

# THE SPORTSMAN

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## President's Message

Every month I scratch my head trying to figure out what it is I am going to write about in the newsletter. Actually in terms of things that go on around here there is plenty to report. Fortunately, we have committee chairmen that dutifully report what is happening in their respective areas of activity. It is important to pay attention to these reports. As we re-work the bylaws of the club the importance of the committee chairmen is going to become more apparent. These individuals will not only be responsible for reporting what is going on in their world but will also be announcing what is going on in the social media world. We have hired one of our archers, Gabi Sasai, to be responsible for the Facebook page and other related areas of communication on social media. She will soon be publishing and it is the responsibility of the various committee chairs to let her know what it is that is important to know about what is going in their activities. This is going to expand our outreach to the greater community at large.

The fact is that most young people and even a good portion of the gray hairs are becoming more accustomed to using their phones and devices to achieve their respective needs on everyday planning basis. I guess I analogize to the train station. Either you know how and when to board the train or you get left at the station.

The seasonal change brings many more people out to the range. It is understandable that an outside range would become much busier

when the weather is more pleasant. That also means it puts a lot more stress on the range resources including our employees. That brings up another point that I feel is worth mentioning. Right now I think we have the best assortment of employees than we've ever had in the past. I can't thank them enough for their good work. They are in many respects working at the club more out of love of the club than any financial remuneration. With that said, it is important to respect what they do especially as it pertains to interactions when they have to address issues of safety and club rules. I have mentioned this before, but we now have lots of cameras and they catch problems as well as kind gestures that go on at the club. Brings new meaning to the old reality comedy show Candid Camera. The show actually started on ABC in 1948 and was cancelled in 2014. Who says old things don't endure. The byline of the show was "Smile, you're on Candid Camera!"

You may have noticed that there is finally some work going on at range four adjacent to the Chalet. This range will be used for a variety of activities but primarily archery, air rifle and perhaps Axe Throwing. Hint, hint! I have been trying to find someone that is interested in getting this activity going at the range. Perhaps that will be advertised via social media and it will garner some interest. In the meantime if there is member that wants to get this started let us know.

Lastly, we are in preliminary communication with the Bothell PD as they have

expressed some interest in the possibility of building a practice training facility. I happen to believe the presence of police vehicles going in and out of our property shines a positive light on the overall safety and surveillance to the surrounding neighborhood. From the perspective of the policing agencies the convenience and proximity to get to a training site is a great selling point. Our location is prime

in that respect. I will endeavor to keep everyone informed on the progress of this matter.

Remember, safety hinges on Muzzle Control.

## JUNE COMING EVENTS

1 June – Rimfire Benchrest Match  
1 June – First Steps Shotgun class  
2 June – Swap Meet  
5 June – Club board meeting  
7-9 June – Phil Kiner Trap Clinic  
Each Thursday – Bullseye Pistol  
8, 9 June – Basic Pistol class  
11, 16 June – New Member Orientation  
15 June – Centerfire benchrest match  
17 June – Home Firearms Safety class  
22 June – Shotgun Committee meeting  
22 June – ARA Rimfire Match  
22 June – Trap Fundamentals  
22, 23 June – Basic Rifle class  
23 June – Special Use classes  
24 June – Rifle/Pistol Cmte meeting  
28–30 June – NRA Instructor Classes

## STILL A FEW SWAP MEETS COMING

Don't forget our June Swap Meet, on June 2d. We have two more scheduled after that one for 2024. The dates are 8 September and 1 December.

Make plans to drop in and look around, you might find what you have been looking for. Or, this might be your chance to find a buyer for that item that has been gathering dust in your closet. Bring it in, find a buyer.

The public is welcome, bring your friends!

Any questions please call Ted Hudlow at 425-353-0042.

## MEMBERSHIP BADGES

When you join the club, or when you renew your membership, you get a new membership badge. To reduce losses in the mail, we will have them ready for you to pick up in the rifle office.

If your badge doesn't have your special use on it, and it should, that means it has expired and needs to be renewed. Just attend the next special use classroom session to get that renewal.

## RIFLE AND PISTOL SPECIAL USE MEMBERS

Please remember to sign up and attend a Special Use classroom session before your special use expires. Expiration dates are printed on the back of your badge. Check the club calendar for classroom dates.

## MEMBERSHIP CORNER

Our membership is growing, let your friends know the benefits of joining us. Membership is a good deal, we offer facilities and shooting opportunities that are hard to find locally. Some of these are only open to members.

Our individual membership costs \$297.00, and the family membership is only \$386.10, and each requires a \$200.00 initiation fee. We still waive the Initiation fee for military, law enforcement and first responders. New members can join us online, at

<https://www.wcwshootingsports.org/new-membership/>

## WCW HUNTER GROUP MEETING

Our new hunter interest group will skip their June meeting, as the planned speaker did not work out. We will be back in July, from 10 AM to 12 PM in the pistol range classroom. The July meeting will be on Saturday the 27<sup>th</sup>.

This is a place to compare notes, learn about hunting opportunities, and plan future hunting activities. We have had good attendance at our recent meetings, come out and join the group!

Contact details:  
Michael / (415) 373 2747

## CALENDAR UPDATE

Don't forget to check our calendar for updates and changes before coming out to shoot.

Our calendar is updated frequently, and should be a good guide to what is open and available. Save a wasted trip, and take a look before coming.

If you would like to see what is going on in the club, and get a look at what may be coming in the future, everyone is welcome to attend our board meetings and committee meetings. We hope to see more members at our meetings.

## WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!

Forty-nine new members attended our club orientations during the past month. We are glad to have you join us!

There are lots of volunteer opportunities around the club if you would like to help support the activities you enjoy.

Contact a committee chair for more information, or contact me at [secretary@wcwshootingsports.org](mailto:secretary@wcwshootingsports.org).

## NEWSLETTER ITEMS

If you have something for the newsletter, send it in to [secretary@wcwshootingsports.org](mailto:secretary@wcwshootingsports.org). Our deadline each month is the 25<sup>th</sup>, but the earlier the better. Other members would be glad to find out what is going on and attend or even participate in one of our events.

## ARCHERY UPDATE

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## WCW MEMBERS COMPETE IN MAY N50 BENCHREST MATCH IN TACOMA

Four WCW Range members: Mark Huber, Harvey Waldron, John Seyler, and Keith Wilson competed in the N50 Benchrest Match held on Sunday May 19th at the Tacoma Rifle and Revolver Club. N50 is a National Organization that offers an opportunity for both Air Rifles and 22LR Rimfire Rifles to compete side by side in 3 Classes: Pro - Slug / Rimfire, Sportsman – Slug / Rimfire, and Pellet. Additionally, in 2024 N50 is trying out a new Factory Class for basic factory 22LR rifles under \$1250 dollars. This is an exciting addition that allows for a wider range of 22LR rifles to be competitive at N50 Matches.

It was an ok day for a Match in May albeit a little nippy as the temperatures were in the low to mid 50's. It started off as a cloudy day, but by the end of the second Relay it was mostly sunny. The best part was the wind conditions weren't that bad. The day started off with the wind flags hardly blowing with light gusts up to 3 mph. However, as the second Relay got started the winds shifted from a SW direction to an NNW direction by the end of the second relay with the average wind speed picking up and peak gusts to about 6 mph.

### Pro Class:

All three top spots of the Pro Class were won by WCW Members. In the first Relay there was a tight battle between Mark Huber (2023 Pro Class National Champion) and Harvey Waldron (2023 Pro Class National 3rd place) for the top two spots. Mark took the Relay with a perfect score of 250 on each target for total 3 target score of 750 – 41X. Harvey gave Mark a run for his money and was perfect through the first 2 targets but dropped a single point on his third target to finish with a 3 target total score of 749 – 52X. Even though he dropped a point Harvey can take comfort in having the highest X count of both Relays shooting 52 out of a possible 75 X's or 69.3% of his shots were an X. Not to be left out

John Seyler shot a very good total of 746 – 39X for 3rd place in the first Relay.

In the second Relay, Mark and Harvey were the only two competitors and it was a continuation of their Relay 1 battle with almost the same results. Mark was perfect again shooting a 3 target score of 750 – 51X and Harvey dropping 1 point again on his 3rd target for a 3 target total score of 749 – 49X. In Relay 2, Mark also won the battle of the X's 51 – 49. Both Mark and Harvey had an outstanding day shooting and validated why they are two of the top N50 Competitors in the Country.

### Sportsman Class:

In the first Relay, Keith Wilson shot an outstanding 3 target total score of 749 – 48X for 1st place. Keith dropped his only point on his first target. Keith is also currently ranked in the top 10 nationally in the Sportsman Class

In the second Match, Keith took 1st place again shooting a very solid 745 – 34X..

## KENMORE RANGE RIMFIRE MATCH FOR MAY 2024

There were 30 contestants in this month's match with five competitors in the Expert Division, seven in the Sharpshooter Division, five in the Marksman Division and thirteen in the Rifleman Division.

Relay One Expert Division Target One: Keith Wilson placed first with a score of 246 4X. Kevin Kellogg finished second at 244 5X and Fred Zingleman placed third at 244 4X. Target Two: Keith Wilson placed first again with a score of 244 8X. Kevin Kellogg placed second again at 244 5X and Eric Carter was third at 240 2X.

Relay One Sharpshooter Division: Target One. Rick McGuire placed first with a score of 244 5X. Don Smith came in second at 240 2X with Steve Dunning finishing third at 238 4X. Target Two: Don Smith was first at 245 5X with David Konkle second at 237 2X and Alex Powell placing third at 234 5X.

Relay Two Marksman Division: Target One. Peter Jaszczak was first at 230 3X with George DeBell in second at 220 1X and Nathan Hood placing third at 220 0X. Target Two: Peter Jaszczak placed first again at 230 1X with George DeBell second again at 227 0X and Nathan Hood third again at 224 0X.

Relay Three Rifleman Division: Target One. Connor Crowley was first at 230 2X with Jason Koehler in second at 228 2X. S.B. was third at 222 2X and newcomer Song Pak finished fourth at 220 1X. Target Two: Jason Koehler was first at 235 3X with Peter Buffo in second at 225 3X. Jason Pahlman was third at 224 3X and Song Pak finished fourth at 221 3X.

The scores are posted under the Events tab on the range website.

Contact me if you have any questions about this match.

Matt Daly | Match Director  
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# PLEASE DONATE!

Donations accepted year-round of **USABLE SINGLE SPEED BIKES AND TRIKES** to be distributed to children of domestically abused women of Snohomish County. Drop off your bikes and trikes in front of the chalet anytime and a club volunteer will deliver them to the Women's Shelter.  
*(Good condition only please.)*



## MAY 2024 BENCHREST CENTERFIRE MATCH REPORT

There were thirteen contestants in this month's 300-yard benchrest match with six contestants in the Sharpshooter Division and seven in the Expert Division.

The weather conditions featured gusty winds with only one competitor posting a cumulative score of 400 or higher.

Match 1 Expert Division: Jeff Locke finished first with a score of 103 with Pat Farrel and Bryan Zolnikov tied for second with scores of 99. Sharpshooter Division: Bill Rice was first with a score of 97. Christian Eckhoff finished second with a score of 96 and John Lowdon was third at 92.

Match 2 Expert Division: Jeff Locke and Bryan Zolnikov tied for first with scores of 102. Richard Nicol was third with a score of 99. Sharpshooter Division: Bill Rice and John Lowdon tied for first with a score of 97. Christian Eckhoff finished third with a score of 96.

Match 3 Expert Division: Jeff Locke, Pat Farrell, and Ernie Snyder tied for first with scores of 100. Sharpshooter Division: Christian Eckhoff and Bill Rice tied for first with scores of 97. Peter Jaszczak was this with a score of 93.

Match 4 Expert Division: Jeff Locke finished first with a score of 103. Rick Beginski and Pat Farrell tied for second with scores of 100. Sharpshooter Division: Bill Rice scored a 99 for first place. Christian Eckhoff was second with a score of 97. John Lowdon placed third with a score of 94.

The winner of the Expert Division was Jeff Locke finishing with a total score of 408 with Bryan Zolnikov and Pat Farrell tied for second with scores of 397. The winner of the Sharpshooter Division was Bill Rice with a score of 390 with Christian Eckhoff in second with a score of 386 and John Lowdon finishing third with a score of 375.

For information on this match contact Matt Daly [matt5404@frontier](mailto:matt5404@frontier).

## RELOADING CLASSES AVAILABLE NOW ON OUR CALENDAR.

We have new round of reloading classes planned over the summer. If you are looking for a class to get started in metallic cartridge reloading, here are the dates. Click on our calendar item for more information, or search on the [NRAInstructors.org](http://NRAInstructors.org) website.

COURSE TITLE	CITY	CLASS DATE
NRA Basic Metallic Cartridge Reloading Course	Bothell, WA	6/16/2024
NRA Basic Metallic Cartridge Reloading Course	Bothell, WA	7/21/2024
NRA Basic Metallic Cartridge Reloading Course	Bothell, WA	9/15/2024

## MAY SHOTGUN UPDATE

The Spring non-registered Trap and Continental League is entering its 4th week. About 25 shooters are participating in at least one event. Big thanks to the Shotgun staff for taking up the extra task of scoring members all trying to land a 25 for the week. 😊

Five members participated in the first shotgun vision skills workshop taught by The Mind's Eye vision therapy group. Each received an individualized assessment of dynamic vision skills and the workshop consisted of various home exercises. The participants shared feedback on what worked and some areas to improvement. Prior to the class we hosted all the vision therapists on the Trap range for an afternoon. We received a lot of thanks and big smiles from the introduction. Hopefully they'll continue to refine and offer this class.

The monthly Multiplex was held early in May with Jim Storley taking home the buckle for High Over All in the event. If you've been curious about registered shooting this is a great way to dip your toe in ahead of the summer season. Feel free to reach out to Rich for more information or with questions.

The Phil Kiner classes are coming up on 6/7-6/9. Due to the classroom portion of the class expect some limitations on the use of the clubhouse those days.

We are starting to plan for next summer's shotgun picnic and fun shoot. We're targeting a Monday evening toward the end of July - but are working to nail down the great caterer again we had last year, so the exact timing may vary.

Trap Fundamentals continues to be sold out each month. At the last members meeting we discussed seeing if we can locate enough volunteer instructors to explore a 5-Stand fundamentals equivalent class.

## 2023 WCW YOUTH SHOTGUN TEAM

The Junior Shotgun League returned last fall after pausing due to COVID. The program passed down from former head coach Mark Silver is designed to build shooter skills over 10 weeks while having fun. There were 8 participants that shot 3 weeks of Trap, 3 weeks of Continental, and 4 weeks of 5-Stand. Every shooter did great and seemed to enjoy themselves. The program took a lot of hard work from numerous volunteer coaches that all had different techniques to teach. The coaches all seemed to have fun too.

### 2023 Youth Shotgun League Results:

1 st – Nathan C.

2 nd – Drew

3 rd – Justus

Most Improved – Bruce



Matt, Gavin, Nathan H., Anna, Drew, Justus, Nathan C., Bruce

## WCW SHARPSHOOTERS YOUTH RIFLE TEAM

The 2023-2024 WCW Sharpshooters Junior Rifle Team ran from September through May and had 27 participants. We were happy to add 9 new shooters to the team. The team meets on Friday nights and follows the Winchester/NRA Marksmanship Qualification Program in the Smallbore Rifle Discipline 4- Position Stage Skill Course of Fire. Ratings include Marksman, Marksman 1 st Class, Sharpshooter, Bar 1- 9, Expert, and Distinguished Expert.



The season started strong with Jacqueline Woolley and Nick Grove achieving the Distinguished Expert rating. Cameron, Cynthia, and Kylie achieved the Expert rating during the season and are now working toward becoming Distinguished Experts. Overall, we saw all the shooters make a lot of advancement on their NRA Marksmanship rating.

The 4-H members had 3 indoor matches, an Indoor Championship, and an Outdoor Championship. The Sharpshooters usually compete against the Marysville Marauders. However, the Marauders were unable to participate this year due to work being done on their range.

2024 4-H Indoor Championship, Outdoor Championship, and Aggregate Results:

Class - Age Group	Participant	Indoor	Outdoor	Aggregate
AA - SENIOR	Jacqueline	261	267	528
A - SENIOR	Cameron	234	219	453
B - SENIOR	Justus	227	233	460
	Kylie	213	226	439
C - SENIOR	Jeremiah	214	198	412
	Cynthia	199		
C - INTERMEDIATE	Piper	193	195	388
D - SENIOR	Zechariah	149	152	301
	Elijah	159	135	294
	Ellie	96		
D - INTERMEDIATE	Drew	154		
E - SENIOR	Porter	153		
F - INTERMEDIATE	Everett	136	176	312
F - JUNIOR	Tyson	123	179	302

This year, we had seven shooters participate in the Inland Empire Rifle & Pistol Association Annual Postal JR Rifle Tournament. This is an NRA regulated three position tournament that goes for 10 weeks and includes teams from WA, OR, ID & MT. For scoring purposes, the team consists of the top four shooters each week. Each of the seven that participated made the team more than once. Overall, the WCW Sharpshooters finished Second in B Class. Congratulations to Jacqueline, Cameron, Kylie, Cynthia, Justice, Piper, and Anna!

In March, Jacqueline, Cameron, Cynthia, Piper, and Anna travelled to Capitol City Rifle and Pistol Club in Rochester to participate in the Washington State Rifle & Pistol Association 2024 Junior Indoor Smallbore Rifle State Championship. The top Junior competitors from across WA participate in this NRA sanctioned three position 120 shot full course tournament. I am pleased to share that Piper finished Second in D Class, Cameron finished First in C Class, and Jacqueline finished First in B class and First in Kneeling over 41 other shooters!

In May, Jacqueline and Piper travelled to the North Central Washington Gun Club in East Wenatchee for two days of competition. Saturday was the Washington State Rifle & Pistol Association 2024 Junior Outdoor Smallbore Rifle State Championship NRA sanctioned three

position 60 shot match at 50 yards. Sunday was the Washington State Rifle & Pistol Association 2024 Junior Outdoor Smallbore Rifle State Championship NRA registered metric prone match with 40 shots at 50 yards and 40 shots at 100 yards. I am happy to announce that Jacqueline finished Second in B Class for the 3 Position match and First in B Class for the Metric Prone match!

Participating in these competitions gave the shooters more opportunities to practice, improve, and have some fun. Overall, a significant increase in their scores was the result of their efforts.

It's amazing to see how much this program means to most of the participants. Many of the kids have other activities such as cheer, softball, track & field, football, water polo, swim team, Robotics, etc., but they made it a priority to be with us almost every Friday night for over 7 months. There are 8 volunteers that run this program and most of them spend 3 to 7 hours per week making it all possible and we appreciate all they do. Mike Huck and Marissa Anderson are truly amazing coaches, and the kids couldn't achieve what they do without them.



2023-2024 WCW Sharpshooters Youth Rifle Team

Josh, Ian, Marissa, Molly, John, Piper, Everett, Fin, Cameron, Zechariah, Ezekiel, Jeremiah, Porter, Ellie, Jacqueline, Tyson, Cynthia, Mike

Not pictured: Drew, Justus, Kylie, Logan, Izzy, Teddy, Nick, Finn, Max, Anna, Gracie, Roman, Marius

## WCW TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES AND INSTRUCTOR TRAINING

Are you or someone you know looking for firearms training? We have classes that start from the ground up, and give the new shooter firm training in the basics of safe and effective shooting. We offer the full range of NRA basic courses – Pistol, Rifle, Shotgun, and Home Firearms Safety.

These courses prepare the new shooter to be safe when handling firearms and on the range, and teach the basics for success with further shooting skills.

We offer these courses every weekend of every month. Full course descriptions are on our website at [NRA Certified Classes – WCW Shooting Sports](#) You can also find links on our calendar at [Calendar – WCW Shooting Sports](#)

We also offer instructor training, so you can learn to effectively teach shooting skills, and pass on your experience to new shooters. If you are already an instructor, and would like to return to teaching, let us know, we would be glad to have you back!

We have open seats in our upcoming classes, we would be glad to see more students with us. If you have questions on our classes or other firearms training we offer, you can contact us at [secretary@wcwshootingsports.org](mailto:secretary@wcwshootingsports.org)

## OUR MEMBERS GET AROUND!

WCW Range member Jeff Locke attended the first annual Freedom Benchrest West Coast Long Range Nationals held April 22-27 at Sacramento Valley Shooting Center – just east of Sacramento in Sloughouse, CA. Freedom Benchrest is a new organization that started in 2023 focusing solely on promoting and advancing Long Range Benchrest.

After 4 days of competition, Jeff was first overall in both the 600 Yard and 1000 Yard matches.



## WCW BOARD MEETING MINUTES –

MAY 1, 2024

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by  
President Joe Rinaldi.

Present board members:

Joe Rinaldi (President)  
Joe Maggiora (Treasurer)  
Dale Sieg (Recording Secretary)  
Dave Levinson (2 Year Trustee)  
Scott Ray (Trustee)

Absent board members:

Gabe Shank (Vice President)  
Dave Rusko (2 nd Vice President)  
Martin Morehouse (Corresponding  
Secretary)  
John Sutton (Trustee Chairman)  
Patty Woolley (Trustee Elect)  
Aaron Morales (Trustee)  
Gary Webster (past President)

Committee Leads and Facilities Manager  
present at meeting:

Robert Haverstock – Facility Manager  
Martin Morehouse - Rifle  
Dave Rusko – Handgun

Guests:

Tim Schmidt  
Jonathan Bloedow  
Michael Parent

Guest topics:

Tim Schmidt with Woodruff Sawyer came to talk about having an event at our club. They would like to shoot trap. There will be about 15 to 20 people. He was thinking about bringing in a food truck. The event would be 3 hours. First hour would be instruction on shooting trap. After the first hour move to 5 stand for the next hour. Last hour would be food. They were thinking about a Wednesday or Thursday, early afternoon. Second week of July. Joe and Robert will reach back out to Tim after they find a day that works on our calendar.

Jonathan Bloedow came to pitch us on the idea of him being the political liaison for the club. He was thinking he could contribute to the newsletter. He would provide information on political candidates. He was also thinking he would create a forum for political candidates to come and share their views. We would share an unbiased view and simply provide information to our membership. The board believes this is a good idea. We suggested Michael and Jonathan come up with a proposal and email it to us. We will review it and get back to him.

Michael Parent emailed a few people with his proposal for the FFL shack updates. The board previously approved making the updates. Michael wanted to make sure it was okay for him to get started. Joe said he can move forward.

Committee reports:

Notes from the committee reports that were presented during the board meeting are below.

Archery report:

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#### Handgun Report:

Nothing was presented.

#### Rifle Report:

The following content was provided by Martin Morehouse and was shared ahead of the board meeting. Rifle matches for the coming month are Rimfire Benchrest on May 4 th , ARA Rimfire on May 11 th and 12 th , and Centerfire Benchrest match on May 18 th . We also have Inland Empire smallbore matches for the junior rifle team on May 3 rd and 5 th . Our next NRA Basic Rifle Class is on May 25 th and 26 th . Indoor smallbore practice is on the calendar on Saturdays and Sundays from 2 to 6 PM, as well as Tuesdays from 6 to 9 PM.

Four members attended the last committee meeting.

15 people attended the rifle Special Use class in April. The May Rifle Special Use range session is on the 26th.

Project Appleseed ran one of their 25-yard events on April 13 th and 14 th . They set up orange plastic construction fencing at 25 yards, stretched between those baffle support posts. Targets were then hung on the fence with clothespins. This put the targets high enough to be directly in line with the 100-yard backstop. This is a much better arrangement than using standing target mounts on the ground.

#### Shotgun Report:

Nothing was presented.

#### Manager's Report:

Robert Haverstock presented.

We have received \$80,000 of ammo including pistol, shotgun and rifle.

Robert has hired two new employees. One is a new grounds person and the second is a new trapper. He also let a trapper go.

#### Treasurer's Report:

Joe Maggiora presented.

Joe said we were in the black for April by about \$2,000.

#### Trustees Report:

There was no Trustees meeting prior to the May board meeting so there were no notes to present.

#### Old Business:

Dale is not getting any response from the Hold My Gun people. He will stop pursuing this.

Dale asked if we notified members they can pattern their shotguns using their hunting load? This was Michael Noack's request. Yes, this has already been done.

Dale asked if the opt-in is fixed for new members? Joe M. looked at RockGymPro and he does not believe it is working correctly yet. We can't answer this question without Patty. We will have to revisit this next month.

Follow up on the website updates. Martin is working with a volunteer Dave Rusko introduced him to.

What is the latest update on not having shotgun open on Mondays and adding Friday and Saturday evenings. We are open on Mondays. We will not open Saturday evenings. Robert will be opening Fridays on May 24th. Open at 1pm and go to 8pm.

We briefly discussed using SMS and MMS to reach our members and the public. There is no action right now, but we believe we will need to do this to communicate with younger people.

We discussed paying to have videos created. We will need to wait to vote on this when we have a quorum.

We discussed creating a RockGymPro report that is shared monthly at each board meeting. This would be similar to our financial report that we get monthly. We need to identify what we want reported on a monthly basis. Dale will come up with an initial list and send it out to board for additional input.

We briefly discussed the goals we set together with Peter. We have what we want to accomplish but there is still work to be done to figure out how we are going to accomplish it. Scott R. mentioned improving our communication strategy is key. We need to take care of the technology side (website, Facebook/Instagram, SMS/MMS). We need to identify who is going to handle each one. We discussed enabling RFID in badges to help save money on keys by adding an RFID lock to the gate and collecting data at the different ranges to understand how members are using the club.

Follow up on Insights using our club. What came of Joe and Robert talking with Alan at Insights? Joe and Robert said they could not come to an agreement. Dale said he spoke with Alan at a class he took after Robert and Joe met with them. Dale still believes there is a possibility of having them use our facility. Dale will reach out to Alan to revisit the possibility.

Our counsel provided a sample set of contracts. Dave L. said they have been reviewed and we have what we need to use going forward.

Shredding event for Spring – will we be scheduling one? Dave Rusko has some ideas. Robert will follow up with Dave R. Range 4 update from Martin via email. The old concrete footings on Range 4 have been removed, brush has been cut back on the existing backstop.

Joe brought up the IRS response on our 501c3 submission. We will have the committee leads collect the information and use our calendar to answer their questions. Joe got together with Bill Miele about the By-Laws. In the future, the board will all be directors. Joe will be meeting with him again. Once Bill writes the template, Joe

will call a general meeting to review. Then, we can bring to the members.

We did not get any bids from members for repairing our deck. We will get 3 bids.

Joe mentioned we will be moving forward with Gabi helping with our social media on Facebook and Instagram. Dale mentioned we need to identify an administrator for our Facebook/Instagram accounts before we move forward with Gabi. We need to find out if Gabi knows how to do that and if that is something she will be doing. Joe said he would pull together a group of people to discuss next steps on having Gabi help with Facebook and Instagram.

New Business:

Dale brought up Martin's request regarding providing Manny Perez a membership. Joe said Manny does a lot for the club. We will give him a membership for his services. Regarding the vision therapy topic from Joe's email to the board, is there anything we want to do with this? No. There is nothing more to do.

From the membership meeting, talk about the member's recommendation about the club buying a van to drive people to Olympia for events. We will not do this.

Do we want to change the January 1, 2025 meeting to January 2nd? For now, we will keep the meeting on January 1st.

The board needs to identify the two-year trustee. We will vote on this at the next board meeting.

For the Good of the Order:

Nothing this month.

Joe Rinaldi moved to adjourn at 9:00 PM. Joe Maggiora seconded. Passed.

Respectfully submitted by Dale Sieg,  
Recording Secretary.