

## The Bull Sheet

Paul Bunyan Rifle and Sportsman's Club
Established 1945

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#### OCTOBER MEETING NOTES

If you are a match director or chairperson who needs to put an entry on the calendar or submit a budget request for 2024, now is the time to send in those requests which are due by November 1<sup>st</sup>. Send the calendar information to Vice President Mike Moran by clicking here, and the budget requests to Treasurer Bob Wendt by clicking here. We will be finalizing these items at the November and December meetings.

The November general and board meetings will be moved up one week to the 17<sup>th</sup> to accommodate the Thanksgiving holiday. The December meetings will also be moved up one week to the 15<sup>th</sup> for the Christmas holiday.

Those who plan on running for a club office are invited to submit a short (2 to 3 paragraphs) biography that will be included in the December BullSheet. The biographies must be received by the November 18<sup>th</sup> board meeting to be included in the December BullSheet.

President Tessina Hurley is requesting all match directors and chairpersons attend the November board meeting, either in person or virtually, so we can discuss the 2024 calendar and resolve any conflicts. The proposed 2024 calendar will soon be online for review and adjustments. Contact me <a href="here">here</a> if you would like to attend the meeting virtually.

The <u>Port Angeles Gun Club</u> is soliciting donations for a new roof for their clubhouse. The existing roof is no longer repairable, and the cost of a new roof will be in excess of \$25K. If you would like to help out with a donation, click <u>here</u> to visit their website.

The 100/200-yard .22 rifle match scheduled for November 18<sup>th</sup> has been cancelled. These matches will resume in the spring.

### NOMINATIONS FOR CLUB OFFICERS

Mike Moran

Elections for next year's club officers will be coming up in December, and we are always encouraging members to get involved in running the club. If you'd like to find out more about it, the position descriptions are listed in the Paul Bunyan Constitution, or you can contact one of the current board members. We will call for nominations in November. Are you ready to throw your name in the hat?

## ACTION PISTOLS TOYS-4-TOTS TOY DRIVE AT PAUL BUNYAN

Jackie Russo

Paul Bunyan has supported this Pierce County Toy Drive for years. It's been one of those matches everyone looks forward to shooting. Both IDPA and ASI contribute toys and donations at their two matches.

This year IDPA's toy drive is November 25 – the Saturday after Thanksgiving. An excellent time to purchase an extra toy during the Black Friday sales! ASI will have their drive on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Both matches welcome donations or a new, unwrapped toy in lieu of a range fee

We welcome new folks to either matches, – offering New Shooter Orientation at 8:30 for IDPA and 9:00 for ASI. We shoot regardless of the weather! Bring your hand warmers and rain gear and your favorite pistol!

Lastly, IDPA for December is rescheduled for Sunday, December 3, following ASI's Saturday match. Double the Pistol Packing Fun for this weekend.

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#### THE 2023 ASI SENIOR CLASSIC

Jackie Russo

David Mamet's beloved quote, "Old age and treachery will always beat youth and exuberance" could be an apt metaphor for Action Shooting International's (ASI) 3rd Annual Senior Classic, held at Paul Bunyan on September 30th. This match, opened to safe shooters of all ages, presented custom engraved pocket watches as awards to the top competitors aged 50 and above and one < 50 years, top shooter with recognition as "Top Whippersnapper".

Senior categories ranged from Senior (50-59) Super Senior (60-69) Elder statesman (70 and up), recognizing both top 3 optics and iron sights. High ladies, most accurate. enforcement (active or retired) and military/veteran received awards also. Overall Senior winner earned a very special Wood Cane featuring a Grandpa Tick Tock engraved plate. However, surprisingly, the most coveted was Top Whippersnaper – a nostalgic bronze baby shoe acquired from The Goodwill! All awards were created by Orting's Brent Craven at River's Edge Arms (https://riversedgearms.com).

This year's Senior Classic featured seven new original stages titled "Grocery Outlet Shootout" where targets must be engaged while pushing a grocery cart, "Poo Happens", a seated stage where the start position is seated on toilet holding a magazine while a Velcro belt is secured at the knees-simulating pants at the ankles; "This Walker is Made for Shooting" a one-handed, stationary, shooting only, requiring the idle hand grasping the walker; the all steel stage, "Don't Steel My Senior Discount" had 11 poppers of various sizes; and lastly, "Paul Propman in Peril" the range's man-sized prop is wedged between 2 targets requiring precision accelerated shots before moving to the next array. Stray round hits "Paul"? An immediate DQ from the match will follow. Happily, "Paul" remained unscathed and can return for another match.

For 2023, a total of 92 shooters accepted the challenge, including 25 registering as Whippersnapper. For New Shooter Orientation (NSO) 11 newbies completed the 45-minute presentation by ASI Range Officers J. Morgan and C. Parker. And we welcomed 14 ladies, hoping to see those numbers grow in 2024. Top Senior Shooter went to Eric Burcham and Top Whippersnapper honors went to Jacob Bryant.

On a special note, we welcomed the return to the range of ASI match director Joey Russo. Equipped with the new rugged Freedom Chair, he can maneuver across the range with ease.



Joey and Jackie Russo with top whippersnapper Jacob Bryant

ASI is a perfect introduction to the moving shooting sports. Regular scheduled matches feature stages from the ASI catalog and require around 2 boxes of ammo. Firearm calibers from .22 - .45 are accepted. No holster required as all stages feature table or low-ready starts. Generally, stages are 6 or 7. For specialty matches like this one, there's a bit more latitude for stage plans and fun props.

Our matches are the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month. Please confirm on the on-line calendar, however, for possible scheduling conflicts. Preregistration is preferred on PracticeScore – find us under ASI at Paul Bunyan.

#### LADIES LEAGUE

Jackie Russo

There's a crisp cool feeling in the air- a hint of pumpkin spice, the crunch of fallen leaves and the range's peak a bas back added

and the range's peek-a-boo buck added.



Yes – fall has arrived and the Ladies League is ready! We will continue to have our events on the first Wednesday and third Sunday of each month in the covered and heated pistol bays – located next to the rifle range.

This month we held our Wednesday 'Girlz Night Out' event on the shotgun range. No experience necessary! Just bring 2 boxes of shells and a small range fee – and gals were good to blast away, those pesky clays! Some brought their own shotguns, otherwise there were range guns available to use. Shotgun range events are held sporadically – so if you're interested in participating it will be posted on the Paul Bunyan calendar.



Sunday, we gathered in the pistol bays and did a little warm-up practice session. Afterwards, we had a skill challenge of cutting a playing card in half with a bullet. The perfect formation of grip, sight alignment, stance, breath control and the gentle presssss of the trigger and Viola! Card sliced! When all the parts unite; success! It's not as easy as it looks.



We welcome all ladies to our events. You do not have to be a member of the range. The only requirements are safe gun handling skills, a couple boxes of ammo for your handgun and eye and ear protection. Check the on-line range calendar prior to and confirm times. Also, there's more information on the website under Ladies Shooting League.

Hope to see you at the range!

#### MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME

It's that time of year again. Membership renewals are now due. To renew your club membership, use the renewal form in the printed BullSheet or get the form online <a href="here">here</a>. Club access has been cut off for those who have yet not renewed for 2024.

## CBA MILITARY MATCH RESULTS

Al Richardson October 15, 2022

Here are the match results for the last match of the year. We had a nice turnout considering it was an eclipse day! Another nice round turned in by Ron Heilman in scope class. Thanks to all for attending the matches this year. We hope to have you all shooting with us next year.

NAME	CLASS	100yd	200yd	Grand Agg
Ron Heilman	ms	199-14x	196-6x	395-20x
John Schauf	ms	196-6x	190-7x	386-13x
Bull Durham	ms	185-2x	178-3x	363-5x
Doug Shellenberger	ms	184-4x	168-3x	352-7x
Alice Gardner	ms	171-1x	162-3x	333-4x
Bud Hyett	ms	171-2x	dnf	171-2x
Ron Yatso	mi	193-6x	185-6x	378-12x
Bill Ellingson	mi	176-1x	182-3x	358-4x
Al Richardson	iss	186-5x	179-6x	365-11x
Don Tolman	iss	174-0x	169-0x	343-0x

IS=issue-as issued military rifle, no modifications
MI=modified iron-modifications allowed to sights, trigger and stock
MS= modified scope- modifications plus scopes allowed

## MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN POSITION ON THE BALLOT

Ben LoCicero, who has been the club membership chairman for many years, announced at the August board meeting that he is going to retire at the end of this year. We need interested candidates to run for the position in December. Candidates must be club members in good standing for at least one year, and must have good computer skills. Get in touch with a board member or email us here for more details.

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

The club would like to welcome the 12 new members for November. Todd Albano, William Baer, Justin Burn, Mike Cohn, Carolyn Cohn, Raymond McFadgen, Luis Rivera-Caceres, Douglas Sears, Troy Shelton, Bret Simons, Harry Tarrant and Justin Wells were all voted into the club at the general meeting. Welcome to all. Club membership stands at 1074 members for 2024.

#### **HUNTER SIGHT-IN 2023**

Darrell Behounek

The PBRSC hunter sight-in for 2023 has come to an end of another successful season. This is a fund raiser to help with the operating costs of the club as well as providing a community service event. This year we helped 391 non-member shooters with 511 guns sighted-in. This effort generated a \$5110 for the club.

We would like to thank the following club members that volunteered their expertise, knowledge, and most of all their hard work and time to make this happen: Brad Davis, Curtis Stahlecker, Mark Voigt, Bob Evans, Doug Nash, Ed Cole, Bill Sick, Tim Klima, Steve Skipper, Steve Brooks, Don Hehn, JR Inman, Ken Swasey, and Dave Farrow.

#### **AIRGUN RANGE SEASON**

Al Richardson

We will have the airgun range open for casual shooting starting November 1<sup>st</sup> at 6pm, shooting on alternating Wednesday evenings thru April (check the club calendar). This is a chance for those who like to shoot airgun, or are curious about it, to get some trigger time in our warm upstairs airgun range. This is just casual shooting from the bench, standing or prone positions. The range is open to air rifle and pistols with a velocity of less than 650fps for a .177 pellet. If you would like to give airgun shooting a try but don't have a gun, no problem. The club has a few guns for members to use. Please bring eye protection. If you would like more information, call me or send an email here.

#### **BLACK POWDER PISTOL TRAIL**

Mike Moran

The Black Powder Pistol Trail will now be open on the second Sunday of the month from 10 am to 2 pm. Have a muzzleloading pistol? Bring it out. Don't know anything about black powder? Come and find out. This is a non-competitive open range time for all Paul Bunyan members. This is for cast lead bullet, black powder, muzzleloader pistols only. During the open trail time, the shotgun range will be closed.

#### **BULLSEYE MATCH RESULTS**

**Dennis Wilcox** 

A bit of a gloomy day weather wise, but at least not unbearably cold and we stayed dry. A nice turnout; thanks to all for attending.

Congratulations to match winner John Lawless, and all the stage / aggregate winners.

Thanks to Tom Blank for spending the day with us as Line Officer.

The next match at Paul Bunyan is expected to be an 1800 on Saturday March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 (same course of fire).

John Lawless was the overall match winner with a very nice 1712-44x.

**MASTER** 

Baczuk, John 1697 71 x

**EXPERT** 

Gamble, Robert 1659 37 x

**SHARPSHOOTER** 

Croisier, James 1590 27 x

**MARKSMAN** 

Burks, R. Scott 1490 27 x

#### **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.

#### **CARETAKERS REPORT**

Doug Shellenberger

We have recently received several truckloads of wood chips that we have placed on the rifle range berms. The berms are now in good shape for next year.

We trimmed up some of the fir trees around the driveway area, making it easier to see the oncoming traffic on Meridian when leaving the range.

We had a Tacoma Power crew come out to replace the pole light near the gate touch pad. It had been blinking for a couple of weeks, not a good thing with the early darkness coming up.

The two water trailers we built up this summer for use in case of a fire at the range have been drained and put away for the winter.

The wood stove on the west end of the rifle range has a broken weld on one of the corners. Director John Morris volunteered to bring out his portable welder to repair the seam so we can use the stove this winter.

#### **JUNIORS**

Doug Shellenberger

The All-Army airgun match that was originally cancelled due to scheduling conflicts was recently placed back on the calendar. We had 13 shooters show up to compete in the standing-only match on the 28<sup>th</sup>. This match is part of a nationwide virtual match held at several ranges around the country. The Orion decimal scoring system was used, with a 10.9 being a perfect score, resulting in several scores over 600 for the 60-shot match. Complete match results can be found on the Orion Scoring system website here.

The Rogers High School ROTC director has contacted us about the possibility of allowing them to use our airgun range for some of their practice sessions. We are scheduled to meet with the director to work out the details.

#### **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 go to help the junior program. You can reach Darrell at 253-267-5087.

#### 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 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 <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a> or at 253-886-1069.

# October 2023 Newsletter PAUL BUNYAN PLAINSMEN

Monthly shoots held on the fourth Sunday of each month at 9:30 am
Monthly meetings held after the monthly shoots.
October through August. Rendezvous is Memorial Day weekend.
Paul Bunyan Rifle and Sportsmen's Club, 17902 Meridian East,
Puyallup, WA 98375
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<u>Monthly Match</u>. The next monthly match will be **Sunday, November 19th.** This will be our Thanksgiving Turkey Shoot, and will be one week earlier than normal to win that turkey for Thanksgiving dinner.

<u>Plainsmen Meeting.</u> The next Plainsmen meeting will be **Sunday, November 19**<sup>th</sup> **following the shoot.** 

**Work Party**. There is no work party scheduled for November.

Black Powder Pistol Trail. The trail has been operating for a few months now and it has been a success. Up to now it has been opened just on the first and third Thursdays of the month from 2-5 pm, with an RSO "on duty". The PBRSC board will now let us use the trail during any of the range maintenance times. That means for Plainsmen you can come in on your own, sign in at the shotgun range, put up the signs, and shoot away. We will still have an RSO on for other Paul Bunyan club members during the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday. Now that it is winter, the hours change to 1-4 pm to coincide with range maintenance.

<u>Ted Hogland Memorial, Friday, October 27th.</u> There will be a burial ceremony for Ted at the Mountain View Cemetery, Garden of Hope, 4100 Steilacoom Blvd, Tacoma at 11:30 am. It will be followed by a Celebration of Life at the Tacoma Firefighters Hall, 1109 S. 50<sup>th</sup> St, Tacoma. Please bring a side dish or dessert for the pot luck. **RSVP to** <u>TeresaJean0681@gmail.com</u> **by Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup>**.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- 19 NovPlainsmen Thanksgiving Turkey Shoot
- 17 Dec Plainsmen Christmas Toys for Tots Shoot
- 28 Jan Plainsmen / WSMA Silhouette Shoot
- 31 Jan-5 Feb WA Sportsmen's Show, Puyallup Fairgrounds
- 16-18 Feb Rain-Dee-Voo, Capitol City Rifle & Pistol Club
- 25 Feb Plainsmen Monthly Shoot
- 9-10 Mar Cascade Mt. Men Gunshow, Enumclaw
- 23 Mar WSMA Fundraising Banquet, Tacoma Sportsmen's Club

24 Mar Plainsmen Monthly Shoot

28 Apr Plainsmen Monthly Shoot

17-19 May Women's Primitive Skills

23-27 May Plainsmen Rendezvous

#### **Plainsmen October Monthly Shoot**

We had a good crowd for the October muzzleloader shoot at Paul Bunyan on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. For this match, three paper targets were selected, all shot at 25 yards. The California X and the Rabbit each received five shots, and the double bullseye Buffalo target got five shots at each bullseye, for a total of 20 shots. Scoring would be as the target rings indicated, with 10 possible points per shot, or a total possible score of 200.

The shoot commenced at 9:30 am with the shooter's meeting then the targets were posted. The 11 shooters began firing away, filling the air with smoke. One of the "newer" shooters was Dakota Tew, our

new Toys for Tots representative who shot with us for the first-time last December. Dakota had a triple handicap – he doesn't normally shoot muzzleloaders, he



was borrowing Jim Haeckel's gun, and he had Bill Sick as a coach- but he did fine and had lots of fun.

Our next muzzleloader shoot will be on Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, which will be our Thanksgiving Turkey shoot. Until then, keep your powder dry.

Mike Moran	185-2X
Mike Nesbitt	173-5X
Jim Haeckel	171-2X
Tim Klima	166-2X
Dwayne Anderson	164-4X
Rich Pogue	162-1X
Bob DeLisle	159
Mark Merwin	145
Darrell Behounek	126
Jerry Mayo	117
Dakota Tew	77



Dakota Tew loads under Bill Sick's watchful eye.