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It is February the month that celebrates Valentine's Day which is primarily reserved for intimate love interests. But as we all know there are many types of love. For instance some people love their possessions. Of course that includes all types of hobby enthusiasts. Gun collectors rightfully fall into this category. There is also what I call wishful loves. Like I would love to be taller or someone might wish they were svelte and didn't have to wear expandable waist line pants. Some of these things we can control and other not so much. So what's the point of all this you might ask. I would love and am longing for the day when we can shed these awful "FACE DIAPERS" once and for all.

The previous paragraph leads me into an experience we recently had travelling to the Shot Show in Las Vegas. Four of us board members and one former board member flew down to attend the show. Minus the inconvenience of having to wear the mug diaper mandatorily on the plane our attendance is what I would call a very fruitful excursion. In case any of you are thinking the club financed any of this please rest assured that everyone that attended paid their own way. We accomplished a great deal as we were able to have lengthy discussions and investigate the cost of things we will be needing at the range very soon. In a way, the fact that the Shot Show was not terribly crowded as in previous year turned out to our advantage. We were able to have time to ask pertinent questions. We visited with several distributors that make bullet proof shooting booths and retrieval systems. These will replace our current shooting booths at pistol. These products are impressive and somewhat costly but would surely improve our facility as we move to remodeling our pistol shooting range.

We also visited with several ammunition vendors. We were inquiring about the possibility of becoming an ammunition dealership in the future. As you might have guessed all these vendors are barely able to supply long standing customers at present. None were taking on new dealers at this time. Nonetheless, there were at least two vendors that took our information and would notify us when things come back to normal. Lastly, we also visited an automated trap system for shotgun that would save us on targets as well as making it easier and more efficient to manage range use. All in all we received excellent information that we can use for future planning.

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President's Message - continued

I am currently excited as our club manager indicated there are two members one of which is an employee that may be interested in heading up the hunting committee. I will be discussing this with them soon to explore the nature of their activities. If we have avid fisherman in the club that would like to join them in the pursuit of improving fishing opportunities please contact us as soon as possible.

Lastly, I would like to remind folks to be courteous while at the range. There have been some conflicts from time to time recently and some harsh words have been exchanged between members over range time use. Without getting into details it should be noted that heated arguments at a gun range are hardly advisable.

I am closing by indicating that I am guardedly optimistic about the future of the club. We have a good dedicated staff and board. I bring this up as a reminder that new positions will be opening up on the board. We currently have a second vice president position open and will have other positions open up for annual consideration in the April members meeting. This year if anyone is interested in becoming a board member you need to write up a personal biographical summary outlining your interest and experience.

Remember there is no place for "COMPLACENCY" at a gun range.

Have you seen our calendar lately?

We add events to our 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.

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

February Coming Events

5 February - NRA Instructor Training

5 February - Rimfire Benchrest Match

6 February - Continental Shotgun Shoot

7 February - Hunter Education starts

13 February - Winter Shotgun Multiplex

13 February - CMP Games Rifle Match

14 February - Rifle/Pistol and Special Use meeting

19 February - Centerfire Benchrest Match

21 February - Shotgun Committee meeting

We also have our normal schedule of other matches, classes, and events.

For more details, see our calendar, or for questions, contact me at secretary@wcwi.org.

Kenmore Rimfire Match Report *January 2022*

There were 26 contestants in this month's match with eleven competitors in the Expert Division, four in the Sharpshooter Division and eleven in the Marksman Division.

Welcome to newcomer Sam Moffitt.

Relay One Expert Division Target One: T.Q. placed first with a score of 248 9X. Mark Huber was second at 248 2X with Stephen Goodwin finishing third at 244 2X. Target Two: T.Q. repeated in first place with a score of 247 9x. Keith Wilson and Stephen Goodwin tied for second at 244 3X.

Relay Two Sharpshooter Division Target One. Eric Carter finished first at 237 3X. Kevin Kellogg was second at 236 1X David Konkle placing third at 231 2X. Target Two: David Konkle finished in first at 237 4X with Steve Treperinas finishing second at 235 3X and Eric Carter placing third 234 4X.

Relay Three Marksman Division. Target One: R.W. and Allen Kaas tied for first with a score of 222 2X with Lonny Stevens in third at 213 1X. Target Two: R.W. placed first with a score of 231 2X. John Kimbrough was second at 227 3X with Christian Eckhoff in third at 224 0X.

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

Contact me if you have any questions about this match.

Matt Daly
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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.)



Kenmore Benchrest Match Report January 2022

There were ten contestants in this month's 200-yard benchrest match with four contestants in the Factory class and six in the Custom.

The match was delayed by an hour due to poor visibility from fog. For this match the 200 yard targets were used instead.

Match 1 Custom Class: Jeff Locke placed first with a score of 103. There was a four-way tie for second place at 102 between Richard Nicol, Khan Nguyen, Larry Wright, and Bryan Zolnikov. Factory Class: Christian Eckhoff was first with a score of 99 with Eric Little second at 96 and Pat Farrell in third at 94.

Match 2 Custom Class: Bryan Zolnikov was first with a score of 105. There was a three way tie for second for 101 between Richard Nicol, Jeff Locke, and Larry Wright. Factory Class: Eric Little placed first with a score of 97. Christian Eckhoff finished in second with a score of 92 and Brian Walker was third with a score of 90.

Match 3 Custom Class: Jeff Locke was first with a match high score of 107. Larry Wright was second at 105 with Bryan Zolnikov placing third at 101. Factory Class: Eric Little was first with a score of 97. Brian Walker was second at 95 with Christian Eckhoff in third a score of 89.

Match 4 Custom Class: Larry Wright was first with a score of 105. Jeff Locke was second at 104 with Kahn Nguyen in third at 102. Factory Class: Eric Little finished first with a score of 99. Brian Walker was placed second at 98 and Christian Eckhoff was third with a score of 92.

The winner of the Custom Division was Jeff Locke with a total score of 415 with Larry Wright second at 413 and Bryan Zolnikov third at 407. The winner in the Factory Class with a score of 389 was Eric Little. Brian Walker was second at 374 and Christian Eckhoff placing third at 372.

For information on this match contact Matt Daly matt5404@frontier.com



WCV Board Meeting Minutes – January 5, 2022

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

Present board members:

Joe Rinaldi (President)
Robb Stack (Vice President)
John Woolley (Treasurer)
Larry Mallory (2yr Trustee)
John Sutton (Trustee)
Martin Morehouse (Corresponding Secretary)
Dale Sieg (Recording Secretary)

Absent board members:

Gary Webster (past President)
Jeff LeMoine (Trustee Elect)
Jeff Gomes (Trustee)

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:

Dan Barton
Brian Lapinski

Guest topics:

Dan Barton
Dan had several topics he wanted to discuss. He is still concerned about the progress on updating Range 3. He is wondering what is taking so long. He also was wondering if we should fix the baffles before the wall. John Sutton explained the challenges we have been having with making the improvements. The contractor we thought was going to do the job decided it was more work than he anticipated and he declined the work. We need to fix the wall first because if the wall shifts after the new baffles are installed, the wall could damage the new baffles.

Dave Levinson asked if we could pour a concrete wall instead of using blocks. John Sutton said he would investigate it.

Dan also believes we should have a committee for work on Range 3.

Next, Dan mentioned the Washington Arms Collectors (WAC) is looking for a place to have smaller gun shows. They will be in financial trouble in 3 years if they do not get more members. Having multiple smaller shows may help promote WAC. Dan asked if we could have the WAC gun show at our facility. Richard Ripley is a board member of the WAC. We could contact him. The board will consider this. Lastly, Dan suggested we not increase membership dues. Instead, he suggests we no longer offer a senior discount and no longer have an initiation fee.

Brian Lapinski

Brian would like to coordinate and conduct small bore (22LR) precision matches on Range 1. He proposes these matches be on the afternoon of the third Saturday of each month from April 16th through September 17th. The board supports this and Martin will coordinate the scheduling.

Committee reports:

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

Archery report:

Ken Deleone presented.
Ken has started working on the beginner program. He thinks we have plenty of equipment except we need some more arrows. He still needs to meet with the potential instructors. He is thinking it would start sometime in March. Will need at least 3 more targets for indoors.

Handgun Report:

Martin Morehouse presented.
No special use class was held in December. We will have one in January.

Rifle Report:

Martin Morehouse presented. Martin tested out the feasibility of having the Appleseed 22LR 200-yard event. He was able to get a 10-inch group at 200 yards so he believes it should be okay to move forward. A member proposed steel targets on Range. Martin asked the member to come up with a proposal and understand how other ranges handle steel targets. A member asked if we have a place where he can take people to teach gun basics. Martin said Chalet, Clubhouse, Classroom and Range 4 area are okay to do this if they are not being used. Martin asked if we have discount for new shooters? Joe mentioned we have one visit trial passes. Martin will connect with Robert Haverstock to get some passes.

Shotgun Report:

Bob Pritchard presented. Bob found a co-chair. The new co-chair is Bill Miele. The Fundamentals Class has been slow because of the weather. To help with making sure people are properly being signed up and know the class will be held, we will be doing all registration online. Multi-plex moved to January 9th. He has received positive feedback with the new 5 stand setup. Joe Rinaldi mentioned he would really like to get the youth program going again. Robb Stack asked if there would be a way to put up an inexpensive cover for trap. Bob suggested Robb ask for a proposal from the member.

Manager's Report:

Robert Haverstock presented. The maintenance crew has been taking care of the snow and the Range 3 work. Robert talked about the maintenance of the fence line (cutting brush and putting up warning signs). We have two pallets of shotgun shells coming January 6th (64 cases per pallet).

Treasurer's Report:

John Woolley presented. Renters are still making us positive. Without them we would be losing money. John spoke about managing our money. We are making sure our money is diversified and federally insured. With changes to the board, John will be adjusting signing authority as appropriate. John said there was a rifle match that the organizer expensed an award. John asked if we want to be paying for that. Several of the board members said we should not be paying for awards. We suggested they increase the match fee to cover any awards they would want to provide. Joe Rinaldi said there are several ranges that do not have trappers. Joe asked Bob to bring up the idea of no trappers at the next Shotgun committee meeting. Bob said he would.

Trustees Report:

Larry Mallory presented. There was not a Trustees meeting since the last board meeting.

Old Business:

We discussed Dan's input on senior dues. John will look into how many people are getting this discount and how much money this equates to. We had a discussion on the initiation fee. Suggestions ranged from getting rid of it altogether to just decreasing it. This will be tabled for a later discussion. After April when we close with the Secretary of State, we will need to change all our logos. Joe asked about updating our existing watermain shutoff valve. Joe will contact Jim Dinnie about this. Joe asked about the lighting in shotgun. John Sutton mentioned we have not done anything yet. Dale mentioned we don't have a marketing update because of the holidays. We are meeting next week. Joe asked for an update on railing to Range 3. John Sutton said we have not done anything on this yet.

Dale and Joe will get together to come up with language to put on the waiver about no members may train for pay without approval from board. Dale asked if the scuba tank holders for the air gun shooters had been built. Nobody knew. We will follow up with Robert.

New Business:

Mike Wichser has resigned from the board. We want to thank Mike for his contributions to the club. Thank you Mike!

There was an incident in the clubhouse on Christmas eve. We discussed the incident. All the people we needed at the board meeting were not present. So, the board will contact all the individuals needed for the discussion and ask them to attend the next board meeting.

We discussed a member who came in with people who were not members when the range was closed. Martin will contact the member to remind him of the rules when the range is closed.

Brad Thompson brought up the idea of a hunting and fishing committee. Joe believes we are losing a lot of our hunting privileges in Washington. Joe thinks we need to get more involved with this. We had a brief discussion about tracer rounds. Tracer rounds are not allowed on the range. This information is presented during member orientation.

There were not enough board members at the meeting to take a vote on any motions, so Joe Rinaldi reached out to each board member after the meeting to make a motion and vote on Scott Ray replacing Jim Thompson as a Trustee. Via email, Joe Rinaldi moved for Scott Ray to replace Jim Thompson as a Trustee. Dale Sieg seconded. Passed. Anyone interested in running for a board position, please contact a board member.

For the Good of the Order:

Robb Stack suggested the board and members consider supporting hunting and fishing organizations. A couple organizations are below. Both groups help to support outdoor sporting opportunities.

WWW.HuntersHeritageCouncil.org is a group for hunters, fishermen, and outdoor enthusiasts. Take look on their website for their positive accomplishments and note their PAC for donating.

WWW.W4WC.org is the Washingtonians for Wildlife Conservation.

Joe Rinaldi moved to adjourn at 9:14 PM. Dale Sieg seconded. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by Dale Sieg, Recording Secretary.

WCW Quarterly Membership Meeting Minutes – January 12, 2022

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

Member count (excluding board members): 14
Board member count: 7

Present board members:

Joe Rinaldi (President)
Robb Stack (Vice President)
John Woolley (Treasurer)
Jeff Gomes (2yr Trustee)
John Sutton (Trustee)
Dale Sieg (Recording Secretary)

Excused board members:

Gary Webster (past President)
Jeff LeMoine (Trustee Elect)
Larry Mallory (2yr Trustee)
Martin Morehouse (Corresponding Secretary)

Guests:

None

Guest Topics:

None

Reading of the last Board Member Meeting minutes:

Ken Deleone moved to skip the reading of the minutes. Jeff Patton seconded. Passed.

Reading of the last Membership Meeting minutes:

Ken Deleone moved to skip the reading of the minutes. Jeff Patton seconded. Passed.

Committee reports:

A brief review of the Archery Committee's, Shotgun Committee's, Handgun Committee's, Rifle Committee's, and Operations Manager's reports follow. Also included below are brief notes from the Trustees' and Treasurer's monthly updates presented at the quarterly meeting.

Archery Report:

Ken Deleone presented.

We are still working on setting up the youth program. Ken will be lining up the instructors for the program. Ken will want to talk about paying the instructors. Joe suggested he check out what other organizations are doing. Joe said let
Need 3 indoor targets.
Archery will start picking up in March.

Handgun Report:

The committee lead was not present at this month's meeting.

Rifle Report:

The committee lead was not present at this month's meeting.

Shotgun Report:

Bob Pritchard presented.

Bob found a co-chair. The new co-chair is Bill Miele. The Fundamentals Class has been slow because of the weather. To help with making sure people are properly being signed up and know the class will be held, we will be doing all registration online.

Operations Manager Report:

Robert Haverstock presented.

We have started getting ammo.

We have been working on removing the retaining wall on Range 3.

There is an upcoming L&I meeting. It is a courtesy call to help with risk management.

Trustees' Report:

John Sutton presented.

John discussed the work we are doing on Range 3. We started with the baffles, and it turned into more work. We identified we needed to repair the retaining wall before the baffles or risk damaging the baffles. Right now, we are working on figuring out how to get the retaining wall done. We are currently looking for someone to move the dirt. John spoke with Mike Wichser. and he said he could still do the baffles.

Joe said we will be going to the SHOT Show to talk with the person who builds shooting booths.

Treasurer's Report:

John Woolley presented.

Dues and initiation fees are up. Pistol is up. Archery, shotgun and rifle are down.

Best income is from facility rental. This is really what is keeping us positive.

A member asked if we could make an assessment to members to get more money. Joe said that members may not like that but we could consider that.

Joe said John will be crunching some numbers to see areas we may want to make some changes.

Old Business:

The Board has approved changing from a 501c4 entity to a 501c3 entity. This will allow us receive tax deductible donations. One advantage of a 501c4 is we can get involved in politics. If we become a 501c3, we will not be able to do that any longer. Our organization has never gotten involved in politics. Robb Stack clarified that our dues would not be tax deductible. Joe Rinaldi opened the topic up for discussion. A member said being a 501c3 would allow people to leave legacy gifts to the club. A member complimented the board on moving toward a 501c3. A member suggested we send a note to members about legacy donations if we become 501c3. In April we will vote on the decision. If approved by the membership, we would likely not start operating as a 501c3 until 2023.

It may take 9 to 20 months for the IRS to approve our club as a 501c3. A member said there is little downside to becoming a 501c3. He knows some people who did not give money to the club in the past because it was not tax deductible. A member mentioned being a 501c3 organization will be a lot more work for our accounting people.

New Business:

Joe Rinaldi mentioned we have lost our connection to hunting and fishing. Washington state canceled the bear archery hunting season. Joe would like to find a member interested in being the chair of a fishing and hunting committee. Please let Joe know if you know someone who would want to do this.

For the Good of the Order:

Matt Daly suggests we convert the benches on Range 2 to cement benches. He is looking into the options and will share what he finds with the Rifle Committee.

Dan Barton brought up the idea of having a Washington Arms collectors show at our facility. WAC is looking for a place to have lower cost rentals for their show. A member thought that would be good to bring traffic to our range.

Robb Stack continues to hear about the poor treatment from our RSOs. He continues to update them on that was long ago and we are no longer like that. He suggested we all be great salespeople for our club.

A member mentioned the Pacific Northwest Continental League and will be hosted at our facility on Sunday, February 6th.

Dan Barton recommended we reduce or eliminate our initiation fee. The initiation fee is currently \$200.00. It discourages new membership. For new members to join, it costs close to \$500.00. Younger new prospective members have many large expenses such as mortgage, new car, child expenses and college fees and many a new wife. Let's not milk those that have the least extra money to spend for joining our club.

Another option to increase new members could be reduce 1st year membership. Dan also suggested eliminating the ½ price membership for those over 65. We cannot afford this reduction in income while a vast majority of those individuals no longer have the financial commitment of younger generations. Dan also wanted to mention the bicycles behind the chalet need to be delivered to the women's shelter in Everett. He spoke with the maintenance crew who offered to clean up the bikes, fill the tires and lube the chains as required. All they need is direction. The board will have this taken care of.

Not mentioned at the meeting but we want to include in the minutes of the member meeting for the newsletter is if anyone is interested in running for a board member position in the annual election to please contact a board member.

Jeff Anderson moved to adjourn at 8:23 PM. Larry Anderson seconded. Passed.

Respectfully submitted by Dale Sieg, Recording Secretary.