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## President's Message

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Well here we are looking down the barrel of a new year no pun intended. The fact is I hope the look is from the perspective of the aiming device that is looking at better times than we experienced in past two years. Notice how I didn't mention that thing we have all been sharing in common. I am doing that in order to promote some semblance of optimism in the New Year.

One thing I want to remind members is that we have a members meeting coming up on January 12th which I believe is very important. We will be discussing and voting on a proposal to change from a 501 C4 status to a 501C3 status. If accepted this can be ratified at the April 2022 members meeting. In short that will provide us the ability to accept tax deductible donations from members and organizations. This will provide us some long term financial viability heretofore not assured. Please mark your calendar and try to attend this meeting.

In other news we are still experiencing some ammunition shortages. In some regards that has been alleviated in the area of rifle and pistol supply. But just before Christmas we once again ran out of shotgun shells. This particularly affects public shooters. They come to the range to enjoy shooting some trap or five stand only to find out we have no ammo. To watch people walk out disappointed is not a pretty sight. Our club manager is continuously searching our various outlets for shotgun ammunition but it seems to come in periodically in rather small amounts. We have large back orders but so far no big score. Shotgun shooters have a new challenge. The five stand shooters of which there are many have received six additional machines to make shooting five stand more difficult for the expert shooters and easier for new shooters to break into the world of five stand. I would recommend you take some time and observe the various challenges and perhaps you will be tempted to give it a go.

It is pleasing to report that the remodeling of the pistol range is under way. It is moving slowly but steadily at this point but moving nonetheless. Soon there will be some concrete work completed which will coincide with the renewed refurbishing of the baffle system. It is our hope when we get into the heavy work of this project that the range will only be shut down for a short period of time. Our corresponding secretary will keep us posted with email blasts and calendar notifications regarding this project.

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## President's Message - continued

Our archery program is looking to promote opportunity for beginning shooters. We have many skilled shooters that have made significant inroads of acclaim even up to potential Olympic class eligibility. With that said, we need to expend the opportunities for new archers. If anyone has some ideas that can help us improve our program please let us know.

I could yammer on about insignificant things but would rather end this message with this wish. I hope that everyone that reads this has a Healthful, Happy New year.

## January Coming Events

2 January - Winter Shotgun Multiplex

5 January - WCW Board Meeting

8 January - Rimfire Benchrest Match

9 January - Legal Heat CCW Class

10 January - Rifle/Pistol and Special Use meeting

12 January - Quarterly Member's Meeting

15 January - Centerfire Benchrest Match

17 January - Shotgun Committee meeting

We also have our normal schedule of other matches, classes, and events, with the exception that we are closed on New Year's.

For more details, see our calendar, or for questions, contact me at [secretary@wcwi.org](mailto:secretary@wcwi.org).

## We need news

If there is something going on in our club, or something planned that you would like everyone to know about, drop us a note. There is a lot happening and this is a good place to let people know. The deadline each month for updates or articles is the 25th, just send what you have to [secretary@wcwi.org](mailto:secretary@wcwi.org)

## Have you seen our calendar lately?

We add events to our club calendar every week. Be sure and check your events, or the events you are interested in, to make sure they are accurate.

With the new year, event schedules, may be changing. make sure your events are on the calendar.

If you see something that needs to be fixed, or if you have something new to add, contact me at [secretary@wcwi.org](mailto:secretary@wcwi.org).

## Safety Update

Recently a member missed a step on Range 1. He walked the length of the range, past members in each of the bays, including one member wearing a bright orange coat, and turned on the ceasefire bell. Everyone 'reminded' him that he hadn't coordinated with the others or checked all the rifles for safety. After being corrected on the spot, he went back and did it right before re-starting the ceasefire and posting his target.

This is an example of how easy it is to be distracted and miss important safety procedures. It is also a good example of members looking out for each other to keep things safe.

As this is our first newsletter of the year, this is a good place to remind us all to work together to maintain our great safety record.

## *Kenmore Rimfire Match Report December 2021*

There were 35 contestants in this month's match with thirteen competitors in the Expert Division, eight in the Sharpshooter Division and fourteen in the Marksman Division.

Welcome to newcomers Steven Wright, John Seyler, and Lonny Stevens.

Relay One Expert Division Target One: Joe Little placed first with a score of 245 1X. Stephen Goodwin was second at 243 5X with Emil Praslick finishing third at 242 2X and Rick McGuire finish fourth 241 4X. Target Two: Joe Little and Stephen Goodwin repeated in first and second places with scores of 246 5X and 246 4X respectively. Harvey Waldron finished third at 244 6X with Rick McGuire placing fourth again at 241 5X.

Relay Two Sharpshooter Division Target One. Eric Carter finished first at 241 2X. Kevin Kellogg was second at 237 1X with Ryan Higginbotham placing third at 236 4X. Target Two: Ryan Higginbotham finished in first at 241 4X with Kevin Kellogg finishing second at 236 3X and Dan Callahan placing third 233 4X.

Relay Three Marksman Division. Target One: Newcomer Steven Wright finished first with a score of 236 4X with newcomer Lonny Stevens in second at 234 4X. Cecil Chrisinger was third at 231 1X and Allan Kaas placed fourth 228 5X. Target Two: Jeff Ferrelli placed first with a score of 238 5X. Allan Kaas was second at 233 6X with Cecil Chrisinger in third at 231 5X and Lonny Stevens placing fourth at 223 2X.

The 2021 Division champions were:

Expert Division: First place went to Keith Wilson with a total season score of 3877 – 81X for an average of 242.31 which is also a new record for the Season High Score and X Count surpassing the previous high of 3871 – 78X. The race for second went to Steve Goodwin with an outstanding day shooting in December with target scores of 243 – 5X and a 246 – 4X with a season total 3849 62x. Mark Huber finished in third place with a score of 3832 – 60X.

Sharpshooter Division: Kevin Kellogg won the Sharpshooter Division with a score of 3746 38X. Ryan Higginbotham finished second with 3734 37X. Third place went to Steve Treperinas with a top 16 target score of 3662 35x.

Marksman Division: R.W. is the Marksman Division Champion with a total score of 3574 33x. Jeff Ferrelli placed second with a score of 3358 28X. Cecil Chrisinger won the battle for third place at 3306 19x by shooting a pair of 231's in December.

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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## *Kenmore Benchrest Match Report*

There were six contestants in this month's 300-yard benchrest match with three shooters in both the Custom and Factory Classes.

The weather conditions were excellent with a very light wind with a heavy rain.

Match 1 Custom Class: Richard Nicol was first with a score of 100. Joshua Shaw was second with a score of 99 and Ted Larson placed third with a score of 94. Factory Class: Christian Eckhoff and Matt Daly tied for first place with a score of 91 with Pat Farrell finishing third with an 83.

Match 2 Custom Class: Joshua Shaw scored a match high score of 105 for first place. Ted Larson placed second with a score of 98 with Richard Nicol in third with a score of 97. Factory Class: Matt Daly was first with a score of 96. Christian Eckhoff finished in second with a score of 93 and Pat Farrell was third with a score of 90.

Match 3 Custom Class: Joshua Shaw was first again with a score of 101. Ted Larson was second at 98 with Richard Nicol placing third at 97. Factory Class: Matt Daly was first with a score of 102. Pat Farrell was second at 94 with Christian Eckhoff in third a score of 89.

Match 4 Custom Class: Ted Larson was first with a score of 100. Richard Nicol and Joshua Shaw tied for second at 99. Factory Class: Matt Daly finished first for the fourth time with a score of 102. Pat Farrell placed second at 91 and Christian Eckhoff was third with a score of 79.

The winner of the Custom Division was Joshua Shaw with a total score of 404 with Richard Nicol second at 393 and Ted Larson third at 392. The winner in the Factory Class with a score of 390 was Matt Daly with Pat Farrell second at 358 and Christian Eckhoff placing third at 352.

The Custom Rifle Division Shooter of the Year was Richard Nicol with a best three of five aggregate total score of 1203.

The Factory Rifle Division Shooter of the Year was Matt Daly with a best three of five aggregate total score of 1139.

For information on this match contact Matt Daly  
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*December 2021*



Richard Nicol - Custom Division Shooter of the Year



Matt Daly - Factory Division Shooter of the Year

## CMP Games Rifle Match Report, December 2021

This month's CMP games was a four-way contest. With our regular turnout, Bruz Marzolf, Milt Schneider, George Smith, and Klaus Brauer made up the relay.

With decent weather, the targets all stayed up. Bruz finished first with 450-9X with his Garand. Second place went to Milt with his Mauser, at 428-4X, and third to Klaus at 427-3X using his Krag. George scored 329-3X shooting the CMP Carbine match. Everyone got better performance from their rifles this time, with fewer mechanical and ammunition problems.

We hope to see more competitors or even spectators at our next CMP Games. Our next date is on Sunday, the 13th of February. For details, check our calendar entry, or contact me.

## Archery News

USA Archery has just announced its 2022 team in a news release from December 17th. Gabrielle Sasai, a local archer who often trains at WCW, and is a member of the World Championship team, has been named. She also podiumed at the Junior Pan Am Games in Columbia earlier this month. Here's the link to the article. [USA Archery](#)



## 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.)*



## *WCW Board Meeting Minutes – December 1, 2021*

Meeting called to order at 7:05 PM by President Joe Rinaldi.

### **Present board members:**

Joe Rinaldi (President)  
John Woolley (Treasurer)  
Jim Thompson (Chairman Trustee)  
Jeff LeMoine (Trustee Elect)  
Larry Mallory (2yr Trustee)  
Jeff Gomes (Trustee)  
John Sutton (Trustee)  
Martin Morehouse (Corresponding Secretary)  
Dale Sieg (Recording Secretary)

### **Absent board members:**

Robb Stack (Vice President)  
Mike Wichser (2nd Vice President)  
Gary Webster (past President)

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

Robert Haverstock (Range Manager)  
Martin Morehouse (Rifle)  
Ken Deleone (Archery)  
Bob Pritchard (Shotgun)  
Emylee Norgaard (Handgun)

### **Guests:**

Rob Bush

### **Guest topics:**

Rob Bush, our insurance agent with Laevitt Group NW, attended the board meeting to share his point of view regarding people providing training at our facility.

The question posed to Rob was, "Do people doing training at our facility need to be insured?"

Rob said if people are volunteering on behalf of the club, they are covered under our policy. If private individuals are making money, they are probably not covered under our policy. This is something we will need to speak with our attorney about.

Something we should add to our range rules is that people cannot train at our facility without a contract. If private individuals want to provide training at our facility, we must have a contract with them and have them sign a waiver. In addition, they need to provide proof of insurance which includes firearm instructor insurance that has personal and professional coverage (minimum coverage of \$1,000,000) and they would need to list our organization on the policy as an additional insured. Lastly, they would need to show us their certificate of training qualification and pay us a fee for using our facility.

We should add to the waiver that if they are performing professional services, they need to have pre-approval from the board. We will look to add this to the waiver people sign when renewing their membership.

### **Committee reports:**

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

### **Archery report:**

Ken Deleone presented.

Indoor archery is underway. JOAD kids are in the clubhouse on Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday. We discussed what we would need to do to start up a novice program. We need to find instructors. Joe thought Saturday or Sunday would be the best days for the novice program. We discussed fixing our existing bows and possibly purchasing a couple more to facilitating the novice program.

### **Handgun Report:**

Emylee Norgaard presented.

The last Rifle/Handgun committee meeting was on Monday, November 8th at 7pm. We had eight people in attendance, seven on Zoom and one in person. Dave Rusko attended in person and wanted to help on the WiFi issues. Dale has connected with Dave. The last handgun range class was on Saturday, November 27th. There were seven attendees, and three of them completed their Pistol Special Use. Emylee will be canceling the special use class in December because of Christmas.



## **Rifle Report:**

Martin Morehouse presented.

On November 28th, Martin met with Andy Song, the Appleseed Project Shoot Boss, who would like to plan a 'long range' Appleseed event for next summer. This would be a 2-day event, on a weekend, shooting at 50 to 200 yards on Range 1. This would be for previous Appleseed participants. We discussed the Appleseed request and the board was in support of it. Martin will do some evaluation of shooting 22 LR up to 200 yards to make sure we are comfortable with bullet ballistics.

We are still planning to upgrade the remaining target post sockets on Range 1. We need to replace the left six sockets on the 300-yard targets, and all of the 200 yard sockets.

The maintenance for Range 3 is progressing. We may need membership work parties once the plans become more specific.

Adam Bystedt noticed a scuba tank in use for an air rifle on Range 1 and suggested that care be taken to protect the valve on this type of tank. The tank should not be standing upright to avoid it falling over. We discussed mitigations and building support frames that members can use to keep the tanks in place in a safe position. Robert will investigate this. Martin conducted a shooting test for the member who wanted to shoot a high-power pistol and the member passed.

Based on this experience, Martin proposed that any pistol in rifle caliber or in pistol caliber 9mm or higher be allowed on Range 1. The member must already have pistol endorsement for one- or two-handed shooting. Shooting with a pistol is limited to 50 or 100 yards only and all shots in a 5-shot string must be on the paper. Lastly, they must pass a proficiency test with a WCW instructor. This will be added as a separate entry to the rifle special use endorsement that states something to the effect of 'complete rifle special use qualified; long range offhand pistol'. After the board meeting, Joe reached out to each board member to make a motion and take a vote. Joe Rinaldi moved to accept Martin's proposal as described above. Martin Morehouse seconded. Passed.

## **Shotgun Report:**

Bob Pritchard presented.

The Multiplex is on December 5th.

One out of six students showed up for the fundamental class because it was raining. Jeff LeMoine suggested we email students a reminder before the class. Bob will look into this.

John Sutton spoke about lighting for 5-stand. If we only light one trap, Bob suggested trap 3. John will get a quote for range 3. We will look to get a lift to arrange the lights and install new lights if we get them. We will also look to replace all the bulbs when we are up on the lift. 14 bulbs will need to be replaced.

## **Manager's Report:**

Robert Haverstock presented.

Joe asked he looked into the logo change. For example, changing our paperwork and patches. Robert has just started looking into this.

We had several trees removed that were leaning over our neighbors' fences.

The previous caretaker has moved. Robert will be taking over his responsibilities. We will need to update the caretaker lease.

We received rifle ammo yesterday.

All gutters have been cleaned.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

John Woolley presented.

Members' dues are way up.

Visitor fees are down a little except for pistol.

We are moving money to diversify our holdings to protect us from a FDIC perspective.

We will be changing our credit card service and that will save about \$8000 per year.

## **Trustees Report:**

Jeff LeMoine presented.

John Sutton said he got a quote for \$45,000 to take down the old baffles and put up the new baffles in Range 3. We don't have a quote on the retaining wall yet. We will look to have this done between December and January.

Joe investigated booths for pistol. They are \$2,000 per booth. Joe, Larry and Dave will be speaking with the supplier of the booths at the Shot Show. Jeff G. discussed his attempt to get help from the Snohomish County Sheriff's Office to train our employees on de-escalating situations. He has not been able to get anyone to call him back. Sometime in September of 2021, Jeff made phone contact with a Sgt. Bill Parsons (425) 754-5016, of the Snohomish County Sheriff's Office. He inquired to see if the police department had a community service type officer to help our club with De-escalation training for our employees. He stated that a Deputy Jim Stein would call me to discuss it further. He never received any calls from Deputy Stein. So, Jeff attempted to re-contact Sgt. Parsons several times. As of December 1, 2021, he has not received any calls from the SCSO. On November 18, 2021, he contacted the South Precinct of the SCSO and was told that neither officer worked at the precinct and to continue my attempts to call the officer. At this point, Jeff believes it is futile to pursue this request for service from the SCSO. Since Jeff and Joe have instructor credentials and Jeff found some good content online, Jeff and Joe will put something together and conduct training for our employees.

## **Old Business:**

Joe provided a 501c3 update. One thing that came up is that we should sign up for a CT Corporation (aka. Registered Agent). This would be someone that represents us when contacted legally. This would prevent our employees needing to deal with situations related to legal matters. This would cost \$60 per year. The board believes we should do this, and we will move forward.

Jeff LeMoine moved that the board bring forth to members at the 2022 January Members meeting that the board submit paperwork to the appropriate government entities to change our organization from a 501c4 organization to a 501c3 organization in preparation for a vote on this change at the 2022 Annual Members meeting. Martin Morehouse seconded. Passed.

Dale presented information on the current state of our Wi-Fi and network infrastructure. Our infrastructure has been growing without a structure plan.

It is not in a sustainable state. We would like to update our infrastructure, so it is sustainable. We briefly discussed things we would want to do to future proof this. Some of the things we discussed were:

Enable expansion for Range 4.

Live streaming of events.

UPS.

Electronic targets on Range 1.

Dale presented cost estimates in phases.

Phase 1 - Clubhouse (\$816)

Phase 2 – Shotgun (\$996)

Phase 3 - Chalet through Range 3 (\$2,620)

There will be some additional costs that are not in the quotes. For example, cable and UPS. We will re-use everything we can.

Dale Sieg moved to allocate \$6000 to fund making updates and cleaning up our data infrastructure.

Larry second. Passed.

Dale provided a marketing update.

We have been discussing changing our WCWI URL to a new URL to remove the I. The marketing committee proposes we change our URL to WCWSHOOTINGSPORTS.org.

Dale Sieg moved we change our URL from WCWI.ORG to WCWSHOOTINGSPORTS.ORG and change the Instagram and Facebook account to be wcwshootingsports. Jim Thompson seconded.

Passed.

Martin will connect with Emylee to advertise gift card on Facebook and Instagram.

The marketing committee shared who we are focusing on. They are:

- 1) Non-Member Public, both with experience and those new to shooting sports
- 2) Youth-Oriented Organizations, eg Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Explorers, others
- 3) Active and retired Law Enforcement Officers (LEOs) in need of their annual requalification certification.



Dale shared our primary goal is becoming positive cash flow without renters.

The marketing committee is meeting bi-weekly to continue developing our plan.

One idea from the committee is creating stickers with our logo to sell, for RSOs to give to children, etc. The board thought that was a good idea. We will pursue this.

### **New Business:**

This is Jim Thompson's last meeting. Thank you for everything you have done for the club Jim!

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

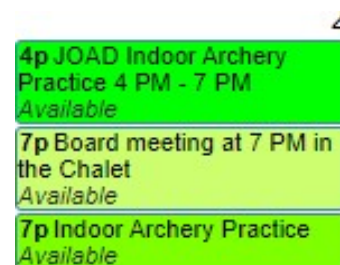
Ken D. brought up that he noticed multiple people are updating the calendar. Ken suggested we only have Martin update the calendar. We then had a brief discussion around sharing the club house.

Jeff Lemoine moved to adjourn at 9:30 PM. Dale Sieg seconded. Motion passed.

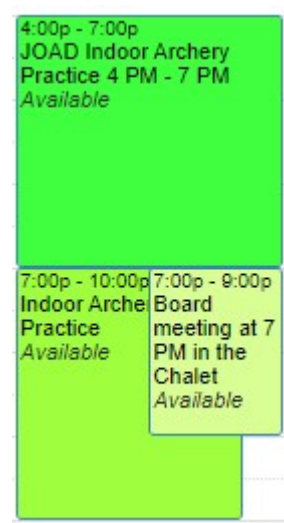
## Reading our Calendar

Our calendar can get pretty cluttered and busy. Some entries can be misleading, especially if they happen at different times on different days. It can help to display the calendar by the week or by the day in order to see exactly what times the activity is scheduled for.

Usually in the month view, the time in the upper left corner is the actual start time, while the time below that is the usual start time. In the week or day views, the actual times are shown.



### **Month View**



### **Week View**