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President's Message

2014 Renewal time

February 28th is a very important date for all club members. This is the last day of the year that you can use the range without a 2014 membership badge. It is also the day the locks get changed and your old gate key will no longer open the gate. Gate keys for those who have special use may be obtained at the range office for \$5.00 during public range hours.

Range use is up

All of our ranges have experienced an increase in usage during 2013. Hunter sight-in was once the busiest time of the year. The number of shooters to shoot on the public rifle, pistol and archery range in January set club records. The shot gun range was not going to be left behind and also set a new record for the number of targets thrown during the year. Ron Lageson reported that the club has thrown more than 1,332,760 targets in 2013. This is an increase of 200,000 from the previous year. All of this increased use was done in a clean and safe environment thanks to the great staff working at our club. I would like to give a special thanks to the two managers Ron Lageson and Chuck Barnes for their great management of the club assets. Jazzmine Eisen has done a great job at the range office and her efforts have increased sales and helped make the range safer. Thanks to everyone who has helped build our club.

Nominations for board of directors

If there is anyone who would like to run for the board of directors please see Article IX of the bylaws. This process must be followed to insure getting your name on the ballot.

Team USA

Archery coach and instructor Mike Wichser has hit gold again. Over the past few years Mike has developed a number of outstanding archers. This year is no exception. Elizabeth Caughell, has won a spot on the Junior Indoor World Team. She with her

mother Lisa and coach Wichser will be traveling to France in February to represent Team USA. The club will be collecting donations at the rifle and shotgun ranges to support her efforts. This young archer will be representing the United States of America and our club. The board of Directors has each committed to support her financially and I would encourage all members to give a few dollars to help defray her cost. Keep an eye on this archer. The next place we will see her may be at the Olympics in 2016 or 2020. See more about Elizabeth in her Bio within the newsletter.

Follow the rules

This past month, I have had to remove shooting privileges from members who did not follow club rules. Please play safe, don't argue with the Range Masters and those who shoot on range #1 please pay for all targets you use. If you don't have the proper special use, please don't try using range #1.

John Conderman

Pistol Marksmanship and Competition Seminar

The 1st Saturday of each month we have a pistol training session for Bullseye and International Standard Pistol. Learn what competition is all about and get a lot of practice on timed and rapid fire. Need to bring, at a minimum:

- A. .22LR semi-automatic standard pistol (5" barrel).
- B. 300-400 rounds of .22 Standard Velocity LR
- C. \$10 fee

Starts at 9:00AM on Range #3

SAFETY IS JOB ONE!



Board Meeting Minutes January 8, 2014

President John Conderman called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. All Board members were present except Carl Brat-tain and Larry Mallory, both excused.

Guests:

Steve Read, Range Committee Chair-man; George Smith, NRA High Power Match Schedule and Horacio Delgado, Hunter Education class schedule.

The Minutes of the previous Board Meeting were read.

Committee Reports:

Ken DeLeone and Mike Wichser, Archery; Dave Levinson, Shotgun and Steve Read, Range.

Treasurer's Report:

Russell Felch gave a report of our club's financial status thru the end of 2013.

Old Business:

Dan Barton reported the Range # 1 baffle replacement project is progressing and the club has applied for a building permit.

New Business:

Jim Dinnie moved to appoint a committee consisting of Gerry Albertson and Vic Alvarez to begin plans for building Range # 4 as a Small bore Outdoor Rifle Range behind the chalet, 2nd by Darian Carpenter. Passed; Darian Carpenter moved to fund up to \$6,000.00 for travel expenses for club member participation in the World Indoor Archery Championship in France during February 2014, 2nd by Dave Levinson. Passed; Dave Levinson moved to add \$500.00 to the annual budget for PITA State Shoot event sponsorship, 2nd by Jim Dinnie, Passed

A discussion was held concerning members that entered the facility during closure Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day.

Ken DeLeone moved to adjourn this meeting. Passed. Meeting adjourned at 9:55. Submitted by Dan Barton, Recording Secretary.

Orientation

The following new member applicants attended Orientation this month and received their membership cards.

Anthony Adinolfi
Brett Baehm
Ron Baehm
Michael and April Boyd
Matthew and Anita Brisse
Andrew and Sally Bucher
Thomas and Dolores Burke
David Cantu
Alexander Debo
Randy Elkstrom
Aaron Erickson
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Jason and Erica Henley
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Andrew Lochtie
Jackie and Pamela McKeown
Andrew Meyercord and Tara Munoz
Mark and Li-Chen Miller
Vitaliy Niadnov
Darryl Pahl and Lisa Ondrejcek
Nickolas and Aubree Preuss
Chris Sanderson
William Torrico
Richard Turner and Susan Vlasuk
Jeff and Denise Weaver
Joss Whittaker
David Wild
Mike Wilgus
Min Wong and Ti Wu

Welcome to the club.



LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Pierce County Precedent

This past year we saw an implementation of an ordinance which protects ranges from potential lawsuits from noise or nuisance complaints. This legislation is still very young, so we will see how or what effect it has on a handful of ranges in the Pierce County area. As judicial reform becomes a more prominent part of the national debate, State and National laws proposed like the one in Pierce County have yet to gain momentum.

One thing is for sure, the generational shift of gun ownership is happening before our eyes; with nearly seven million firearms being produced this year, many new young gun owners are eager to keep or start the tradition of the shooting lifestyle. With that said, as we saw in 2013, there will be opposing voices against gun ownership, and the ranges that preserve our shooting lifestyle.

Is tort reform necessary? Is responsible gun ownership a right, not a privilege? These questions will form the basis of argument for many years to come. I applaud the lawmakers who stand and act decisively to preserve our rights.

Ryan Mayfield

Shotgun hours of operation

Mon	Closed except Holidays
Tues	5:00 to 9:00 pm
Wed	Noon to 5:00 pm
Thur	5:00 to 9:00 pm
Fri	Closed except Holidays
Sat	10:00 am to 5:00 pm
Sun	10:00 am to 5:00 pm

1st Mon Members Only 5-9pm
3th Mon Members Only 5-9pm



**Kenmore Range
Benchrest
Matches**

January 2014

As Kevin Kellogg said after the match, it was "memorable". No doubt about that. The conditions at the match were probably the worst in our venerable history. This was the morning before a big football playoff game. Nevertheless eight shooters came and probably got home in time to watch the Seahawks play in the same weather. Anyway, as we all know it rained hard and the wind blew like crazy almost all morning. Targets blew off the boards and they were so wet the bullet holes were scarcely visible. And by the last match it had actually gotten darker so there was little contrast to aid in seeing clearly. But, hey, it was fun and, yes, memorable. A little like a really bad camping trip that sticks in you mind more than all the ones with sunny weather. All shooting was done at 200 yards. Normally we have quite a few clean targets at this distance, meaning a score of 100. Today there were a few but not many. Here's what happened.

In the first match, unbelievably, Jeff Yost shot a score of 100-6X which would be good even in the best of conditions but on this day it was off the scale of good shooting. His was the best score but Mark Walker was right behind shooting his unusual rifle with an aluminum stock and strange fore-end. But it shoots. He scored 100-4X. Kevin Kellogg did well with his 6.5 Creedmore cartridge which is excellent for slicing through the wind. His score was 99-2X.

And in match two Kevin did just that, slicing through the wind and the rain, scoring the last of the "100" scores that would be shot all day. His score of 100-2X was best. Great shooting Kevin. And this was with a factory gun! Mark was second with 98-2X and Doug Schwind and Jeff shared third place with scores of 98-0X. Conditions were very difficult by match

three. The best score was Mark's 98-3X. Jeff and Dennis Tyskiewicz each had 97-1X for second place and Adam Butikofer was third with 96-1X. Good shooting Adam! Adam is a friend of Doug's. This was his first match and we hope to see him again. He's a terrific shooter and a really nice person to have shooting with us.

Several shooters were out of ammo by the last match but four shooters were well stocked and finished out the morning, with Doug being the best shooter in this horrible weather, scoring 99-1X, Mark was one "X" behind also scoring 99 and Adam and Jeff each had 95-1X sharing third place. You know when Jeff scores only 95 points things are pretty challenging. It was during this match that the targets were soaked through and hard to "read".

It was great to have two new shooters at our match, Adam Butikofer and Tony Marshall, who was shooting a very nice .308 Remington Model 700, a good rifle for our matches. Tony, get out there and practice a bit and put more sand in your rear rest and you'll be fine. Hope to see you next month. And it was good to see Praveen Kumar again. He competed with us last month in our hunting rifle match and is a very knowledgeable and keenly interested shooter. Sure hope to see him every month.

Our next match will be on Feb. 8. Shooters, bring any rifle you want. It's good to see shooters shooting factory rifles, custom or anything in between. Some shooters may want to use the February match to practice for the Siebert match held in March which is a score shoot at 100 and 200 yards. There's a nice trophy just for that match. Any questions call **Richard Nicol** at 206-784-1093.



Cast Bullet Matches

2014 Schedule

- March 22
- April 26
- May 24
- June 28
- July 26
- August 23
- September 27

Range Committee



It's Postal League time again. We are participating in the Inland Empire Rifle and Pistol Association's 69th pistol postal league. The WCW has competed every year since 1997. We have won this league 3 times and have come in second 4 times. We are the only club who has 2 teams in the A Class.

This year, even though we are missing scores from several of our better shooters, we are only 8 points out of 1st at the end of match 3. There are 10 matches in all for our 4 person teams to shoot. So far Gordon Buttke is having an outstanding year! He is staying in the 290+/300 for most of the matches.

The league has the 100 or so teams split into 8 classes based on their first 3 match scores.

Vic Alvarez
Pistol Coach

Bits and Pieces

It's time again to get your member dues into the club. There is a renewal form in the Range Office and on the web site: <http://www.wcwinc.org/forms/2014%20Renewal.pdf>

Dues have been increased to handle the sales taxes newly imposed by Washington State on the dues of non-profit organizations. Dues are now \$150 single and \$200 family. When renewing, be sure to use the 2014 Renewal form.

Additionally, please include all the information required on the form and make sure it is legible. The guy who enters all this information into the computer will certainly appreciate it.

Remember your 2013 card is only valid until January 1, with a grace period until the end of February. If everyone waits until the last minute, it may take a significant amount of time to get it processed.

Vic



JOAD Archery

Elizabeth Caughell

Elizabeth Caughell began shooting at the age 11, after she and her brothers were offered the opportunity to join WCW Ed Eliason JOAD in 2007. Elizabeth quickly realized she had a passion for archery.

In 2011 she began competing nationally. Elizabeth's 2011 ranking earned her a position on the 2012 United States Cadet Archery Team (USAT). Also during 2011, she competed at the Olympic Trials for the 2012 London Games and placed 18th out of 56 archers across the US. Elizabeth has been on the USAT team four years in a row.

With the help of her coach, Mike Wisner, Elizabeth recently secured one of three spots on the 2014 Junior Indoor World Team where she will travel to France this February to represent Team USA. With her sights set on the 2016 and 2020 Olympic Games, Elizabeth is determined to train hard and accomplish her goals.

In addition to the many hours she spends training, Elizabeth also attends UW Bothell where she is a Junior pursuing an MBA and she works full time as a supervisor at AMC Alderwood.



Youth Rifle

Our match in January was well attended, with 19 Kenmore shooters and 21 guests filling the clubhouse on Saturday morning. Four relays showed Four 1st, two 2nd, and three 3rd place finishes in the 6-class course of fire. The next match will be February 8th beginning at 9:00am. Come in and watch our next generation of shooters (& voters) perform.

Jack Giuliano

SHOTGUN Committee

It is February already. The Seahawks are going to the Super Bowl and with any luck we are about done with cold weather. Here is what's going on in the Shotgun,.

Paralyzed Veterans shoot is April 26th, 2014. This shoot benefits a worthy cause. If you can help come by a Shotgun Committee meeting and let us know. At very least plan on coming out and shooting to support our Paralyzed Vets. This is a great event and for a worthy cause.

Ladies Only Clinic on June 21, 2014. This is always successful and fills up fast! Keep an eye on the newsletter or information boards at the shotgun shack for sign-up and volunteer information.

WCW PITA shoot will be May 17, 2014. This is a good opportunity to try competitive trap shooting. It's a lot of fun and you can compete with persons of your own skill level. What have you got to lose?

It was a lot of fun last summer, so we are doing it again. The Shotgun Committee is setting up a Muzzle Loading Shotgun Demo day.

We will be demoing how to load and shoot these old style firearms. Those who want to give it a try will have an opportunity to bust a bird or two the way our ancestors did. Come out and give it a try!

We can use volunteers for all of these events, so if you can help, let me know. If need more information or want to sponsor an event contact me and I can get you hooked up with the right people. You will find my email at the end of this article.

A reminder we have Members Only Nights the first and third Mondays of the month from 5PM to 9PM. This is a great place to meet new friends and socialize with other members.

This time of year we do the shooting under the lights. If you have not shot trap under the lights before come out and give it a try. It's pretty cool.

The first Monday at 0700 we hold the Shotgun Committee meeting. It is my goal that this meeting takes no longer than 30 minutes. The rest of the time is for shooting!

Safe shooting!
Wayne Clapper
wwclapper@comcast.net



**Firearms
Education
Committee**



Our first class of 2014 was First Steps Shotgun on 4 January. Instructors Phil Murray and Wayne Clapper introduced six students to basic shotgun shooting.

The next class of the year was Basic Pistol Shooting on 11-12 January. This class had eight students learning the safe use of all basic types of pistols. Phil Murray, Matt Romanek, and Martin Morehouse provided the instruction for this class.

The club's most recent class was Home Firearms Safety on 18 January. Richard Ripley and Glenn Stinson presented the lessons. This class was full, with ten very attentive students. Note that 4 of the students were under 11 years of age! There were two families, each consisting of Mom, Dad, and 2 children. The family that learns firearms safety together..... J

If you are looking for ways to pass on an appreciation for shooting to the next generation, give us a call. We schedule two instructor training classes every year, and can always use more instructors.

Martin Morehouse



Rimfire Position Rifle

Smallbore Rifle League Report

The 2014 Puget Sound Riflemen's Association (PSRA) Winter League is now underway. The league includes seven teams from clubs based at Cascade, West Seattle and the WCW. The WCW is fielding two teams, the Skunks and Wild Mink.

The PSRA is a 4-position (prone, sitting, kneeling, and standing) smallbore rifle league shot indoors. Matches are shot head-to-head so several matches for the WCW teams will involve traveling to Cascade or West Seattle.

Skunks

The Skunks started off well and have a record of 2 wins and 1 loss after the first 3 weeks. The Skunks scored an easy win over the Wild Mink in week #1, registered a loss against the Hawkeyes (Cascade) in week #2, and then a win against West Seattle #2 in week #3.

Wild Mink

The Wild Mink have a record of 1 win and 2 losses after the first 3 weeks. The Wild Mink suffered losses against the Skunks and West Seattle #1 in weeks 1 and 2 before bouncing back with a win against the tough EZX's (Cascade) team in week #3.

The league will run until early April with each team shooting against the others twice.

Alan Carey

Donations

We receive many donations during the course of a yearand we are very grateful. While we are not a charity and donations are not charitable contributions for tax purposes, all donations are put to work improving the facility and its operations. This month we received:

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\$5 Donations

Gavin Cohrs

Thanks!!!

The NRA and the WCW

Our club is an NRA recruiter, and we get a commission for all new members we sign up and for all renewals processed with our recruiter ID number. We receive \$10 for every new member and \$5 for every renewal.

The club has a significant number of NRA members and it would be a real benefit to the club for all those members to renew using the form below, or by using our web site direct link to the NRA renewals...on the home page. Besides, by renewing through the club, you save \$10. **Let's see, you save \$10 and the club gets another \$5....what a good deal.**

Then there are a great many WCW members who are not yet NRA members. The club would receive \$10 of the

\$25 special dues for every member who would join through the club. You would be doing your part on a national level to protect your gun and hunting rights. **You save \$10 and the club gets another \$10....a really good deal.**

Sign up your wife or husband or friends on an Associate membership for \$10 (no magazine) and the club gets a \$5 commission. Don't want to get the full membership, sign up for an Associate membership for yourself.

We have been getting an extra \$1,000 a year without much effort just from the few who sign up....we could get a great deal more and you would be doing yourself a favor. The benefits which come with an NRA membership are significant. You get \$1,000 un-scheduled firearm insurance and \$10,000/

\$5,000 accidental life insurance. And you would be adding to the strength of the NRA, which has passed the 4 million member mark. There is strength in numbers and the number of NRA numbers should be much higher. Let's all pull together and give them the support they need.

As an aside, the NRA provides the lesson plans and manuals for all our safety classes....and direct dollar grants for some of our projects.

Just remember, use the form below, or use our web site direct link. Write your check to the NRA or use your credit card for easy processing.

SAVE MONEY and HELP THE CLUB.

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NRA

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