

# THE SPORTSMAN NEWSLETTER

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## President's Message

I have been ruminating about calling a feature reporter and asking if they would do an article about our range. The message I would like to have them report on is the irony of the safest place for a wild animal is at a gun and archery range. That would be our range. I don't know how many of you have witnessed the plethora of wild animals that frequent the property. Just the other day, I was driving up to the shotgun shack. I noticed one of our board members, Martin Morehouse, parked on the side of the road just before the last turn into the parking lot. I pulled over and we greeted each other. That's when he informed me that there was a hawk eating something adjacent to the rear of his truck. Sure enough, there this hawk was, very nonchalantly eating some critter, most likely a mouse. The hawk didn't appear too concerned about us. I have to admit that my knowledge of ornithology is pretty limited. I got a picture of the bird from Martin and was later informed that it was a Red Tail Hawk. Interestingly, the bird had a band on his leg. I looked up why he had a band and found out much research is done by scientists to track migration patterns of these birds. It was certainly an interesting, even serendipitous experience and not one that one experiences on an everyday basis. Not five minutes later, I look out at the shotgun range and there are three deer wandering across the upper hilly part of the range. In this case it was a doe and her two offspring. They weren't fawns but still young enough to be tagging along with Mama. It is not unusual to see a trapper having to call a cease fire to chase the deer off the field of fire. It is

rather comical at times as the agility of these animals is a spectacle to behold. The best efforts of our youngsters getting the deer to move is like a dance of futility at times. You may be wondering why I mention these encounters. It is a way to illustrate just how perception often doesn't match up to reality. I have had discussions with people about the law abiding gun community. There is a dark perception that is often fomented by media sensationalism that is not only incorrect but also in my opinion unfair. I had a rather humorous interaction with one of my neighbors the other day. It was a nice day and I had just returned home from shooting trap. My house is set off the street and my neighbor was collecting the mail when she saw me walking toward my house. I have a rather colorful soft shotgun case. She greeted me cheerfully and then stated, "I didn't know you played an instrument?" I replied "Oh yeah, my whole family is very musical." Interestingly enough that is a true except for me. Not all that glitters is gold and to keep some things in a state misrepresentation is probably for the best in this instance. I doubt a violin case is perceived as a tommy gun anymore. I don't want to get to off into the weeds of politics but my neighborhood is not exactly a collective of gun owners so to speak if you get my drift. But then you never know there may be more closet gun owners than we know.

Our club runs in cycles in terms of business. As autumn starts to unfold we get appreciably busier. We get a spate of public

shooters coming to the range to sight in their trusty hunting rifles. Our critters are safe as it is illegal to harm a wild animal in a protected preserve. One of the things that I am most proud of is when we made our site a wildlife preserve several years ago. That big sign that says so at the entrance of the club gate causes another misrepresentation about what our club is all about in the eyes of thinking people passing by. I am a big believer in causing people to take pause and have to reconsider their opinions. It seems so easy these days to pigeonhole certain types of folk into handy categories that often dehumanizes groups. I for one think the law abiding gun owners of the world are some of the most responsible people that live among us.

On another note some of you may be wondering what the status of the apartment complex that is slated to be built across the street from our range. I recently spoke to the developers of the project. They indicated that they have secured a building permit but have to litigate some appeals before any building can commence. In terms of speculation it isn't realistically feasible to see any work start until late next spring. I did get them to reaffirm the possibility of them partnering with us to develop a community pea patch on the hill just adjacent to the caretakers house. In my opinion these types of community outreach projects help us retain a positive relationship with our neighbors at large. As we continue to be surrounded with residential housing, I feel it is imperative to look for ways to foster good relations with our community.

Well that's it for this installment relative to range news and other observations. Keep in mind it's all about Muzzle Control.

## SEPTEMBER COMING EVENTS

2 September – Member's Night shotgun shoot  
4 September – Club board meeting  
Each Thursday – Bullseye Pistol  
7 September – Rimfire Benchrest Match  
7 September – NRA First Steps Shotgun  
8 September – Swap meet  
8 September – Intro to M1 Garand class  
13 September – Junior Rifle starts  
14 September – ARA rimfire match  
14, 15 September – Basic Pistol class  
16 September – Member's Night shotgun  
16 September – Shotgun Committee meeting  
17, 22 September – New Member Orientation  
21 September – Centerfire benchrest match  
21 September – Home Firearms Safety class  
21 September – Instructor meeting  
22 September – Rifle special use class  
22 September – NRA Reloading class  
23 September – Rifle/Pistol Cmte meeting  
28 September – Trap Fundamentals  
28, 29 September – Basic Rifle class  
28 September – Hunter Group meeting  
29 September – Special Use classes

## 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.

## 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.

### WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!

Twenty three new members attended our club orientations during the month of August. 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).

## 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/>

## 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.

## WCW HUNTER GROUP MEETING

Our active hunter interest group will be meeting on 31 August, from 10 AM to 12 PM in the pistol range classroom. Hunting seasons are getting closer!

This is a place to compare notes, learn about hunting opportunities, and plan future hunting activities. We are planning meetings about bear and turkey hunts. 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. Or, check in when you arrive. The range you need may be available earlier than you expect.

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.

## NRA HIGHPOWER MATCH NOTES

Our latest NRA Highpower match took place on 18 August on Range 1. Again we had two competitors, with one new to our match.

Two members used open benches on Range 1 during the match, coordinating with our cease fires.

Robert Shuey missed taking the high score this time, with a 395-1x, and our new shooter, Greg Udy, topped that with 443-6x. This is clearly not Greg's first try at this, hope to see him again.

Our next highpower match will be an NRA match on 3 November, giving everyone time to practice beforehand. It is open to any military style rifle from Krag Jorgenson to Mauser to the latest M4 clones. Shooting will be done from the standing, sitting and prone positions, with two rapid-fire stages and two slow-fire stages. You are welcome to visit and see how it works. The club even has M-1 Garands to use for this match, if you want to coordinate to check one out.

For more information, contact me at [morehouse9@comcast.net](mailto:morehouse9@comcast.net)

## RELOADING CLASS AVAILABLE NOW ON OUR CALENDAR.

We have one more reloading class scheduled on 15 September. If you are looking for a class in metallic cartridge reloading, this will get you started. Click on our calendar item for more information, or search on the NRAInstructors.org website.

## STILL A FEW SWAP MEETS COMING

If you missed our last swap meet, we have two more planned for this year. The dates are 8 September and 1 December. It's not too late to plan to attend, or bring something to sell! Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup> is coming up fast!

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.

## M1 GARAND RIFLES AVAILABLE

If you were ever interested in getting an M1 Garand rifle, they are still available from the Civilian Marksmanship Program, as well as local shops. There has been some confusion whether they are included in our state 'assault weapons' limitations. Since the M1 Garand doesn't have a removeable magazine, and only has an internal magazine capacity of 8, we can still buy them here.

## M1 GARAND CLASS STILL OPEN

Our 'Introduction to M1 Garand' class on 8 September still has a few openings. We will use the club's Garands, or your own, if you have one, and cover safety, operations, sight adjustment, cleaning, and use in matches.

For more information, contact me at [morehouse9@comcast.net](mailto:morehouse9@comcast.net)

## LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Did you know that ten million gun owners nationwide aren't even registered to vote?

As we approach another crucial election season, it's essential that we as gun owners stay informed and engaged. My name is Jonathan Bloedow, and I've been given the privilege of serving as the liaison between the club and the political and legislative affairs that keep impacting our members.

With the state primary election behind us, we now face critical decisions this November that will shape our 2A rights and freedoms. Unfortunately, our shared interest in shooting has increasingly become a target of negative attention from politicians and legislators, particularly at the state level, and especially where we all live. Even though we've seen some positive developments recently at the Supreme Court, the west coast remains a battleground for our firearms freedoms. The purpose of my role is to keep you informed about these important issues (without veering too far into politics), ensuring that we can all contribute to protecting our rights.

To start, I've [prepared a voter guide](#) that outlines how your local state legislators have voted on firearm legislation in recent years. With the Democrats expected to secure another majority in both chambers in Olympia this Fall, we anticipate further efforts to roll back our ability to keep and bear arms. I hope this information on past behavior will help you make

informed decisions as you head to the polls this November.

And stay tuned for more.

## FIREARMS EDUCATION AT WCW

If you check our calendar, you will see that we have firearms classes going every weekend here, and sometimes more than one class. One of the benefits of membership here is that classes for members do not include our daily range fee. We recently reduced prices a bit, and the cost for juniors and children is very reasonable.

Our normal schedule of NRA classes includes First Steps Shotgun on the first weekend of each month, with Basic Pistol on the second weekend. Home Firearms Safety is held on the third weekend of the month, with Basic Rifle on the fourth weekend. We recently started offering a reloading class and Range Safety Officer classes, too.

Our local classes include Trap Fundamentals out at shotgun, and Introduction to the M1 Garand. No matter how long you have been shooting, taking a class will improve your skills and increase your confidence.

And, if you have been shooting for a while, have you ever considered becoming an instructor? We can always use good instructors, and we offer instructor training twice a year. For more information, contact me at [morehouse9@comcast.net](mailto:morehouse9@comcast.net)



## ARCHERY UPDATE

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## KENMORE RANGE RIMFIRE MATCH FOR AUGUST 2024

There were 29 contestants in this month's match with seven competitors in the Expert Division, nine in the Sharpshooter Division, six in the Marksman Division and six in the Rifleman Division.

Relay One Expert Division Target One: Keith placed first with a score of 247 4X. Eric Carter finished second at 244 4X and Kevin Kellogg placed third at 240 3X. Target Two: Keith Wilson was first again with a score of 246 5X, Fred Zingleman was second with a score of 245 5X and Eric Carter placed third at 243 4X.

Relay One Sharpshooter Division: Target One. David Konkle placed first with a score of 241 2X. Kevin Lee came in second at 236 5X with Alex Powell and Jason Koehler tied for third at 236 4X. Target Two: Jason Koehler was first at 244 3X with Steve Dunning second at 242 5X and Mike Becwar placing third at 238 3X.

Relay Two Marksman Division: Target One. Jason Pahlman was first at 238 4X with Kathryn Koehler

and Frank Tevis tied for second at 235 2X. Target Two: Kathryn Koehler placed first at 240 6X with Bryan Schremp in second again at 237 6X and Peter Jaszczak in third at 236 1X.

Relay Three Rifleman Division: Target One. Jay Cho was first at 232 4X with Dave Johnson in second at 225 1X. Todd George was third at 215 1X. Target Two: Jay Cho was first again at 235 1X with Dave Johnson in second at 225 3X. Bud Hyett was third at 211 1X.

Jay Cho was promoted the Marksman Division. Bryan Schremp and Peter Jaszczak were promoted to the Sharpshooter Division for the September.

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.)*



## AUGUST 2024 RIMFIRE 100/200 YARD MATCH REPORT

The August 100 / 200 Yard Rimfire Match was held on Saturday June 29<sup>th</sup>. There were 11 Competitors at the Match with 10 shooting off a Bench and 1 shooting as “fully supported” prone. We welcomed one first time Competitor at the Match this Month, Scott Price. The temperature was in the low 60's with overcast skies and the humidity was high at 90%. The wind was a little higher than we are used too, but it wasn't biblical in magnitude. The average wind speed was in the 3 – 4 mph range with peak gusts averaging in the 6 – 8 mph range and fairly sporadic at times. Per the Range 1 weather station the highest wind gust measured was 11.3 mph during the 200 yard target. The bottom line is that the increased wind speeds helped to keep the 200 yard scores lower, and it required the Competitors to really focus on reading the wind.

### 100 Yards Results:

Keith Wilson started the Match off shooting a maximum score of 200 out 200 at 100 yards for the top score. This is his second 200 score and ties him with TQ and Mark Huber for the record top score of the Match. The 10 ring on the CBA target is only 0.69 inches in diameter, which means a very tight grouping is required for a 22LR at 100 yards. TQ shot an outstanding 198 for 2<sup>nd</sup> place with Alex Powell also shooting an outstanding 196 for 3<sup>rd</sup> place. For the Match, 10 of the 11 Competitors shot a score of 190 or better at 100 yards with the low score being 187, which is outstanding especially when shooting 22's in a moderate wind.

Place	Name	100 Yard Score
1 <sup>st</sup>	Keith Wilson	200
2 <sup>nd</sup>	TQ	198
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Alex Powell	196

### 200 Yards Results:

The wind made it interesting / challenging to shoot the 200 yard target this month. However, even in these wind conditions the top scores only saw a reduction of 4 to 5 points. Victor Young shot an outstanding 186 out of 200 to take 1<sup>st</sup> place. TQ and Keith Wilson were just 1 point back as both of them shot an outstanding 185 and tied for 2<sup>nd</sup> place.

Place	Name	200 Yard Score
1 <sup>st</sup>	Victor Young	186
T-2 <sup>nd</sup>	Keith Wilson	185
T-2 <sup>nd</sup>	TQ	185

### Total Combined Scores:

The top total combined score for the August 2024 Match at 100 & 200 yards was 385 out of 400 shot by Keith Wilson. TQ had an outstanding day and shot a total combined score of 383 and was only 2 points back of Keith in 2<sup>nd</sup> place. Bob Hong had a very good day and took 3<sup>rd</sup> place shooting a total combined score of 377.

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1 <sup>st</sup>	Keith Wilson	385
2 <sup>nd</sup>	TQ	383
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Bob Hong	377

### “Buck – A – Shot” Winner:

The “Buck – A – Shot” winner for the August 2024 Match was TQ who shot a 10 point score at 200 yards on the Cast Bullet 100 yard target and won the \$11 pot. Congratulations to TQ!!



The updated 100 / 200 yard Rimfire Benchrest Match Summary Results are posted on the WCW Website at <https://www.wcwshooting sports.org/100-200-yard-rimfire-match-scores/>. This file also includes Match Record scores.

The next 100 / 200 yard Rimfire Match will be held on Saturday October 12<sup>th</sup>. If you are interest in attending, please contact the Match Director Keith Wilson at [knjcwilson@msn.com](mailto:knjcwilson@msn.com).

The Cast Bullet targets are available in the target locker if you would like to practice on them at 100 yards. NO practicing at 200 yards with rimfire rifles is allowed on the Kenmore Range.

## WCW MEMBERS COMPETE IN THE AUGUST N50 BENCHREST MATCH IN TACOMA

WCW club members Jason Koehler, Peter Jaszczak, and Keith Wilson competed in the N50 Benchrest Match held on Sunday August 4<sup>th</sup> at the Tacoma Rifle and Revolver Club with all three members placing 1<sup>st</sup> in their class. N50 is a National Organization that offers an opportunity for both Air Rifles and 22LR Rimfire Rifles to compete side by side in 4 Classes: Pro Rimfire / Slug, Sportsman Rimfire / Slug, Factory Rimfire, and Pellet.

It was a cloudy day, but with no rain and temperatures in the low to mid 60's. The wind was from the WSW and varied from almost calm to 5 – 6 mph. The gusts were both sporadic and varied in duration and always changing. The trick was to find the right time to shoot and avoid the flyers. So basically and ok day for a Match.

The Match consisted of shooting three targets with each target having a maximum possible score of 250 points or 750 total points possible. 11 Competitors attended the August Match and shot in all four classes.

### Pro Rimfire / Slug Class:

Jason Koehler, a first time N50 Competitor, started off hot, shooting an outstanding 249 – 14X on his first target. However, as the Match progressed Jason cooled off some, but still shot a very good three target total score of 735 – 29X for 1<sup>st</sup> place.

### Sportsman Rimfire / Slug Class:

Keith Wilson had a good day shooting a three target total score of 747 – 43X for 1<sup>st</sup> place. Keith shot a perfect score of 250 on his first and third targets but got bit by the sporadic wind conditions and dropped all 3 of his points on his second target.

### Factory Class:

Another first time N50 Competitor, Peter Jaszczak, had the hot hand in the Factory Class also shooting an outstanding 249 – 14X on his first target. Peter kept up the hot shooting and finished with an outstanding three target score of 744 – 36X for 1<sup>st</sup> place.

## AUGUST 2024 BENCHREST CENTERFIRE MATCH REPORT

There were twelve contestants in this month's 300-yard benchrest match with eight contestants in the Sharpshooter Division and four in the Expert Division. The weather conditions featured calm winds.

Welcome to newcomers Mohammed Shabar, Bill Pettersen, and Mark Parker.

Match 1 Expert Division: Rick Beginski was first with a score of 100 with Rob Noges second at 99 and Richard Nicol third with a score of 98. Sharpshooter Division: Newcomer Mohammed Shabar placed first with a score of 98. Kevin Turner and Matt Daly tied for second with scores of 97.

Match 2 Expert Division: Rick Beginski and Rob Noges tied for first with scores of 99. Richard Nicol and Pat Farrell tied for third with scores of 97. Sharpshooter Division: Kevin Turner placed first with a score of 100. Mohammed Shabar was second at 99 with Tim Turner third at 97.

Match 3 Expert Division: Rick Beginski finished first with a score of 103. Rob Noges placed second with a score of 100. Pat Farrel was third with a score of 99. Sharpshooter Division: Mohammed Shabar and Kevin Turner tied for first with scores of 100. Troy Rice placed third with a score of 96.

Match 4 Expert Division: Rick Beginski and Rob Noges tied for first with scores of 101. Pat Farrell and Richard Nicol tied for third with scores of 96. Sharpshooter Division: Mohammed Shabar scored a 103 for first place. Kevin Turner placed second with a score of 101. Tim Turner placed third with a score of 100.

The winner of the Expert Division was Rick Beginski finishing with a total score of 403 with Rob Noges in second with a score of 399 and Pat Farrell third with a score of 389. The winner of the Sharpshooter Division was Mohammed Shabar with a score of 400. Kevin Turner was second with a score of 398 and Tim Turner placed third with a score of 388.

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



## WCW BOARD MEETING MINUTES –

**AUGUST 7, 2024**

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

### **Present board members:**

Joe Rinaldi (President)  
Gabe Shank (Vice President)  
Dave Rusko (2 nd Vice President)  
Joe Maggiora (Treasurer)  
Dale Sieg (Recording Secretary)  
Martin Morehouse (Corresponding Secretary)  
John Sutton (Trustee Chairman)  
Patty Woolley (Trustee Elect)  
Dave Levinson (2 Year Trustee)  
Scott Ray (Trustee)  
Aaron Morales (Trustee)  
Absent board members:  
Gary Webster (past President)

### **Committee Leads and Facilities Manager present at meeting:**

Robert Haverstock – Facility Manager  
Martin Morehouse – Rifle  
Gabe Shank – Archery  
Dave Rusko – Handgun

### **Guests:**

Thomas Stewart  
Jett Yasuda  
Joel Seeger

### **Guest topics:**

Thomas Stewart presented. He came to say thank you on behalf of him and his brother for supporting them going to the Junior Olympics. They also spoke about their recent Washington State accomplishments. They also gave the board a plaque in appreciation of the club's support. Jett Yasuda and Joel Seeger presented. They would like to offer a pro-shop for archery on our location. Joe asked if it would be seasonal. They said

they would like to offer it year-round. They would want to store a trailer on our location (20 to 25 foot). They would have their own insurance. They would require anyone who got service here and test out their bow to be a member or pay the day fee. They would be open during normal business hours. John asked about their qualifications. They shared their business and archery experience.

### **Committee reports:**

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

### **Archery report:**

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Aaron thanked Robert and Patty for helping with the tournament.

#### **Handgun Report:**

The following content was provided by Dave Rusko and was shared ahead of the board meeting.

Turning target compressor on Range 3 failed. Temporary compressor in place to host completion of Bullseye Pistol league tournament through the end of November 2024. Repair parts are in the process of being found and ordered to restore the permanent compressor operation.

9 members obtained Pistol Special Use in July 2024.

We had 14 new members attend the July 2024 New Member Orientation (NMO) classes.

August 2024 NMO scheduled 13-August and 18-August.

#### **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 3 August, 100/200 yard Rimfire on 10 August, ARA Rimfire on 11 August, Centerfire Benchrest match on 17 August, and NRA Highpower on the 18th.

Our next NRA Basic Rifle Class is on 24 – 25 August 2024.

Indoor smallbore practice is on the calendar on Tuesdays from 6 to 9 PM. See Martin Morehouse for more information.

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Project Appleseed has a 200 yard Rimfire Known Distance event scheduled on Range 1 for both 24 and 25 August.

Nine members attended the rifle special use class in July. The August Rifle Special Use range session is on the 18th.

Civil Air Patrol plans a rifle event in the clubhouse on 11 August. We have smallbore practice times in the clubhouse on Tuesdays and Fridays, and on the weekends, except for any conflicts with other events.

The rifle range steel target supports are showing wear, will need repair soon.

The smallbore shooters are conducting continuing maintenance on their wind flags. If anyone needs supplies for an activity, other than normal maintenance materials, they should work through the rifle committee. An example would be something used only in an event or match. These things should be budgeted as part of the entry fee for the event, not paid out of club funds.

We have many reports of unsafe and

unauthorized behavior on Range 1. This ranges from ignorance of range and safety rules to disregarding range and safety rules. During public hours, the rangemasters are being distracted from Range 2 by having to correct members on Range 1. Members seem to be trying to use rules from other ranges at times, rather than the ones they were shown during special use training. We propose to correct this problem by removing our visitor pass program on Range 1, effective this week.

### **Shotgun Report:**

The following content was provided by Rich Wasserman and was shared ahead of the board meeting.

On Monday 7/29, the shotgun committee will hold our summer picnic. This will include some shotgun games (Annie Oakley), a picnic dinner, and awards presented from the Spring shotgun league. The spring shotgun tournament completed with 25 trap shooters and 9 continental shooters participating, shooting 438 rounds combined over the 7 weeks of competition. Top continental shooters included Greg Stewart(148/150), Rich Wasserman (144), and Thomas Stewart (142). Top 16 yard trap competitors were Greg Stewart (149/150), Chris Simon (148), and Rich Wasserman (147). Another huge thanks to Jeff Dornes for setting up and administering the league. As to all the trappers who worked extra hard keeping the league scores.

The WA state PITA shoot was held at Evergreen Sportsmen Club in mid July. A number of club members participated. Some notable achievements included Greg Steward (High All Around - HAA Champion, Championship handicap long yardage winner, championship doubles A class, championship singles AA winner), Thomas Stewart (HAA - Junior class, Championship handicap - Jr. Champion, championship doubles Jr., Championship singles - overall champion), Meryn Steward (HAA - Ladies, championship handicap overall champion, Championship singles Ladies champ), Ed Munson (HAA B class, champion R/U). Ed Munson earned his 27-

yard pin during the event as well.

### **Manager's Report:**

Robert Haverstock presented.

Four people have looked at the deck. He has not received any bids yet. He was contacted by another person, and he will come do a bid on it.

Two people came to look at the asphalt.

Robert does not have a quote yet.

Plumbing work we need done is going to be about \$4500.

He has 7 employees that are all going on vacation at about the same time. Robert contacted Rich Wasserman to capture people willing to volunteer.

Robert needs help with an event on Tuesday.

Several people said they would help.

Aaron said he reached out to a contractor who will give us a bid on the deck. Robert will contact him.

Dave L. thanked Robert for taking care of something that came up regarding our 501c3.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Joe Maggiora presented.

We are doing good on the budget but we were negative over the first four months of our fiscal year. There were some questions about the expenses. Dave L. said our water bill was higher than normal. Dave L. asked Robert to check to see if we have another water leak. Robert will investigate it. We discussed credit card fees and how we can mitigate them. Joe will talk to our accountant to see if they have any ideas. Scott noticed our archery numbers are down from last year. Patty believes this because they are becoming members.

### **Trustees Report:**

Patty Woolley presented.

She sent out the RockGymPro numbers to the board.

At their trustees meeting, they talked about shotgun lighting, budget, employee challenges, and automating the gate. We discussed doing monthly installments for memberships. Members are members regardless of how they pay (monthly or



annually). An automated gate would allow monthly membership. Joe believes we need to figure out how to get more public shooters.

Scott asked if we are reaching out to people who dropped their membership to find out why.

#### **Old Business:**

Joe contacted hog hunt people. They will still honor our 4 people for hunting. We need to figure out how we will use it.

Joe said Scott is about done with our bylaws. Joe said there are a couple things to note. Each term is 2 years. There will no longer be trustees. People will be directors, and each director will have specific duties.

We will have a disciplinary committee. We will have a director of operations. We discussed how this would work.

Aaron is coming up with an updated cut list for the FFL shack.

Gabe met with 4H club over the weekend. They asked if they could bring in 18 archers on Tuesday when we are closed. Gabe suggested we do this on a trial basis. One of the 4H members is a special use member and he would bring them in. They would have to sign a waiver. This would be every other Tuesday. Gabe will work with Patty to discuss a fee to charge them.

#### **New Business:**

Martin suggested that we cancel the guest policy on Range 1. There were no objections. Joe R. moved we rescind the Range 1 guest policy. Dave L. seconded. Passed. Martin will send an email to the membership to notify them.

We discussed creating a policy to allow people to use our shotguns. We will not rent them. Robert H. said he would come up with a proposed policy and bring it back to the board to discuss. We need to figure out how to prevent someone from walking away with them. For example, we would hold their driver's license.

We had another issue with our legal name. We are working through it to get everything corrected with the state.

We discussed the pro-shop proposal that was

presented. We don't want them to lose money. They proposed they pay the club \$400 per month to have their shop on our property. The board thought that was too much. We discussed different options. Martin M. moved we accept their proposal with a modified fee structure. Fees are to be determined. Patty W. seconded. Passed.

#### **For the Good of the Order:**

Joe commented on the work being done across the street. They have been granted a permit but there are currently 5 injunctions. They don't believe they will be starting any work until next year. They are still interested in working with us on the community garden.

Joe Rinaldi moved to adjourn at 8:58 PM.

Joe Maggiora seconded. Passed.

Respectfully submitted by Dale Sieg,  
Recording Secretary.