

Upper Nisqually Sportsmen's Club www.uppernisquallysportsmensclub.com

FEBRUARY 2024

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Welcome to February friends.

The range use during Januarys cold snap reduced usage significantly. Too dang cold to shoot!

In the last newsletter, we started sharing Incidents and Results and receiving good positive feedback. The members that I've spoken with are glad to read that when something negative occurs, there's a reaction from the Board.

The good news this month is that there are no major incidents to share. We've a couple minor incidents that were corrected quickly. One that comes to mind is a new member (very new) that left the "Personal Downrange" sign out while shooting. He was very apologetic and quickly resolved the error. Easy fix, and I'm fairly certain that it won't happen again with that member.

The biggest takeaway lesson is to read and follow the rules posted at each range.

Something else comes to mind. In each range, there is an orange bucket containing spent brass. That brass is intended for recycling by the Range Officer and Caretaker. I happened to watch a member drive from range to range emptying the brass bucket for personal recycling. Please don't do that. If a member wants to pick up brass, please go to the Steel ranges and the 100-yard range. There's quite a bit on the ground to pick up.

The club will be having a range clean up April 13th or April 20th. We'll have more to come on that in March.

We have some pretty good news regarding the heat in the clubhouse. It's been repaired and is working very well! Thanks, Cal, for coordinating that effort.

The Board has approved having a Swap Meet again this year. It will be March 30 at the 600-yard range.

Thanks, Pat & Dave

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MEMBERSHIP TOTALS AS OF JANUARY 17, 2024

We have a total of 2,169 active members [Adults—1,801 and Youth—368]

Break down includes Lifetime Memberships—230

(active—130) (no contact for 1-7 years—100) (removed from roster—49 due to passing, request, or no contact for over 7 years)

Individual Memberships—709

Family Memberships—439

(Adults—862)(Youth—368)

We have 174 members that have not yet renewed. (Not included in above totals.)

WHAT IS HAPPENING AT THE CLUB

SWAP MEET MARCH 30, 2024

We are opening up attendance guidelines to include two guests per member. Sign in for the Swap Meet will happen at the 600-yard range.

Guests will be charged \$10 each and issued a wristband.

The guest will not be allowed to shoot that day without going through the normal sign in process at the 550-yard range.

We will have an FFL dealer onsite, and we will follow the current 10-day waiting period.

We are limiting sales to firearm and archery related items only. It's not a flea market.

Registration forms and bench assignments will take place at the March Board Meeting.

Space is limited to the 600-yard benches. If we have an overflow, you'll need to bring a pop-up and table.

If you have questions, please contact Pat Beireis at 206-200-0621 or pdbeireis@comcast.net.

We are looking for a member to take over the event for subsequent years, so feel free to step up.

A NOTE FROM THE RANGE OFFICER

Quick reminder for those using the pistol range.

Do not fire in front of the firing line.

Do not move the steel targets closer to the firing line.

Both actions make it unsafe for you and all the other members on the range.

If you see this occurring, please immediately report it.

When you bring a guest, remember you are responsible for your guests from the point that you enter the gate with them to the time they leave with you. Your guest must sign themselves in. You cannot sign them in as that is a federal offense. Guests must also pay the guest fee. Remember to place your names on the guest fee envelope.

For those members that have not been out here in a long time, please review the range rules boards to make sure that you have not forgotten anything.

We have noted the use of armor piercing ammunition on the 185 yd range. This is a MAJOR violation of club rules.

If you do not follow the rules, your membership is on the line.

LOST BADGES AND KEYCARD FEES

If you lose your badge, you will need to pay the \$10 replacement fee.

If you lose your keycard, you will need to pay the \$25 replacement fee.

Total of \$35 for both.

Please keep them in a safe place.

All paid members should have received their new badge and keycard. If not, please contact Debra.

MEMBERSHIP BADGES
MUST BE VISIBLE AND
WORN ABOVE THE
WAIST AT ALL TIMES
WHILE ON CLUB
PROPERTY!

Check the current calendar on the website for full details on current opportunities to join in UNSC Events or contact the discipline leaders.

FEBRUARY 2024		MARCH 2024	
2—Friday Night Family	14—50 BMG Load	I—Friday Night Family	13—50 BMG Load
Trap	Development	Trap	Development
3—ARA Rimfire Shoot	16—Friday Night Family	2—ARA Rimfire Shoot	15—Friday Night Family
4—50 BMG	Trap	3—50 BMG	Trap
5—Board Meeting	17—Private Event Trap/	4—Board Meeting and	17—Benchrest & Sporting
6—Tuesday Morning	Skeet	Membership Meeting	Rifle
Trap	18—Benchrest	5—Tuesday Morning Trap	19—Tuesday Morning Trap
7—Meat Shoot	20—Tuesday Morning	5—Private Event 50 YD	20—Meat Shoot
9—Friday Night Family	Trap	6—Meat Shoot	22—Friday Night Family
Trap	21—Meat Shoot	6—Private Event 50 YD	Trap
10—Orientation	23—Friday Night Family	8—Friday Night Family	23—Speed Steel
II—BPCRS	Trap	Trap	23—Sporting Clays
11—4-H	24—Speed Steel	9—Orientation	24—4-H
13—Tuesday Morning	25—4-H	10—4-H	26—Tuesday Morning Trap
Trap	27— Tuesday Morning	12—Tuesday Morning Trap	29—Friday Night Family
14—Range Maintenance	Trap	13—Range Maintenance	Trap
550 YD closed		550 YD closed	30—Swap Meet

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Tuesday Morning Trap

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Do you have a business or a talent? Are you interested in helping out at the club? Please contact the discipline leaders if you are interested in helping at the events. Please contact Steve Bennett, Mike, or Cal if you are interested in volunteering at the club. We are always looking for volunteers as our club is maintained by volunteer help.

You can also advertise on our website in the Who Does It tab. Do you have something for the classified page on the website? Contact Debra via email with all the details.



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RETURN SERVICE

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LIFETIME MEMBERS

Only those Lifetime members that keep in contact with the club will receive the new badge and keycard.

All Lifetime Members have been mailed a letter and form to update their information. If you know of a Lifetime Member that has not received this, please let them know that the form is available at the club and on the website. They can also contact Debra directly.

Any Lifetime Member that has not provided the UNSC with some form of contact for seven years shall be dropped from the Voting Membership count. The Secretary will maintain the name(s) of all dropped Lifetime Members for no less than an additional seven years postdate of the dropping from membership. Any dropped Lifetime Member shall be reinstated upon re-establishment of contact with the UNSC.

ANNUAL RENEWAL

Members can still renew with a \$75 late fee through January 31, 2024. After that point, members will need to go through the entire new membership process including having a sponsor and paying the \$300 initiation fee.

Help us keep everyone safe. The Speed Limit on all range property is 5 MPH.

Please contact Debra with comments and concerns at ReinkeConsulting.Debra@gmail.com