Lane	187	4X

### April 27 Youth 25 Yard Smallbore Results

Anna Winkle	195	11X
Finn Cooper	183	4X
Liam McNeal	198	6X
Eli McNeal	196	9X
Alan Plank	181	2X
Gabby Macatangay	164	1X
Brooklyn Grijalva	179	3X
Elijah Macatangay	194	7X
River Revis	189	4X
Townes Cooper	160	1X

Thanks to **Ron Jorgensen, Bob Veatch** and **Mike Bunch** for overseeing the events.



**Free Skeet Sunday will be on May 11 at 12:00 Noon--** Take Mother to Brunch and then bring her to the Range. 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 skeet. If you plan to attend and participate in this activity, **please RSVP to [president@tcsashotgun.com](mailto:president@tcsashotgun.com)**

**25 Yard Youth Smallbore Matches** will be **Saturday May 10** and **Sunday May 25**. Registration will run from 8:00 until 8:30 a.m. - Shooters aged 18 and under, accompanied by an adult, are invited to participate in Matches at the new **TCSA Smallbore Competition Range**. Prospective participants who have not attended the Smallbore Youth Match Orientation should contact [TCSAYouth@tcsa.info](mailto:TCSAYouth@tcsa.info) for information on the course of fire and the allowable equipment. Loaner rifles, ammunition and accessories can be made available.

**Youth Introduction to Muzzleloading Event** will be held on **May 17**. This will be an Event for youth age 12 to 17. The youth will have the opportunity to shoot both percussion and flintlock firearms. **This is a free Event.** Registration information is available in the Primitive Range section of this Newsletter on page 4.

**First Shots Saturday, May 10.** Youth accompanied by an adult are welcome to attend this **Free Event** which is designed for people who have no prior shooting experience. See the **FIRST SHOTS** Article on page 1 of this Newsletter.

## INTO THE FUTURE

In the upcoming months we will continue the monthly Free Shotgun Sunday and the twice-a-month Smallbore Matches. If you have Events that you would like to sponsor or that you would like to have presented, please send your thoughts and communication links to [TCSAYouth@tcsa.info](mailto:TCSAYouth@tcsa.info)

# HIGH-POWER

By: Dave Baalman

April has flown by and May is upon us. So far, the weather has offered little excuse not to compete and/or practice. May looks like more of the same, so get yourself to the range at your first opportunity!

May's schedule is pretty jam packed as always. On the centerfire side of things, we have got the **Spring Long Range Regional May 2 - 4**, a full yardage **Regional Match Course May 10**, and a **50 BMG Match May 16 - 18**. On the smallbore side we have got a **50/100 Yard Dewar on May 6**, **Vintage Smallbore on May 8**, **50 Yard USBR Smallbore May 13**, **50 Yard ARA Smallbore May 15**, **ELR 22 Steel on May 24**, a **Youth Smallbore Match May 10 and 25**, a **100 Yard Mini-Palma May 27**, and a **100/200 Yard Smallbore May 31**.

On the "too late for the April newsletter" list from March was the **March 25 Mini-Palma**. **Ben Cook** took the overall win with a 450-43x. That's only 2 x's shy of absolute perfection! Well done, Ben! **Mike Bunch** was second with a 450-37x and **Tom Walchuck** was third with 450-33x. The top 7 places in this Match were all within 3 points, impressive shooting!

Moving on to April, we kicked things off with a High-Power **Reduced Yardage Match** on April 5. **Adam Maxwell** took every stage and overall, with a 778-17x. Nicely done!

The April 6 **100/200 Yard Smallbore Match** had great conditions, with very little wind although it was a bit tricky from 200 yards. Three of the nine shooters shot a clean 200 from 100 yards. The match winner was **Tom Walchuk** with a 393 and 18 x's. This was the first time Tom has shot this match so congratulations Tom. **John Julian** also posted a 393 but was one X from Tom with 17x's. Third place went to **Ben Cook** who shot a 391 and 21 X's. Ben's X count was high for the match.

The April 8 **Dewar Match** was held under mild temperatures and strong winds. Winds of 5-15 mph were common along with gusts up to 27 mph. We had a great turnout for the challenging weather conditions, 12 shooters in all. **Tom Walchuk** was the match winner with a 396/13X, then **Ben Cook** 2nd with a 394/26X and **Mike Bunch** 3rd and high card winner with a 200/15X on the 50 yard target.

The April 10 **Vintage Smallbore Match** had mild winds, with 3 mph at the most and some excellent scores were recorded. This Match was shot with no handicap for scoped rifles. **Glen Clifford** was the match winner with a 400 total score/ 40 X count and hit the tie breaker dot. **Tom Halecki** placed 2nd with a 400 total score, 40 X count but did not hit the tie breaker dot. **Brandon Tinker** placed 4th

with a 400 score and 39 X count and center punched the tie breaker dot edging **Mike Bunch** who also shot a 400 with 39 X count but was not center punch the dot. Great shooting non the less. There were 3 more perfect scores shot with various X counts. Big hand to our junior shooter **Jackson Farmer** for competing. Great to see some interest from younger eyes.

The April 17 **ARA Smallbore Match** had beautiful weather, sunshine and a very light breeze. We had a light turnout of shooters but still posted several scores over the 4000 mark. **Mike Bunch** won both the Match and High card score with a 4375-29x & 2300-17x respectively, with **Ben Cook** close behind at 4100-21x. Thoughts and prayers to **Gary, Phil** and **David** for their speedy recoveries and back to the range soon. If you are interested, please call or email the Match Director for more information on this match OR check out the Match descriptions under TCSA High Power. It is very challenging but rewarding to shoot ARA.



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>

High-Power Contacts:  
**Mike Sowa:** High-Power Chairman  
[MikeSowa@ix.netcom.com](mailto:MikeSowa@ix.netcom.com)  
**Andrew Clark:** High-Power Treasurer  
[clarkand25@gmail.com](mailto:clarkand25@gmail.com)  
**Robert Lougee:** High-Power RSO  
[RPLougee@protonmail.com](mailto:RPLougee@protonmail.com)  
**Ron Jorgensen:** High-Power Webmaster  
[rjorge44@gmail.com](mailto:rjorge44@gmail.com)  
**Dave Baalman:** Newsletter  
509.528.0183 / [dpbaalman@msn.com](mailto:dpbaalman@msn.com)

- .....
- FIRST LAW... THE GUN IS ALWAYS LOADED!**
  - SECOND LAW... NEVER POINT THE GUN AT SOMETHING YOU ARE NOT PREPARED TO DESTROY!**
  - THIRD LAW... ALWAYS BE SURE OF YOUR TARGET AND WHAT IS BEHIND IT**
  - FOURTH LAW... KEEP YOUR FINGER OFF THE TRIGGER UNTIL YOUR SIGHTS ARE ON THE TARGET**

# PRACTICAL PISTOL



By: Pam Harper



**Pistol Bays CLOSED May 12 - 18  
for WA State Championship Match**

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:** 5.2.1 Carry and Storage – Except when within the boundaries of a Safety Area or when under the supervision and direct command of a Range Officer, competitors must carry their handguns unloaded in a gun case, gun bag or in a holster securely attached to a belt on their person (see Rule 10.5.1).

5.2.1.2 A competitor who, while not at a Safety Area or under RO supervision, removes their holster or their equipment belt with their handgun still in the holster, shall be considered to be in violation of Rule 5.2.1 and subject to disqualification from the Match. **IN OTHER WORDS, DO NOT take off your belt with holstered gun at the Port-a-potty or you will be DQd.**

**NATIONAL NEWS:** [www.uspsa.org](http://www.uspsa.org)

**Mark your Calendars.** The dates for **USPSA Nationals 2025:**

**May 30 - June 1 - World Speed Shooting Championship** at CMP Talladega Marksmanship Park, Talladega, AL.

**June 27 - 29 - Factory Gun Nationals** (CO, Prod, SS, Rev) at Cardinal Shooting Center, Marengo, OH.

**July 18 - 20 - MultiGun Nationals** at Forest Lake Sportsmen's Club, Forest Lake, MN.

**August 22 - 24 - IPSC Nationals** at Cardinal Shooting Center, Marengo, OH.

**October 24 - 26 - Racegun Nationals** (Open, Lim, Lim10, LO, PCC) at Southern Utah Practical Shooting, Hurricane, Utah.

The **USPSA Rules:**

<https://uspsa.org/viewer/2024-USPSA-Competition-Rules.pdf> can be downloaded to your phone for easy access.

The USPSA Rules Change Log is located here

<https://uspsa.org/viewer/Competition-Rules-Change-Log.pdf>

## LOCAL NEWS:

EWPSA will **NOT** be hosting the **Inland Empire Sectional** this year, instead EWPSA will be hosting the **USPSA WA State Championship May 15 - 18.**

Registration is open on Practiscore at <https://practiscore.com/2025-washington-state-championship/register> The Match has over 320 registered competitors. We have a few more spots available.

All **EWPSA Match** results can be found on Practiscore.com: <https://bit.ly/EWPSAscores>

The **Monthly 2-Gun Match** April 5 had 27 with 4 Divisions represented. The Division winners were: Open: **Jamie Bowkett** (overall winner); Armored: **Kevin Bensema**; Limited: **Ceriaco Santisteban**; and Tactical: **Derek Small.**

The **Steel Challenge Match** April 13 had 29 guns with 11 Divisions represented. The Division winners were: RFRO: **Mike Czebotar** (overall winner); PCCO: **Mike Czebotar**; CO: **Kimball Daniels**; LO: **Chris Sappenfield**; LTD: **John Lynch**; Open: **Dan Gookin**; PCCI: **Trevor VanArsdale**; Prod: **Ben Jensen**; RFPI: **Ben Jensen**; RFPO: **Al Ouellette**; and RFRI: **Mark Wells.**

The **USPSA Monthly Match** on April 20 had 66 competitors with 8/9 USPSA Divisions represented. The Division winners were: Open: **Ryan Barns** (overall winner); Carry Optics: **Jazz Little**; Limited: **Daniel Hughes**; Limited 10: **Dwight Hughes**; Limited Optics: **Adam Grimm**; PCC: **Mike Czebotar**; Production: **Kevin McCurry**; and Revolver: **Andrew Hall.**

## COMING UP:

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

**EWPSA** will be hosting:

**Action 2-Gun Match May 3.** Sign-in begins at 9:00 a.m. Shooting briefing at 9:20 a.m., shooting 9:30 a.m. The Match cost is \$20 for TCSA members and \$25 for non-members. More details on Practiscore.

**SCSA Steel Challenge Match May 11.** Gates will open at 9:00 a.m., shooters meeting at 9:30 a.m. We start shooting after the meeting. The Match cost is \$15 per TCSA member and \$20 per non-member. Shooting a second gun is \$5. Refunds for cancellation are -\$2. More details on Practiscore.

**USPSA 2025 Washington State Championship Match May 15 - 18.** Gate will open at 9:00 a.m., shooters meeting at 9:30 a.m., shooters meeting before 10:00 a.m., shooting begins after the meeting. The Match cost is \$20 TCSA members/\$25 non-members. More details on Practiscore.

**Monthly 2-Gun (Retro Month!) Match June 7.** Sign-in begins at 8:30 a.m. Shooting briefing at 8:40, shooting begins at 10:00 a.m. The Match cost is \$20 per TCSA member and \$25 per non-member. More details on Practiscore.

**SCSA Steel Challenge Match June 8.** Gates will open at 9:00 a.m., shooters meeting at 9:30 a.m. We start shooting after the meeting. The Match cost is \$15 per TCSA member and \$20 per non-member. Shooting a second gun is \$5. Refunds for cancellation are -\$2. More details on Practiscore.

Check out our Inland Empire Section News at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/267093763957174/?ref=bookmark>

Check out local news on Facebook – [Eastern Washington Practical Shooters Association](https://www.facebook.com/groups/267093763957174/?ref=bookmark)

Any questions or comments can be directed to: **Curt Berger** at [bergercj@icloud.com](mailto:bergercj@icloud.com)

# SHOTGUN REPORT

By: Mark Monopoli

Spring weather is here and it is a great time to come shoot at the Shotgun Range! Don't believe me? Come out for one or all of the monthly shoots and see for yourself.



**SUMMER HOURS!** With the onset of the longer days and better weather, **Shotgun Range is open on Wednesdays until 7:00 p.m.** until this fall.

We had a good turnout for **Don Klages SxS & Pump Gun Shoot** this past month. In total we had 46 guns between the two disciplines. **Deanna** and **Don Klages** did a great job of feeding everyone and putting on a really fun shoot. **Phil Volkman** and **Rick Poehls** ran the 5-Stand all day with pulling and scoring the two different courses we shot. In a command performance **John Wilgus** won the Pump Gun Shoot with a 90/100 and the SxS Shoot with an 84/100. With two Lewis Classes per event, we ended up paying out to (12) different shooters on the day. Which just goes to show everyone has a chance to win. You can see the final results on our Facebook page [@rattlesnakemountainshotgun](https://www.facebook.com/rattlesnakemountainshotgun)

We still had our Monthly shoots this past month as well. Attendance has been steady and they are still a really fun time.

**Trap Shoot Winner: John Wilgus**  
**Skeet Shoot Winner: John Dyes / Tex Reid**  
**5-Stand Shoot Winner: John Wilgus**

Once again, if your name starts with a "J" you have a pretty good chance of winning. Except for Tex, who tied John Dyes for 1<sup>st</sup> at the Skeet Shoot and is obviously another anomaly. Great shooting everyone!

**Trap Youth Day** was a little anemic this month, but the (3) shooters who did come out had a good time. **Next Youth Day will be on May 11 and we will be shooting Skeet.** RSVP to [president@tcsashotgun.com](mailto:president@tcsashotgun.com) if you want to join, or if you have any questions. As usual Shotgun will provide the birds and instruction, attendees are required to supply their own shotgun and ammo.

With a new month Shotgun has all new "Monthly Shoots" planned. I know it gets confusing, but even though the name of the month changes, we still hold shoots on the first 3 Sundays of the month. Hence the use of "monthly" in the title.

## **May Shoots at Rattlesnake**

- **May 4 100 Bird Trap Shoot**
- **May 11 50 Bird Skeet Shoot**
- **May 11 Youth Skeet Shoot**
- **May 18 50 Bird 5-Stand Shoot**

All abilities and caliber of shooters are welcome to join. Not sure what you're doing? Neither do we, but we will help the best we can. Not sure if you want to win a Lewis Class? Trust me, you do. We take these shoots just serious enough to keep them entertaining.



We are looking for volunteers to help with keeping the Range looking nice. With the growing season upon us we are looking for help with keeping up with the lawn duties. Sprinklers, mowing, weed eating, cleaning the fields, etc. Contact me at [president@tcsashotgun.com](mailto:president@tcsashotgun.com) if you would like to help out.



**RSO Scheduler for Shotgun, David Russie has emailed Shotgun RSOs about duty days for 2025.** We appreciate everyone volunteering their time at the Range again this year. One thing to remember is that you need to serve the duty days you signed up for. Finding last minute substitutes can be difficult so please sign up for days you can make. You can reach **David Russie** at 509.979.3664 call/text or [roscheduler@gmail.com](mailto:roscheduler@gmail.com).

Have a great month everyone!

## **SHOTGUN RANGE HOURS**

Wednesday – 9:00 a.m. to 7 p.m.  
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](http://www.tcsashotgun.com) and [www.tcsa.info](http://www.tcsa.info).

Thanks for reading! Feel free to drop me an email at [mark.monopoli@outlook.com](mailto:mark.monopoli@outlook.com).



**Like us on Facebook! Or don't...**  
[@rattlesnakemountainshotgun](https://www.facebook.com/rattlesnakemountainshotgun)

**TCSA HATS** are available at the **Rose-Iris Range.**

They are \$20.00 each (includes tax)



Rattlesnake Mountain Shooting Facility/TCSA  
<https://www.facebook.com/RMSFTCSA/>.

Contact **Robbie or Mike Ensminger** with questions or comments at [ChiefRSO@tcsa.info](mailto:ChiefRSO@tcsa.info)



**May 26 – Fly the Flag**



## UPCOMING EVENTS FOR MAY

Friday May 2

Spring Long Range

Saturday May 3

2-Gun Match – Pistol Bays

NRL Match - HESA Range

100 Bird Trap Shoot

Spring Long Range

Sunday May 4

ISSA Steel

PRS22 Rimfire Match – HESA Range

Spring Long Range

Tuesday May 6

50-100 Yard SBR Dewar Match - Rose-Iris Range

Thursday May 8

TCSA General Meeting – Richland Public Library

Vintage SBR Match - Rose-Iris Range

Saturday May 10

First Shots

High Power Rifle RMC

Hunter Education Class – HESA Range

Youth Smallbore Match - Smallbore Range

Sunday May 11

Mother's Day

SCSA Steel Challenge – Pistol Bays

Shotgun Youth Skeet Shoot Day

50-Bird Skeet Shoot

Monday May 12

Pistol Bays Closed May 12 - May 18 for WA State USPSA Match

Tuesday May 13

50 Yard Benchrest – Rose-Iris

Thursday May 15

WA State USPSA Match

50 Yard ARA Smallbore – Rose-Iris

Friday May 16

WA State USPSA Match

50 BMG 1000 Yard - High Power

Saturday May 17

WA State USPSA Match

50 BMG 1000 Yard - High Power

Primitive Match – Youth Introduction to Muzzleloading

Sunday May 18

50-Bird 5-Stand Shoot

50 BMG 1000 Yard - High Power

WA State USPSA Match

PRS 22 Rimfire – HESA

Friday May 23

RSO Training Class

Saturday May 24

Cowboy Match

ELR 22 Rimfire Steel

Sunday May 25

Youth Smallbore Match - Smallbore Range

Tuesday May 27

100 Yard SBR Mini Palma - HESA Range

Saturday May 31

100-200 Yard Smallbore Match

Wild Bunch

## ONCE UPON A TIME

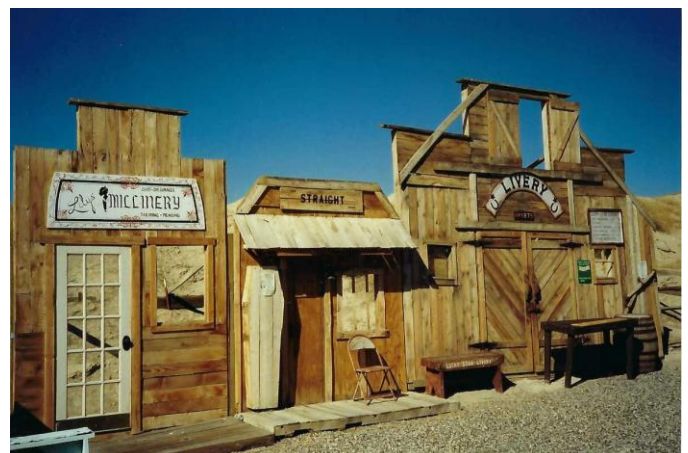
The years of these pictures are not known.



Rose-Iris Range



Shotgun Gate



Cowboy