



# ***The Bull Sheet***

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

**Established 1945**

**Puyallup, WA**

**AUGUST 2026**

## **JULY MEETING NOTES**

Bob Wendt reports that the NW International High-Power rifle matches will be held over the Labor Day weekend, closing the range from 7am to 4pm each day. This is the last big high-power match of the year. Click [here](#) for the match program.

Our annual Youth Day here at the range will be held Saturday August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 9am to 3:30pm. This a free event, open to the public, for anyone under 18 years old. This is a great opportunity for kids to shoot a rifle, shotgun, muzzleloader rifle, and bow and arrow under the careful supervision of our club volunteers. The kids are also taught firearm safety by Certified Hunter Education Instructors. Get in touch with Bill Montgomery at 360-893-5574 if you have questions. As a side note, we could use a few volunteers to assist with the event. No special skills needed, just the willingness to help some of the kids during the event.

We will soon replace both the American and the Washington State flags on the pole near the clubhouse. These flags have been flying since 2018 and are really showing their age.

We will be holding a CMP high-power 600yd practice Saturday August 15<sup>th</sup>, 7am to 2pm. If you have been wanting to test your skills at 600 yards, here is your chance. Get in touch with [Doug Nash](#) for more information.

Eric Burkhead presented candidate information on those running for public office in the August 4<sup>th</sup> election. Those candidates who are more gun friendly vs those who are not pretty much runs along party lines as expected. For the judicial offices, we have some information on our website "[News and Upcoming Events](#)" page.

## **HUNTER SIGHT-IN WORK PARTY**

We will be having our annual work party on the rifle range **Sunday August 16<sup>th</sup>, 9am to noon**, in order to get ready for hunter sight-in. Your help is needed. Hunter sight-in is a big money maker for the club which helps keep your dues low, and a lot of work is necessary to get us ready. We will be working on building new target frames and rebuilding some of the old ones, patching targets, filling sandbags and some other miscellaneous chores that need to be completed before sight-in begins. None of this is difficult work but it needs to be done. If you can spare a couple of hours, please join us at the range. Volunteering your time would help the club and would be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, contact Darrell Behounek at (253) 267-5087

## **BLACK POWDER PISTOL TRAIL**

Eric Burkhead

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## PLAINSMEN TRADE GUN FROLIC

Eric Burkhead

July treated the annual muzzle loading Trade Gun Frolic to pleasant sunny weather, allowing shooters to 'keep their powder dry!' This event is sponsored by the Washington State Muzzleloaders Association and hosted by the Paul Bunyan Plainsmen.

A trade gun is a flintlock smoothbore long gun without a rear sight, shooting both birdshot/buckshot and round lead ball (typically .62 caliber (20 gauge). This type of gun was manufactured in quantity in Britain in the 1700's to mid-1800's for export to the Colonies and early Americas for trade to the Native Folks in exchange for furs. Having no rear sight and no rifling and being delayed flintlock ignition, this makes for a very challenging competition for today's primitive shooters.

The course of fire for this offhand match of 24 shots included 8 paper target shots on the single Bison target at 35 yards, followed with metal gongs- 2 shots each on Rabbit and Gopher gongs at 25 yards, 2 shots each on the Bison and Buffalo Head at 50 Yards and finally, 8 shots at flying clay birds on the shotgun range.

The Winners' Circle was, in order, Will Ulry, Jim Haeckel and Dan Albro. No podiums were available, but WSMA Medals were awarded and choices selected from the Prize-Out table.

Mark Curtis (former PB president) trekked down from Sequim to serve as able Boosway/Match Director. Bill Sick and Chris Tihbodeux operated the shotgun field. (Chris is our new Shotgun Chairman.) Chip Kormas handled registrations. And, helpful observers were Darrell Behounek and Dennis Daigger.

A good time was had by all, and we look forward to this competition again next year.

## 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 support the junior program. You can reach Darrell at 253-267-5087.

## ACTION SHOOTING INTERNATIONAL (ASI) HAPPENINGS

Jackie Russo

2026 Ladies Intro to Action Shooting International

There wasn't an ASI match in July due to a calendar conflict – but that didn't mean an idle month. In lieu of a match, ASI hosted "Ladies Intro to ASI" for Paul Bunyan's Ladies Shooting League. This introduction to competition shooting featured a classroom portion – which was outside because the weather was lovely, where ASI Range Officer Carrie Parker lead the ladies thru a step-by-step rules, range safety and shooting fundamentals. Next, ASI Range Officers Vickie Jennings, Kathy Nagle, Carrie Parker, Amber Prentice and myself led participants through basic firearms drills before advancing to sample ASI stages. For many, this was their first experience with a pistol-style match.



(l to r: Mary-Ann, Mariann, Emily, Emily, Shari, Jacki and Danika)

We wrapped up the day with new challenge, a slightly modified IDPA 5X5. International Defensive Pistol Association utilizes the 5X5 as a means to classify shooters in this discipline. The 5 X 5 consists of an IDPA target at 10 yds. The course of fire requires while drawing from the holster the shooter must complete 5 separate strings courses of fire. First string, is 5 shots freestyle (both hands). Second string, 5 shots dominate hand only. Third string, 5 shots then a reload with 5 more shots. Fourth and final

string, 4 shots to the body and 1 to the head box of the target. All times are then added together and missed shots add additional seconds to the shooters final time.

For this drill, the start position was firearm held at low ready for each string. Its purpose was to allow each student to experience a classifier and learn more about their capabilities. Afterwards, everyone completed this final drill they were able to take their target home for review and inspiration.

A big Thank You to our range officers and our students for making this course a success. Our next ASI match is August 1<sup>st</sup> – which is our Heavy Metal -themed Match, celebrating all metal guns and 80s Metal Bands. Bring your big hair, big guns and a sense of humor. It's always a rock n' rollin' good time! Oh – we do welcome Plastic-Fantansticks, too.

Our next match is October 3, The Senior Classic. Registration opens in late August. More details to follow.

## CARETAKERS REPORT

Doug Shellenberger

[Larson Logging](#) came out last Thursday to trim up the trees and brush along the roads to the 200-yard targets and to the 600-yard firing line. It has been a few years since these areas have been trimmed up. They took down a few small trees and trimmed all of the brush that was encroaching on the roads. We will have them come out again soon to trim up along the paths that weave through the range, many of which have become almost unusable. We later found a tree near the CONEX between the rifle and pistol ranges that is diseased and will have to be cut down. That will be a difficult job due to the location of the tree.

We had Josh from [Prestige Window Cleaning](#) come out to clean the needles and leaves off the roofs around the action bay area and to clean the gutters on the clubhouse and pistol shed. With all of the trees around the range, it doesn't take long before the gutters are stuffed full of needles and leaves. All of the roofs and gutters are now clean and ready for the upcoming winter rains.

## CAST BULLET ASSOCIATION (CBA) MILITARY MATCH RESULTS

Al Richardson

July 11, 2026

We had a nice turnout for the match today, and good weather to go with it.

John Schauf was the match winner in scope class with some very nice shooting.

Thanks to all for coming out and for your help with changing and scoring the targets. The last match of the year will be Saturday August 8<sup>th</sup>. See you then.

| NAME               | CLASS | 100yd  | 200yd  | Grand Agg |
|--------------------|-------|--------|--------|-----------|
| John Schauf        | ms    | 194-7x | 194-4x | 388-11x   |
| Alice Gardner      | ms    | 196-5x | 182-6x | 378-11x   |
| Doug Shellenberger | ms    | 172-3x | 172-2x | 344-5x    |
| Chris Lentz        | ms    | 163-0x | 179-3x | 342-3x    |
| Alan Lentz         | ms    | 164-1x | 143-1x | 307-2x    |
| Ron Yatso          | mi    | 151-0x | 176-2x | 327-2x    |
| Matt Hymer         | iss   | 189-2x | 189-4x | 378-6x    |
| Al Richardson      | iss   | 183-3x | 178-5x | 361-8x    |
| Dave Wilson        | iss   | 96-0x  | 143-0x | 239-0x    |
| Bill Ellingson     | unc   | 190-7x | 177-1x | 367-8x    |

ISS=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 RENEWAL TIME

Membership renewals are due by **August 31<sup>st</sup>**. To renew your club membership, download a renewal form [here](#). We will also have a few forms on the bulletin board by the range officer shack and in the print copy of the BullSheet. Dues can also now be paid with a credit card through our website by clicking [here](#).

If you have any questions about your membership, please contact membership secretary Cindy Thomas at 253-229-0106 or via email [here](#).

## FIREWOOD FOR SALE

We have firewood for sale at \$50 for a pick-up truck load (standard pickup bed filled to the bedrails). This wood is in log form and is easily accessible to those who would like to purchase some. Contact Doug Shellenberger at 253-846-6767 if you are interested.

# SURVIVAL GEAR FOR THE HUNT

Lynn White

Packing what you need to thrive and survive is an opinionated project. Everyone has their own list of **Magical Survival Tools**, **Super Food**, **Garden of Eden Water**, and most of all **Harry Potter Fire Starters**, but competing with that list is the last thing I want to do. What I'd like to do is humbly offer basic items that will help you make it back home. Hopefully this list covers what you need to survive if you don't thrive in the field. Being lost, injured, out of water, no shelter, and just plain old up the creek without a paddle is survivable, if you plan ahead by taking gear and sustenance that will assist you to find your way back to safety. I suggest the following and a burro to pack all of it:

- Compass and Map - If you know where you are on the map when you start your adventure, checking it occasionally, you will be able to navigate using the map and compass together.
- GPS - When working properly and having a good view of the sky, with batteries charged, and a good marked waypoint for camp or car will get you back to where you started. You will also be able to see on the live GPS map how far out and in what direction you are from camp. When you move, your ICON moves on the map.
- Take Extra Prescription Medicine.
- Fire Starting System – There are dozens of ways you can start a fire in an emergency. Take a system you are experienced in using. In addition, take matches, lighter, propane torch, and cotton balls soaked in Vaseline stuffed in a Rx medication container. Thanks Mike.
- First Aid Kit – Be prepared to treat cuts, broken bones, and depression from missing an elk at 75 yards.
- Water Treatment System – If you can carry enough water for the day that will suffice you. However, understand there are little tiny straws with water filters build into them that will clean and purify water enough to drink out of most lakes and streams if you run out of H<sub>2</sub>O.

- Miscellaneous Items – Add to the list nylon rope, pocket mirror, large garbage bags, poncho, signal flares, thermal blanket, hatchet, and food.
- WHISTLE – If lost, save your voice and blow a whistle.

**AS ALWAYS - STAY SAFE**

## 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 and \$20 (\$25 for the XXL) for the sweatshirts. We have solid back caps as well for \$17. 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.

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## MEMBERSHIP

Cindy Thomas

The club would like to welcome the 17 new members for June. Kody Smith, Tamara Williams, Deanna Groshong, Shane Hardin, Roland Delapena, Billy Pettit, Tyler Hartsock, Wan-Ching Chen, Melvin Beasley, Schyler Bryan, Jackie Kimmel, Ryan Eubank, T Kelly, Russ Roberts, Christian Vienneau, Justin Froelich and Charles Kraus were all voted into the club at the general meeting. Welcome to all. Club membership for 2026 now stands at 1483.

## CAST BULLET BENCHREST RIFLE RESULTS

John Schauf  
July 23, 2026

Here are the results from today's cast bullet bench rest match. Things went well for us today. Perfect weather and not much wind, which is unusual for Paul Bunyan. We had some pretty close scores shot today. It seems as though everyone is starting to get the hang of it. Our next match (and the last for 2026) will be August 27th. Mark that on your calendar.

| NAME            | CLASS | 100yd  | 200yd  | Grand<br>Agg |
|-----------------|-------|--------|--------|--------------|
| Schauf, John    | PBB   | 196-2x | 193-1x | 389-3x       |
| Hewitt, Jack    | PBB   | 197-4x | 189-0x | 386-4x       |
| Ellingson, Bill | PBB   | 194-1x | 191-0x | 385-1x       |
| Reichel, Ron    | HVY   | 198-6x | 186-0x | 384-6x       |
| Yatso, Ron      | PBB   | 192-1x | 164-0x | 355-1x       |
| Wilson, Dave    | UNC   | 153-0x | 123-0x | 276-0x       |

## JUNIORS

Cody Lovelace

We have been averaging around 10 shooters for our Tuesday evening smallbore practices. Last Tuesday, one of our juniors was overcome with heat exhaustion. Once she was moved to the shade and had a drink of water, she got right back to shooting! The heavy shooting jackets and pants worn by the shooters are not exactly fashionable or functional summer wear.

## FREE ONLINE TRAINING

Dennis Wilcox

There is free online training available which meets the WA requirement (which must be repeated every 5 years), courtesy of Sporting Systems in Vancouver WA. Point your browser here: [Firearms](#) [Safety](#) [Training](#)  
[Program Vancouver WA | Sporting Systems](#)  
You can breeze through this fairly quickly - print a hard copy of the certificate and also save on your phone. Then you're good to buy a gun in WA - at least until May 2027 when the new permit to purchase law takes effect.

## STORAGE BINS AVAILABLE

Our club continues to sell heavy duty storage bins for the benefit of Toys for Tots. We are asking \$2.00 apiece (or more if you want to contribute:). These bins are large (approximately 11"x11"x30") and stout, and sell commercially/industrially for over \$50.00 apiece. A few are usually stacked by the RSO shack on the rifle range, and as many as you might want are available. Just speak to Darrell if on duty, or phone Eric at (253) 686-5438 for pick up arrangements. Remember --- it's for the kids!

## INCORRECT EMAIL ADDRESSES

If you elected to read the BullSheet on line and you are not getting a monthly notification email, then the email address we have for you on file is incorrect. Please contact us [here](#) so we can update your email address.

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June 13, 2026

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A special thanks to John Schauf for the new target frames. It sure made changing targets and set up much easier. Thank you, John.

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| Doug Shellenberger | unc   | 176-3x | 164-5x | 340-8x       |
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| Chris Lentz        | iss   | 147-1x | 154-2x | 301-3x       |

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