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President's Message

There is a great deal to report this month and much of it is very good. We just got back from the Shot Show and we made some significant progress going forward. It turns out we met with MT2 Company that is considering doing our lead collection on the shotgun range. For those of you who do not know, every five to seven years we have a company come out do the mining of the lead and then we receive a fair share of the proceeds. It just so happens that we mentioned we are considering adding a skeet field at shotgun. They indicated that they do set up skeet ranges. Again, potentially we might be able to kill two birds with one stone and get the mining work done and the skeet field put in at the same time. It is also possible to bundle the agreement and pay for the skeet field with the proceeds from the lead mining thus creating a win-win situation. I do believe a skeet field would capture a lot of folks who enjoy shooting skeet who heretofore have to travel several miles to do so. This is all exuberant speculation at this point and subject to board approval. We also met with Winchester who recently bought up White Flyer targets which we use at the range. If we had an ideal situation, we'd love to buy our ammunition directly from the factory but that doesn't appear to be too probable. In any event, you never know until you ask. We got a definite maybe which is not that encouraging. We also met with a small ammunition dealer named Ammo Incorporated who is going to contact us regarding some future business dealings.

The final fortuitous happenstance came when we were resting at a food court mostly to get off our feet. We do a lot of walking at the show and the relief of getting off our feet is welcome to say the least. I happened to be wearing a Washington sweatshirt and this gentleman came over to our table to say hello indicating he was also from Washington. He looked familiar and we exchanged salutations when I realized it was none other than William Kirk of WASHINGTON GUN LAW. He does frequent You-Tube videos on the various dubious anti-gun legislation going on in Olympia of late. It just so happens he is a friend and fellow attorney of my brother Al. I have recently sent William a request to speak to the membership of our range regarding all these matters. If he agrees to do so we will schedule a special meeting to listen to what he has to say. All in all, that very first day was very fruitful in my opinion. In addition, our recording secretary Dale Sieg attends many classes as to how to effectively run a range and I am sure he will file a separate report relative to what he has learned.

That brings up two other things worth mentioning. The first is our club attorney is working on a template relative to revising our club bylaws. We hope to convene a meeting to review them soon in the hope of presenting them at the next members meeting in April. If acceptable they will be offered for a vote at the July members meeting. Also, in February the board will be meeting to discuss future plans for the range going forward. This meeting will

include marketing as well as other club matters that are in need of attention. In all probability we will discuss these developments and plans at the next members' meeting in April.

The next subject is near and dear to my heart. For those that don't know I am a strong proponent of youth activities when it comes to the shooting sports. There are many people who work behind the scenes to make sure we have funds to support the youth programs. Ron Barton has been collecting brass for many years and selling it to a local company called Schnitzer Steel in Woodinville, Washington. What you don't know is that they pay us a premium price for this brass because they know the proceeds are going exclusively to fund our youth programs scholarship awards. I would truly like to have this company display a sign on our clubhouse

FEBRUARY COMING EVENTS

2-4 February – NRA Instructor classes
3 February – Rimfire Benchrest Match
4 February – Winter Shotgun Multiplex
6 February – African Safari presentation
7 February – Club board meeting
1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Feb – Indoor Pistol League
10 February – ARA Rimfire Match
11 February – CMP Games Rifle Match
13, 18 February – New Member Orientation
17 February – Centerfire benchrest match
19 February – Shotgun Committee meeting
24 February – WCW Hunter meeting
24 February – Trap Fundamentals
23-25 February – WSAA Archery meet
25 February – Special Use classes
26 February – Rifle/Pistol Cmte meeting

building as an appreciation of what they do very quietly behind the scenes.

Lastly, we have gained some four hundred new members since the first of December. The window has much to do with waiving the initiation fee temporarily. Nonetheless, one such person, Jim Storlie has finally joined our club after several years of shooting here but not joining. The interesting thing is he has since brought ten other fellow shooters with him in the process. Which holds true that the best advertising is word of mouth. Thanks to all of you who have become part of the family.

Remember it's all about muzzle control.
Down range always.

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 vice president, Jeff Gomes, does not intend to run for another term.

To introduce yourself to other members, just send a short note about yourself and your reasons for running for club office to secretary@wcwshootingsports.org

MEMBERSHIP CORNER

Our membership promotion was very successful, with over 250 new members joining our club. Membership is a good deal, we offer facilities and shooting opportunities that are hard to find locally. Some of these are only open to members.

Our individual membership costs \$287.71, and the family membership is only \$374.02, and each requires a \$200.00 initiation fee. We still waive the Initiation fee for military, law enforcement and first responders. New members can join us online, at

<https://www.wcwshootingsports.org/new-membership/>

ANOTHER YEAR OF SWAP MEETS COMING

It is time to start looking forward to our next swap meet. We have scheduled more for 2024. We have dates set for 3 March, 2 June, 9 December, and 1 December.

Plan on attending one of them, 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.

The public is welcome, bring your friends!

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

MEMBERSHIP BADGES

When you join the club, or when you renew your membership, you get a new membership badge. To reduce losses in the mail, we will have them ready for you to pick up in the rifle office.

If your badge doesn't have your special use on it, and it should, that means it has expired and needs to be renewed. Just attend the next special use classroom session to get that renewal.

AFRICAN SAFARI PRESENTATION

South African hunting guide and safari operator Brian Suddaby, will present African hunting information at 6:30 PM on February 6th, for anyone interested in hunting in Africa.

Greg Burke, one of our members, has hunted with him in 2019 and 2022, and is going again in 2024. Contact Greg with any questions or to RSVP for the meeting at 253-318-1568, or email at magoogb@yahoo.com

WCW HUNTER GROUP MEETING

Our new hunter interest group will be meeting every month from 10 AM to 12 PM in the pistol range classroom. The February meeting will be on Saturday the 24th.

This is a place to compare notes, learn about hunting opportunities, and plan future hunting activities.

Contact details:

Michael Noack / (415) 373 2747

BRASS COLLECTION THANKS TO SCHNITZER STEEL INDUSTRIES

Ron Barton has been collecting brass from our ranges for years. He sells it, and those sales then go to support our youth programs.

Ron notes that this is also due to the support of Schnitzer Steel Industries, Inc., who is our recycler. They give us a better rate because they know the money goes to our youth programs. Ron said we received over \$13,000 last year from Schnitzer for our brass.

KENMORE RANGE RIMFIRE MATCH FOR JANUARY 2024

There were 28 contestants in this month's match with six competitors in the Expert Division, eight in the Sharpshooter Division, eight in the Marksman Division and six in the new Rifleman Division.

Relay One Expert Division Target One: Matt Daly placed first with a score of 245 5X. Keith Wilson finished second at 244 7X and Eric Carter placed third at 242 5X. Target Two: Keith Wilson placed first with a score of 245 9X. Reed Thorkildsen placed second at 241 3X and Kevin Kellogg was third at 240 2X.

Relay One Sharpshooter Division: Target One. Ernie Snyder placed first with a score of 245 4X. Mike Becwar came in second at 236 4X with David Konkle finished third at 230 1X. Target Two: Mike Becwar placed first at 239 5X with Ernie Snyder in second 238 4X and Alex Powell placing third at 238 1X.

Relay Two Marksman Division: Target One. Don Smith was first at 240 5X with Cecil Chrisinger in second at 231 2X and Jae Chung third at 229 3X. Target Two: Cecil Chrisinger placed first at 232 2X with Don Smith second at 231 2X and Peter Jaszczak third at 225 1X.

Relay Two Rifleman Division: Target One. Connor Crowley was first at 229 2X with Dave Johnson in second at 224 1X and Garret Williams third at 224 0X. Target Two: Garret Williams placed first at 224 1X with George Smith second at 224 0X and Todd George third at 220 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



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.)



STEEL TARGETS

We recently started using a few steel targets on Range 1, for members with rifle special use.

We will be adjusting how they are used as we get experience with them on our range. Our current use rules are:

- Use only at 100, 200, or 300 yards
- Bullets under 2850 FPS at the target
- Use only club targets
- Use 2x4 crossbars for support
- Use the target posts with the 2x4 brackets
- Or, use the single A-frame supports
- Hang the targets with the rubber straps behind the steel
- If you aren't hitting the steel, go back to paper
- You can use paint or stick-on targets for aiming
- Return the targets when done shooting. They hang on the back of the firing line wall.

For more information, contact us at

secretary@wcwshootingsports.org

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!

One hundred thirty four new members attended our club orientations during the past month. We are glad to have you join us!

There are lots of volunteer opportunities around the club if you would like to help support the activities you enjoy.

Contact a committee chair for more information, or contact me at secretary@wcwshootingsports.org.

CALENDAR UPDATE

Don't forget to check our calendar for updates and changes before coming out to shoot.

Our calendar is updated frequently, and should be a good guide to what is open and available. Save a wasted trip, and take a look before coming.

If you would like to see what is going on in the club, and get a look at what may be coming in the future, everyone is welcome to attend our board meetings and committee meetings. We hope to see more members at our meetings.

JANUARY 2024 BENCHREST CENTERFIRE MATCH REPORT

There were sixteen contestants in this month's 300-yard benchrest match with nine contestants in the Sharpshooter Division and seven in the Expert Division.

The weather conditions were exceptionally good for scoring with wind speeds at 1-2 miles per hour.

Match 1 Expert Division: Jeff Locke finished first with a score of 107 with Richard Nicol and Larry Wright tied for second at 102. Sharpshooter Division: Christian Eckhoff finished first with a score of 102 with Bill Rice and Rob Noges tied for second at 101.

Match 2 Expert Division: Jeff Locke finished first with a score of 104 with Richard Nicol in second at 103 and Larry Wright third at 102. Sharpshooter Division: Kevin Turner and Rob Noges tied for first with scores of 102. Bill Rice placed third with a score of 101.

Match 3 Expert Division: Jeff Locke, Parker Letson, Larry Wright, and Richard Nicol tied for first with scores of 101. Sharpshooter Division: Rob Noges finished first with a score of 100. Pat Farrell was in second at 99 and Bill Rice placed third at 98.

Match 4 Expert Division: Jeff Locke finished first with a score of 104 with Tom Horne and Ernie Snyder tied for second at 102. Sharpshooter Division: Pat Farrell was first with a score of 100. Matt Daly, Kevin Turner, and Rob Noges tied for second with scores of 97.

The winner of the Expert Division was Jeff Locke finishing with a total score of 416. Richard Nicol was second with a score of 405 and Larry Wright was third at 404. The winner of the Sharpshooter Division was Rob Noges with a score of 400. Pat Farrell was second with a score of 399 and was also promoted to the Expert Division for the next match with a three-match average score of 399.3. Bill Rice placed third with a score of 396.

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



JANUARY 2024 ARA RIFLE MATCH REPORT

Welcome to our 1st match report of 2024!

We begin this year by celebrating the finish of our 1st year hosting ARA matches at WCW/Kenmore Club. We hosted 12 events, including two tournaments with 35 different shooters participating throughout the year.

Congratulations to Harvey Waldron III for winning our State championship for Unlimited Class and to David Konkle for winning Factory Class.

Nationally, 3 of our unlimited class have made it above the line in the unlimited class national aggregate, with Harvey ranking 19th in the nation, TAQ 34th and Mark Huber 48th.

Our Factory Class shooters David Konkle and Keith Wilson scored some outstanding targets last year, with aggregates that would have ranked in the top 15 in the nation out of 1100 shooters, but they missed few targets to qualify above the line.

2023 Unlimited Class - Washington State

Rank	Competitor	# Targets	# Matches	Agg.	Total Points	Agg. + Pts.
1	Harvey Waldron III	48	12	2234.90-546X	426	2660.90-546X
2	Mark Huber	47	12	2151.06-435X	368	2519.06-435X
3	TAQ A	51	13	2132.35-457X	374	2506.35-457X
4	Carson Mead*	23	6	2036.96-187X	154	2190.96-187X
5	JD Little	34	9	1978.82-256X	150	2128.82-256X
6	Reed Thorkildsen	26	6	1977.88-171X	128	2105.88-171X
7	John Seyler	30	8	1841.00-176X	127	1968.00-176X

2023 Factory Class - Washington State

Rank	Competitor	# Targets	# Matches	Agg.	Total Points	Agg. + Pts.
1	DAVID KONKLE	37	9	2366.62-54X	287	2653.62-54X
2	Keith Wilson	37	9	2360.14-42X	240	2600.14-42X
3	Frank TeviS	28	6	2383.93-17X	196	2579.93-17X
4	Mark Lanza	39	12	2246.41-23X	214	2460.41-23X
5	Peter Jaszczak	25	6	2268.20-17X	125	2393.20-17X
6	Nathan Hood	28	6	2179.64-14X	104	2283.64-14X
7	Alex Powell	31	8	2053.23-22X	52	2105.23-22X

January ARA Match Report

The good news is our date for the match avoided being a few hours in 10F weather, on the other hand it was a soaking wet, pouring rain Seattle day.

This match was competitive across both Unlimited and Factory classes. results below.

Unlimited Class

Rank	ID	Name	Bench	Score 1	Score 2	Score 3	Score 4	Total Score	X's	High Score	High Score FM	Average Score	Average X's	Points	Points + Average
U-1	7284HMW	Harvey Waldron III	101	2100-11X	2250-11X	2300-12X	2250-8X	8900	42	2300	2	2225.00	10.50	24	2249.00
U-2	4253TQ	TAQ Q	104	2250-10X	2275-8X	2200-13X	2175-9X	8900	40	2275	4	2225.00	10.00	20	2245.00
U-3	3647MH	Mark Huber	105	2100-9X	1950-8X	2250-8X	1950-10X	8250	35	2250	2	2062.50	8.75	16	2078.50
U-4	8674JPS	John Seyler	102	2150-8X	2050-7X	1900-8X	1610-3X	7710	26	2150	1	1927.50	6.50	12	1939.50
U-5	0000KL	Kevin Lee	103	1550-2X	1600-3X	1525-1X	2200-11X	6875	17	2200	4	1718.75	4.25	8	1726.75
U-6	0530JLC	James Clymer	106	1460-4X	1950-8X	1525-5X	1925-8X	6860	25	1950	2	1715.00	6.25	4	1719.00

Factory Class

Rank	ID	Name	Bench	Score 1	Score 2	Score 3	Score 4	Total Score	X's	High Score	High Score FM	Average Score	Average X's	Points	Points + Average
F-1	2284DEK	DAVID KONKLE	121	2500-2X	2400-0X	2500-1X	2450-0X	9850	3	2500	0	2462.50	0.75	16	2478.50
F-2	9561FT	Frank Tevis	124	2400-2X	2400-0X	2325-1X	2500-0X	9625	3	2500	0	2406.25	0.75	12	2418.25
F-3	0990BPS	BRYAN SCHREMP	122	2450-1X	2200-0X	2400-0X	2350-0X	9400	1	2450	4	2350.00	0.25	8	2358.00
F-4	3809DLJ	Dave Johnson	123	2275-0X	1825-0X	2050-0X	1785-0X	7935	0	2275	1	1983.75	0.00	4	1987.75

Our national rankings will be updated this week on this [link](#) [select Factory/unlimited Outdoor Aggregate] If you have any questions please contact us at ara.kenmore@gmail.com.

WCW BOARD MEETING MINUTES –

JANUARY 3, 2024

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

Present board members:

Joe Rinaldi (President)
Jeff Gomes (Vice President)
Gabe Shank (2nd Vice President)
Dale Sieg (Recording Secretary)
Martin Morehouse (Corresponding Secretary)
John Sutton (Trustee Chairman)
Dave Levinson (2 Year Trustee)
Patty Woolley (Trustee Elect)
Scott Ray (Trustee)
Aaron Morales (Trustee)

Absent board members:

Joe Maggiora (Treasurer)
Gary Webster (past President)

Committee Leads and Facilities Manager present
at meeting:

Martin Morehouse (Corresponding Secretary)
Gabe Shank – Archery
Dave Rusko – Handgun
Peter Goodwin – Marketing

Guests:

None.

Guest topics:

None

Committee reports:

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

Archery report:

Gabe Shank presented.

WSAA asked us to do the shoot on Feb 23rd in
addition to the 24th and 25th. We will need to
cancel the youth rifle for that day. Gabe asked if
that was okay. Patty said that should be fine.
Martin will update the calendar. Also, we will not
have an archery tournament on January 27th and
28th.

Congratulations to Carrie Lin, Gabe Anderson,
Isabella Frederick, and Emma Kim, for making
the 2024 USAT Team (USA Archery). Good luck
this year representing the United States of
America.

Note: Please let Archery Chair Gabe Shank know
if he missed you in making the team. We want to
recognize all accomplishments in Archery.

The WCW will be hosting the 2024 WSAA
Blueface Tournament February 23-25. If you have
free time to volunteer on any of the 3 days, let the
Archery Chair know. You can sign up for the
tournament online at

www.washingtonstatearchery.org or contact
Gabe Shank for assistance.

Many archery tournaments are available to
participate in throughout the winter running into
late summer. You can find a calendar of
tournament dates at

www.washingtonstatearchery.org under the
events calendar. The tournaments are fun and
family friendly. Please support our local clubs.
Check the WCW Archery Group on Facebook for
updates on tournaments and work parties. The
club is member owned and run and needs your
support.

Next Step Archery is still hosting Thursday Night
League Nights in the lower level from 6-8. If
interested in participating contact Gabe Shank
for details or check the WCW Archery Group on
Facebook.

Handgun Report:

Dave Rusko presented.

We had 221 special use endorsements given last
year.

We had 437 people attend new member
orientation last year.

The Range 3 bell stopped working. We installed
an old bell we already had. They will try to fix the
defective ones.

Pistol Range steel targets will be stationed in
their new storage location and available to use
for members with pistol Special Use
endorsements as soon as the storage rack
construction has been completed. ETA is late
January 2024. Steel shooting will only be allowed
in positions 25 through 28.

A small survey of 200 new Special Use members
has revealed that approximately 20% are
favorable to a metallic cartridge reloading class.

Powder and projectiles will be brought to class and removed from the property at the end of each class. There will be no long-term powder storage on the property. The last time we did this type of class was in 2011.

We discussed Dave's proposal about replacing the tables and chairs in the classroom. The total cost would be \$4,828.78, which includes shipping and taxes. John said the trustees thought we should try to get some new tables and chairs for training. Scott asked why the tables need to be that specific size. Dave R. stated his reasons. We discussed this a little more. Dave Rusko moved we accept his proposal. Martin seconded. Passed.

Rifle Report:

Martin Morehouse presented.

Getting steel targets on the range is going well. Still working on the best way to hang the steel targets on Range 1. Martin would like to get some additional target frames (\$250). Joe R. said go ahead. We will limit the use of steel targets to cartridges that deliver less than 2850 feet per second.

There are some 4x4 target posts on Range 2 that may need to be repaired soon. We will create a work party when we need to do this.

There were 199 Special Use endorsements given last year.

We will be adding another special use in January because we have so much interest.

The Marysville Marauders would like to come shoot at our clubhouse because they have a problem with their clubhouse. John Woolley would like to offer them practice time during our Tuesday smallbore practice times. He would be present and make sure everyone fills out waivers. Joe said that is okay.

We discussed sending out a safety reminder of the rules to all members. Martin will be sending out a rules email to members.

There will be a hunting meeting on Jan 30th. On February 6th, there will be a safari Q&A session. Greg Burke, a WCW member, asked Brian Suddaby, a safari outfitter from South Africa, to come for the event.

Someone asked if we could have a classified section in the newsletter. We discussed and if the entries do not include sales of firearms, that would be okay.

Someone would like to swap a 10 shot we have with his 6 shot S&W revolver. The board is okay with this because the 6 shot revolvers are better for the classes.

Remington rifles in our safe are not being used. Should we sell them? We think that would be a good idea.

There is a bill in the legislature that would require live fire training. We should plan on that.

Martin Morehouse and Dave Rusko have initiated a quarterly meeting of the NRA instructors to plan our calendar year 2024's education opportunities.

We have scheduled CMP Rifle matches for February 11th, April 7th, and June 16th and NRA High Power matches for July 14th, August 18th, and November 3rd. CMP and NRA have approved these matches and dates.

We added the recurring NRA classes to the calendar through the end of 2024.

We added four dates for the 100/200 yard rimfire matches. All on Saturdays, March 30th, June 29th, August 10th, and October 12th of 2024.

Shotgun Report:

Joe Rinaldi presented.

We did not get a report from Richard. Joe will talk to Richard about providing monthly updates. Joe would like to have PITA shoots in May and October.

Manager's Report:

Dave Levinson presented.

The heater in the shotgun clubhouse needs to be fixed.

The forklift is being repaired.

There was a price increase from our shotgun target supplier. The increases will start next quarter. We will need to consider if we should increase the prices for our clays to our customers and members.

Treasurer's Report:

Dave Levinson presented.

We have more money in the bank than this time last year.

Our gross profits are up 39% year to date.

Credit cards fees are up.

Payroll for 2023 was up 18%. Because of previous legislation, wages are going up another 6% starting this month.

Annual net income is in the positive at \$27,000. We are having issues with Morgan Stanley and QuickBooks reconciling. We are working through the issues.

We made \$35,000 in interest at Morgan Stanley last year.

We discussed if there would be any way to not pay all the credit card fees. There really isn't because of the payment system we use.

Trustees Report:

John Sutton presented.

We do not yet have a response on the lead reclamation company.

Robert will be putting together an order for our ammunition. \$100k on rifle/pistol and \$60k for shotgun.

We want to recruit one of our employees to be a RockGymPro administrator.

Patty brought up that we need a rule on using the clubhouse that is clear to everyone. There was an event where a member took two non-members into the clubhouse, and they used the club equipment. Patty suggested we have the person come to a board meeting to share what he was doing. He also has a key to our locker that we will need to get back. Gabe will connect with the member first and have come to a board meeting if appropriate. Gabe will also get the key back.

All our cameras are installed but they just need to be adjusted and then the work will be done.

We discussed the damage deposit for using our facility. Aaron suggested we keep the security fee the same for all facilities. Martin Morehouse moved we charge a \$200 refundable fee. Joe Rinaldi seconded. Passed.

Marketing Report:

Peter Goodwin presented.

Peter started by sharing a lot of the numbers he has been able to pull together to compare 2022 financials to 2023 financials as a result of the marketing efforts.

Membership Dues: 21.35% increase
(FYI: 10% dues fee rate increase 1/1/23)

Initiation Fee: 9.5% increase

Archery Range Fee: 15.63% increase

Rifle Range Fee: 10.13% increase

Pistol Range Fee: 58.58% increase

Shotgun Range Fee: 9.54% increase

Inventory Sales (ammo, targets, etc.): 3.51% increase

Facility Rental: 93.83% decrease

Peter asked Patty if she could pull together some statistics from 2023. He is interested in the overall number of members, number of new members, % of members who renewed and % of members who did not renew. She said that can be done.

We discussed the no initiation fee offer we ran in December. We got over 250 new members from the promotion. As a comparison, last December we got 76 new members. We will monitor the number of new members for January, February and March to compare to 2023. After we have the results, we will discuss what we want to do going forward.

We discussed the police department outreach. They had Edmonds Police out. Our range does not currently meet their criteria, but they provided us with the details of what they would need to be able to do at our range to use it for their purposes. We will be using this to inform us on the next steps for Range 4 and the flat range. We discussed the results of the Food/Toy Drive. We donated close to \$2500 to Snohomish Domestic Violence Services.

Peter is still working on a relationship with the Securite Gun Club. They are slow to respond. We briefly discussed the 501c3 status. We have about 4 to 7 months still before we hear back. Joe R., Dave L. and Dale will be going to the Shot Show. They are able to attend because they are on the WCW board but they pay their own way. Peter would like to have a 2024 planning meeting to establish our goals for 2024. The board will do this on February 10th from 9am to 2pm in the clubhouse.

Peter will put together a survey for non-members and members ahead of the meeting so we can use that information to inform our 2024 plan. Ducks Unlimited in Marysville is having an event like the one we just sponsored. Peter is going to contact the organization to discuss opportunities for WCW.

Mortenson Construction would like to come back for a company event. They are coming back on August 13th from 1:30pm to 4:30pm.

Peter contacted Uncle Peteza's and they are interested in partnering with us for some joint marketing.

Old Business:

The new rules about concealed carry and steel targets are in place on the website and posted on the rifle range.

Martin Morehouse and Dave Rusko tried several approaches to embed the newsletter in the MailChimp email, none worked. Dave has a resource who may have further ideas.

Peter provided the draft of the archery shelter promotion plan. Aaron and Gabe will review it and provide feedback. Once Peter has the feedback, Peter will start reaching out to different companies. Jeff G. said he met someone in shotgun who would do the electrical for free.

We discussed the range 4 status. John will drag out the concrete from Range 4 and break it up. That will be the start. He will get started once Robert is better. Joe R. is going to bring up CJTC to see if they believe they could use the updated flat range with what we have planned for it. Dave R. has some drawings we could also show them. Dale asked Dave R. to share the drawings with the board. Dave said he would.

We need to figure out the changes we want to make to the website. We will have this discussion as part of the planning meeting.

New Business:

Gabe mentioned there may be a leak in the clubhouse roof. Aaron will take a look to see if there is a leak and if there is, he will fix it. People still do not know that they should pick up their badges in the office. Joe R. suggested Martin send out an email to members to let them know they should pick up their badges in the office.

We discussed how we make sure Special Use members know the rules. Patty suggested we just include some review of the rules as part of the renewal process. Patty and Martin will investigate how they will do this.

We need to put in the newsletter that there will be a board member election in April. Ballots will be mailed out in March. Any members interested in running for the board must submit the Notice of Intention form before February 29th. Forms must be submitted at the front desk or handed to an existing board member. The form can be found on the website at

<https://www.wcwshootingsports.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/Notice-of-intention-WCW-Board-Member-Position-v02.pdf>.

Dave R. would like to replace the monitor in the Chalet like the one he purchased for the clubhouse. The board said that would be okay.

For the Good of the Order:

Nothing was presented.

Dave Levinson moved to adjourn at 9:00 PM.
Patty Woolley seconded. Passed.

Respectfully submitted by Dale Sieg,
Recording Secretary.

WCW QUARTERLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES – JANUARY 10, 2024

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

Member count (excluding board members): 7
Board member count: 11

Present board members:

Joe Rinaldi (President)
Jeff Gomes (Vice President)
Gabe Shank (2nd Vice President)
Joe Maggiora (Treasurer)
Dale Sieg (Recording Secretary)
Martin Morehouse (Corresponding Secretary)
John Sutton (Trustee Chairman)
Patty Woolley (Trustee Elect)
Dave Levinson (2yr Trustee)
Scott Ray (Trustee)
Aaron Morales (Trustee)

Excused board members:

Gary Webster (past President)

Guests:

None

Reading of the last Board Member Meeting minutes:

Jeff Gomes moved to forego the reading of the last Board Meeting minutes and have them accepted as they are published. Patty Woolley seconded. Passed.

Reading of the last Membership Meeting minutes:

Jeff Gomes moved to forego the reading of the last Board Meeting minutes and have them accepted as they are published. Patty Woolley seconded. Passed.

Guest Topics:

None

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', Marketing's and Treasurer's monthly updates presented at the quarterly meeting.

Archery Report:

Gabe Shank presented.

Last year, the board approved new 3D targets. 16 targets will be delivered this month.

Next month, we are holding a WSAA Blueface Tournament.

There will be a National Championship in Las Vegas. Fourteen of our members will be attending.

We have added thirty new steps to the walk-through course. All bridges have been cleared off.

We are preparing to add an area for using crossbows. We tested out older targets with crossbows and they seem to work good. We will have 6 targets on the course for crossbows. This will be at no cost to the club because we are reusing targets. We will establish rules for using crossbows.

We are working with Next Step Archery. They have invited our members to shoot at their facility.

We purchased 14 new bows and over 100 arrows from Nock Point. They sold them to us at below cost. Thank you Nock Point.

Joe R. mentioned that he has spoken to a lot of people about hunting turkeys with crossbows. Joe will mention this to the hunting group.

Handgun Report:

Dave Rusko presented.

We had 247 members attended Special Use last year.

We are building a stand for steel targets. We will be done at the end of this month. Will only allow steel targets at 25 yards. For now, only members can use them.

We started a pistol special use members night last November. It is going well.

We replaced a failing range bell.

We are going to replace the little yellow safety chain. We will install some sort of gate.

We are working on numbering the shooting lanes at 15 yards.

We have added some deflectors at 25 yards to help with bullet containment.

We have extended pistol Special Use to include 4pm to 7pm. Lights primarily light up 7 yards and 15 yards.

Robb Stack asked if there was any testing done to test splatter with the steel target. Dave and Martin said they did a lot of testing and briefly explained what they did.

Rifle Report:

Martin Morehouse presented.

We had 199 members attend rifle Special Use last year.

We ordered 3 more steel targets for range 1. We will only allow cartridges that deliver a velocity of less than 2850 feet per second at the target.

We will have a safari outfitter at the range on February 6th for a Q&A.

We are repairing some network and Wi-Fi equipment. Someone connected equipment to a wired connection. This brought down our

network. Members should only use Wi-Fi. They should not be connecting to our network via a wired connection.

Shotgun Report:

Joe Rinaldi presented.

Rich Wasserman let Dave R. work with some people using Rich's Garmin Xero S1 Trapshooting Trainer. Rich is going to donate the Garmin to the club. Thank you, Rich. Dave R. also said he contacted Garmin and he said they will sell the club a Garmin for 50% off.

John and Patty Woolley have been helping with the youth shotgun. We had 8 youth participate in the last program.

Shotgun is starting to pick up.

Rich Wasserman recently bought a trap master. We may think about having member events where we can do fun things like using the trap master.

We are looking to have a couple PITA shoots this year. They will likely be in April and October.

We are continuing with the Trap Fundamentals class. The next one will be on January 27th. The class is limited to 6 people.

Operations Manager Report:

Joe Rinaldi presented.

Robert is out because of medical leave. He prepared for being out by doing a bunch of things in advance. We really appreciate his proactiveness. He will be back soon.

Trustees' Report:

John Sutton presented.

People were messing with our Wi-Fi on range 1. We had it fixed.

We will be getting new furniture for the classroom.

We are continuing to consider lead reclamation. We are still working with M2. We may be a little early to do this.

We are still looking for instructors for all our classes. If you are interested in helping, please let us know.

Elections are coming. If you are interested in running for a board position, you need to submit

the intent to run for board form by end of February. Jeff Gomes is not running again so there will be at least one board position that needs to be filled.

Treasurer's Report:

Joe Maggiora presented.

We ended 2023 with \$63,000 in the black.

Our range fees and dues are doing nicely.

Our treasury grew 3% last year.

We made a lot of improvements like replacing piping, adding and replacing cameras and updating our network. Even with these costs we were still in the black.

We have some capital improvements we want to do this year.

The board approved a price increase. We will increase our dues by 8% and our fees by 6%. We will not increase the youth costs.

Marketing Report:

Peter Goodwin presented.

Peter shared several things we accomplished last year.

He commented on the significant increase in Special Use attendees.

We provided \$2500 in gifts and food to Snohomish Domestic Violence Services.

Youth shotgun league went well.

Gabe and Aaron got a grant to help with building a new cover in archery.

Jeff G. has been helping Peter with police outreach. Identified some rule changes and range requirements we need to make to support their needs.

The Criminal Justice Training Center is anticipating opening two satellite facilities.

Unfortunately, the state decided not to work with private ranges so they will not be using our facility.

We are continuing to talk to Ducks Unlimited groups for advertising our range. We are also working with the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation group.

Mortenson Construction will be coming back for another session later this year. This will be a

repeat of the company renting our facility for a company event.

There is a new hunters group that will be starting up.

The safari presentation will be on February 6th.

Later this month we will do a membership survey and a public survey asking for feedback on how we can improve and what we are doing well.

The board will have a planning meeting mid-February to put together a plan for 2024.

A recent poll of new Special Use members showed an interest in a reloading class. We will discuss this in the instructor planning meeting. This will be an NRA class. One of the members said he would be willing to help. Martin asked the member to come up after the meeting to provide his contact information.

Old Business:

Joe R. provided an update on the 501c3 status.

Our application is still in the hands of the IRS.

Joe R. has a lot of confidence in our attorney who is working on this for us. She said we need to be patient. We will need to get our by-laws updated before we can proceed with the 501c3 implementation. We will likely present the by-law updates at our April members meeting and then approve them at the following members meeting.

New Business:

None.

For the Good of the Order:

A member asked if anyone has purchased a gun lately and what it is like. A member talked about his experience. We need to take a class and wait a mandatory period even if we have passed the background check. The link to the online training that is needed to purchase a gun can be found at the following link.

<https://sporting-systems.com/free-hb1143-training/>

We discussed the different legislations that will be going through the system this year. One mentioned is bill 2238 that will impose an additional 11% tax on ammunition. Joe R. asked the members if they thought it would be good to share in an email how to submit opinions on legislation to our legislators. The members thought that would be a good idea.

Robb asked if we already had a work part for 228th. Yes, we had one. Robb said he would volunteer at the next work party.

Apartment work across the street will start in April.

Joe Rinaldi moved to adjourn at 8:00 PM. Aaron Morales seconded. Passed.

Respectfully submitted by Dale Sieg, Recording Secretary.