



The Bull Sheet

Paul Bunyan Rifle and Sportsman's Club

Puyallup, WA

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JANUARY MEETING NOTES

The new trophy cases for the clubhouse are close to completion. Dave Farrow has been working on them for several weeks (between his other duties) and should have them finished this month.

The new storage building project approved last month has been put on a temporary hold. A few details will have to be worked out before a new building can be installed. Dave Farrow is working the issue and will report progress soon.

Marty Kotzke reports that the hunter education classes are filling up faster than in the past few years. If you know someone who is interested in registering for an upcoming class, have them visit the fish and game website [here](#).

Vice-President Mike Moran announced that our club donated over \$30,000 in cash and a pick-up truck load of toys to the Toys-for-Tots campaign this year.

Darrell Behounek acquired 10 trees for the range property from the [National Arbor Foundation](#). Darrell and Doug Shellenberger have been scouting places around the range where they will be planted.

Cody Lovelace is looking into repairs for the airgun range steps on the north side of the building. The concrete on the steps and landing is crumbling and will need to be resurfaced or replaced.

Sunday February 26th is the date for the annual Quad Club muzzleloader match. This match has been held at our club for 30 years. The Paul Bunyan Plainsmen, the Bremerton Brigade, the Lynch Creek Longhunters from Eatonville, and the Black River Troublemakers will be competing for the Quad Club trophy and bragging rights. A pot luck lunch will follow the match. Get in touch with Mike Moran if you have questions.

GUNS AND AMMO USED ON THE PISTOL RANGE

We have had several instances recently of members shooting Pistol Caliber Carbiners (PCC) on the pistol range. The pistol range is for handguns only, firing traditional handgun cartridges. Any firearm which is held to the shoulder while firing is considered a rifle and is not allowed to be fired on the pistol range. Air rifles and rifles chambered in 22 RF are the only rifles allowed on the pistol range. Handguns firing traditional rifle cartridges such as 223, 300BO, etc. must be used on the rifle range.

WORKER AND SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR AWARDS

The Board awarded Christian Sailer the Paul Bunyan Sportsman of the Year plaque at the general meeting. Christian is an avid USPSA shooter with several championship titles to his name.

Darrell Behounek was awarded the plaque for Worker of the Year. Darrell puts in many hours of volunteer work around the range every week to keep things working smoothly.

Congratulations to both on their very well-deserved awards.

MEMBERSHIP

The club would like to welcome the 17 new members for January. Cagle Clark, Robert Dunham, Sarah Harvey, Alfred Kilgore, Nick Kirgan, Jeff Manley, Wilmer Melendez, Adam McKee, Riley McKee, Richard Plascencia, Gerald Ponton, Carl Ramsey, Jodie Ransey, Janine Satterfield, Keith Scholz, Marcus Smith and Jesse Thompson were all voted into the club at the general meeting. Club membership now stands at 1303 paid for 2023.

JUNIORS

Doug Shellenberger

We have applied to the NRA for sanctioning of the air gun sectional matches to be held in our air gun range. The February 18th match will be a standing precision-class match. The March 25th match will be a 3-position match.

We have 5 new shooters coming out on Tuesday evenings to practice. One of them has been with us for a couple of weeks and has moved up from the bench to the prone position.

Several of our shooters have been concentrating on air gun in preparation for the upcoming 3-position Junior Olympic sectional tryout matches. Sectional matches are held with high scorers having a chance to go to Colorado Springs in April for the Junior Olympics.

ACTION SHOOTING INTERNATIONAL (ASI) ACTIVITIES

Jackie Russo

As we welcome the gray, cold and rain-ish ...okay RAIN – sleet -&/or snow weather to our range for the upcoming inclement months several questions have been posed: “Will the match be cancelled due to weather?” Too whit the reply is a simple image: (see below). No fair-weather pistol shooter – there is no rain delay or other interruptions for poor weather. We soldier on with plastic bags covering the targets, rain coats and tactical umbrellas covering us. One caveat, should a match be cancelled – we take great pains by sending out notifications via Practice Score at <http://www.practiscore.com> which is another reason to pre-register.

For those who are considering the move to a shoot-and-move sport, ASI is ideal! Our range officers are committed to making your initial experience a positive one. Mentoring and patience is a key skill promoted for those in the position. When you decide to take the challenge – be sure to arrive early enough prior to the match to attend the mandatory New Shooter Orientation (NSO) at 9 am in Bay 1. We will squad you with seasoned shooters so there are others to help familiarize you with the ASI match.

Typically, we host 45- 70 shooters a match, 5 or 6 squads. Pre-squadding during registration is the practice, but due to walk-ons and no-shows we have no issues with folks shuffling squads. The only caveat is the safety officer to shooter ratio needs to be consistent. Just let us know in the Stat Shack upon arrival.

Bring at least 100 rounds, your pistol (.22 - .45) and gun rug, case or holster and at least 1 reloading device. Pre-registration is appreciated - find us under Matches and search under: ASI at Paul Bunyan. Our matches are the first Saturday of the month. You can also find our match days on the website's on-line calendar. Hope to see you on the range soon!



Shootin' in the rain

CARETAKERS REPORT

Doug Shellenberger

We had a large tree come down with the last wind, so we now have two loads of firewood for sale. The wood is in log form, so bring your saw and have at it. \$50 for a pick-up truck load. Get in touch with me if you would like to purchase a truck load.

The residents of the homeless encampment outside of the NE corner of our fence line have moved on. They took their belongings but left a large pile of trash for the State to deal with.

We had a visit from the State elevator inspector earlier this month. We are due for our annual and five-year inspections for the airgun range lift. We have noticed recently some issues with the lift doors, so we are sure we will need repairs on the doors and anything else the inspector sees while he is here.

ICICLE MATCH REPORT

Al Richardson

Cool temps and foggy skies greeted the juniors for our annual Icicle smallbore match, held on the first Saturday of the New Year. We had a very nice turn out with 20 showing up to compete, with 9 from our junior club alone. That's the best turnout we have had from our club in a long time. Cascade Shooting Facilities came down with a last-minute entry of another 5 shooters to help fill the line.



A good showing from our club

Joshua Merry was the overall match winner with Jesse Gram, both from Capitol City, close behind. PB Junior Arkin (Daniel) Arranza came in at third with a very nice 599.7. Many of our other club shooters shot well in the competition. A few of our shooters, like Noah Chapman, have shot in very few 3-position smallbore matches, so each one is a good learning experience. The complete match results can be found on the Orion website [here](#).



Noah in the dreaded kneeling position



Jackson (R) readies for his first shot in the standing match

Zach Duncan ran the line while Jim Cellini was in the clubhouse recording the scores. Doug Shellenberger was overseeing the activities and keeping things moving along smoothly. Holly Switzer catered the event, bringing in sandwiches and drinks for the shooters. The match finished up around 2PM with a bunch of cold and tired shooters.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Several gun related bills have been introduced in Olympia for the upcoming legislative session.

Senate Bill 5078 subjects licensed firearm manufacturers and sellers to frivolous lawsuits brought to recover damages for the criminal misuse of their products.

House Bill 1178 would repeal Washington's preemption statute, which gives the state legislature the primary authority to regulate firearms, passing that authority to localities to pass their own anti-gun ordinances

House Bill 1143 would require a government-issued permit to purchase and own firearms while House Bill 1144 imposes sanctioned training every five years.

House Bill 1240 is a ban on transferring, importing, and manufacturing many semi-automatic firearms including the AR platform.

Information on these bills can be found on the NRA-ILA website by clicking [here](#).

PAUL BUNYAN BEGINNING PISTOL SHOOTING COURSE

The Paul Bunyan Rifle & Sportsman's Club will host a Beginning Pistol Shooting Course March 25 & 26. The course will be taught by NRA Certified Instructors and will cover the basics of safe and proper gun handling and pistol shooting. Participants will learn about firearm safety, parts and operation, shooting fundamentals, care and cleaning, storage options, selection, and more. Course hours are 9 AM - 4 PM both days. To obtain a registration packet, send an email with your name, address and phone number to the point of contact listed below. Advance registration and deposit of course fee (\$40) is required. Seating is limited to the first 10 students to register. Membership in Paul Bunyan R&S Club and/or the NRA is not required in order to attend this course. Email the point of contact for additional information regarding kids age 12 to 17 years of age.

For more information, contact Dennis Wilcox at spindleblaster@msn.com (preferred) or 253-841-9309.

CLUB CAPS AND SHIRTS

We now have tee shirts and sweatshirts in all sizes available for sale. We are asking \$15 for the tee shirts and \$20 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.

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. Give Darrell a call at 253-267-5087.



PISTOL SILHOUETTE

Bret Stuntebeck
January 7, 2023

We put 20 entries across the line this month. Our December match had to be canceled due to the range being covered in snow. White targets on a white background don't make for a very good sight picture. It was overcast when I got to the range with temps around 40 and got up to about 45 by the end of the match. Typical for this time of year. On to the results of the match.

No 40's shot this month. Jim Harris posting a U-Int, 32 with cast bullets. Kyle Bishop posted a UAS-Int, 39 followed by Richard Nicol with a UAS-AAA 38. Jim Harris posted a UHSAS-Int, 37 followed by Steve Bishop with a UHSAS-AA, 35. Kyle Bishop posted a P-AA, 29 followed by Steve Bishop with a P-AAA, 23. Pete Colley posted a R-B, 19. I managed a US-AAA, 25 followed by Steve Parsons with a US-AA, 19

In Small Bore, Joe S Stumpf posted a US-AA, 7

In Field Pistol, Alec Patajo posted a PAS-AAA, 26, followed by Ron Craig with a PAS-AA, 22.

Our target setters did a great job this month. Thanks to all who came out to shoot the match and also to those who stayed to help pick up targets after the match.

Until next time shoot straight and be safe.

BIGBORE

Class	Name	Gun/Caliber	Score
P-AAA	Steve Bishop	TC ENC: 44MAG	23
-AA	Kyle Bishop	TC: 7TCU	29
R-B	Peter Colley (NRA)	FA: 41MAG	17
S-AAA	Bret Stuntebeck	TV: 30-20	12
-AA	Steve Parsons	TC: 300W	8
U-INT	Jim Harris	RAMPRO: 6.5BR	32
-AAA	Richard Nicol	TC: 30-30	20
UAS-INT	Kyle Bishop	XP-100: 7-08	39
-AAA	Richard Nicol	TC: 6.8SPC	38
US-AAA	Bret Stuntebeck	TC: 7TCU	25
-AA	Steve Parsons	TC: 7TCU	19

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UASHS-INT	Jim Harris	XP-100: 6.5TKS	37
-AA	Steve Bishop	XP-100: 221FB	35

SMALLBORE

UAS-AA	Joe Stumpf, R	RUGER: 22 LR	7
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FIELD PISTOL

P-AA	Joe Stumpf, R	TC: 22H	14
PAS-AAA	Bret Stuntebeck	TC: 270REN	20
-AA	Alec Patajo (NRA)	TC: 22H	26
	Ron Craig	TC: 22H	22

MUZZLELOADERS REPORT

Mike Moran

Now It's a Competition – the WSMA Silhouette Shoot

“It looks like the powder in the cylinder was still moist from when you cleaned it,” was Dakota Nash’s assessment of Cooper’s rifle. Cooper Bass was my partner for the WSMA Silhouette shoot at Paul Bunyan on Sunday, January 22nd, and just couldn’t get his percussion rifle to fire. The caps would discharge, but the main charge didn’t. Cooper was one of the Venture Scouts that joined us for the rendezvous last May. He was shooting a gun he got from his uncle, and while he had cleaned it the night before, he had never fired it. Luckily, he had some help from the other shooters and Dakota to get him back in the competition.



The Silhouette Shoot consists of four shots at each of four different animal targets – chickens at 35 yards, piglets at 50 yards, turkeys at 100 yards, and rams at 150 yards. For those that shot it last year, we put the targets in the proper place this time, with the larger rams at the longest distance and the smaller turkeys a little closer. With 14 shooters, we drew random numbers to find our starting position and relay. After that, you had a 15-minute period to complete the four shots on one target, then we reset and the second relay would shoot before we reset again and rotated stations. Scoring was simple, just one point per hit, for a max score of 16. Ties were determined by the best score at the furthest target. For this match, no extra points were awarded for period clothing, although many people chose to wear it.

After a bit of a rocky start with a gun that just didn’t want to fire, Cooper finally got the bore cleaned out and the gun firing regularly for the last eight shots of the match. He wasn’t the only one dealing with gun issues, but that’s part of the fun of shooting traditional muzzleloaders. And sometimes, even with everything working right, a beautiful sight picture, and a steady hold, you still miss. It happened to everyone, as no one scored a clean match. The results are below. It was a fun match and a bit of a diversion from our normal monthly shoots.

Our next match is February 26th, the Quad Club Match. This is a competition between the Paul Bunyan Plainsmen, the Bremerton Brigade, the Black River Troublemakers, and the Lynch Creek Long Hunters. The winner takes home the trophy that has resided at Paul Bunyan for the last year.



Name	Chick	Piglet	Turkey	Ram	Total
Lawrence Signorelli	4	4	1	4	13
Cody Mehr	4	4	2	3	13
Mike Moran	4	3	3	2	12
Doug Dickman	4	4	2	2	12
Jerry Johnson	4	4	2	1	11
Allen Tresch	4	4	1	1	10
Jim Haeckel	2	3	3	1	10
Mike Holeman	3	3	2	1	9
Tommy Hay	4	4	1	0	9
David Dickman	2	3	2	0	7
Ken Hester	3	4	0	0	7
Darrell Behounek	4	3	0	0	7
Tim Klima	3	0	0	1	4
Cooper Bass	1	0	0	0	1