



# ***The Bull Sheet***

**Paul Bunyan Rifle and Sportsman's Club**

**Puyallup, WA**

**Established 1945**

**APRIL 2024**

## **MARCH MEETING NOTES**

Ken Swasey was nominated by the board to fill the remainder of the late Jim Steward's term. Ken, an avid rifle shooter and fisherman has previously served on the board. Ken brings a lot of general range knowledge and club experience to the board.

The red line on the pistol range floor will soon be painted yellow to match the rifle range. Expect parts of the pistol range to be closed off while the paint dries.

The club is looking for a new shotgun chairman. The chairman will be required to have the shotgun range open at 10am on the third Sunday of each month, operate the automated trap thrower, and assist members with their shotgun techniques. We will no longer have the shotgun range open on the first Wednesday evening of the month due to a lack of participation. Until we find a permanent shotgun chairman, Master-at Arms Cody Lovelace will fill the position. If you are interested in applying for the position, contact any board member or email us [here](#).

Bob Wendt reports that the Monday evening smallbore league has ended. Alec Patajo was the overall league winner. The Spring fun rifle league, with alternating rimfire and centerfire evenings, starts April 8<sup>th</sup>.

The board voted to allow the disciplinary committee the authority to temporarily suspend club access to rules violators under certain circumstances. If the committee, as a whole, agrees that the rule violations were flagrant or severe enough to jeopardize club safety, violator access may be suspended until the committee or board can meet with the member.

## **PAUL BUNYAN BEGINNING SHOOTING COURSE**

The Paul Bunyan Rifle & Sportsman's Club will host a Beginning Pistol Shooting Course April 27-28. The course will be taught by NRA Certified Instructors and will cover the basics of safe and proper gun handling and pistol shooting. Participants will learn about firearm safety, parts and operation, shooting fundamentals, care and cleaning, storage options, selection, and more. Course hours are 9 AM - 4 PM both days. To obtain a registration packet, send an email with your name, address and phone number to the point of contact listed below. Advance registration and deposit of course fee (\$40) is required. Seating is limited to the first 10 students to register. Membership in Paul Bunyan R&S Club and/or the NRA is not required in order to attend this course. Email the point of contact for additional information regarding kids age 12 to 17 years of age.

Point of contact: Dennis Wilcox  
[spindleblaster@msn.com](mailto:spindleblaster@msn.com) (preferred) or 253-841-9309

## **MEMBERSHIP**

The club would like to welcome the 23 new members for April. Scott Fenimore, Andrew Johnson, Doug Dickman, Robert Webster, Galen Jones, Kyle Sperring, Dennis Daigger, Jeffrey Elliott, Sonny Kwan, LeeAnn Lockert, Yashvir Virk, Robert Hon, Charles Liptaak, Nathan Olotoa, Joseph Coghill, Nicholas Lee, Jeff Frezer, Brice Carroll, Mark Bussey, Jordan Thaanum, Tyler Haller, Michael Schotter and Joni Pipkin were all voted into the club at the general meeting.

## RANGE OFFICERS NEEDED

The club is looking for a few range safety officers to fill both paid and volunteer positions. The volunteer positions are for weekday/evening schedules, while the paid positions are for weekend coverage, usually from noon to closing. Presently, we have an opening for a Saturday and an evening position. Schedules can vary and are somewhat flexible. If you are interested in serving as a range safety officer, contact Chief Range Safety Officer Dave Farrow via email [here](#) or at 253-886-1069.

## PISTOL SILHOUETTE

Bret Stuntebeck  
February 3, 2024

We put 26 entries across the line this month. It was clear and cold when I got to the range with temps around 40 and got to about 50 by the end of the match. We had two new shooter this month. Michael Averre and his wife Cheryl came up from Vancouver to shoot with us. We always welcome new shooters. On to the results of the match.

Two 40's this month. The first by myself in UAS-Int, 40 and the second by Richard Nicol with a re-entry in UAS-AAA,40. I posted an U-Int, 38 followed by Jim Harris with a U-Int, 35. Michael Averre posted a R-A, 23. Michael Avery also posted a very nice S-AAA, 24 followed by Michael Cornwall with a S-AA, 16 shooting a 1911 in 45ACP. Michael Cornwall also posted a UHS-Unc, 22. Not bad for a first time out and with no sight settings. Steve Parsons and Nicholas Papagalos both posted US-AA, 21's.

In Smallbore, Steve Bishop posted a UAS-AA, 33. Michael Cornwall posted a U-AA, 31. Steve Bishop posted a P-AAA, 24. Ally Schaffer posted a US-B 9. Cheryl Averre posted a S-A, 8. In Field Pistol, I posted a PAS-AAA, 23 followed by Nicholas Papagalos with a PAS-AA, 19. Joe Stumpf posted a P-AA, 14. Nicholas Papagalos posted a PAS-AA, 20

Our target setter did a great job this month. Thanks to all who came out to shoot the match and also to those who stayed to help pick up targets after the match.

Until next time shoot straight and be safe.

## BB

Class	Name	Gun/Caliber	Score
R-AA	Joe Stumpf, R	FA: 357MAG	19
-A	Michael Averre	DW: 44MAG	23
S-AAA	Michael Averre	MER: 357MAG	24
-AA	Michael Cornwall	1911: 45ACP	16
U-INT	Bret Stuntebeck	RAMPRO: 6.5BR	38
-AAA	Steve Bishop	XP-100: 7TCU	32
UAS-INT	Bret Stuntebeck	XP-100: 7BR	40
-AAA	Richard Nicol	TC: 7TCU	32
US-AAA	Steve Parsons	TC: 7TCU	21
-AA	Nicholas Papagalos	TC: 223	21

## HS

UASHS-AA	Michael Cornwall	TC: 243	22
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## SB

P-AAA	Steve Bishop	RUGER: 22 LR	24
S-A	Cheryl Averre	RUGER: 22 LR	8
U-AA	Michael Cornwall	HI STD: 22 LR	31
UAS-AA	Steve Bishop	RUGER: 22 LR	33
US-B	Allison Schaffer	RUGER: 22 LR	9

## FP

P-AA	Joe Stumpf, R	TC: 22H	14
PAS-AAA	Bret Stuntebeck	TC: 22H	23
-AA	Nicholas Papagalos	TC: 22LR	19
	Joe Stumpf, R	TC: 22H	13

## JUNIORS

Doug Shellenberger

Due to a calendar conflict with a scheduled ROTC match, we only had 6 shooters participate in the last air rifle match of the year at Paul Bunyan. Two of our junior shooters shot very well, taking first and second place in the NRA Air Rifle sectionals held here March 17<sup>th</sup>. Arkin Arranza shot a 563 while Cheyenne Pecotte shot a 560, both very nice scores. Arkin's scores were enough to qualify him for the junior air rifle Nationals at the Colorado Springs Olympic training held in April. The club will donate funds to help with his travel expenses. Complete match scores can be found on the Orion website [here](#).

Starting April 2<sup>nd</sup>, the juniors will move from the pistol range to the rifle range for their Tuesday evening practices.

## BLACK POWDER MATCH

Eric Burkhead

The fourth Sunday of March dawned with clear skies and brisk temps. "March: In like a lion and out like a lamb." Thirteen intrepid muzzleloader shooters gathered at the firing line for a course of four relays, three from the bench and the closest at offhand. The Bullseye targets allowed 7 shots, counting the highest 5 scores.

Tim Klima served as match director and designed a challenging course with a long-range relay: Seventy-five yards (a ways out there for round-ball rifles) at the 6-inch double-bull Buffalo target, 50 yards at the 4-inch Bullseye target and 25 yards offhand at the Woodchuck target, for a total of 20 scoring shots and 200 points possible. Bill Sick and Eric Burkhead provided precision scoring services.

The match results:

1	Rich Pogue	191-4x
2	Cody Mehr	184-3x
3	Tim Klima	177-7x
4	Mark Merwin	175-5x
5	Dwain Anderson	165-5x
6	Jerry Mayo	165
7	Mike Nesbit	153
8	Lawrence S.	155-1x
9	Mike Holeman	153
10	Bob DeLisle	147-2x
11	Doug Kitchens	140-2x
12	Jim Haeckel	115
13	Darrell Behounek	89

A work party to prepare for the annual Rendezvous (May 24-27) is scheduled for Saturday-April 6<sup>th</sup>. The next monthly match will be held on Sunday-April 28<sup>th</sup>.

See you there!

## CLUB CAPS AND SHIRTS

We have club logo tee shirts and sweatshirts in all sizes available for sale. We are asking \$15 for the tee shirts (we have a few special ordered white tee shirts) and \$20 (\$25 for the XXL) for the sweatshirts. We have solid back caps as well for \$12. The proceeds on these items go to support the junior program. If you are interested, get in touch with Doug Shellenberger at 253-846-6767 or see him at the range.

## ACTION SHOOTING INTERNATIONAL (ASI) UPDATE

Jackie Russo

March's match roared in like a lion with a combination of sun, blue skies, turn to snow, turning to ice pellets and a return to sun with an accompanying perfect arched rainbow! Despite the frenetic weather pattern, all 52 attendees to include a cadre of juniors, had a great time at the St. Paddy's Day themed match.



Shooters enjoyed 6 stages, to include finding a pot o' gold, shillelagh shenanigans and an evil, lethal leprechaun. Stages were decorated appropriately – embracing the green, gold and shamrocks. Most stages were around 12 rounds, not including the, most anticipated: BONUS Stage. A Bonus Stage is 'ASI-like' but may have a few more pieces of steel or extra targets.

Dillon's *The Blue Press* recently published my story on ASI's The Senior Classic in its February issue. You can read all about it [here](#) on page 22.

Interested in joining us in the Action Pistol Bays for an upcoming ASI match? It's as simple as pre-registering on Practiscore ([www.practiscore.com](http://www.practiscore.com)) and finding us under Matches and searching for *ASI at Paul Bunyan*. Not interested in going on-line a registering? Walk-ons always welcome – just check-in at the Stat Shack before 9:45 am.



New Shooter Orientation (NSO) is required if this is new for you...just bring your gear, gun in a case or range bag, at least 2 boxes of ammo and ear and eye pro. Match Director Joey Russo will host NSO at 9 am in Bay 1. Range fee for Paul Bunyan members is \$20. You do not need to be a member of Bunyan to enjoy a match – but the fee is \$25.

Learn more about ASI by clicking on the “More” tab at the top of Bunyan’s webpage and going to Pistol Shooting and locate Action Shooting International.

April’s Foolish Match will be Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>. May’s Match, Saturday the 4<sup>th</sup>, will be a Fundraiser for Cancer Research for Fred Hutch. In addition to our regular match, there will be a drawing for at least 4 bountiful gun-themed baskets of goodies. Tickets will be available day of match with a suggested donation of \$5 per ticket. All donations go directly to Fred Hutch. Tickets will be drawn at Shooters Briefing prior to start of match.

This match, titled *Target Cancer*, will feature cancer cell images (leukemia, sarcoma, colon, kidney, breast, prostate and lung) on the threat targets down zeros and the requisite corresponding awareness ribbon on the non-threat ones.

For those who may not be aware – ASI Match Director, Joey Russo was diagnosed with a rare sarcoma and had severe surgery to remove the tumor, and currently is managing the range and home life in a wheelchair (see story [here](#))

We hope to see you at one or more of our matches in 2024. If you have questions – please reach out via email at: [paulbunyanasi@gmail.com](mailto:paulbunyanasi@gmail.com)

## **IDPA HOSTS MAJOR MATCHES IN APRIL AND JULY**

Jackie Russo

Paul Bunyan will play host to IDPA’s Western Washington Regional this April. This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> year for the match – beginning April 23<sup>rd</sup> when set-up commences. The actual match is Saturday, the 27<sup>th</sup>.

Then, on July 27<sup>th</sup>, it is the 2024 Washington State IDPA Championship. This is the 4<sup>th</sup> year for the match at Paul Bunyan. Set-up begins on July 22<sup>nd</sup> and the actual match runs from Friday, the 26<sup>th</sup> till Sunday, the 28<sup>th</sup>.

IDPA competitors from out of state have signed up, in addition to our locals. There will be folks making camp around the shotgun range for a few days, too. If you see fishing vest sporting persons wandering around the range – be sure to offer a warm welcome.

## **FIREWOOD FOR SALE**

We have lots of firewood for sale at \$50 for a pick-up truck load. This wood is in log form and is easily accessible to those who want to purchase some. Contact Doug Shellenberger at 253-846-6767 you are interested.

## **USED BRASS FOR SALE**

Darrell Behounek has lots of used brass for sale. He has most handgun calibers available as well as a lot of rifle calibers. Rifle brass is ten cents each and pistol brass is six cents each. The proceeds from the brass sales go to help the junior program. You can reach Darrell at 253-267-5087.

## CARETAKERS REPORT

Doug Shellenberger

We have been splitting the wood recently collected from around the property over the past few months. Most of the wood is half rotten from sitting on the ground for so long. We are salvaging what we can use in our wood stoves.

We had the necessary repairs done on the 300-yard line irrigation system that we reported on last month. A new valve was installed and a bit of supply pipe consolidation was completed. The mole that caused a lot of the damage is still at large, but we are hoping to bring him, or her, to justice soon.

An air leak in the piston assembly that controls the turning pistol range targets used for bullseye shooting is starting to cause problems. We are looking into replacing the unit.

We are having trouble with the red lights on the rifle range again. We have an electrician scheduled to come out to make the necessary repairs. Please be extra careful during this time.

## BLACK POWDER PISTOL TRAIL WALK

Eric Burkhead

The month of March witnessed continuing development of the Paul Bunyan Black Powder Pistol Trail Walk and Clubhouse (nicknamed the 'Dismal Nitch' in honor of Lewis & Clark). A dozen Paul Bunyan members have contributed time and materials to get this new discipline to 98% of completion and now ready for use by all members of our Paul Bunyan Club. This project has been a productive 12 months in the making!



The former shotgun range storage shed has been refurbished into a warm and welcoming Clubhouse for Pistol Trail and Shotgun shooters to enjoy relaxation and companionship out of our NW winter weather. Several firewood sheds have been constructed and filled for the woodstove. The final step will be to pressure wash and paint the exterior of the building, weather permitting.



The Trail through our sylvan woodlot has been cleared, smoothed and covered with woodchips for ease of walking. March has seen the addition of numerous benches along the path for resting and loading. A total of 20 creative metal targets are hung along the Trail for the full shooting experience.

Now that the Black Powder Pistol Trail Walk is in full operation, all Paul Bunyan members are invited to come out and dust off their BP pistols and cap and ball revolvers. Scheduled shoots are on the first and third Thursdays at 1:00--4:00pm and the second Sunday of the month at 10:00am—1:00pm. See you there!

## FREE FIREARMS SAFETY TRAINING

Scoring Systems of Vancouver, WA is offering a free online firearms training course to meet the MINIMUM statutory requirements of HB1143 and I-1639, to the letter of the law. Click [here](#) for more information on their website.

