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## **President's Message**

Here we are in one of the most awkward months of the year in my humble opinion. Why do I feel that way? Let's start with the fact that winter darkness has still got a grip. By five in the afternoon the shade is descending on the end of the day. It's still pretty chilly, often raining, dank and dreary and sometimes very discouraging to do anything outdoors. February comes from the Latin word februa, which means "to cleanse." Plant life is still dormant almost in a stage of hibernation. Sometimes when I check the cameras which I do on a daily basis often several times a day it feels like the range is hibernating as well. For those of you who are not aware we have a camera system that allows us to monitor activities twenty four seven. Back in 2016 I was in Cape Cod Massachusetts watching the activities on the range on my phone. Isn't modern technology just amazing and perhaps a little scary to boot. We soon will be installing additional cameras in order to cover the entire activity areas of the range. I only mention this to note that many of the infrastructure improvements we make are not necessary immediately obvious to the average member or public range user. Cameras allow us to keep and maintain a level of safety and protocol that benefits everyone who uses our beautiful range. To me it's more like a park.

Before I make a foray into what is happening at our club let me highlight something that I overlooked mentioning in last month's message. Just before Christmas Robert Haverstock our club manager and I had the pleasure of delivering some toys we collected for the Toys for Tots program to the Domestic Violence shelter in Everett. They received this donation with much joy and appreciation. This is the same shelter we have had the kids bike drive going for several years. I think it is important that we as a club continue with this charity outreach because I believe a little bit of kindness and generosity goes a long way. It also softens the image of what a lot of people think of gun ranges. Our club is clearly a positive part of the community at large and we intend to keep it that way for many years to come.

On to the present issues. Once again, we sent two representatives to the Shot Show held annually in Las Vegas. They have returned with many good ideas on how we may spice up our image and generate new shooters of all types to our range. Since I am writing this before the next board meeting where we will hear about these networking possibilities I will probably have a more in depth report in next month's message.

Last month we had the January members meeting and I was personally pleased to see some new attendees who brought many new issues to the board's attention. Oftentimes, it feels like (the board) operates in a bubble of obscurity. We need ideas to continue

#### President's Message - continued

go forward and ideas come from many sectors. So, please if you have suggestions for improvement please let us know. A simple email to myself or any of the activity chairman is all it takes. You can and are certainly welcome to come to board meetings to suggest ideas and improvements. Board meetings are open except in the rare circumstance when we are discussing personnel issues or potential disciplinary sanctions. When and if we have such matters come forth we dismiss everyone except board members and the person in question if present. One of the things that we passed by membership vote was the new bylaws for the club. They are actually modified so the board can more easily conduct club business in a more expedited manner. But the other thing this new bylaw change allows us to do is actively pursue our 501-C-3 status which if granted will allow us to offer tax advantages for those who wish to donate to club activities most specifically the youth. They are after all the future.

## 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 woud like to know more. Or, send a note to secretary@wcwshootingsports.org for more information.

### **February Coming Events**

February - Club board meeting
Sebruary - NRA Instructor Training
February - Rimfire Benchrest Match
February - Winter Shotgun Multiplex
February - Rifle/Pistol Special Use meeting
February - ARA Rimfire Match
February - CMP Games rifle match
17, 22, 24 Feb - Special Use class
February - Shotgun Committee meeting
25 Feb - Pistol Special use range class 18
February - Centerfire Benchrest Match 19
February - Olympic Continental Shotgun

5 March - Club Swap Meet

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.

# Youth Trap needs an admin volunteer

Our youth Trap program needs an administrator, jjust 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!

USABLE SINGLE SPEED BIKES AND TRIKES to be distributed to children of domestically abused women of Snchomish 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.)



## **Membership Corner**

Sometimes we forget the benefits of belonging to our club. As members, we join with other members to enjoy one of the most varied outdoor experiences available this close to where we live.

In our 80 acre facility we have everything from walk-through archery to shooting ranges to wildlife habitat. As members, the facilities are free to use, except for target and shotgun trap costs. Just using our facilities once a month is cheaper than paying with every visit. And, as members, we have access to ranges and hours not available to the public.

Our new membership rates with initiation fee are \$200 + \$275 + Tax = \$487.71 for an individual, and \$200 + \$357.50 + Tax = \$574.02 for a family. We waive the Initiation fee military, law enforcement and first responders.

New members can join us online, at https:// www.wcwshootingsports.org/new-membership/

## Swap Meets in 2023

For 2023, we have four swap meets scheduled, March 5th, June 4th, Sept 10th, and Dec 3rd.

Plan on attending, you might find just what you are looking for. Or, this might be your chance to find a new home for that item that you haven't used in years. Bring it in, find a buyer.

Setup time is 7:15 am with an 8 am start and the swap meet ends at 11 am. Plan to come early! Tables are for members only. Uncase firearms and have the actions open before entering the building. We will have an FFL dealer on site to handle transfers.

Any questions please call me at 425-353-0042. Ted Hudlow

## **Notice of Club Elections**

Our annual election of club officers is coming up in April. The form to use to show your intent to run for a position is shown here. You can turn in the forms at the office, or at the February or March board meetings

According to the club bylaws, Election of Board and Vacancies, Section 2, A person must be a member in good standing consenting to fulfill the duties as an Officer or Trustee as set forth in these Bylaws to be nominated for or hold office in the WCW. Nominations must be delivered in writing to the Board of Directors by their regular March meeting. The nomination shall include a statement of commitment to serve signed by the candidate and the support of at least two other members.

Almost every position is open for election, and our first vice president, Robb Stack, does not intend to run for another term.

We have several biographies for those who are running for re-election, and there is still time to turn one in.

To submit a biography, to help introduce yourself to other members, just send a short note about yourself and your reasons for running for club office to

secretary@wcwshootingsports.org

# Welcome to our new members!

Quite a few new members have joined our club in the last month. We are looking forward to having you here and hope you enjoy the club.

The ranges and facilities area big part of why we become members, but the enjoying activities with other members is a large part too. There are lots of volunteer opportunities if you would like to help support the activities you enjoy.

We hope to see you at the club soon.

## Kenmore Rimfire Match Report January 2023

There were 25 contestants in this month's match with ten competitors in the Expert Division, eight in the Sharpshooter Division, and seven in the Marksman Division.

Relay One Expert Division Target One: Joe Little placed first with a score of 247 8X. T.Q. finished second at 246 8X with Keith Wilson and Mark Huber tied for third at 244 5X. Target Two: Keith Wilson was first with a score of 247 3X. T.Q. was second again at 246 6X. Mark Huber finished third at 246 4X.

Relay Two Sharpshooter Division: Target One. Lonny Steven placed first at 244 5X with Kevin Kellogg in second at 242 2X and David Konkle placing third at 235 1X. Target Two: Lonny Steven placed first again at 246 7X with Don Smith in second at 237 3X with Dan Callahan placing third at 236 6X.

Relay Two Marksman Division: Target One. Alex Powell was first at 217 1X with Ron Wuesthoff in second at 216 2X and Todd George placing third at 215 1X. Target Two: Alex Powell finished first again with a score of 222 1X with Rick Meade in second at 222 0X and Ron Wuesthoff placing third at 219 2X.

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 mattd5404@frontier.com

## 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 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

### **Instructors** needed

Do you know something about shooting? About archery? Would you like to help new shooters learn to be safe and enjoy their new sport?

When you teach others, you also teach yourself, and improve your own abilities.

Our club always gets requests from new members and from non members for training on the shooting sports. We can use instructors, and we can use interested members. We have instructor training programs, and we have room for informal training.

Contact us at secretary@wcwshootingsports.org for more information.

### **January Benchrest Match Report**

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

Match 1 Expert Division: Bryan Zolnikov finished first with a score of 101. There was a two way tie for second between Rick Beginski and Kahn Nguyen with scores of 99. Sharpshooter Division: Pat Farrel and Christian Eckhoff tied for first with scores of 96. Bill Rice finished third with a score of 95.

Match 2 Expert Division: Bryan Zolnikov and Jeff Locke tied for first with scores of 101. There was a two-way tie for third between Parker Letson and Kahn Nguyen with scores of 100. Sharpshooter Division: Pat Farrel finished first with a score of 96 with Matt Daly and Bill Rice tied for second at 94. Match 3 Expert Division: Bryan Zolnikov finished first with a score of 101. Bruce Teel finished second with a score of 100. Kahn Nguyen and Joshua Shaw tied for third with scores of 99. Sharpshooter Division: Pat Farrel finished first with a score of 98. Matt Daly and Bill Rice tied for second with scores of 97.

Match 4 Expert Division: Parker Letson placed first with a match high score of 102. Kahn Nguyen placed second with a score of 100. Jeff Locke, Richard Nicol, and Joshua Shaw tied for third with scores of 99. Sharpshooter Division: Pat Farrell finished first with a score of 99. Bill Rice placed second with a score of 95. Cristian Eckhoff and John Kimbrough tied for third with scores of 94.

The winner of the Expert Division was Bryan Zolnikov with a total score of 401. Parker Letson and Kahn Nguyen tied for second with scores of 398. The winner in the Sharpshooter Division was Pat Farrel a total score of 389. Bill Rice was second at 381 and Christian Eckhoff was third with a score of 369.



For information on this match contact Matt Daly mattd5404@frontier.com

### WCW Board Meeting Minutes — January 4, 2023

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) John Sutton (Trustee Elect) Scott Ray (2 Year Trustee) Larry Anderson (Trustee) Dave Levinson (Trustee)

#### Absent board members:

Larry Mallory (Trustee Chairman) 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 Dave Rusko – Handgun

#### **Guests:**

Peter Goodwin

#### Guest topics:

Peter Goodwin presented.

Peter Goodwin came to share his thoughts on how he can help the club with his marketing experience. He will not charge for work from others. He will not work on the clock. He will charge a monthly fee. He is going to provide a rate less than what he normally charges because he wants to support our range. He would come up with an annual budget and provide a phased approach. One thing he mentioned is getting organizations to come to our facility. He suggested we would need to spruce up the place a bit. The board asked several questions and Peter provided his thoughts.

#### **Committee reports:**

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

#### Archery report:

Ken Deleone presented.

We are getting indoor targets on Monday. Ken met with Jacqueline McDaniel. The Game Department needs to hold a hunting and fishing day at the club. This will be in the summer. They will come to the board meeting to present a proposed plan when we get closer.

We need to get some replacement outdoor targets. We need 5 or 6 flat range targets. It will take a long time to get the targets. It will be about \$11,000 to \$12,000. Ken is going to see what kind of deal he can get.

#### Handgun Report:

Dave Rusko presented.

Martin Morehouse introduced Dave Rusko as the new handgun chair. Dave mentioned this coming Monday is the committee meeting. Three people have signed up for the special use class this month.

#### **Rifle Report:**

Martin Morehouse presented.

There is a non-member who wants to rent the clubhouse for biathlon training. Martin will pursue this request.

A member suggested we create a member section in the newsletter. Martin will add this section to the newsletter.

#### Shotgun Report:

Bob Pritchard presented. He said the traffic has been consistent in shotgun.

Bob would like to extend Friday into the evening hours as we had discussed last month. Joe R. asked Robert if it is doable. Robert said yes. We will implement this soon. We discussed the pricing on Monday nights. As mentioned last month, we are losing money on Monday nights with the current pricing. So, we will start charging regular pricing on Monday nights. Bob brought back up the shotgun only membership. We discussed this for a short time. We need to understand the cost analysis before we would make a change like this. Joe suggested Bob come up with a proposal with how the plan would work. Then, we will evaluate the plan and make a

decision. We talked about lead reclaiming. We will need to do this sometime in the near future.

#### Manager's Report:

Robert Haverstock presented. Rifle and handgun ammo is coming in soon. Our clay order is coming in on the week of the 16th.

Ken D. drove Robert H. to pick up the new sign. They will work on putting up the new sign next week.

We are working on the walkway to the FFL building.

We are also putting up new signposts and signs for the clubhouse.

Robert is talking to the first aid trainer to schedule training for our employees.

The DVR for handgun went down yesterday. Someone is donating a DVR and a few new cameras and will setup the new DVR and cameras before Friday. Joe asked what the plan was for additional cameras? Robert talked about getting more 4k cameras. Joe asked if we were documenting the infrastructure. Robert said we are. We are creating schematics and labeling all the cables.

#### Treasurer's Report:

John Woolley presented. Everything is down but we are still making money because of the renters. Without the renters, we would be negative \$33,000.

#### **Trustees Report:**

Dave Levinson presented.

Larry M. has not spoken with Jay Greening yet. Joe said we need to make sure we invite Jay to the meeting with the contractor when we talk about Range 3 and 4 updates. Larry A. said we need a written plan on what updates we will be making to the ranges. Joe said we would be doing that. Joe suggested we include in the plan a place for people to wait like what we have with shotgun.

We are making updates to our insurance. We are removing some items and changing some coverages for some of the buildings. We do not know yet how these changes will impact our premiums.

Dave L. said we need a statement in the newsletter and on the website that as of the first of the year, we are accepting submissions for all board position. The submission form is on the website. All submissions must be submitted before the March board meeting. There will be no more white ballot voting. All positions will be voted on.

#### **Old Business:**

We discussed the JOAD business proposal we received. We also need a contract which has not yet been provided. We need this contract submitted to the board as soon as possible. We met with a contractor who will do all the range 3 and 4 updates at no charge. We will try to do both range 3 and 4 updates at the same time. Joe will be setting up a meeting with him and the other appropriate people. John S. will start working on the chipped stair and handrail tomorrow.

Martin will work with all the disciplines on clubhouse schedule updates.

#### New Business:

We discussed Peter Goodwin's presentation. Dave L. was concerned we won't have the infrastructure to support what Peter wants to do. He also suggested we ask Peter to start by focusing on shotgun. John W. thought Peter would have difficulty focusing on shotgun without any focus on the overall club. I suggested we bring up our concerns with Peter and let him address our concerns and modify his proposal. We will get back to Peter with our thoughts and discuss next steps.

#### For the Good of the Order:

Robb suggested that all range masters have name tags on.

Robb also suggested all board members provide a bio to include in the March newsletter.

Ken mentioned a member was not able to add their dependent grandkids to their membership. John W. said he will change the online form to accept them.

Joe asked if there is a way we can identify all qualified instructors we have in our membership. Martin will look into this.

Scott Ray moved to adjourn at 9:54 PM. Robb Stack seconded. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by Dale Sieg, Recording Secretary.

# ARA Rimfire Match was a success!

We had a great ARA rimfire match in January and we wanted to say THANK YOU to all those who made it happen!

This was the first sanctioned ARA match in Washington right here at Kenmore range where we are planning to host 10 matches this year.

Some of the results from both our Factory and Unlimited class participants are ranking top 5 in the nation! Let's keep it that way :)

Now we are on to the next ARA match on February 11th. To sign up please email ara.kenmore@gmail.com . So please join us and let others know. We are also on the club calendar for 11 February.

Match fees are \$20, and we will have some prize money depending on how many competitors show up.

All the best, your March Crew: TAQ, Harvey, Mark