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## President's Message

It is often said that life is a journey. During our journey we have encounters and make companions along the way. Some encounters are pleasant, others not so much. But the compilation of these encounters account for who we are and what we become. There are people who revel in reading history in order to get an inkling of what things might have been like long before they entered their respective journey. Let me give you a simple example of the how things were viewed in 1939. I came across an article in the 1939 edition of the Seattle Times. Wednesday April 26, 1939 for those of you who would be predisposed to picking up your phones for a fact checking confirmation. It is located on page eight. The headline; SNOHOMISH BANS PIN-BALL GAMES Snohomish County announced today. The first paragraph reads as follows: "Operators of pin-ball and slot machines in Snohomish County must remove them from public places by June 15, or face personal arrest or confiscation of the machines, Prosecutor Henry M. Jackson of Snohomish County announced today." The article goes on to indicate that parents had complained that their children have been playing these games with an inference to idolatry implicit this pin-ball pastime. Yes, times have changed and some would argue perhaps not necessarily for the better.

Without infusing any value judgement there are rare times when History actually reaches out to us in other ways than reading a newspaper or a History Book? On February 2, 2018 I received the following email. Subject: Kenmore Gun Club. It read as follows: "I've contacted someone from the gun club a few years back. It's wonderful to know the club is still there. In 1956-1957 my parents has a trailer there and my Dad John Dowell, who was in the army, kept an eye on the place. I was 7. It was a wonderful place. I was taught archery by professional and at that tender age could dazzle people with my trick shots. I loved the range. I learned to roller skate on the concrete floor in the big building on site. I remember getting a fat lip on the table at the end of the room because I didn't know how to stop. I remember a salmon cookout and getting sick from eating cherries out of the back of some ones truck. I

had measles and someone from the club dressed up as Santa and came to visit me because I couldn't come to the Christmas party. I felt very special. It was fun, special place for a little girl and I was very sad when Dad got transferred. Good memories. Again so glad it's still there. I hope it's still the same family oriented place, with cookouts and Christmas parties for little girls to remember. Signed, Rose Rentzel."

Of course I have since corresponded with Rose extensively. She provided further information.



The club back then was essentially located in the boon-docks. Yes, in that sense things

have really changed. She referred to the road (228<sup>th</sup>) being in the woods. Her Dad had bought a big sled and when it snowed she would lie on his back and we'd go down the hill, then he's pull me back up. No fear of cars. She also remembered seeing animals of all kind's even bears on the property. I assured her there are still many animals on the property but no bears to the best of my knowledge. So yes Rose things do change but in many ways remain thankfully much the same. She indicated she would love to come visit us someday. She would be gladly welcome to do so. Rose lives in Florida.

I conclude with this thought. I believe that it is imperative to sustain the family unity of people with similar interests. The kind recollections of Rose tell me I might be on the right track. Isn't hearing from someone like this much better than reading it in the newspaper?

Joe Rinaldi

**SAFETY IS JOB ONE!**



Board Meeting  
Minutes  
February 7, 2018

President Joe Rinaldi called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM. All Board members were present except Gary Webster.

Guests:

Mark Silver, Facilities Operations Manager; Jim Thompson, Archery Committee Chairman; Martin Morehouse, Rifle Committee Chairman; Dave Elliot, Shotgun Committee Chairman; Ali Rizvi, Handgun Committee Chairman; Brett Whitmer; Mark Laurence

*Brett Whitmer:*

Gave a presentation regarding developing shirts for the Archery 3D shirts, including different weight of shirt material.

*Mark Laurence*

Discussed improvements to the archery supply area and storage room.

Committee Reports:

*Jim Thompson, Archery Committee:*

- Summarized the archery proposals by Mr. Whitmer and Mr. Laurence.  
- On February 23, 24, 25 Mike Wichser will be running an Archery Camp in the Clubhouse.

*Martin Morehouse, Rifle Committee:*

-The new Rifle Special Use classes are in effect. We have qualified 116 members so far. We should now move on to correcting and updating the rifle range rules, both on the website and in hard copy. We would like to post an accurate current copy on Range #1 for reference.  
- Rifle Special Use will be held 1 day a month, with a morning and an afternoon session, until need dies down.  
- Rifle Matches are continuing, the February Rimfire Benchrest match had 16 shooters, the Benchrest Rifle match and the CMP match were also well-attended.  
- The PSRA smallbore rifle league on Tuesdays is now fielding three teams from Kenmore.  
- The next Rifle Committee meeting is February 21<sup>st</sup>, at 7 PM in the chalet.

*Ali Rizvi, Handgun Committee:*

- January 14<sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting: 32 members attended, there were 22 Special

Use applications, and 3 Members started Probation.

- Next Handgun Committee Meeting is on Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 7:pm in the Chalet.  
- There was a presentation regarding Action Shooting International (ASI), which answered a lot of questions.  
- Ali is working to put a formal proposal together for a new Special Use Procedure, which will include an online portion.

*Dave Elliot, Shotgun Committee:*

- No safety concerns to report.  
- Members' Night in January had 18 members attend, including several new members.  
- The last MultiPlex Shoot had just over two squads, a much smaller attendance than usual.  
- April 8<sup>th</sup> PITA Shoot is approaching, and volunteers are always needed.  
- S & S Stockfitters Plus is scheduled for May 4, 5, 6 and will be taking reservations for stock fittings. Flyers will be posted at Shotgun.  
- Wayne Clapper, the co-Committee Chairperson, has resigned from the position. The membership nominated Dave Elliot and Andrew Gough to be co-Committee Chairpersons.

Marc Champagne made the motion to waive reading the Minutes of the previous Board Meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ken DeLeon. Passed.

**Facilities Operations Manager Report:**

- New 2018 Special Use Gate Keys are now available at a cost of \$10; locks will be changed on March 1<sup>st</sup>.

*Completed Facilities Operations Items since Previous Update*

- Obtain gutter installation quote for Clubhouse, Range 2 and BBQ shack—**Completed—gutters installed**
- Complete December 2017 R/P and Shotgun inventory—**Completed 1/1/2018—Completed input 1/2/2018**
- Implement employee cell phone policy—**Completed**

Design and order "Be Our Guest" Range passes—**Completed--given to BOD members, Facilities Operations Manager and Committee Chairs**

*Completed Maintenance Tasks since Previous Update*

- Install fence posts and fencing for Range 2 ramp—**Completed**
- Clean main gate of moss, mold and lichens—**Completed--will pressure wash and paint in Spring 2018**
- Install mid-rail barrier for handrails leading to Pistol, Range 1 chained gap and from Clubhouse—**Completed**
- Repair sliding door on top of ramp to Range 2—**Completed--rotted 2X4 hardware was sliding on was replaced**
- Determine cause of leak at Propane tank at Shotgun and repair.--**Completed**
- Shotgun back road—add pipe and cover with gravel, add t-posts and fence around pit drainage area—**Completed**
- Fill and tamp pot-holes in Clubhouse parking lot—**Completed**  
Repair Range 1 door handle—**Completed--Replaced door handle**

*Completed Safety and Health Issues since Previous Update*

- Determine cause of leak at Propane tank at Shotgun and repair---**Completed**
- Place "No Smoking Within 25 Feet" signs at Shotgun propane tank—**Completed**
- Complete and update Employee Sexual Harassment Training—**Completed**
- Remove LP tank from BBQ in Clubhouse and store outside—**Completed**  
Rebuild gaps in Range 2 berm—**Completed and on-going monthly**

Trustee's Report:

Working diligently with the Tax Attorney and CPA to reinstate our 501c status.

*Shot Show Report*

Joe Rinaldi, Dave Levinson, and Mark Silver attended the Shot Show in Las Vegas with three main goals in mind:  
Range Designer – found some new



## SHOTGUN Committee

Round 3 of the McMurtry shoot was held at Granite Falls GC, it was a nice day for the shoot. We had another good turnout for the competition against Machais and Granite Falls and Kenmore. Top shooter of the Day was Meryn Stewart (Kenmore) with a 42!!! At the end of the shoot Kenmore and Machais tied with 198 and Granite with 190 total. Kenmore's scores were Meryn Stewart (42) Bill Boettner (40) Mike O'Malley (39) Andrew Gough (39) and Gregory "G3" Stewart (38). The last and final shoot will be held at Kenmore on 2/24 with a BBQ to follow, put on by the Shotgun Committee Good shooting Kenmore! See you on the 24<sup>th</sup>.

Ladies Night fell on Valentines night and was an absolute success! We had 28 attendees...father/daughter, husband/wife, date night couples, friends meeting with friends...we even had a couple who brought their 6 week old baby! First mom would shoot, dad would hold the baby in the clubhouse then mom would hold the baby and dad would shoot. Majsan brought a GIANT heart-shaped box of chocolates and we had pizza, cookies and a veggie tray for those watching their figures. Robb Stack, Majsan & Travis were our volunteers and it was a cold night. I really appreciated their perseverance in the frosty air. Lizzy (Roberts dog) was a perfect greeter and melted many hearts. This night also offered new members who had only shot at the pistol and rifle ranges to come out and try trap shooting. What a wonderful event! See you all next month!

Andrew Gough  
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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)

## Want to Improve Your Shooting?

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Have **your** gun professionally fit to **your** needs.

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Cost for professional fitting is \$200 to S&S Stock Plus and \$25 to Kenmore Range for targets and club use.

\$75 deposit will hold your time slot

8:30 am to 6:30 pm every 2 hours throughout each day.

More information/or sign up for fitting call:

Andrew Gough @ 425.210.0148  
or email duchunter\_007@yahoo.com

### ***Shotgun hours of operation***

Mon	Closed
Tues	5:00 to 9:00 pm
Wed	Noon to 5:00 pm
Thur	5:00 to 9:00 pm
Fri	Closed
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**

February 2018 Benchrest Match Report

By the end of our match it was a nice sunny early spring day. Warm and almost balmy. However when we started, there was a winter-like storm blowing. Seldom do we have such difficult conditions at our range. Western Washington is normally a lot calmer than out in the eastern part of the state where they have to contend with conditions like this all the time. Wind flag streamers weren't just stretched out horizontally, the stands were being blown over. Okay, that's one good excuse for not shooting a perfect score. It was challenging but this is how we learn. Sooner or later the shooters realize that to get to the next stage of excellence they have to get some wind flags and start learning how to use them. So it's all good as Martha Stewart would say. We had another terrific turnout, nearly filling all the benches. This was a sort of tune-up for the Siebert trophy match in March. We shot only at 200 and 100 yards, in that order. We divided the shooters into two classes, custom and non-custom, which we'll call Factory Class in this report. There seems to be no reason to have three classes since a good true factory class rifle will shoot just as well as a customized whatever, as long as it's not a full blown rifle designed for benchrest shooting. Look at Ernie Snyder's scores and decide for yourself. He shoots a Savage off the shelf chambered in .204 Ruger.

So here's how the wind blown scores turned out. In Match one, in custom, John Chang and Jeff Locke both scored 101 points, tying for first place. Ted Larson was second with 100 and Mark Burns, Doug Schwind and Khanh Nguyen tripled with scores of 99 for third place. In factory class the aforementioned Ernie Snyder had a score of 95 for first, Matt Caldwell and Bryan March shared second place with scores of 93 and Parker Telson was third with 92 points. Pretty darn good shooting with those strong winds

and at 200 yards.

In match two, in custom class, three shooters shot scores of 101. That would be Rick Graham, John Chang and Mark Burns. The young (especially by our standards) David Locke scored 100 points for second and Ted Larson and Doug Schwind shared third, each scoring 99 points. Lots of sharing this morning. In factory, Ernie shot another 95 for first place. Dennis Tyskiewicz was second with 92 and Matt Daly, shooting his Remington .308 was third with 91 points.

Matches three and four were shot at 100 yards and the winds had dropped off a bit by this time so some exceptional scores were posted. Match three custom class: Rick and John both shot almost perfect targets with scores of 108 for first place. Ted was second with 107 and three shooters shared third with scores of 105, namely, Mark, Khanh and Jeff. In factory, Parker, shooting his best score ever, bested everyone with a score of 101. Great shooting Parker! Ernie was right behind with 100 points and Bryan March scored 97 points for third with his Savage in 6mm BR model, a great choice for our matches.

Match four: In custom, Dan Kjelland and Doug Schwind both shot scores of 108, Dan switching from .30 BR to a fast twist 6MM BR, for some unfathomable reason, though then again maybe it's working. Jeff Locke, also switching to 6MM BR, though this with a moderate twist (1:12),

was second with 106 points and Rick Graham was third scoring 105 points with his 6MM PPC. Ever heard of that caliber? Ha ha ha. In factory, Ernie was again back in first place, scoring 99 points. Bryan was nipping at his heels with a 99 and Parker again shot well for third place, scoring 98 points.

The overall winner in custom class was John Chang with a total of 414 points, out of a possible 440 and in factory class Ernie was the clear winner with 389 points. Great shooting both of you!

Our March match is always the Siebert Shoot. We'll begin at 200 yards, so *PLEASE*, come sighted in at that distance. Also, this is a 50 shot match (five shots at five targets at each distance) so bring enough ammunition for sighters and record shots. We'll draw numbers for bench seating. This match will be like a certified NBRSA match so the weight limit is 13 1/2 pounds. We'll shoot one shot per bull instead of two so the match will take a bit longer. Bring something to eat during a late morning break. But remember all types of guns are welcome, even if they are "overweight" or factory guns. We'll give prizes in both classes as well as award our nice trophy for the overall winner. Any questions, call Richard Nicol at 206-784-1093 or e-mail at [rlnicol@msn.com](mailto:rlnicol@msn.com). Hope to see you all there. Maybe come a bit early since we have only 18 benches and don't have time for two relays.





## Rimfire Benchrest Rifle Match

Rimfire Match Report for February 2018  
This competition is two strings shooting at the International Benchrest Shooters 50 Yard rimfire target with standalone results and payouts for each string so if you don't shoot well in the first string there is a second chance to finish in the money.

Each target contains 25 2.5 inch diameter targets with one shot per target and outer ring scoring. The scoring system is based on where the bullet touches the outer edge of the ring. One bonus point is awarded for each center hit which entirely eliminates the dead center of the bull. For example, a score of 240 3X means the competitor had a net score of 237 plus three points for the three dead center hits. A picture of the target is attached to the calendar notice. Each of the rings is only 1/8<sup>th</sup> wide beyond 1/2 inch center bullseye so even a fractional miss can adversely affect the shooters score.

The competitors are separated into two divisions, Match for rifles designed for match competitions (typically costing \$700 or more) and Sport for rifles designed for sport like those produced by Ruger, Savage, and CZ. There were ten competitors in the Match Division and six in the Sport Division. Shooters may use either a bipod or bags to support their rifle stocks and rear bags are also allowed.

Welcome to first time participants Parker Letson and Paul Koehler.

In String 1 Match Division, Kevin Kellogg won with a score of 244 out of a possible 250 including 7X. Stephen Goodwin placed second with a score of 235 3X with Tom Horne and Praveen Kumar tied for third with identical scores of 234 3X. In the Sport Division, Brian Lapinski shot a score of 233 1X which is only one point behind the Match class third place. This is really an outstanding shooting! Amelie Helsen was second with a score of 227 3X. Keith Wilson placed third with a score

of 220 3X.

String 2 Match Division was won by Dennis Tyskiewicz with the best score recorded for any match so far, 249 6X. Kevin Kellogg placed second with a score of 245 9X and David Wild finishing third with a score of 244 8X. All three shooters demonstrated their shooting prowess with dead center hits of between 25% to 35% which is really outstanding. In the Sport Division, Keith Wilson was the winner with a score of 229 4X. Amelie Helsen finished second again with a score of 224 1X. In the two matches entered, she has finished second all four times! Her scores have improved from 216 in January to scores in the mid 220's this month. Brian Walker was third with a score of 201 1X.

The next match is March 3rd. The entry fee is \$10 with two dollars per shooter retained for target expenses and the rest distributed in prize money. For complete match details see the March 3rd calendar event.

The scores for all matches since November are now posted on the website under the Events tab. At the end of the year, the champions in each rifle division will be determined by the best 16 of 24 scores.

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### Donations

We receive many donations during the course of a year .....and 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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## Orientation

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

- Steven and Elizabeth Austill
- Timothy and Kaylee Barth
- Robert and Heather Burke
- Kyle Hall and Kristin McCabe
- William Kyle
- Leland Hanley
- Brian Hong
- Brian Kelly
- Gordon Kelly
- Chad Mitchell
- Kevin Morris
- Volodymyr Nikitinsky  
and Nataliya Seymova
- Andres Ortiz
- Josh and Annie Owen
- Alex Parker
- M.C. and Caroline Raftery
- Perry and Brenda Rea
- Marshall Reschke
- Tri Sam
- Nicholas Shearer
- Malcolm Storoe
- Marcel Sutton
- Eric Warren

*Welcome to the club.*



- ★ Paul Beethe
- ★ Wesley Hebert
- ★ Theodore Karagias
- ★ Ernest Norehad
- ★ Shawn Parry
- ★ Kevin Raimer
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