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President's Message

Pistol Range Improvements continue

On April 14th and 15th Dave Levinson, Gary Webster and a few great members took on the job of rebuilding the ground baffles on the pistol range. Like all well planned projects, the baffles were replaced and put back in service on time and under budget. Our club is able to keep up with all needed repairs and upgrades because of officers, trustees and members like the ones who always step up to get the work done. Thanks to all who volunteer around our club.

Annual meeting update

I won't go into great detail as the information on the meeting can be found in the minutes and in other articles within the newsletter. I would like to thank Gary Webster for running for President. Gary will do a great job and we should all give him our support.

Gerald Albertson stepped down so he could spend more quality time boating and serving the yacht club. Gerald sat on the board for many years and was always a supporter of our club and its employees. Carl Brattain will be replaced as past president by yours truly. Carl talked me into joining the club over 20 years ago.

There were over 200 votes cast during the election. The new board will continue on the road to a better club and safer conditions on and around the ranges.

Member of the year went to Ted Oden. Ted passed on this year however his impact on our club will be felt for years to come. Ted loved the club and we all miss Ted. Instructor of the year was awarded to Dave Levinson and Gary Webster for their hard work instructing and working with the youth at shot gun. The young shooters are our future.

A parting word

The past 5 years have gone by so fast. The amount of time spent getting things done was never anticipated. The first year was a huge

learning experience. There was so much to get done. Septic tanks that needed to be pumped, leaking and rotted roofs and painting the first year. The employees and management staff developed a vision of improved service and an improved bottom line. In a years' time we had increased the number of shooters using the ranges. We added days of operation to the pistol range. At shot gun business went up 25% and in the past two years has gone up another 25%. We went from one part time maintenance person to one full time and two part time employees.

There are now two range masters on duty at each range most of the time. Safety is job number one with all employees.

We have instituted monthly manager and employee meetings. This has allowed for better communications between all. Membership meetings are now quarterly instead of yearly, this also allows for better input to the staff and board from the members.

The instructors at WCW are unbelievable. There is instruction taking place every day some place at the club. Youth archery, youth shotgun and youth rifle to name just a few. The NRA instructors do an incredible job every year. Thanks to all of you for your support to these great programs.

It has been a privilege to serve as your club president. Please support Gary Webster as your new President and I hope to see all of you on the range in the very near future.

John Conderman
Past President

SAFETY IS JOB ONE!



Board Meeting Minutes April 1, 2015

President John Conderman called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. All Board members were present.

Guests:

Jack Giuliano; Jeff LeMoine; Martin Morehouse, representing Firearms Ed Chairman; Joe Rinaldi; Steve Rupeiks and David Adkins.

The Minutes of the previous Board Meeting were read. Motion to approve by Gerry Albertson, 2nd by Darian Carpenter. Passed

Committee Reports:

Jack Giuliano, Range; Dave Levinson, Shotgun and Jeff LeMoine & Mike Wichser, Archery.

Trustees Report:

Gerry Albertson, No report

Treasurer's Report:

Tami Gramer included the monthly financial report and a preliminary fiscal year-end report.

Old Business:

Mike Wichser updated the Range # 2 side safety baffle project. Ken DeLeone moved to accept a bid to replace the electrical panel in the clubhouse. 2nd by Jim Dinnie. Passed; Dave Levinson reported on the progress of the pistol range safety project. Larry Mallory reported on discussions with the Bothell and Kirkland police departments regarding use of our Range # 1 facility.

New Business:

Gary Webster moved to accept the proposal brought forth by Martin Morehouse regarding expansion of Range # 1 .22 caliber rim fire 50 yard shooting to all bays. 2nd by Ken DeLeone. Passed; Gary Webster moved to change the location of .22 rim fire shooting from the clubhouse to Range # 1 for April, May and June NRA Basic Rifle Classes. 2nd by Dan Barton, Passed; Carl Brattain moved to return a suspended member's membership card and request that he attend the May 2015 Range Committee meeting. 2nd by Dan Barton, Passed.

Discussion was held concerning a legally blind member who would like to shoot at the trap field. Permission was granted as long as 2 safety observers, one on each side, are present.

Carl Brattain moved to adjourn this meeting. 2nd by Gerry Albertson. Passed. Meeting adjourned at 9:20 PM. Submitted by Dan Barton, Recording Secretary.

Bits and Pieces

I am still looking for a member who has some expertise with **MS Access** to help with the club data base. We are very dependent on this program which keeps track of everything concerning the members, their status, and special use permissions. The program prints out envelopes and membership cards as well as many important reports. Let me know if you have the experience and would like to help with programming and maintenance.

Additionally, there is the data entry. New member applications, Renewal forms, and Special Use forms all have Confidential member data that needs to be timely entered into the system so that our reports are accurate and our members get their Membership Cards produced and promptly mailed out. A lot of work, especially at this time of year, but with some pay attached. Requires attention to detail and following club policy.

Vic Alvarez

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Pistol hours of operation

Mon	Noon to dusk (max 7PM)
Tues	Closed
Wed	Closed
Thur	Closed
Fri	Noon to dusk (max 7PM)
Sat	Noon to dusk (max 7PM)
Sun	Noon to dusk (max 7PM)

Orientation

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

Nathan Arnold
 Ron Barrow
 B.J. Buddy Bomar
 Maurice Brown
 Wayne Budbill and Karen Munday
 Dan and Meredith Carroll
 Matthew Daly
 Steve Delissio
 Fernando and Francine Dizol
 Sergei Dreizin
 Don and Lisa Eckhardt
 Eugene Felber
 Christopher Finney
 Luke and Theresa Fischer
 Christopher Garrett and Diane Whalen
 Gregory Gratz
 Korine and Scott Haynes
 Paul and Kristie Herbord
 Arianna Kemis
 Peter and Angie Lindeback
 Shan and Lynneata McArthur
 Harry Marrow
 Pamela and Fred Miller
 Belenda and Matthew Nolan
 James Orvis
 Mike and Tronda Quin
 Morgan Ramsey
 Eric Reese
 David Sasai
 William and Rachel Sparrow
 Andrew Stulr and Nicole Wright
 David Thiele and Kate Engel
 Annie Wisenbaker

Welcome to the club.

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



2015 Annual Meeting Minutes

April 8, 2015

President John Conderman called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. All Board members were present except Carl Brattain, Gerry Albertson, Mike Wichser and Darian Carpenter, all excused.

The Minutes of the previous Board Meeting and General Meeting were read.

John Conderman appointed Dave Levinson as the head of the Teller Committee to count the ballots.

Committee Reports:

Jack Giuliano, Range; Wayne Clapper, Shotgun and Jeff LeMoine, Archery.

President John Conderman named deceased employee and member Ted Oden as Member of the Year. Instructors of the Year are Gary Webster and Dave Levinson. Larry Mallory read a letter from Richard Ripley thanking WCW members Martin Morehouse, John Marler and Wayne Clapper for their participation in training classes. Ted Hudlow and the membership thanked President John Conderman for his dedication to the club for the past several years.

Trustee's Report:

No report.

Treasurer's Report:

Tami Gramer provided a preliminary year - end report. Our fiscal year ends March 31 and has not been completed as yet.

Old Business:

Gary Webster reported on progress of the pistol range ground safety baffles. Vic Alvarez asked for input regarding the proposed construction of Range # 4 behind the chalet. The electrical panel for the club house is in the process of being replaced (World War 2 vintage).

New Business:

Vic Alvarez moved to approve the Bylaws change as discussed and submitted at the January Membership meeting regarding members- 65 years of age or older. 2nd by Al Bundt. Passed; Vic Alvarez

distributed copies of a new proposed Bylaws change to permit those of 18 to 21 years of age to join WCW as Junior Members of WCW. Ted Hudlow moved to approve the proposed Bylaws change as submitted. 2nd by Jon Sellar. Passed; Vic Alvarez moved to submit the Junior Membership Bylaws change to the membership at the July 2015 Membership meeting. 2nd by Jo Schneider, Passed.

A suggestion was made by Brien McCrea to give future Board candidates the option of submitting a photo and/ or a bio prior to the closing of nominations at the March Board meeting for newsletter publication. This should help familiarize the membership with the candidates.

The results of the election are as follows. President Gary Webster; 1st VP Ken DeLeone; 2nd VP Joe Rinaldi; Treasurer Tamera Gramer; Corresponding Secretary Darian Carpenter; Recording Secretary Dan Barton; Chairman of Trustees Mike Wichser; Chairman Elect Jeff LeMoine; 2 year Trustee Larry Mallory; Trustees Dave Levinson and Jim Dinnie. Past President John Conderman.

Approximately 200 ballots were returned.

Ron Lageson moved to adjourn this meeting. 2nd by Ken DeLeone, Passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM. Submitted by Dan Barton, Recording Secretary.

Range Committee



The Air Pistol League has started with only 12 shooters signed up so far. There is still time for you to sign up and compete.

Air Pistol is a serious event which is both a Men's and a Women's event in the Olympics.

It is also an excellent way to get National attention for juniors with some skill. We have had several of our club juniors compete in (and win) the National events. While it does take a commitment to get good enough to compete on a National



Rimfire Position Rifle

WCW Wild Mink Wink 2015 Puget Sound Rifleman's Association Title

The WCW Wild Mink team finished the 2015 regular season tied for first place with the EZX's (based at the Cascade range) tied at 9 wins and 3 losses. League rules call for a shoot-off to determine places in the event of a tie.

The shoot-off was held at West Seattle on April 21. The Wild Mink, led by Natalia Grigoreva with a score of 392, shot a team score of 1524x1600. The EZX's put up a strong fight and the result came to the final standing stage. In the end however, the EZX's fell 4 points short, giving the Wild Mink the 2015 title.

The WCW Skunks finished the season with a record of 7 wins and 5 losses, tied with West Seattle #1 for third place. The Skunks and West Seattle #1 also participated in the April 21 shoot-off. Unfortunately, West Seattle #1 prevailed and the Skunks finished the season in 4th place.

Next month's article will include the final league statistics and individual awards.

level, there is fewer competitors than in the rifle events.

Air Pistol is also the best way to better your pistol shooting. There is no recoil, no loud noises, and no weather to contend with, in other words, no excuses. If you are jerking the trigger or making other shooting faults, you know it from the results on the target. Even our club air pistols are capable of putting all the shots in the center of the target.

Come on out and give it a try. You might like it.

Vic Alvarez
NRA/USAS Pistol Coach



**Kenmore Range
Benchrest
Matches**

This is the first match of our regular season, meaning that we begin competing for the Shooter of the Year trophy and continue until the Frombach match in the fall. Winter is pretty much over by April, if indeed we even have winter in Seattle any more. But spring brings windy weather usually and this morning was not spared interesting gusts. Scores were a bit lower than usual. Conditions got a little better as the match progressed or maybe the shooters started figuring out how to adjust for the wind a little better. It wasn't REAL windy but conditions didn't stay the same long enough to get off a string of more than three or four shots, if that. Shooting a score of 100 was a real challenge. We had nine shooters, six in the custom class and three in factory.

Starting with the first match, at 300 yards, these are the results: Mark Walker was first scoring 99-2X, Ira Gross and Richard Jette both had 98-2X for second and Jeff Locke scored 98-0X for third. Jeff is a new shooter who was borrowing a rifle from Richard and shot very well all morning. Hopefully he'll be back and become a regular at our matches. In factory class Khanh Nguyen pretty much ruled the nest all morning, scoring 94-1X in the first match. Robert Clugston was second with 83-0X and Bryan March was third with 69-0X. In match two Mark again excelled with the first clean target of the morning, namely with 100-0X. Richard and Jeff both has 98-1X for second and Rick Graham was right behind with 98-0X. In factory Khanh beat most of the shooters in custom class shooting his Savage 6BR with 99-0X. Robert and Bryan both improved their previous scores with 92-1X and 74-0X respectively.

Now we move the targets to "close range", 200 yards. In the first match Mark and Richard both shot sizzling good scores of 100-4X, Rick had 100-0X and Mustafa Bilal scored 98-1X for third place. Mustafa has moved out of the area but we hope to see him more often at our matches. He has always been one of our

finest competitors over the years. In factory class Khanh scored 95-0X, Robert had 87-0X and right behind him was Bryan with 85-0X. In the last match of the day Rick proved that he's the guru of reading the breezes and shot the excellent score of 100-3X. Mark finally relinquished first place scoring 100-2X and Richard scored 100 but with no X for third. Some awfully good shooting in that match. In factory Khanh again came in first with 97-0X and Robert and Bryan had 91-0X and 85-0X.

After the match we awarded last year's Shooter of the Year trophy to Rick Graham. Congratulations Rick, though this wasn't much of a surprise to anyone. Rick has been the most consistent winner at our matches over the last quite a few years. And a big thanks to Richard Jette for taking new shooters under his wing and being so generous with his vast knowledge of shooting. It's a great spirit you bring to our matches and we appreciate it. Our next match is May 9. All shooters are welcome. Bring your hunting or varmint rifle and compete with us. We're going to have a trophy for factory class this year. Any questions call Richard Nicol at 206-784-1093 or Dennis Tyskiewicz at 425-774-1894. Hope to see you all at our next match



**JUNIOR
RIFLE
GROUP**

Our season has ended for the summer. We have had 56 young folks learning and enjoying the skills of firearm marksmanship and have had local clubs from Marysville and Everett join us in the clubhouse for Youth matches.

Our 2015-16 season is planned to begin on September 18.

Keep checking this newsletter for information as the date gets closer.

Jack Giuliano



**JUNIOR
RIFLE**

Important: May, and all future meetings in 2015 will be held in the *Chalet*.

Range 3 bays 1 through 8 have been rebuilt and are open for use. This was a huge project and many thanks to Dave Levinson and his crew for completing the work with the very least impact possible.

All members please take a minute to observe those around you. If your neighboring shooters, public OR fellow members, seem to have trouble keeping the holes in the paper, it is important to offer them your assistance. (We all can benefit from each others' experience.) And if you are firing compensated or muzzle-braked firearms, be considerate of the shooters nearby. Set up at a bench further away, or ask me to move and I will.

Jack Giuliano



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:

\$75 Donations

- Gregory Keehr
- Kevin Miller

\$50 Donations

- William Nichols

\$25 Donations

- Hans Andersen
- Matthew Russell
- Rod Russell
- Michael Scott
- Warren Thomas
- Gary Westermarck

\$15 Donations

- Neil Druliner

\$12 Donations

- Robert Thumlert

\$10 Donations

- David Wells

Thanks



The following is the Bylaw change proposed by Vic Alvarez at the Annual Meeting and which will be voted on at the next General Meeting on July 8, 2015. Please note the strike-through text is current text which will be removed. The italic underlined (and red on-line) text is the new added text.

Article III QUALIFICATION, MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

Section 1 Any person of suitable character and with the desire to cooperate in the interests and conditions set forth in Article II may become a member of the Wildlife Committee of Washington upon application, payment of the prescribed fees, recommendation by the Membership Committee, and the approval of the Board of Directors.

Section 2 Membership dues and assessments, including work assessments, shall be established and published by the Board of Directors. If requested, in response to a published change in the dues and assessments, in writing by ten percent (10%) of the members in good standing, the Board will seek approval of the membership.

~~The membership structure will be defined as Single membership and Family membership. A Family membership shall be defined as a head of household and significant other and all dependent children to the extent set forth in Section 3 of this Article, or a single head of household and all dependent children as described in Section 3 of this Article.~~

The membership structure shall be defined as Single membership, Family membership, or Junior membership. A Family membership shall be defined as a head of household and significant other and all dependent children to the extent set forth in Section 3 of this Article, or a single head of household and all dependent children as described in Section 3 of this Article. *A Junior membership shall be defined as a non-voting membership for Juniors 18 to 21 years old with restrictions on their activities and privileges as established by the Board of Directors.* Exceptions to the defined membership structure may be made by the Board of Directors on an individual basis as they deem appropriate.

New members shall be assessed dues at the date of their application for membership on a pro-rata basis of 1/12th of the annual dues for each month or portion of a month remaining in the membership year. Payment of an initiation fee, established by the Board of Directors, and the pro-rata dues shall accompany all applications for membership. *The dues and fees for a Junior membership will be one-half of the above adult dues and fees.*

Procedures to convert from a Single membership to a Family membership shall be established by the Board of Directors.

Section 3 Dependents under twenty-one years of age or dependents who are full time undergraduate students whose parent(s) or legal guardian(s) hold a valid family membership as defined in Section 2, above, shall be eligible to receive all club privileges except voting, at the discretion of the club. Upon reaching the age of twenty-one or leaving a full time student status, these persons must establish adult membership in the Wildlife Committee of Washington in order to enjoy club privileges and responsibilities.

Those ~~youth~~ *dependents* converting to adult membership as described above, *those dependents converting to a Junior membership, or those youth converting to adult membership from a Junior membership,* shall not be required to pay an initiation fee and their first year's dues shall be one-half the current dues for a regular member.

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 5 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.

New or Renewal Special Rates for NRA Membership \$25.00

By special arrangement, the NRA is allowing us to sign-up members for **\$10 OFF** their regular 1 year dues. You MUST make your check out to the **NRA or you will be charged sales tax**. Mail it to the club, drop it off at the Range Office or mail it directly to: **National Rifle Association, Recruiter Program Department, 11250 Waples Mill Road, Fairfax, VA 22030-7400**

NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



NRA

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NRA RECRUITER ID#
Wildlife Committee of Washington
RECRUITER SIGNATURE

DATE: _____ NEW MEMBER RENEWAL # _____

NAME: Mr./Mrs./Ms. _____ FIRST _____ LAST _____ M.I. _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: (_____) _____ BIRTHDATE: ____/____/____

E-MAIL: _____

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AMERICAN RIFLEMAN AMERICAN HUNTER AMERICA'S 1ST FREEDOM

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CHARGE TO: AMEX VISA MC DISCOVER

CHECK # _____

ACCOUNT # _____ EXP. DATE _____ MO. _____ YR. _____

MEMBER SIGNATURE (credit card only) _____

MEMBERSHIP TYPE

1 YEAR **\$25** ~~\$35~~

3 YEAR \$85

5 YEAR \$125

JUNIOR (18 years & under) \$15

ASSOCIATE (no magazine) \$10

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Reg. \$1000 Jr. \$550

Distinguished - age 65+ \$375

EASY PAY* PAID IN FULL

OTHER _____

FOREIGN POSTAGE (per year: \$5 Canadian - \$10 other)

* EPL \$25 down payment then \$25 quarterly payments until the total dues are paid.

TOTAL \$ _____

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