President's Message

The spring is here so to speak except that it seems to come and go with some degree of regularity. I don't know how anyone else feels but it seems like it was a particularly long winter. It wasn't very harsh just long, shadowy and overcast. As the days get better the use of our range becomes appreciably busier. That is why it is particularly important to check the website calendar to get an idea of just how many activities are occurring when you plan to come and enjoy your respective activity. Sometimes an entire range is in use for a competitive shoot and access is very limited. This is particularly important if you are planning to come to the range with a group of friends. Please plan ahead. A simple check of the calendar of events will save you time, frustration and even grief in some instances.

At the last members meeting on April 10th the members passed the budget for the upcoming year. It was noted in the managers' report that there are a number of fix it items that need to be addressed. Much of the money that gets spent around this club is the updating of old fixtures of the physical infrastructure at our facility. As is usually the case we like to let our members get a crack at bidding jobs that need to be done. We have several carpentry and other projects that need to be fixed. If anyone reading this newsletter is interested in giving us a bid for these jobs please send me an email and I will pass it onto our manager for consultation. My email is in the roster but I will offer it here for expediency. zzwop@comcast.net

On another note we are extremely fortunate to have many members who possess skills that help us achieve our projects and issues. Currently, we have one member who is helping us with the retooling of our club bylaws. To say that the current bylaws are antiquated is a bit of an understatement. While the current bylaws have sustained us over the many years of our clubs existence they are nonetheless pretty weak in maintaining proper structure going forward. This club originally started as a hunting/fishing club with a lot of social functions. It is doubtful the original founders predicted the club would grow to the expansiveness of its current state.

For those of you who do pay attention to the activities that abound at this club you may notice that there are plenty of competitions and learning skill classes that are currently in action. One of the latest is the reloading classes which are becoming increasingly popular. Another is the hunting and fishing group that are meeting with some regularity. I personally like to see the emergence of such groups as I feel it is healthy barometer of the clubs viability going forward.

I have recently had a discussion with the project manager of the apartment project scheduled to begin across the street on 228th. Apparently the county has approved the project but it is currently being appealed by the local residents. Upon the completion of the appeals process should it be approved the work will commence. I only mention this because at that time the traffic in the area is going to become

increasingly busy. Expect delays in the Seattle area, what a surprise.

Well that is it from this end of things. Please enjoy the warmer weather if it ever gets here on a sustained basis.

Lastly, it's all about muzzle control.

MAY COMING EVENTS

1 May - Club board meeting

4 May - Rimfire Benchrest Match

4 May - First Steps Shotgun class

3, 5 May – Youth Rifle Match

Each Thursday – Bullseye Pistol

11 May – ARA Rimfire Match

11,12 May – Basic Pistol class

14, 19 May – New Member Orientation

18 May – Centerfire benchrest match

18 May – Home Firearms Safety class

20 May – Shotgun Committee meeting

25 May – Trap Fundamentals

25 May – Basic Shotgun class

25,26 May – Basic Rifle class

25 May – WCW Hunter meeting

26 May – Special Use classes

27 May - Rifle/Pistol Cmte meeting

MEMBERSHIP CORNER

Our membership is growing, let your friends know the benefits of joining us. 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 \$297.00, and the family membership is only \$386.10, 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's not too early to think about coming to our next swap meet, on June 2d. We have two more scheduled after that one for 2024. The dates are 8 September and 1 December.

Plan on attending one of these, you might find what you have been looking for. Or, this might be your chance to find a new home for that item that you just dug out of your garage. 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.

RIFLE AND PISTOL SPECIAL USE MEMBERS

Please remember to sign up and attend a Special Use classroom session before your special use expires. Expiration dates are printed on the back of your badge. Check the club calendar for classroom dates.

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 May meeting will be on Saturday the 25th.

This is a place to compare notes, learn about hunting opportunities, and plan future hunting activities. We had good attendance last month, come out and join the group!

Contact details: Michael / (415) 373 2747

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!

Twenty-five 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.

A NOTE ON STEEL TARGETS

Our steel targets on Range 1 are being used well, but there are a few notes.

If you use them, put them away when you are done. The next member doesn't need to hike downrange to find where the targets were left.

If you are missing, go back to paper targets and see where your rifle is hitting, The steel target supports have been taking some hits lately.

We have two sets of smaller steel targets that you can use. They don't work well with larger rifles, as things like 6.5 Creedmoor and .30-06 knock the whole stand over. Use them with less powerful cartridges to keep from having to keep putting them back up.

If you have a problem using the steel targets, or have a suggestion, let me know at secretary@wcwshootingsports.org

Or, you can always attend a rifle committee meeting and get involved!

CONTRACTORS NEEDED!

As you can see in our meeting minutes, we have quite a bit of maintenance to take care of around the club.

The rifle office deck needs to be replaced. Roof beams at the shotgun shack need to be repaired or replaced. The storeroom door at the clubhouse needs to be replaced. Water lines at the rifle office and at shotgun need to be replaced. Our entrance drive needs to be repaved. Range 2 walls and overhead need repair or replacement.

If you are a contractor, or know a contractor who may be willing to bid on any of these projects, let us know. These are all more than a member work party can deal with, so we need to hire the projects out. You can contact us at secretary@wcwshootingsports.org.

MARCH SHOTGUN COMMITTEE UPDATE

The shotgun committee brought up the following items.

Phil Kiner classes are confirmed for Friday Jun 7, and Sat/Sunday June 8/9. We have had a few folks who couldn't make it so many folks on the waitlist have been able to get in.

Jeff Dornes rebooted the Spring non-registered Trap and Continental league. The league will run 5/5 through 6/22. Participants can shoot anytime during shotgun hours as scoring will be handled by trappers. This is open to both members and non-members. Signup sheets and more info are posted in the clubhouse.

Lighting on Trap 1 is still planned, we are waiting on the contractor.

Repair to the shotgun clubhouse roof support has been added to the range maintenance list.

With Spring upon us the PITA Spring Multiplex shoots will begin to move to Sunday mornings as of 5/5 (specific dates are on the club calendar). If you've been curious about registered shooting this is a great way to dip your toe in. Feel free to reach out to Rich for more information or with questions.

Trapshooting Fundamentals continues to sell out monthly enrollment.

Michael Smith brought forward an issue we were able to work out with the shotgun group and the board to enable member patterning of hunting (Turkey) loads during member hours. This is specifically for loads not normally allowed for general target shooting.

Spring shotgun league rules
May 5th – June 22nd
#1. The spring league is open to ALL. Public
shooters as well as members. Upon sign up you
must pay \$5.00 for each discipline you wish to
participate in. Trap and continental. (All \$\$\$

collected will be returned to the participants in the form of shotgun shells and line cards)

#2 The spring league runs from May 5th through June 22nd . 7 weeks. Participants shoot each week in each discipline they sign up for. Weeks run from Sunday through Saturday @ 5 pm. You may discard one week as a "throwaway". EXAMPLE. Bad score, traveling, sick etc...There are no "make ups". We will count 6 weeks of competition.

#3 Participants may shoot at anytime during shotgun hours. YOU MUST HAVE A WCW TRAPPER RECORD YOUR SCORE. When you wish to "shoot for league score" inform the trapper that you wish to shoot for the league. Pay the desk one (\$1) dollar PLUS normal line fees. The \$1.00 goes into the prize kitty, the line fee goes to the club. The WCW trapper will highlight your league score in yellow. The league Marshall will collect all the scores at the end of each week. (Saturday afternoon for tabulation) NOTE. You may shoot for league as many times in a week (or a day) as you want to try and improve your score. (\$1.00 each time) EXAMPLE. You are shooting for league on Wed for trap and you score a 16. Not so good. On Friday you are shooting again. You can pay to record (with a trapper) another line and this time you shoot a 22. The Marshall (me, not the trapper) will receive both scores but will discard the lower score and record only your best score. You could shoot again on Saturday to try and further improve your score.

NOTE. You may sign up for one discipline or both. Each discipline will have its own set of winners (1 st & 2 nd). We'll try and do a HOA for the league. (High overall)

We will post the scores each week in the clubhouse for both disciplines. We could do an awards party at a member's night. However, at the end of the league prizes will be at the front desk with the winner's name on the prize.

This league requires at least 15 participants.

KENMORE RANGE RIMFIRE MATCH FOR APRIL 2024

There were 24 contestants in this month's match with seven competitors in the Expert Division, five in the Sharpshooter Division, six in the Marksman Division and six in the Rifleman Division.

Relay One Expert Division Target One: Reed Thorkildsen placed first with a score of 242 4X. Keith Wilson finished second at 241 7X and Ernie Snyder placed third at 240 2X. Target Two: Matt Daly placed first with a score of 241 2X. Keith Wilson placed second again at 240 6X and Ernie Snyder was third at 240 4X.

Relay One Sharpshooter Division: Target One. David Konkle placed first with a score of 234 2X. Don Smith came in second at 233 5X with Alex Powell finishing third at 229 0X. Target Two: David Konkle was first again at 235 4X with Don Smith second again at 235 2X and Mike Becwar placing third at 232 2X.

Relay Two Marksman Division: Target One. Frank Tevis was first at 221 3X with Bryan Schremp in second at 213 1X and Nathan Hood placing third at 211 2X. Target Two: Bryan Schremp placed first at 227 0X with Nathan Hood second at 219 0X and Frank Tevis third at 218 0X.

Relay Three Rifleman Division: Target One. Bill Pettersen was first at 219 2X with Ron Wuesthoff in second at 219 0X and George Smith third at 217 0X. Target Two: Ben Brinkley was first at 226 1X with Bill Pettersen in second at 222 1X and Dave Johnson in third 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 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.)

WCW MEMBERS COMPETE IN APRIL N50 BENCHREST MATCH IN TACOMA

Three WCW Range members: John Seyler, Don Smith, and Keith Wilson competed in the N50 Benchrest Match held on Sunday April 21st at the Tacoma Rifle and Revolver Club. N50 is a National Organization that offers an opportunity for both Air Rifles and 22LR Rimfire Rifles to compete side by side in 3 Classes: Pro - Slug / Rimfire, Sportsman – Slug / Rimfire, and Pellet. Additionally, in 2024 N50 is trying out a new Factory Class for basic factory 22LR rifles under \$1250 dollars. This is an exciting addition that allows for a wider range of 22LR rifles to be competitive at N50 Matches.

It was a nice April day for a match – i.e. "No rain". The skies were mostly cloudy for most of the Match with temperatures in the upper 40's to lower 50's. The wind, however, was a challenge at times as it averaged in the 4-5 mph range with sporadic gusts to around 10-11 mph.

In the Pro Class, WCW Member John Seyler, took home 1st place in the first Match shooting a very good 744 – 36X. John was shooting his new Stiller Trident 22LR for the first time and is still getting the feel for his rifle. John was also the most consistent Competitor competing at the Match on Sunday as he shot a 248 on all 3 of his target. Don Smith had mechanical difficulties with his rifle and was only able to complete 2 of the 3 targets. However, if Don would have been able to shoot his average on his 3rd target, he would have had a Match total of 738 points and take home 2nd place.

In the first Sportsman Class Match, WCW Member Keith Wilson shot a solid score of 747 – 44X for 1st place shooting an Anschutz 54.30 22LR rifle. This was also the top score of the day for all Classes in both Matches. Keith also competed in the second Match taking 1st place again in the Sportsman class shooting another solid 746 – 41X.

WCW TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES AND INSTRUCTOR TRAINING

Are you or someone you know looking for firearms training? We have classes that start from the ground up, and give the new shooter firm training in the basics of safe and effective shooting. We offer the full range of NRA basic courses – Pistol, Rifle, Shotgun, and Home Firearms Safety.

These courses prepare the new shooter to be safe when handling firearms and on the range, and teach the basics for success with further shooting skills.

We offer these courses every weekend of every month. Full course descriptions are on our website at NRA Certified Classes - WCW Shooting Sports You can also find links on our calendar at Calendar - WCW Shooting Sports

We also offer instructor training, so you can learn to effectively teach shooting skills, and pass on your experience to new shooters. If you are already an instructor, and would like to return to teaching, let us know, we would be glad to have you back!

We have open seats in our upcoming classes, we would be glad to see more students with us. If you have questions on our classes or other firearms training we offer, you can contact us at secretary@wcwshootingsports.org

WCW BOARD MEETING MINUTES -

APRIL 3, 2024

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

Present board members:
Joe Rinaldi (President)
Jeff Gomes (Vice President)
Joe Maggiora (Treasurer)
Dale Sieg (Recording Secretary)
Martin Morehouse (Corresponding Secretary)
John Sutton (Trustee Chairman)
Patty Woolley (Trustee Elect)
Dave Levinson (2 Year Trustee)
Scott Ray (Trustee)
Aaron Morales (Trustee)

Absent board members: Gabe Shank (2 nd Vice President) Gary Webster (past President)

Committee Leads and Facilities Manager present at meeting: Robert Haverstock – Facility Manager Martin Morehouse - Rifle Dave Rusko – Handgun

Guests: Michael Noack

Guest topics:

A member came and shared his point of view of his violation and noncompliance to WCW safety policies in which there was an accidental discharge of a firearm in the Shotgun clubhouse. We discussed a members' violation and noncompliance of the WCW safety policies. The board believes we should revoke this members' membership. The board will bring this up at the membership meeting on April 10th.

Michael Noack presented.
Michael has a proposal. He would like to be able to shoot shotgun loads that we currently do not support. These loads are used for hunting. He wants to do this to pattern

shotgun. The board said we would allow this only on Member nights and need to shoot at paper targets in the target pattern area. Robert suggested they use butcher paper. Michael suggested we communicate this to the staff and members.

Committee reports:

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

Archery report:

Aaron Morales presented.

We are transitioning from Indoor to Outdoor Archery. The walk-through course is looking good, with only a few small (fallen) trees that need to be cleared out. Gravel was placed on 10 target trails and additional steps were put in. Thanks to Phil Downes for laying 30 buckets of gravel and sand. The walk-through course is an incredible nature walk. There are two separate herds of deer living on the course and the plants are now budding. We have tried to maintain the course so people of all ages can use it for shooting and exercise. Don't miss out. The FITA field has new target faces which are slowly being put up. 10 new Rinehart Wave Targets were ordered for the FITA Field. They will be here in early May, just in time for the target season.

The upper flat range is going to need some love this summer. The tree branches are growing and leaning out into the field. A work party sometime will be scheduled in May. Please volunteer if you can.

A new 3d Pond course was set up in March. There are seven 3D animal targets on the course (with an 8th on the way). You can shoot distances from 16 yards to 51 yards. Thank you to Phil, Doug, Dave, and Hailey for helping to set it up. This is for Special Use Archery members (and their guest if accompanied). Please be safe out there. The April 13th and 14th 3D Fun Shoot is coming up. We are excited to hold the shoot with our new targets from Rinehart and the donated targets from Washington Bowhunters Association. Remind your friends and family of the shoot. It has been

reasonably priced for the whole family to enjoy! If anyone can place an ad on the Nextdoor Website that would be awesome. We want our neighbors to come and have fun.

Darrington Archers had a Safari shoot in late March. There were around 9 WCW members who attended. They were appreciative of our attendance, especially the hardcore shooters who made it through Saturday's all-day rainstorms.

We have been monitoring our inventory of rubber black block 10" x 10" x 48" target butts on the upper flat range. There are around 10 left which is enough for 3 targets. At the rate we have been going through them, we will not make it through Summer. It is unknown when we last ordered these targets, but it was when Jim Thompson was here. So around 2019. Robert has also been checking out the durability of them. With the large increase in Archery membership and higher-powered bows, we may need to look into a different brand. A proposal will be made at the May meeting.

Handgun Report:

Dave Rusko presented.

Steel targets on range 3 have been utilized well. Current mounting platform is too heavy for some Members. So, we will be changing over to cross board hangers this month.

12 members obtained Pistol Special Use in March 2024.

We had 8 new members attend the March 12, 2024 new member orientation.

We had 17 new members attend the March 17, 2024 new member orientation.

April 2024 new member orientation scheduled April 9th and April 14th.

A 4-member clean-up crew completed Spring Adopt-A-Road cleanup on March 16, 2024 collecting 10 bags of trash and 25lbs of debris.

Range 2 PA problem resolved. Microphone, cabling, and wiring were repaired and are now operating reliably. The PA capabilities from the office to Range 1 and Range 3 is intermittent or non-functioning.

Troubleshooting and repairing in progress.

Rifle Report:

Martin Morehouse presented.

24 members obtained Rifle Special Use in March 2024

Rifle matches for the coming month are Rimfire Benchrest on April 6th, CMP Games High-power on April 7th, Centerfire Benchrest match on April 20th, ARA Rimfire on April 27th. We also have an Inland Empire smallbore match for the junior rifle team on April 19th.

Our next NRA Basic Rifle Class is on April 27th and 28th of 2024.

Indoor smallbore practice is on the calendar on Saturdays and Sundays from 2 to 6 PM, as well as Tuesdays from 6 to 9 PM. The Youth Rifle season runs every Friday at 6 PM

We have another NRA Reloading class on April 21 st .

We have scheduled a Firearms
Fundamentals Instructor class for April 20 th
at 2 PM, to train instructors for future WCW
Fundamentals classes.

24 people attended the rifle special use classes in March. The next Rifle Special Use range session is on April 28 th .

We are working on a video script to cover rifle and pistol special use renewals. This should be linked to membership renewals, so that special use can be renewed annually, by watching the video. The video should be about 6 to 7 minutes long.

Civil Air Patrol asked about open dates for indoor shooting sessions for their cadets. We identified and scheduled dates for them on April 7th , June 9th , July 13th , and August 11th . The steel targets on Range 1 are getting good use, with no unexpected problems so far.

The 4x4 target posts on Range 2 may need updating and repair. We are setting up a work party for this. Mark Huber can still be our contact for the steel pipe.

Mt Baker Council Boy Scouts of America is holding a Pull For Scouting clay shooting event on May 4th, and asks us to contribute a sponsorship. The minimum level is for an individual scout at \$225 or a shooting station at \$300. This was approved, I will contact the Mt Baker Council to coordinate the donation.

Helping Hands Ministry had a winner at their fund-raising auction of our family membership. The winner is Sam Deasy, Martin will contact him to complete the process.

We discussed the default for signing up new members should be that they are opted in for the newsletter. Then, they can opt-out if they want. Patty said she would make this change.

Shotgun Report:

Jeff Gomes presented.

Jeff and Scott provided an update on the skeet field. Scott shared the feasibility of getting it for free from the lead recovery is not realistic. Scott does not see the skeet field being viable at this time. The dimensions of a skeet field will not work unless we put up shot curtains (50 feet tall). We would have to shut down the rest of shotgun when using the skeet field. Rich would like to confirm lighting money is available. There is \$5000 available. They will limit the number of people in the Intro to shotgun class to 5.

Jeff G. and Dave R. brought food to the committee meeting. It increased the number of attendees to 18.

Jeff Dormes wants to come up with a shotgun league. He will bring a proposal. The PITA Multiplex will be on April 14th . The shotgun clinic will be on June 7th , 8th and 9th .

Joe Rinaldi asked Jeff G. to bring up at the next committee meeting the idea of having a PITA Shoot.

Manager's Report:

Robert Haverstock presented.

Robert created a list of things that need to be fixed around the range. These are projects that are more than our crew can do.

- 1) The complete front deck needs to be replaced. We should bid this out. Joe suggested we put out an email to the members to see if there are contractors who could help with this.
- 2) The support beam on the shotgun

building is falling apart. It needs to be replaced.

- 3) The water line from the valve box to under the office building needs to be replaced.
- 4) The Water line in shotgun needs to be replaced.
- 5) We need to fix the potholes at the entrance. We will need to repave it.
- 6) The double doors on the clubhouse need to be replaced. Dave L. suggested one of the doors have a push bar to push out.
- 7) Door to Range 1 needs to be repaired. Robert said we can do this ourselves.
- 8) Wall, door and joists on Range 2 need to be replaced.

A new employee starts tomorrow. He will be our grounds keeper. Robert has an interview with another trapper tomorrow. Robert will be trying to open up shotgun on Fridays from 1pm to 8pm.

Treasurer's Report:

Joe M presented.

We were \$40,000 in the black for the last fiscal year.

We discussed the 2024-2025 budget. We added \$100,000 to the budget for range repairs because of what Robert said needs to be done. This budget will be a deficit for this coming year by \$60,000. We discussed a few other details of the budget. Dave Levinson moved to accept the budget Joe M. presented. John Sutton seconded. Passed.

Trustees Report:

John Sutton presented.

Dave L. is still working on the cover for the forklift.

Joe M. said we need to discuss the property tax before April 30th.

We are out a year to get the lead removed in shotgun. Joe R. suggested we reach out to NSSF to find out who we can get to do it. Dave L. shared an update on the officers' insurance policy. Our insurance provider suggested we consider we also get a policy for people who train at WCW. We will get a quote.

Scott brought up who is picking up what Peter G. was doing? How do we get this stuff going? We discussed the website. We have one quote. Dave R. believes he can find someone to do our website update for free. He will work on talking to the person and getting back to us. Dale said he has a contact for someone to reach out to if we want a second quote. We discussed Facebook/Instagram. We decided not to pursue a college student doing this work. Aaron said he knows someone who could do our Facebook and Instagram work. He will ask her to come to the next board meeting to share a proposal.

The trustees talked about shotgun schedule at their last meeting. They are looking to keep Mondays open and expanding to Fridays.

Old Business:

Joe provided an update on our 501c3 submission. Ellis is optimistic it will be accepted soon. We will need to figure out another group to manage the 501c3 funds. Dave L. said Smith Barney/Morgan Stanley will facilitate a 501c3 for a small fee. We discussed renting parts of the range to Insights. We discussed what we should charge them. Joe will reach out to them with our proposal. The proposal will be based on the price list we created several months ago.

Patty reported there is no way to make RockGymPro easier to donate money when renewing memberships.

Joe brought up the topic of working with Hold My Gun. Dale will give them a call to find out if they would want us to be one of their locations.

New Business:

Education report for January through March. We have 10 active NRA instructors and 5 Training Counselors. We trained 22 instructors and 64 students from January through March.

Joe R asked Gabe to look into creating a shirt we can sell at the front office. The opportunity to create a shirt order with a modern logo should not be passed up. This would not cost the club very much and we can make 50% markup on each shirt. If worst case scenario arises where we cannot

sell the shirts, we can give them away to new members, as door prizes for shoots we have at the club, and as a thank you to members who help out on work parties. We came up with a few possible mock ups. Anyone can submit a logo and we can vote on the final product. Here are a few designs.













Joe said we need to update our bylaws. Joe will sit down with Bill to start putting together a plan. Joe will share some dates with the board once Joe and Bill are ready to discuss the bylaws with the board. If board members want to join, they can.

Dave R. and Dave L. suggested Martin send out an email about the members' meeting coming up next week.

Dave R. suggested we have an Employee Appreciation Day. Dave L. said Robert needs to do that for his team if he wants to. Patty brought up the May 18th End of the year youth rifle picnic. Can we do this event near the FFL shack. Joe said we can work something out.

For the Good of the Order:

Thank you, Jeff Gomes, for your time on the board! We appreciate your service to the club.

Joe Rinaldi moved to adjourn at 9:15 PM. Joe Maggiora seconded. Passed.

Respectfully submitted by Dale Sieg, Recording Secretary.

WCW ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES – APRIL 10, 2024

Meeting called to order at 7:03 PM by President Joe Rinaldi.

Member count (excluding board members): 23 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:

Joe Rinaldi 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:

Joe Rinaldi 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 follows. Also included below are brief notes from the Trustees' and Treasurer's monthly updates presented at the quarterly meeting.

Archery Report:

Gabe Shank presented.

There is a 3D shoot this weekend.

The pond course has been completed. This course is only available for Special Use members. We have been working on the walk-through course. People can walk it even if you are not shooting archery. New steps and bridges have been installed which make the walk much easier and safer.

New wave targets will be here in May. Once placed on the field there will be 20 targets available to shoot.

Three state championship tournaments will be held at this club this year.

We will have a 3-club shoot at our facility later this year. That is, three archery clubs in this area will participate. It will be called the Triple Crown.

Handgun Report:

Dave Rusko presented.

We had a good year. Getting a lot of public shooters. We added steel targets this last year. Some people thought they were a little heavy to carry out and hang. So, we are working on a fixed frame solution.

Looking to replace the spotting scopes at 15 yards and 25 yards.

Pistol special use is going well.

Monday members' night is going well.
Robb Stack asked if it would be possible to get
white paper targets instead of the beige targets.
It is easier to see the bullseye on white paper.
We have updated the classroom. We also

recently purchased some reloading equipment so we can offer more reloading classes.

Rifle Report:

Martin Morehouse presented.

We will be having a Firearms Instructor class is on April 20th. This is a class to teach people how to teach others about firearm basics.

Steel targets are going well. Feel free to bring your own spray paint when you want to refresh

the target. We recently added 3", 2", and 1" gongs.

We currently have 10 active NRA instructors and 5 training counselors at our range. We will have an instructor class at the end of June.

Shotgun Report:

Jeff Gomes presented.

Jeff shared an overview of an accidental discharge of a shotgun in our shotgun clubhouse.

We investigated installing a skeet field. We do not have enough room for this so we will not pursue it.

The Trap Fundamentals class is being updated. We decreased the number of people in the class from 6 to 5.

Jeff Dornes wants to start up a Distributed Trap Shooting League again. He will be doing that. There will be a shotgun clinic in June. Both classes are filled.

We finished the Winter Continental. Robb Stack asked if we will be having a ladies' night. Jeff said we don't have enough female shooters.

We have \$5000 to put up more lighting. We have a contractor coming to look at it.

We are looking into having another fun shoot in August or September.

Operations Manager Report:

Robert Haverstock presented.

Robert showed a video of an accidental discharge in the shotgun clubhouse. This member has a history of violations including coming onto our facility when he should not have and shooting before 9am. Joe Rinaldi moved to have this member's membership removed and we don't allow him to shoot at our range as a public shooter. Martin Morehouse seconded. Passed.

Robert said we have purchased a lot of ammunition in preparation for this year.
Robert shared information using a PowerPoint slide show on what needs to be fixed. Joe mentioned this is where a lot of our money will go over the next fiscal year.

Trustees' Report:

John Sutton presented.

Dave L. and Joe M. came up with the budget that was presented.

We are looking to clear out some of our old equipment.

We just picked up a new forklift that should last us 20 years.

We are having difficulty finding a company to mine the lead in shotgun. We decided to wait another year before we mine the lead.

We are working on getting our insurance updated.

We continue to discuss enabling the use of our badges as gate keys. We are still working on this. We just hired a new ground keeper. He started last week.

Thank you, Ted and Ron, for how much they do to get money for our brass. They do a lot of work. We have a goal of acquiring 300 new members over this coming year.

We continue to talk about updating Range 4. We are still thinking about what we want to do. Potential us is for crossbows and axe throwing.

Treasurer's Report:

Joe Maggiora presented.

Last year we did pretty good with our range income. Our expenses were high, and we still did good. We had a gross profit of about \$950,000. Our expenses were about \$908,000. We had a net income of about \$42,000. We have about \$2,000,000 cash on hand in the bank. Our proposed budget for this coming fiscal year is \$965,000. The expenses we have planned are

\$1,020,000. So, we plan ot lose \$63,000 by the end of this coming fiscal year.

Dave Levinson moved to accept Joe M.'s budget

proposal for FY2024-2025. Scott Ray seconded. Passed.

Old Business:

Joe R. provided a 501c3 update. Joe spoke with our attorney who filed the paperwork. She is very optimistic this will happen. It is close to being decided. By the July meeting, we should have the decision. Because of this, we will work hard

to get the bylaws updated to support being a 501c3 organization.

New Business:

Because everyone ran unopposed for board member positions, Dale Sieg read the list of positions running unopposed:

Joe Rinaldi for President.

Joe Maggiora for Treasurer.

Dale Sieg for Recording Secretary.

Martin Morehouse for Corresponding Secretary.

John Sutton for Trustee Elect.

Scott Ray for Trustee.

Aaron Morales for Trustee.

Joe Rinaldi moved to elect the officers as read by Dale. Seconded by Dave Levinson. Passed. Dale mentioned the 2nd Vice President position is open. Joe R. asked for nominations for the 2nd Vice President.

Dave Levinson moved to elect Dave Rusko as the 2nd Vice President. Aaron Morales seconded.

We will be updating our bylaws, and we will add a membership disciplinary committee to investigate violations. Once ready, they will be brought to the membership for a vote.

We talked about the committee to handle disciplinary issues. A member asked if the committee would have authority. Joe R. said he believes the committee could suspend the person, but a vote of the members would need to be required for disciplinary action.

Michael Parent shared information on what is happening with FFLs. We lost 200 FFLs in the state of Washington because of new laws. With HB2118 coming into effect, Michael asked the board to expand the shack to comply with the new law. The board is okay with his plans and he will proceed.

For the Good of the Order: Joe Presented three awards.

Gerard H. Loupe award was given to Wilbur Loo. Wilbur said a couple words about Gerard. Gerard would help people and expected nothing in return. Wilbur learned this from him. Wilbur fixes things and helps people and does not charge anything.



Member of the year was given to Dave Rusko, Aaron Morales, and Gabe Shank. Thank you for all the volunteering you do for us.



Instructor of the year was given to Robb Stack. He spoke about the training he has done. He loves seeing the new members and people enjoying shooting.



Ted Hudlow said we earned \$160 for the youth shooting programs at our last swap meet.

A member asked if Martin brought up the idea to the club about buying a used van to take people to Olympia for events. The board has not discussed that yet.

Robb S. asked what came from Peter Goodwin's marketing work. Scott Ray shared a summary of what was accomplished. One thing is we came up with a plan for the year. One item is to increase membership by 300 this coming year. We got a lot of programs started because of his work. We cleaned up a lot of things around the range.

Joe thanked Jeff Gomes for his service on the board and at the club.

Joe Rinaldi moved to adjourn at 8:43 PM. Patty Woolley seconded. Passed.

Respectfully submitted by Dale Sieg, Recording Secretary.