



COSSA Bulletin

August 2018

"A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to Keep and Bear Arms shall not be infringed."

The Constitution of the United States of America...Second Amendment

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

"Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless." – Sherry Anderson.

COSSA is a volunteer organization from the Board of Directors to the Discipline Directors to maintenance and without them COSSA could not operate. If you have any ability to help us out we would greatly appreciate it. Your help can be at any level, and we always need physical labor help but often need volunteers for nonphysical labor help. With support of volunteers we can continue to keep COSSA great.

If you can't help we understand but please support us. We get people calling to vent their frustrations for 30-40 minutes with inappropriate language. You are taking 30-40 minute of that volunteer's personal time and they are doing the best they can. We have challenges getting members to take on board or discipline spots so being rude to them does not help anyone. So next time you see someone helping out, please thank them and think about stepping up to help COSSA continue to be a great range.

See you at the range.
Kent Neumann
COSSA President

AUGUST

We have several speakers scheduled for our August 9th General Meeting. Joe Cullison will start off the meeting with a short talk on the Handgun Silhouette nationals where Joe won the Iron Man Trophy, again. Chuck Haring will speak about outdoor cooking and Pog Cameron will discuss hunting New Zealand. We hope to see you at the meeting.

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Central Oregon Shooting Sports Association

WORK PARTY FOR JULY-2018

The work party for July went well and we got the usual things done. The new storage containers were brought in earlier and we are trying to get some of the things we store so we can get at them. It was warm and we are getting worried about the fire danger so we did a lot of weed and grass cutting around the building. Robert Emerson trimmed bay one down to the dirt and it looks good. Those attending the work party were; Larry Confer, Mark Fero, Michael Muller, Robert Emerson, David Sweet, Eric Brown, Don Thomas, Roy Shirakata, Michael Brodie, Ted Anderson, Gary Hood, Mike Casey and Bill Lewis. Thanks guys for all of your hard work.

AUGUST WORK PARTY

The work party for August is scheduled for the 8th. However, with the weather the way it is we may be closed because of the fire danger. Check the calendar before coming out. If we are able to have the work party, we will do the usual things plus we will paint the LadyHawks shelter. Because of the fire danger, we will also clear brush, weeds and grass from around the buildings, so bring a weedeater if you have one. Keep an eye on the Calendar.

GONG RANGE

The clearing of the Gong Range to 1300 yards was completed at the July work party. The target gongs are up and ready to go. Range distance signs from 1000 to 1300 are ready and will be put up at the August work party. All of the distance signs that have been up have bullet holes in them. Please do not use them as targets. The road has been extended but it is not packed down and caution should be used in driving all the way to the 1300 yard target. We are still trying to get the Gong Range cover started.

NEW GATE

If you have been to the range in the last month, you may have noticed that our old gate had been modified. This happened three times in the last month. A new gate has been installed and new caution signs will be put on the gate. Watch the gate when you drive through. If the gate starts to close before you are completely through, STOP. If you stop and the gate hits your vehicle, no damage will be done to the vehicle but the gate will stop and then reopen, allowing you to drive through. If you try to beat the gate closed, it will probably be damaged. If you damage the gate, you will be responsible for the repair costs. If the gate does not seem to be operating correctly contact Bill Lewis, lewis.w.l@hotmail.com

FIRE INFORMATION

Our fire waiver is in effect as of 24 JUL, 2018.

The following fire rules are in effect on the range:

1. Open fires are prohibited, including campfires, charcoal fires, cooking fires, and warming fires. Portable cooking stoves using liquefied or bottle fuels are allowed.
 2. Camping and Parking of Vehicles only allowed in designated areas.
 3. Generally, no personal ATVs or vehicle travel outside main roads or designated area. On large COSSA events up to 4 ATVs and up to 10 golf carts may be used.
 4. Personal generators are allowed but must be contained in an elevated metal fire pan.
 5. Commercial generator is allowed as long as the area of operation is cleared of vegetation.
 6. With our tanked fire trailers COSSA shall on site and readily available an ample means to move them to where they are needed in the event of a fire when events are occurring.
 7. NOTIFY Central Oregon Dispatch at 541-316-7700 a week ahead of when a large event will be occurring.
 8. One shovel not less than 26 inches on length overall, with a blade not less than eight inches wide and axe with a head not less than two lbs, at each event.
 9. BLM may revoke this waiver at any time.
- Additionally, one of our rules on the range is NO SMOKING except in your vehicle.

Also this is from Central Oregon Forest Protection District

Smoking is prohibited while traveling, except in vehicles on improved roads.

Open fires are prohibited, including campfires, charcoal fires, cooking fires and warming fires, except in designated areas. Portable cooking stoves using liquefied or bottled fuels are allowed. Open fires are allowed if conducted in compliance with a valid Burning Permit issued pursuant to ORS 477.515.

Chainsaw use is prohibited, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. Chainsaw use is permitted at all other hours, if the following firefighting equipment is present with each operating saw: one axe, one shovel, and one operational 8 ounce or larger fire extinguisher. In addition, a fire watch is required at least one hour following the use of each saw.

Cutting, grinding and welding of metal is prohibited between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. At all other times the area is to be cleared of flammable vegetation and the following fire equipment is required: one axe, one shovel, and one operational 2 ½ pound or larger fire extinguisher in good working order.

Use of motor vehicles, including motorcycles and all – terrain vehicles, is prohibited, except on improved roads and except for vehicle use by a landowner and employees of the landowner upon their own land while conducting activities associated with their livelihood.

Possession of the following firefighting equipment is required while traveling in a motorized vehicle, except on federal and state highways, county roads and driveways: one shovel and one gallon of water or one operational 2½ pound or larger fire extinguisher, except all - terrain vehicles and motorcycles which must be equipped with an approved spark arrestor in good working condition.

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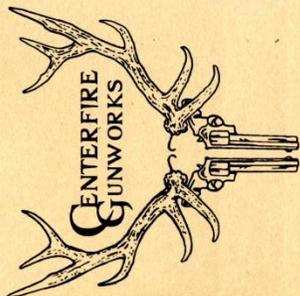
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The trading post is a benefit that we provide for our members. Each ad will run for one month and then be deleted, unless it is resubmitted. To run an ad, email content to lewis.w.l@hotmail.com by the 15th of the month

5,000 rounds primed 45acp brass 20 cents each. 416 Remington dies \$20. 350 bonded 458 North Fork, TBBC, Woodleigh, Kodiak bullets plus 70 .458 Barnes X and 170 solids, \$100 for all. 100 new 375 brass \$20, WW 375 ammo, \$10/box. .375 bullets \$10/50. WW 150 and 180 gr 308 ammo, \$10/box. Leupold 1.5x5 unfired, \$200. Tuffpack hard shell discrete rifle case, (looks like golf bag). \$100 (\$350 value). Andy 541-325-6934.

Two Bolt-Action Rifles for the LEFT-HANDED Hunter:

- 1. Remington Model 700 BDL LSS, Left-Handed bolt** in .300 RUM. Stainless barreled action, grey laminated Monte Carlo wood stock with a Limbsaver recoil pad, topped with a Leupold VX-2 Silver 4X12X40mm scope. One owner, excellent condition. **\$700.**
- 2. Ruger Hawkeye Model HM77R, Left-Handed bolt** in .270 Win. Stainless barreled action, grey laminated stock, topped with a Leupold VX-2 Silver 3X9X30mm scope. One owner, new condition. **\$600**

Call Brian @ 541-330-0404 (Security Pros, Inc.) background check and FFL transfer are included in price.

FOUND-one pistol magazine and one stapler. Call Bill, 541-480-4695, to claim.



COSSA Disciplines

The range is located ¼ mile east of Mile Post 24 on Highway 20 East. GPS location of turnoff road is N43.88846, W120.95222

COSSA GENERAL MEMBER MEETING

Meetings are held at the VFW Hall on 4th Street and Olney on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7PM. There is no meeting in October.

COSSA Kids

Regular Shoots: Third Saturday of every month regardless of weather.

www.cossapark.com/content/cossa-kids

Contact: Don Thomas 541-389-8284

COSSA Practical Shooters (CPS)

USPSA-First Saturday of every month.

3 GUN-Third Saturday of months April thru October.

IDPA- Second Saturday of months April thru November.

Mixed Steel-Third Saturday of months November thru February.

www.cossapark.com/cpshome

Contact: Dave Webb deployed_dave@hotmail.com

Cowboy Action: Horse Ridge Pistoleros (HRP)

First, Third & Fifth(if one) weekends of every month year-round.

<http://www.hrp-sass.com/>

Contact: John Merritt 541-848-2819

Cowboy Action: Pine Mountain Posse (PMP)

Second Sunday of every month year-round. Check our website or Facebook page for more information.

<http://www.pinemountainposse.com/>

Contact: Dave Romine 541-678-2566 or stonewoodkid@gmail.com

Lady Hawks: Women's Defensive Shooting (LH)

Second Saturday of months April thru October.

www.cossapark.com/node/20

Central Oregon Precision Riflemen (COPR)

Long distance high performance rifle shoots.

www.cossapark.com/coprhome

Contact: Walt Angle 541-239-1786

Handgun Silhouette (HGS)

First Sunday and third Saturday of each month, Matches begin at 9 am.

www.cossapark.com/handgunsilhouette

Contact: Dan Butala 541-410-5758

Great Basin Sharpshooters and Pine Mountain Riflemen (GBSS and PMR)

Fourth weekend of every month April thru October.

Friday 8:00 am – Lever Action Rifle Caliber, Military Bolt Action, Military Breech Loading, Single Shot (Friday p.m. range open for sighting in.)

Saturday 8:00 am – .22 Match, Buffalo match out to 1,200 yards

Sunday 8:00 am – Quarter Bore Match, Lever Action Pistol Caliber.

<http://greatbasinsharpshooters.com/>

www.cossapark.com/content/pine-mountain-riflemen

Contact: Brownie – brownienash@centurylink.net,

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Great Basin Precision Rifle (GBPR)

First Saturday and Sunday of months April thru October on the Buffalo Range.

These shoots are set up for the beginner and experienced shooter to know their rifle, scope, judge distance, windage, working together as a team, keeping up your skills and to have a fun and challenging shoot.

Match fee Saturday \$20.00 200 – 1,760 yards

Match fee Sunday \$15.00. If you do both days \$30.00

Targets: Steel, reactive targets, military infantry, iron maiden, IPSIC targets and more.

Ammunition: NO steel core, green tip or military surplus.

Saturday:

❖ Precision Rifle - 7:30 a.m. – 1,000 – 1,760 yards. Shooting 15-20 rounds.

Rifle caliber up to .338 Lapua.

❖ Approximately 10:00 a.m. – 200 – 900 yards. Shooting 70 – 80 rounds.

Rifle caliber up to 300 WM.

Sunday:

❖ Semi-Auto – 9:00 a.m. – 200 – 750+ yards – 70-80 rounds.

www.cossapark.com/content/great-basin-precision-rifle-gbp

Please Pre-Register. gbpr@cossapark.com Rod Campuzano, Match Director.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30	31	1 GREAT BASIN PRECISION RIFLE (GBPR) 7:30 am to 5:00 pm	2	3	4 COWBOY ACTION-SHP USPSA / Register 10:00 am to 2:00 pm Setup Time: 8:30 am
5 GREAT BASIN PRECISION RIFLE (GBPR) COWBOY ACTION-SHP ODP & W-HUNTERS EDUCATION 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Setup Time: 8:00 am HANDGUN SILHOUETTE 9:00 am to 12:00 pm Setup Time: 8:00 am	6 BOARD MEETING 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm	7	8 WORK PARTY 9:00 am to 4:00 pm	9 BLM-TRAINING 7:00 am to 6:00 pm Setup Time: 7:00 am GENERAL MEETING 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm	10	11 OREGON PRECISION FIREARMS INSTRUCTOR 7:00 am to 5:00 pm CODE 9 FIREARMS TRAINING 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Setup Time: 7:00 am
12 OREGON PRECISION FIREARMS INSTRUCTOR 7:00 am to 5:00 pm Cowboy Action Shooting-PMP 9:00 am to 2:00 pm	13	14	15 CANCELED-ALICE TRAINING INSTITUTE (RAIDER) 8:00 am to 2:00 pm 7:00 am	16	17 MID RANGE MATCH 8:00 am to 4:00 pm	18 COWBOY ACTION-SHP COMBATIVE FIREARMS TRAINING HANDGUN SILHOUETTE 9:00 am to 12:00 pm Setup Time: 8:00 am JGen and 2Gen / Register 9:00 am to 1:00 pm Setup Time: 7:30 am COSSA KIDS 10:00 am to 1:00 pm NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION 10:00 am to 12:30 pm MARK FERO-TRAINING CLASS 10:00 am to 2:00 pm Setup Time: 10:00 am
19 MID RANGE MATCH 8:00 COWBOY ACTION-SHP COMBATIVE FIREARMS TRAINING	20	21	22	23 GREAT BASIN SHIRPSHOOTERS & PINE MOUNTAIN RIFLEMAN 8:00 am to 4:00 pm PINE MOUNTAIN RIFLEMAN 8:00 am to 4:00 pm	24	25 Steel Challenge / Register 9:00 am to 1:00 pm Setup Time: 7:30 am Competition Pistol Basic Clinic / Register 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm Setup Time: 1:00 pm
26 GREAT BASIN SHIRPSHOOTERS & PINE MOUNTAIN RIFLEMAN	27	28	29 GREAT BASIN PRECISION RIFLE (GBPR) 7:30 am to 5:00 pm	30	31	1

<https://www.cossapark.com/event-created/month>

AT THE SAFETY BENCH

Squib loads

Have you ever been on the range or on the hunt at some time in your shooting career and, when you pulled the trigger, heard a “pop” instead of a “bang”? The pop was the primer detonating without igniting the powder charge.

A couple of things may have caused this:

1. There was no gunpowder loaded in the shell case when the bullet was made.
2. The gunpowder in the cartridge may have been contaminated with oil, sweat or water.
3. The gunpowder in the cartridge may be old and unstable due to improper storage.

Failure to pay attention to detail when hand loading, usually caused by an interruption in the workflow – a phone call, a kid or spouse calling, a dropped bullet, -- something that caused a missed step in the process, resulting in the bullet going into the shell case and then into the finished tray without the gunpowder.

Contamination by oil, usually when someone cleans their gun with a highly penetrating oil, like WD-40, or water from body sweat, that finds its way into the cartridge and saturates the gunpowder and renders it useless.

Ammunition that is old may or may not work as advertised, fails when needed.. Law enforcement officers fire their duty ammo that’s been carried for awhile when they do their annual or semi-annual range qualification. They replace it with fresh loads just to make sure everything works as advertised when needed. Civilian concealed weapons carriers should also change out their carry ammo every year as a minimum.

So what do you do when you hear the “pop”?.... STOP SHOOTING! The primer has pushed the bullet or slug into the barrel. Firing another round could and probably will, cause the gun to explode as a bullet charges down the barrel and finds a slug blocking its way out.



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