

# The Bull Sheet

Paul Bunyan Rifle and Sportsman's Club Established 1945

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#### **JULY MEETING NOTES**

Membership chairman Cindy Thomas will be accepting renewals prior to the orientation Sunday August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2 pm to 4pm. Stop by the clubhouse during those times if you would like to pay your renewal in person (cash or check only).

We announced last month that we were exploring the possibility of holding another swap meet. Last year's swap meet was not as well attended as we had hoped, having more sellers than buyers. We have had very little response to the idea of holding another one this fall, so we are going to revisit the idea this spring.

A celebration of life will be held for former board member Jim Steward August 17<sup>th</sup> 2-7pm at the Orting Ski Park. Jim was a long-time club member and an avid IDPA shooter, passing away in March after a long illness.

The soda machine on the north side of the clubhouse is not getting much use. We are going to change it to cans to see if that helps. If we don't get any more use out of it, the plan is to remove the machine.

## LONG RANGE PRACTICE SESSION

For those of you who have been asking about shooting longer distances at the range, Bob Wendt will host a long-range rifle sight-in Friday August 9<sup>th</sup>, 8am to 2pm. The session will start out at 200 yards to verify zero, then move back to 300, then 400 and finish at 500 yards, all using the electronic targets. This is a chance to check your rifle at longer distances than what we usually have available. The event is open to anyone. Get in touch with Bob at 253-848-6325 if you have any questions.

## SOLDIER'S HOME DAY-AT-THE-RANGE

Club member Ted Straub has volunteered to host the Day-at-the-Range event for the Veterans. This is an opportunity for the veterans to get away from their usual routines and enjoy a day at the range. We have hosted this event for several years and it has always been a big hit with the veterans. We need some members to help Ted with these events. If you can volunteer a few hours once a month over the summer to help out the veterans, get in touch with Ted at 253-709-8045.

#### MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME

Membership renewals are due by August 31<sup>st</sup>. To renew your club membership, use the renewal form in the printed BullSheet or get the form online here.

If you have any questions about your membership, please contact membership secretary Cindy Thomas at 253-229-0106.

### **OPEN POSITIONS**

The club is looking for a new shotgun chairman. The chairman will be required to have the shotgun range open on the third Sunday of each month (days/dates negotiable), operate the automated trap thrower, and assist members with their shotgun techniques.

We also have an opening for a pistol steels match director. The match director duties include running the monthly matches, including stage set up and tear down, event scheduling and financials. If you are interested in applying for either position, contact any board member or email us <a href="https://example.com/here/beauty-steel-based-new-matching-new-matching-steel-based-new-matching-steel-based-new-matching-new-matc

## PAUL BUNYAN AND HUNTER ETHICS

Lynn White

Without hunters who adopt a personal set of ethics, our privilege to hunt will eventually be lost for future generations. Ethics as related to hunting can be defined as behavior that affects our actions in the field, based on a proven set of time-tested principles handed down from generations past.

Aldo Leupold, known as the father of wildlife management, best describes the idea of ethical behavior as "Ethical behavior is doing the right thing when no one else is watching - even when doing the wrong thing is legal." Such as shooting a pheasant that is on the ground. Is it legal? Yes. But is it ethical? No. Is shooting a roosting turkey legal? Yes. But is it ethical. No. Is shooting a duck on the water legal? Yes. But is it ethical? No.

As ethical hunters we must operate by a higher standard of ethics than the average person. Our decisions must be based upon a set of values which looks ahead at our future image to the general public. Only a small percentage of the population hunts and we have to be aware of our public image. If we break the wildlife regulations, break the law, or violate time tested ethics, we run the risk of turning the public against us. The way to turn non-hunters into anti-hunters, is to ignore Aldo Leupold's advice. We must also respect the wildlife which we hunt by adopting the fair-minded principle of "Fair Chase." This ethical way of hunting makes certain the hunter does not have an unfair advantage over the game. We put our hunting skills up against the games natural abilities, making sure the animal has a chance to escape if he can outsmart us.

The way to follow time tested rules, regulations, and ethics is to become the type of person that is **SELF GOVERNING.** We follow a great legacy by adopting as our own the personal ethic of Aldo Leupold. This way we have a greater chance of passing on to our grandchildren the chance to pit their skills against that 5X5 bull elk we left out there.

Next time we touch on what hunters should respect. As Always – Stay Safe!

## ACTION SHOOTING INTERNATIONAL (ASI) ACTIVITIES

Jackie Russo

July calendar conflicts are behind us and now we can return to the range for Pew-Pew fun! Please join us on August 3<sup>rd</sup> (Saturday) for ASI's celebration of All- Metal Guns with the 6 Stage Heavy Metal Match. All guns are welcome, but we have special categories for Metal and Plastic Fantastic guns. A Heavy Metal Band theme is carried throughout the bays and stages.

Want to join us? If you are new to ASI – New Shooter Orientation is in Bay 1 at 9am. Range fee is \$20 for Paul Bunyan members, but membership isn't required for the match. Preregistration is appreciated www.practiscore.com. Find us under Matches and search for ASI at Paul Bunyan. Bring at least 2 boxes of ammo (most matches are less than 100 rounds), handgun (.22 - .45), 2 reloading devices and a holster or case to transport your gun from bay to bay. Ear and eye protection and safe gun handling skills are mandatory. Don't forget to wear your favorite metal band T-shirt!

### LADIES SHOOTING LEAGUE

Jackie Russo

Girlz Night Out is back! Time to bring your gun to the regularly scheduled first Wednesday evening of the month at 6pm in the pistol bays and enjoy a summer evening on the range with friends. Can't make it Wednesday? The pistol range is reserved on the third Sunday of the month at 10am for Trigger Time. Set aside 2 hours for each event.

Bring your ear and eye protection, a handgun(s) and at least a box of ammo. There's a warm up opportunity, then time is set aside for a fun training target. A small range fee is required and you do not need to be a member of Paul Bunyan to join us. Find us to the left when you enter the range. The covered pistol bays await!

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

Eric Burkhead

Spring has sprung and the sunny days of summer are shining on the Paul Bunyan shooting ranges. The Black Powder Pistol Trail offers PB members a cool, shady stroll through our sylvan woods—with or without a muzzle-loading pistol in hand.

Club members have enjoyed a July of gong shooting, mini-seminars, firewood cutting and trail maintenance. Seminar highlights include 'Black Powder 101' instructed by adjunct professor Rich Poque. Advanced courses include smokepole cleaning techniques, flint tuning and knapping, leather accessory fabrication, lead ball casting, patch & ball and selection and powder pistol shooting techniques.

Please note that the pistol trail and seminars are available to all Paul Bunyan members on the scheduled dates. Check the BullSheet calendar. All are welcome to try out their 'safe queen' black powder flinter, caplock pistol or cap&ball revolver. If anticipated complexity is confounding and holding you back, just come on out and we'll furnish you a pistol, powder & ball and instruction to introduce you to this new PB range and shooting discipline.



New Pistol Trail shooters Gabriel & Justin Burn---never too early to start learning safety and marksmanship!

A high point of the month was the presentation of a top-end BBQ grille by Dave Farrow for use at the Shotgun Shed by the shotgun field/trail walk area. Again, grille and picnic tables are available for use by all PB shooting disciplines and members. A final improvement to the Shotgun Shed is a planned pressure washing and painting in August.

Come and join us on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays (1-4pm) and 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday (10am-2pm) of each month.

## CAST BULLET ASSOCIATION (CBA) MILITARY MATCH RESULTS

Al Richardson July 13, 2024

We sure had a nice day for a rifle match. A little warm but no breeze to speak of. We had a new shooter, Joe Reno, join us today. Welcome Joe. John Schauf was the big winner this month. Nice shootin John. Thanks to all for the help with target changes and scoring. Our next match will be Saturday August 10<sup>th</sup>. If you have an old military rifle gathering dust, come on out and join us.

NAME	CLASS	100yd	200yd	Grand Agg
John Schauf	ms	197-3x	197-10	394-13x
Ron Heilman	ms	193-6x	193-5x	386-11x
Alice Gardner	ms	188-4x	187-5x	375-9x
Ron Yatso	ms	191-2x	179-1x	370-3x
Bill Ellingson	ms	174-3x	173-0x	347-3x
Bud Hyett	ms	172-3x	162-2x	334-5x
Matt Hymer	iss	177-3x	197-4x	374-7x
Al Richardson	iss	176-2x	163-1x	339-3x
Joe Reno	mi	174-1x	160-1x	334-2x

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

## 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 <a href="here">here</a> so we can update your email address.

## CAST BULLET BENCHREST RIFLE MATCH RESULTS

John Schauf June 25, 2024

Here are the results from today's 50 Shot Schuetzen State Match. We had a good turnout with 10 shooters on the line. The weather was very mild with just a taste of wind to make it interesting. Thanks to Al Richardson for running the line today. Also, congratulations to Alice Gardner for her trophy winning performance! Thanks go to all that helped with target changes. That was a big help.

NAME	CLASS	T1	T2	Т3	T4	T5	TOTAL
Schauf, John	PBB	247-	248-	246-	246-	246-	1233-
		7x	9x	6x	6x	6x	34x
Yatso, Ron	PBB	246-	247-	246-	246-	242-	1227-
		6x	7x	6x	8x	5x	32x
Hyett, Bud	PBB	239-	242-	246-	243-	240-	1210-
		0x	3x	7x	4x	1x	15x
Boynton, Mike	PBB	246-	241-	243-	241-	243-	1214-
		6x	5x	3x	3x	5x	22x
Richardson, Al	PBB	249-	241-	239-	244-	236-	1209-
		3X	3x	2x	4x	2x	14x
Hewitt, Jack	PBB	237-	239-	240-	246-	239-	1201-
		1x	2x	4x	6x	5x	18x
Ulrich, Roger	PBB	243-	239-	238-	241-	238-	1199-
		5x	4x	3x	3x	4x	19x
Ulrich, Barb	PBB	233-	240-	241-	224-	236-	1174-
		1x	2x	4x	4x	2x	13x
Ellingson, Bill	PBB	235-	214-	241-	234-	242-	1166-
		2x	0x	5x	2x	6x	15x
Gardner, Alice	PRO	209- 2x	225- 0x	225- 2x	108- 0x	102- 0x	869-4x

PBB=plain base (no gas check) cast bullets fired in breech seater rifles PRO=commercial factory production rifles Heavy=modified rifles weighing up to 14lbs

### **CARETAKERS REPORT**

Doug Shellenberger

We had a weld break, which caused a hydraulic leak, on the front gate opener leaving the gate stuck in the open position. We had weld repaired and the resulting fluid leak fixed so the gates are operating again.

The pump for the irrigation system went out last week. We have a company out to take a look at it for the necessary repairs. The irrigation system services the grass on the 300-yard rifle line and areas around the clubhouse.

Some members are bringing firewood to the range for use in our stoves that we can not use. Please check with me before donating firewood to the range.

## PISTOL SILHOUETTE IS LOOKING FOR A TARGET SETTER

The pistol silhouette shooters are looking for a target setter. The matches are held on the first Saturday of most months (see club calendar). Would prefer 15 to 16 age wise but a year or so either way will work. On average they will make around \$110.00 for the day. Get in touch with match director Bret Stuntebeck at 253-863-7315.

## OPENING FOR ORIENTATION CHAIRMAN

The club is seeking a new orientation chairman. The chairman works with the membership secretary, gathers basic information on prospective members, answers a few emails and hosts the monthly orientation meeting. Very basic computer skills and the willingness to assist prospective members are required. If you would like to volunteer for the position, contact us <a href="https://example.com/hem-ex

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

The club would like to welcome the 10 new members for August. James McLaughlin, Damon Berbert, Tracy Dillard, Valda Moore, Steven Weller, Michael Kopec, Andrew Stewart, Nayt Duval, Robbin Geiger, and Johanna Stroud were all voted into the club at the general meeting. Club membership for 2024 now stands at 1402.

### **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 \$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.

### TRADE GUN FROLIC

Mike Moran

The Trade Gun Frolic is an event sponsored by the WA State Muzzleloader's Association and is a tribute to the guns traded to Indians of the Northwest Territories (now the Ohio area). It tests the shooter's ability to shoot gongs, bullseye targets, and flying clay pigeons. This year six shooters would compete not only for prizes but the coveted medals for first, second, and third place.

The morning was a little cooler than it had been and made a perfect shooting day. Registration was handled by Eric Burkhead and Mark Merwin at the picnic table in the shade of the trees. The shooters broke into two groups, one starting on shotgun range and the other on the rifle range. Once complete with their shooting, the groups switched places.

Each shooter had a paper bullseye target they posted at 25 yards. This received 8 shots, with the score taken as per the scoring rings, with a total possible of 80. There were four gongs set up, one at 25 yards, two at 35 yards, and one at 50 yards, with two shots taken at each. Each hit was worth 10 points. At the shotgun range, Cody Lovelace, the Paul Bunyan Shotgun match director was on hand to run the trap house. Each shooter took two shots at positions 1, 2, 4, and 5, and each bird hit was worth 10 points. An additional 3 or 5 points were awarded for primitive dress.



For the competition, "trade guns" need to be smoothbore flintlocks, with no rear sights. This allows for a variety of muzzleloading shotguns, NW Trade Guns, and traditional fowlers. Jim Haeckel was shooting a new gun he made, a

.410 muzzleloading shotgun with a beautiful golden chain stock, but it has a percussion ignition so he placed after all the others. Mike Nesbitt was shooting his fowler left-handed to better see his targets, and said he hit his first ever left-handed clay pigeon. Shooting his new short barreled canoe gun, Mike Moran managed to dry ball and missed out on a number of targets while getting that resolved.



Mike Holeman took first place, with Bob DeLisle and Larry Litten taking second and third. It wasn't necessary, but ties would be broken using the flyer score first, then the gongs. Congratulations to the winners. It was a good day, and once again the importance and versatility of the humble trade gun was on display.

Name P	aper	Gongs	Flye	rs Dress	s Total
Mike Holema	n 63	40	40	3	146
Bob DeLisle	70	60	10	3	143
Larry Litten	61	50	0	5	116
Mike Nesbitt	65	10	10	0	85
Mike Moran	19	0	0	5	24
Jim Haeckel	12	0	0	3	15

## WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEER RANGE OFFICERS

The club is looking for a few volunteer range safety officers to fill weekday/evening positions. Schedules can vary and are somewhat flexible. Training is provided. 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.