

# The Bull Sheet

Paul Bunyan Rifle and Sportsman's Club Established 1945

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#### **JULY MEETING NOTES**

A proposal was accepted by the general membership at the December 2022 meeting for the construction of a new metal building to be used for storage, but after careful consideration, the board felt a CONEX would fit our needs better and at a much lower cost. A proposal to purchase a CONEX was made at the meeting by Dave Farrow and accepted by a vote of the general membership. The CONEX will be placed in the clearing behind the 50-yard pistol berm.

We will be hosting a club swap meet Saturday September 9<sup>th</sup>, noon to 6pm. This event would be for members and their guests only, held outside on the shotgun range. Sellers would provide their own tables, chairs and easyups (if you want to use one). This would be a good chance to get rid of the extra or unwanted gun related items that have been collecting dust in your shop, or maybe pick up a few items you have been looking for. We will not have an FFL on site, so there will be no firearm sales. Adherence to current laws is the buyer's/seller's responsibility. If you have questions, contact us here.

The range will be closed 8am to 5pm over the Labor Day weekend so we can host the NW International High-Power Rifle match. Click <a href="here">here</a> for the match bulletin.

Club member Matt Richardson made a proposal at the board meeting to hold a 3-gun match on the rifle range this October. The board agreed with the proposal pending a review of the course of fire and previous match videos.

Bob Wendt reported that the summer smallbore rifle league is well under way, but for those who missed or would like to check out the league for some practice, you are welcome to join them on Monday evenings at 6PM on the rifle range. Get in touch with Bob if you have any questions.

## HUNTER SIGHT-IN WORK PARTY

We will be having our annual work party on the rifle range Sunday, August 20th, 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 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

## 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 11<sup>th</sup>, 8am to noon. The session will start out at 200 yards to verify zero, then move back to 300, then 400 and finish the morning at 500 yards. This is a chance to check your rifle at longer distances than what we usually have available. Get in touch with Bob at 253-848-6325 if you have any questions.

## WASHINGTON STATE SOLDIERS HOME DAY AT THE RANGE

The Washington State Soldiers Home Day at the Range, an event that our club hosted for many years prior to the COVID restrictions has been resurrected. Bob Evans, with help from Mark Voigt, Lynn White, Joe Reno, Bob Butzerin and Darrell Behounek, recently hosted five members from the Home, along with 4 staff members, on the pistol range for a few hours of 22RF rifle shooting. With the assistance from our volunteers, all of the veterans enjoyed themselves, giving them a day off from their usual routines. The Soldier's Home Days will continue monthly through the summer. If you have some free time and would like to assist with this worthwhile event, get in touch with Bob Evans at 206-669-6593.

We would like to thank club member Rich Pogue for the generous donation of ammunition and targets to help support this event.





## CAST BULLET BENCHREST MATCH RESULTS

John Schauf July 22, 2023

We had a very nice turnout on an enjoyable warm day for the Washington State Cast Bullet Match. Thanks to everyone that helped with target changes and an especially big thanks to Bill Ellingson for doing all of the scoring and group measuring. Bill Anderson took first place in production/hunter class and yours truly in plain base/heavy class. Our next match will be Thursday August 24<sup>th</sup>.

NAME	CL	100yd	200yd		score
		group	group	aggregate	
Henslee, Stan	PRO	2.378	2.475	0.814	269-1x
Anderson, Bill	HNT	1.208	2.204	0.814	362-2x
Sudol, Ed	PBB	1.048	3.044	0.814	360-0x
Hewitt, Jack	PBB	0.934	1.472	0.814	368-2x
Hyett, Bud	PBB	1.466	3.123	0.814	336-0x
Gardner, Alice	PRO	1.309	2.881	0.814	347-1x
Shellenberger, Doug	PRO	2.574	2.544	0.814	311-0x
Richardson, Al	PRO	1.364	2.711	0.814	350-0x
Conner, Steve	PBB	1.191	1.600	0.814	373-5x
Wilson, Tim	PBB	0.653	2.440	0.814	368-2x
Yatso, Ron	PBB	1.724	1.859	0.814	378-1x
Ulrich, Barb	PBB	0.961	2.967	0.814	316-1x
Ulrich, Roger	PBB	1.501	3.071	0.814	341-3x
Stewart, John	PBB	1.283	2.511	0.814	372-5x
Schauf, John	PBB	0.777	1.702	0.814	384-2x

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 have been spending a lot of time splitting wood, enough so that we filled a 4<sup>th</sup> rack which will be put to good use this winter. We still have several dead trees on the ground that we are unable to move to a place where we can cut them up or make them available for sale as firewood.

We are having trouble with the soda pop machine near the clubhouse. Seems like it wants to eat our money and not dispense any products. We are working on it. If you have lost money to the machine, contact me for a refund.

### **IDPA STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Jackie Russo

The Blue Bullets 2023 WA IDPA State Championship Presented by Range Tough, WAR Inc. & Ground Level Mindset

The much-anticipated IDPA Championship was a resounding success by all polled. Everything from the fabulous sunny weather to the prize laden table where our generous sponsors provided enough items for every shooter! No one went home empty handed. Everything from base plates (Glock), to mags (Checkmate), Hunter's Gold and Blue Bullets gift certificates to 6 guns (Glock and Canik) and many other cool items went home with participants.

We were fortunate to have an on-site sponsor, Range Tough, War Inc. & Ground Level Mindset, providing decals and super tactical water bottles for participants as well as

other goods.



One hundred and thirty shooters, from California, Idaho, and Oregon and of course our home state, competed in the 11 Stage match. Only 2 stages were stationary so there was plenty of 'running' with the 'gunning'. With enticing Stage titles such as River Rat Madness, Don't Rain on My Parade, and What Do You Do Hotshot, lured some of our Shooting Sport Cousins to compete in a defensive pistol match. I predict more will join us in 2024!

Once again, Brent Craven's River's Edge FFL (<a href="https://riversedgearms.com/">https://riversedgearms.com/</a>) designed and created the match's awards and baseball hats! Brent has a master's eye for designs with clarity. This year's division winners received beautifully engraved mallets – carrying on the Thor's Hammer theme! The awards were cleverly disguised as IDPA targets, where on the reverse is an IDPA marked target! So, while admiring ones wins....one can dry fire! One has to see to appreciate (see photo). And don't overlook a life's affirmation "You Are Worthy" etched on the target.

Being the MD can bring challenges – but also offer opportunities to begin a legacy. This year Joe Bawden initiated The Sportsman of the Year. This is awarded to the individual who not only inspires others, but who's character transforms. Long time Paul Bunyan member, ASI Match Director, and IDPA CSO /SO Joey Russo was recognized. If you have a few moments, take some time to watch Joe Bawden's DZ-214 YouTube link here.

First time match director, Joe Bawden, organized, inspired and led his stalwart staff throughout the 3-day match. Lars Liden, IDPA State Coordinator, was instrumental in smoothing out the path from start to finish. Additionally, seasoned veteran Safety Officers were paired up with newly minted ones – so they can become familiar with the workings of a tiered match.

All I can say is, if I knew I was gonna be on YouTube I woulda worn better pants!

Plans are already in the works for 2024's State Match. I would be remiss if I didn't recognize Kurt Lindstrom for his years at the helm of the Stat Shack. Handling PracticeScore, uploading scores and all-around management of the shared registration and scoring system. Thank you, Kurt!

## **BULLSHEET CORRECTION**

In my haste to get the July BullSheet online, I linked an out-of-date renewal form with the amount due at the old rate. My apologies to those who had to send another check for the remaining dues.

#### **IDPA/ASI RECAP**

Jackie Russo

Call it kismet, a realignment of the planets or maybe it's simply conflict on the range calendar calls for a reschedule. This past weekend IDPA and ASI shared the range for back-to-back matches. Over a hundred competitors participated - on a beautiful, bright sunny Saturday and Sunday.

IDPA's themed match was based on episodes of the 70s LAPD recruiting TV show Adam-12. At registration, police badges were bestowed on competitors. All first magazines were downloaded to 6 (revolver shooters, of course fit right in), giving all the opportunity to practice reloading skills.

Scenarios included a bomb at a grocery store, 'radicals' (a long-underused term from the 60s) taking over a Hollywood film set and hippies in the hillside who had stolen range (horse, this time) gear. Since the horse range episode had Reed and Malloy responding on horseback (ya got to see it to believe it: Season 6 Ep.3) **Babe** was saddled up and pressed into service for the start position. Shooter was required to say the phrase "1-Adam 12 arrived" to initiate range commands.

Several caught up in the fun arrived in costume. A. Green went deep UC in his best mullet and authentic denim, while Jackie Russo dug out her old eight-point patrol headgear.

The following day – ASI used a pared down version from the prior match stages for its Nothemed match. We welcomed 10 new shooters and had one squad that was primarily ladies! The next ASI match is August 5, on our regular scheduled Saturday. We are celebrating all metal guns! This *Heavy Metal* match welcomes all of your favorite revolvers, 1911s or Berettas. Love your Glock? We say, "Bring your plastic fantanstick" – we don't discriminate! Want to get in to more of the fun? Dig out the last concert Ted Nugent or similar, Heavy Metal Band T-shirt to wear! Registration opens on July 1<sup>st</sup> – on Practiscore!

August's IDPA match is Sunday – the 27<sup>th</sup>. Please take note and hope to see you then!

## CAST BULLET ASSOCIATION (CBA) MILITARY MATCH RESULTS

Al Richardson July 8, 2023

We had a good turnout for a pleasant morning to shoot a match. Very nice shooting by Ron Yatso to take the top spot with Ron Heilman close on his heels. We had a new shooter join us today, Tim Klima, shooting a 45-70 using black powder. That's a new twist on the military match. Welcome Tim. Thanks to Tim Wilson for the homemade brownies, a nice treat. Thanks also to Bill Ellingson for doing most of the scoring, a big help. Our next match will be August 12th.

NAME	CLASS	100yd	200yd	Grand Agg	
Ron Yatso	mi	196-7X	197-4x	393-11x	
Ron Heilman	ms	198-10x	194-8x	392-18x	
Tim Wilson	ms	195-3x	192-6x	387-9x	
Doug Shellenberger	ms	196-6x	187-4x	383-10x	
John Schauf	ms	191-5x	190-2x	381-7x	
Alice Gardner	ms	192-5x	188-4x	380-9x	
Ben LoCicero	ms	190-5x	187-6x	377-11x	
Bull Durham	ms	186-3x	180-3x	366-6x	
Bill Ellingson	mi	184-4x	191-5x	375-9x	
Al Richardson	iss	187-4x	191-6x	378-10x	
Tim Klima	iss	154-2x	159-3x	313-5x	
Bill Sick	iss	133-1x	109-6x	242-1x	

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**

The club would like to welcome the 19 new members for August. Amy Pecotte, Alex Pecotte, Bryant Reimer, Ross Fjemedal, Lance Norgard, Alex Fontaine, Art Nickel, Dellmer Dosch, Clint Dunn, Jeff Roy, Duane Roland, Steven Wright, Aaron Santos, David Santos, Kioney Aguon, Joe Burnham, Cody Padilla, Tyler Humphrey and Marke Schnackenberg were all voted into the club at the general meeting. Club membership now stands at 1447 paid members for 2023.

## WSMA TRADE GUN FROLIC FOR 2023

Mike Moran

"I got my one" was a phrase I heard from several shooters as they loaded their trade guns with another shot load. Also heard was a list of excuses on why they missed that could fill a Sears catalog. But for sure everyone had fun at this year's Trade Gun Frolic, a WA State Muzzleloader's Association event hosted by the Plainsmen of the Paul Bunyan Rifle & Sportsmen's Club in Puyallup on the last Sunday in July.



Dylan Johnson punches another hole in his target

On hand to help run the show was Doug Nash and Eric Burkhead who worked the trap house and kept score for the flying portion of the shoot. Bill Sick ran the rifle range where the gongs and paper targets were shot. Heading up the works was Mike Moran as the Booshway, and of course everyone helped with the set up and tear down.

The Trade Gun Frolic consists of three events, all shot with a Northwest Trade Gun. This is a very plain smoothbore gun with no rear sight and a flintlock ignition. Trade Guns were made by the thousands in Europe from the late 1600s to the mid-1800s and shipped to America to be traded with the Indians of the Northwest Territories – which at the time was the Ohio area. As a smoothbore, it can be loaded either with that shot load for moving targets or a round ball for stationary ones.

The course of fire consisted of 10 rounds shot at a paper bullseye target at 25 yards and

scored per the printed scoring rings, 10 rounds shot at five different gongs – the powder horn, sock, and rabbit at 25 yards and the buffalo and heart at 35 yards-two times each, and 10 shots at the flying clay pigeons from the trap house. The gongs and flyers would each count for 10 points, bringing a top possible score of 300.

"This is interesting," Dylan Johnson replied when asked how he liked shooting flyers. He's one of the Scouts in the Venture Crew that's been participating in our events, and it was the first time he's shot a muzzleloading shot load.

Another shall we say "born again" shotgunner was Chip Kormas, who just had a ball shooting with his new gun. This is the gun that was donated by Tim Klima for the raffle at the rendezvous which Chip ended up with.

In addition to the regular prizes awarded based on score, WSMA medals were presented to the top three winners, Allen "Two Tails" Tresch, Mike Nesbitt, and Mike Moran. We couldn't have asked for better weather, better friends, or a better time shooting. Our next monthly shoot will be the last Sunday in August.



Rich Downs checks the prime in his pan.



The Trade Gun Frolickers. Front row: Mike Nesbitt, Mike Holeman, Bob DeLisle, Mike Moran. Back Row: Dylan Johnson, Allen Tresch, Rich Downs, Jerry Mayo, Chip Kormas.

Name	Paper	Gongs	Flyers	Prim	Total
				Dress	
Allen "Two Tails"	86-X	80	70	5	241-X
Tresch					
Mike Nesbitt	76-X	70	20	0	166-X
Mike Moran	89-X	50	10	5	154-X
Mike Holeman	71	60	20	3	154
Bob DeLisle	85-X	30	20	0	135-X
Rich Downs	81-X	30	10	5	126-X
Jerry Mayo	65	60	0	0	125
Chip Kormas	74-X	10	10	0	94-X
Dylan Johnson	30	10	10	5	55

### **JUNIORS**

Doug Shellenberger

We have moved several of our juniors off the bench and on to prone. We are getting a lot of inquiries regarding the age when kids can start with the juniors. We find that 12 years old is best for most since the smaller kids can't hold up the heavy rifles.

We have 6 of our juniors who are planning on attending the Tacoma Rifle and Revolver Club junior shooting camp at the end of August.

## 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 here or at 253-886-1069.

#### **WORK PARTY**

A few club members answered the call for volunteers to help build target stands during the range maintenance window on the 6th. Jay Cowan, Don Tolman, Don Boelling, Bruce Simonetti, Bill Sick, Matt Gorski, Brad Davis, Bob Evans, Al Richardson, Darrell Behounek and Dave Farrow helped build 13 pistol and 18 rifle target stands. We will continue to hold these work parties on the first Thursday of each month, or more often if deemed necessary. If you can spare a couple of hours to help out, it would be greatly appreciated. Our club is operated, with only a couple of exceptions, by volunteers who put in a lot of hours to keep the club going. We have over 1400 members in our club, and unlike most other clubs in the area, though we request, we don't require members to put in hours to maintain their membership. Your participation in these work parties would be appreciated.

## **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.

### **CLUB CAPS AND SHIRTS**

We have 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.

### MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME

Yep, it's that time of year again. 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 <u>here</u>.