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## President's Message

Well here we are smack dab in the middle of the Holidays. No matter how people celebrate this time of year most folks feel the stress of obligation concerning gift giving and other Holiday traditions. Before I make some suggestions in that regard I'd like to harken back to Thanksgiving. Many people sit around the table during the food frenzy and recount what they are thankful for in their life. Many people find this confession of gratitude boorish and somewhat embarrassing testimonial. This year, I knew it was coming so I gave it some real thought. Aside for the obvious things like family and support systems a real revelation came to mind. That being thankful for the mentors I have had in my life. As I took a long recounting into the past I recalled many people not just family members that took the time to suggest this or that that would affect how I comported my behavior and how I carried myself in life. Sometimes, that was a good dose of criticality other times a timely measure of encouragement. As I thought more about it I realized just how impactful these wonderful people most of whom are no longer with us were for me. The point I am trying to make is the need for us all to look for opportunities to help folks. As it relates to our club I recently got an email from a patron who complimented our staff for helping them with their shooting skills. This resulted in this person deciding to join the club. This type of compliment is music to my ears. I have observed this type of thing in many areas of the activities we provide in archery, pistol, rifle and shotgun. When people are properly treated with respect and care they tend to respond positively. This type of thing is also something that many members do which really influence the reputation of our club. So, I guess if I had a Holiday wish it would be for members with knowledge and abilities to look for opportunities to extend a helping hand. This is particularly impactful with youth and novice shooters.

I would also like to thank the people who have contributed their time and energy volunteering over this past year. This help does not go unnoticed or taken for granted. For instance we had some very nice work done on our archery walk through range by the following members. Gabe Shank, Roman Shank and Pete Mansure. This type of selfless volunteering is no small thing as it improves the experience of people who use the walk through regularly as well as impresses those who use it for the first time. It is quite a nice stroll through the woods. If you haven't tried it you should.

It is notable to relate that we are proceeding with plans to continue improvements on range three as well as range four. Concerning range three the plans are being drawn up to give the place a real facelift. The plan is to put in ten or twelve

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bullet proof shooting booths with retrievable target system. As for range four and yes everyone there is a range four. It is located behind the Chalet. It is undeveloped but could be used as a more diverse range and used to accommodate law enforcement. This of course could serve to be another source of revenue going forward.

So lastly, earlier in this screed I hinted at some possible gift giving ideas. It seems to me that almost everyone knows a friend or relative that would benefit from spending some time shooting at our range. Why not make an invite to introduce them to our great facility. If every member did this just once during the year it would be a form of marketing that would benefit us all.

Happy Holidays.

## Volunteers are always needed across the club

We can always use volunteers in many areas across the club.

We have committees for archery, rifle, pistol and shotgun. We have junior programs, we have education programs, we have other programs that could all use the help of interested volunteers.

The rifle committee is looking for volunteers to help with occasional cleanup on Range 1. This would involve picking up brass, organizing rests, sandbags, and rubber mats, and clearing leaves and trash.

Contact these groups and committees if you would like to know more. Or, send a note to [secretary@wcwshootingsports.org](mailto:secretary@wcwshootingsports.org) for more information.

## December Coming Events

- 3 December - Rimfire Benchrest Match
- 4 December - Club Swap Meet
- 7 December - Club Board meeting
- 11 December - CMP Games highpower match
- 12 December - Rifle/Pistol Special Use meeting
- 17 December - Centerfire Benchrest Match
- 19 December - Shotgun Committee meeting
- 25 December - Closed for Christmas
- 1 January - Closed for New Years' Day

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@wcwshootingsports.org](mailto:secretary@wcwshootingsports.org).

## Youth Trap needs an administrative volunteer

Our Youth Trap program needs an administrator, just to keep the books. Need not be a shotgun shooter.

Help us introduce trap shooting to kids by doing the recordkeeping so the instructors can do the teaching.

Contact Bob Pritchard at 425-293-9284 or [robertpritchard2720@comcast.net](mailto:robertpritchard2720@comcast.net) for more information.



**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 Rimfire Match Report November 2022*

There were 12 contestants in this month's match with seven competitors in the Expert Division, three in the Sharpshooter Division, and two in the Marksman Division.

Relay One Expert Division Target One: Keith Wilson placed first with a score of 245 8X. T.Q. finished second at 243 6X with Mark Huber in third at 241 6X. Target Two: T.Q. finished in first place with a score of 246 6X and Keith Wilson second at 244 8X. Kevin Kellogg finished third at 242 8X.

Relay One Sharpshooter Division: Target One. Don Smith was first at 235 2X with Nathan Hood was second at 227 2X. Target Two: Don Smith finished first again with a score of 233 3X with Nathan Hood in second at 223 2X.

Relay One Marksmanship Division: Target One. Alex Powell placed first at 210 0X with John Kimbrough was second at 200 0X. Target Two: John Kimbrough placed first at 232 2X with Alex Powell second at 221 1X.

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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## **Do you have news for us?**

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@wcwshootingsports.org](mailto:secretary@wcwshootingsports.org)

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. As the year goes on, event schedules may be changing. make sure your events are on the calendar. The earlier, the better!

If you see something that needs to be fixed, contact us at [secretary@wcwshootingsports.org](mailto:secretary@wcwshootingsports.org)

## November Benchrest Match Report

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

Match 1 Expert Division: Larry Wright finished first with a score of 102. There was a three way tie for second between Jeff Locke, Ernie Snyder, and Richard Nicol with scores of 100. Sharpshooter Division: Parker Letson placed first with a score of 103. Bill Rice finished second at 98 with Pat Farrell in third at 95.

Match 2 Expert Division: There was a two-way tie for first between Larry Wright and Richard Nicol with scores of 103. Jeff Locke and Kahn Nguyen tied for third with scores of 101. Sharpshooter Division: Parker Letson finished first with a score of 102 with Francis Higgins in second at 99. Pat Farrell finished third with a score of 96.

Match 3 Expert Division: Larry Wright finished first with a score of 103. Kahn Nguyen placed second with a score of 102. Ernie Snyder and Joshua Shaw tied for third with scores of 100. Sharpshooter Division: Francis Higgins finished first with a score of 101. Bill Rice finished second at 98 with Christian Eckhoff placing third with a score of 97.

Match 4 Expert Division: Jeff Locke and Kahn Nguyen tied for first with scores of 99. Larry Wright finished third with a score of 97. Sharpshooter Division: Francis Higgins placed first with a score of 99. Pat Farrell finished second with a score of 98 and Parker Letson in third with a score of 95.

The winner of the Expert Division was Larry Wright with a total score of 405. Kahn Nguyen was second with a score of 400 and Jeff Locke was third at 398. The winner in the Sharpshooter Division was Parker Letson with a total score of 395. Francis Higgins was second at 386 and Pat Farrell was third with a score of 383.

For information on this match contact Matt Daly [mattd5404@frontier.com](mailto:mattd5404@frontier.com)

## *WCV Board Meeting Minutes – November 2, 2022*

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

### **Present board members:**

Joe Rinaldi (President)  
Robb Stack (Vice President)  
Jeff Gomes (2nd Vice President)  
John Woolley (Treasurer)  
Dale Sieg (Recording Secretary)  
Martin Morehouse (Corresponding Secretary)  
Larry Mallory (Trustee Chairman)  
Larry Anderson (Trustee)  
John Sutton (Trustee Elect)  
Scott Ray (2 Year Trustee)  
Dave Levinson (Trustee)

### **Absent board members:**

Gary Webster (past President)

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

Robert Haverstock – Facilities Manager  
Martin Morehouse - Rifle  
Ken Deleone – Archery  
Bob Pritchard - Shotgun  
Emylee Norgaard – Handgun

### **Guests:**

Jim Dinnie  
Matt Daly  
Michael Cox

### **Guest topics:**

Jim Dinnie presented.  
Jim wanted to ask to have a Continental Shoot on February 19th. We asked Ken Deleone if he would work on getting the food truck for the event. Ken said he would. The board said they approved of this event. Martin Morehouse will put this on the calendar.

Matt Daly presented.

Matt is the match director of center fire bench rest matches. Typically, they have been off the range by noon but they are scheduled until 1pm. Matt is requesting to go until 2pm. The rimfire is currently scheduled to start at 2pm which is when they start setting up. Matt said even if center fire bench rest is scheduled until 2, he will make sure they are completely picked up so rimfire can start using the range at 2pm. The board said that is okay.

Michael Cox presented.

Michael came back to present to the board because there was some confusion regarding how much his proposal would cost the range. He provided the details of how we could create revenue through his services. His minimum proposal would cost the range \$16,999 initially and then \$4,999 per year. We said we would discuss as a board and follow up with Michael on what we would like to do.

### **Committee reports:**

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

### **Archery report:**

Ken Deleone presented.  
Ken said we need to get the walk through certified again.  
He also mentioned that the indoor archery is operating again.  
Larry mentioned seven JOAD members are going to the Olympic Training Center next week.

### **Handgun Report:**

Emylee Norgaard presented.  
15 people attended the last Special Use.  
Seven got their Special Use.

## **Rifle Report:**

Martin Morehouse presented.

10 people attended the committee meeting in October. Four people were in person and six people online. The next joint committee meeting is scheduled for November 14th. Martin discussed some possible schedule conflicts with archery with the Appleseed program. Ken does not believe that will be a problem. Martin and Ken will work out the details.

Martin suggested an approach to setup volunteer work parties. We discussed what they should and should not do. The result is the work parties should only involve putting things away and raking leaves.

Emylee Norgaard will be stepping down from being the Pistol Chair, so we are looking for a new pistol chair. If you are interested, please contact a board member.

Safe Insight has a class on Range 3 on the first Wednesday of each month from 10 – 11 AM. Legal Heat is still running their class about once a month in the Chalet, from 10 AM to 2 PM.

Martin mentioned there are some trophy heads on the floor in one of the women's bathrooms. He asked what we should do with them. The board said he should have the owner come get them. If he does not want them, we will donate them in the swap meet.

Martin mentioned the MidwayUSA Foundations opens their grant submission on February 1, 2023, at [midwayusafoundation.org](http://midwayusafoundation.org).

## **Shotgun Report:**

Bob Pritchard presented.

Member's Mondays starts this week. After further analysis of how this was set up, we are still losing money even though this is members only. We will need to revisit this. November 6th is the Multiplex.

Shotgun is not making as much money so we need to investigate options of what we should do.

## **Manager's Report:**

Robert Haverstock presented.

He finished employee reviews. He worked with the Trustees regarding wages and bonuses.

Robert is continuing to talk to Brent Spence about automating the gate.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

John Woolley presented.

John said we are \$75,000 in the red fiscal year to date.

Our renters use of the range is down \$100,000 fiscal year to date.

We discussed needing to invest in marketing.

We need to introduce training, build out the pistol, and offer what people want.

Dave Levinson said we need to raise public prices to keep up with inflation. Scott Ray did a price comparison of several other ranges and shared the numbers with the board.

We discussed places we could cut costs.

CPI since the end of August is 8.1%. The minimum wage is going up significantly next year.

Dave Levinson suggested an increase of 15% to public fees (rifle, pistol, shotgun), 10% to membership fees and raise archery to \$22 per visit for non-members. We discussed this would go into effect January 1st. Dale moved we accept Dave Levinson's proposal. Scott Ray seconded. Passed.

John Woolley will send Martin a block of the new rates to include in a mass email. Martin will also include this information in the newsletter.

Dave L., John W., and Larry M. will get together with Robert to brainstorm potential areas to decrease our costs.

## **Trustees Report:**

Larry Mallory presented.

John Sutton mentioned air and lighting has been added to Range 3 and it is completed.

John Sutton is still waiting to complete the chipped stair and handrail. He will try to get that done in a few weeks.

Larry Anderson mentioned that we offer a couple free classes for new students. All JOAD people are members.

Martin Morehouse talked to the person doing the architectural drawing. \$600 is owed to the person who did the drawings. If we go with Action Targets, we will need to have new drawings created. Larry Mallory would like to get approval to have the architect meet with Scott Desanti from Action Targets. Then, have new drawings created. We would need to get permits to do this work. We will do that. John Sutton has some potential contractors we could use for the work. We will likely only be able to fit 12 booths in Range 3. Robb Stack suggested using manual target retrievers instead of installing the automated retrievers. Robb also suggested we consider fabricating our own booths.

### **Old Business:**

We discussed Michael's Safe Insight proposal. The board believes there is too low of a rate of return for us to move forward with the proposed plan. Instead, we asked Joe R. to reach back out to Michael to propose an alternative plan. The plan he will propose is that we get appropriate compensation for directing people from our website to Safe Insight. Also, we can offer he conduct training of his live fire classes at our range for a fee.

We discussed a grant for Gabi Sasai, the archer who presented last month. Dale moved to give Gabi a grant for \$1,500. Joe seconded. Passed.

We discussed still needing a business contract for people teaching archery. Joe asked Robert to provide a sample contract so they have a starting point.

### **New Business:**

None.

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

None.

Joe Rinaldi moved to adjourn at 9:55 PM.  
Larry Anderson seconded. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by Dale Sieg,  
Recording Secretary.

## **Rate Changes**

Here are most of the changes to our fees effective 1/1/23 due to rising costs and inflation. Details of the the board approval are shown in the meeting minutes above.

These prices include tax:

### **Memberships:**

Individual	\$287.71
Family	\$374.02
Individual Senior	\$143.86
Family Senior	\$187.01

### **Range Fees:**

Rifle Range	\$29.23
Pistol Range	\$29.23
Archery Range	\$24.31

Packaged public range fees will be increasing as well.