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President's Message

So, here we go entering into another year. As I sit here penning this message it is a matter of a few days before New Year's Day. To say that the past year was tumultuous would be an understatement. Everything from dealing with the end of the pandemic sort of to the devastating effect of inflation has been a trying experience for all of us. The impact of rising cost of everything has affected our club. The lack of ammunition to the increased expense of everything has caused a down turn of activity at our club. The good news is that it is slowly picking up. Ammunition is more available but the price is still high. Will that change? Maybe but it doesn't seem like it will any time soon. I don't want to paint a totally pessimistic outlook. Therefore, I will concentrate on the positives going forward into the upcoming months.

I am going to try to make some things clear first of all. One is the issue of rumors. Rumors are like cobwebs. They hang around until you clean them up. The first rumor is that when we finish our remodel of range three that there will only be ten to twelve shooting booths instead of the current twenty-eight. That rumor is not true. In fact, that presupposes that a plan has been devised for the remodel project. Ladies and gentleman the truth is there is no plan yet. It is our hope to have one formulated soon and the trustees are working on getting a design in the near future. One of the things we are considering with an emphasis on considering is to actually remodel both range four and three in somewhat of a simultaneous manner so members and patrons can use range four while range three is being completed. For those of you who are not familiar with range four it is located right behind the chalet. It will differ greatly from range three in that it will better be able to accommodate law enforcement use as well as other types of activities. Once again all this is in the planning stages and no specific uses have been established. The really good news is we have met with a member named Adolf Maas who is volunteering to take on these projects. He has extensive contracting experience and we look forward to sitting down with him in the future to formulate a plan of action.

On another issue we will also be hopefully working with a gentleman named Peter Goodwin who is going to help us with our future marketing. I have met with Peter before the holidays and we have discussed some tentative marketing areas but again have not formulated any specific plans. The one thing we both agree about is that we currently undersell our range. I am looking forward further discussions with the board and Peter concerning marketing.

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President's Message - continued

You will soon notice that there will be a new sign at the entrance of our range. If you are a keen observer you'll note the Inc. will no longer be added to the club name. The fact that it was added never should have happened in the first place. With that said, I do hope we get a good gathering of members to join us at the next members meeting on January 11, 2023 at 7:00pm in the clubhouse. At that time we will be voting on final passage of changing our status to a 501-C club and other club policy changes.

So that's it folks for now it is my sincere hope I have informed you with a clear notion of things to come in the upcoming year.

Happy New Year and keep those muzzles pointed down range please.

January Coming Events

- 4 January - Club Board meeting
- 7 January - Rimfire Benchrest Match
- 8 January - Winter Shotgun Multiplex
- 9 January - Rifle/Pistol Special Use meeting
- 14 January - ARA Rimfire Match
- 16 January - Shotgun Committee meeting
- 21 January - Centerfire Benchrest Match

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.

Volunteers are always needed across the club

Would you like to make a difference, and make our club better? 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.

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

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 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 December 2022

There were 14 contestants in this month's match with nine competitors in the Expert Division, two in the Sharpshooter Division, and three in the Marksman Division.

Relay One Expert Division Target One: Keith Wilson placed first with a score of 247 5X. T.Q. finished second at 245 7X with Matt Daly in third at 243 8X. Target Two: Keith Wilson was first again with a score of 245 5X. T.Q. was second again at 244 4X. Eric Carter finished third at 243 8X.

Relay One Marksmanship Division: Target One. John Kimbrough placed first at 217 2X with newcomer David Roth in second at 169 0X. Target Two: John Kimbrough placed first again at 206 0X with David Roth in second at 110 0X.

Relay Two Sharpshooter Division: Target One. David Konkle was first at 210 0X with Parker Letson was second at 204 0X. Target Two: Parker Letson was first with a score of 210 2X with David Konkle came in second at 209 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

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

December 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: Joshua Shaw finished first with a score of 102. Larry Wright was second with a score of 101 and Kahn Nguyen placed third with a score of 100. Sharpshooter Division: Parker Letson placed first with a score of 101. Christian Eckhoff finished second at 97 with Pat Farrell in third at 96.

Match 2 Expert Division: There was a two-way tie for first between Joshua Shaw Wright and Richard Nicol with scores of 101. Larry Wright finished third with a score of 100. Sharpshooter Division: Christian Eckhoff was first with a score of 98 with Parker Letson and Bill Rice tied for second at 97.

Match 3 Expert Division: Larry Wright finished first with a score of 102. Kahn Nguyen and Jeff Locke tied for second scores of 101. Sharpshooter Division: Parker Letson finished first with a score of 101. Bill Rice, Pat Farrell, and Christian Eckhoff tied for second with scores of 95.

Match 4 Expert Division: Larry Wright placed first with a score of 102. Jeff Locke and Kahn Nguyen tied for second with scores of 101. Sharpshooter Division: Parker Letson placed first with a score of 100. Bill Rice finished second with a score of 98 and Matt Daly was third with a score of 97.

The winner of the Expert Division was Larry Wright with a total score of 403. Joshua Shaw was second with a score of 401 and Kahn Nguyen was third at 399. The winner in the Sharpshooter Division was Parker Letson with a total score of 399. Christian Eckhoff and Pat Farrell tied for second with score of 383.

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



Jeff Locke

Parker Letson



WCW Board Meeting Minutes – December 7, 2022

Meeting called to order at 7:01 PM by President Joe Rinaldi.

Present board members:

Joe Rinaldi (President)
Robb Stack (Vice President)
Jeff Gomes (2 nd Vice President)
John Woolley (Treasurer)
Dale Sieg (Recording Secretary)
Martin Morehouse (Corresponding Secretary)
Larry Mallory (Trustee Chairman) via phone
Larry Anderson (Trustee)
John Sutton (Trustee Elect) via phone
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
Bill Miele – Shotgun
Emylee Norgaard – Handgun via phone

Guests:

Brian Lapinski
Mike Wichser

Guest topics:

Brian Lapinski presented.
Brian came to the board meeting to state his frustration and dissatisfaction with how the change in schedule for his bench rest matches were handled. He did not approve of what Matt presented last month and the board approved it anyway. This change killed his bench match. Because of this and other negative experiences with other groups scheduling the range, he will not be looking to start it up again. The board apologized for what had occurred and we will make

changes so things like this do not happen in the future.

Mike Wichser presented.

Mike came to the board meeting to explain the JOAD program. The WCW JOAD program started 30 years ago. Right now, 25% of the national team is WCW JOAD. We have had 11 make world teams. 17 have made national teams. They represent this club. When they say what club they are affiliated with, they say WCW. There are several family memberships, junior memberships and adult memberships because of WCW JOAD. About 20 kids are in JOAD right now.

The board and Mike discussed some of the business aspects of the program. The board asked Mike to have the other coaches provide proof of insurance. Mike said he will ask the other coaches to provide their certificates. The board will work with the club attorney to make sure we have the proper business structure in place to ensure the continued viability of the club and WCW JOAD program.

Committee reports:

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

Archery report:

Ken Deleone presented.
Ken said there are a couple schools who have an archery program. He is hoping he can get coaches from these programs to help with starting a youth program at WCW. Ken said they have done some work on the walkthrough. For example, they added bridges in muddy areas.
Ken said we need to consider purchasing some black foam targets because we are shooting through some of them. They did find out a way to make these foam targets last longer. As they shoot them, they should continue tightening the straps that hold them together. They will be doing this going forward.

Handgun Report:

Martin Morehouse presented. Emylee Norgaard will be moving in the future so they will be stopping their membership. Therefore, she will be leaving as the handgun committee lead. We want to thank Emylee for everything she has done for the club.

Rifle Report:

Martin Morehouse presented. As Brian mentioned, a recent calendar change caused a problem. In the future, we will not be making any calendar changes involving multiple parties without having a conversation with all parties at the same time.

We received a donation for the swap meet. The result of the sales made on the donations was \$871. We will put this in the junior shooter fund.

Martin brought up we should agree on a pricing structure for range rentals. Martin did a comparison with another range, and they were \$225 plus an RSO fee. Martin will check with some other ranges. For now, the board agreed we will charge \$200 per hour plus \$25 per hour per employee. We will require at least one RSO for each rental. Martin found a person who can do work on ranges. He provided his contact information to Joe.

Appleseed will be in February. If they are a non-profit, we will only bill them for the RSO costs.

Shotgun Report:

Bob Pritchard presented. Bob brought up the issue with decreasing income. Bob and Bill believe we are more expensive than other shotgun shooting facilities. Bob said we should consider a Shotgun only membership. We discussed fees and comparisons to other Shotgun only ranges. Bill and Bob are concerned about the number of hours we are open. They would like to shift the hours from 2pm to 8pm. The board is open to the idea.

Bill thought we should try doing some things to market the club. He said at the Whidbey Island club, they welcome new members in their newsletter every month. They also have a new member drive in June where they recruit new members. He said this is something for us to consider.

Manager's Report:

Robert Haverstock presented. The PUD came to cut down a tree last month. They damaged our cistern. That has been fixed. WiFi and camera system were having problems. Robert recently met someone who works in IT and he helped fix things up. Robert mentioned multiple external groups want time on the range. Per the discussion during the Rifle Committee report, we will tell people our fee is \$200 per hour plus \$25 per employee per hour.

Treasurer's Report:

John Woolley presented. We received an anonymous \$5,000 donation to update the shotgun lighting. We received an anonymous \$5,000 donation for general fund. John mentioned pistol is showing a lot of usage from the public. Our numbers are up. Our club rental income is down by 30%.

Trustees Report:

Dave Levinson presented. We are still working on the stairs. We will probably need to wait until the spring when it starts getting warmer. We are still working on getting the architects and all other parties together to discuss the pistol range update. Joe mentioned we should discuss range 3 and range 4 at the same time. Larry A. mentioned we need to make sure we have our complete plan before we do any work on range 3 and 4. We are working on updating building costs to adjust our insurance premiums.

Old Business:

Joe shared the latest agreement with Safe Insight. They want to leave their footprint on our website. It will be a link to their training and he will give us \$25 per person for each class attendee he gets from our website.

The water main work is complete.

Martin will find out when Adolf Maas is available.

Joe will be setting up a separate meeting with Peter Goodwin (prospective marketing person).

We discuss the ad we were considering putting in the high school newspaper. John mentioned we did not receive any leads from doing this last year. We decided we will not do this as this is not a good return on investment.

We discussed the sign update at our gate to match our new name of WCW Shooting Sports. The majority of the board agreed of one of the options Robb Stack provided (Option B) with the modification of changing the verbiage at the bottom of the sign to say 'Education and Training'. Robb will move forward with that plan.

New Business:

We discussed complaints against one of our WCW programs and discussed steps to address the situation.

We discussed scheduling the club house.

We have re-opened the range door so people can now come in.

John asked for money to purchase some youth equipment for rifle. John Woolley moved for the board to provide \$1300 from the general fund for purchasing youth equipment for rifle. Scott Ray seconded. Passed.

For the Good of the Order:

Nothing was shared for the Good of the Order.

Dave Levinson moved to adjourn at 9:48 PM. Scott Ray 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 for November.

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.