



# ***The Bull Sheet***

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

**Puyallup, WA**

**Established 1945**

**JULY 2024**

## **JUNE MEETING NOTES**

Membership chairman Cindy Thomas will be accepting renewals prior to the orientations Sunday July 14<sup>th</sup> and 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 (still cash or check).

The club is considering holding a swap meet like we held last year. Sellers would provide their own tables and easy-ups. 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. At this point, we are just in the planning stage and gauging interest in the idea. No date has been set. If this is something that would be of interest to you, either as a seller or buyer, please let us know. Contact a range officer or board member, or you can send an email to the club by clicking [here](#).

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 board has accepted a contractor's bid to repair the concrete steps and landing leading to the airgun range on the north end of the building. The concrete has on those surfaces has started crumbling and will require resurfacing. Work will start later this month and will not impact range operations.

We will be hosting the 41<sup>st</sup> Infantry Division Regional Highpower Rifle Championships July 5-7<sup>th</sup> followed by the WSRPA Nostalgia Match on July 20<sup>th</sup>. These matches will impact range use on the dates specified. Please check the club calendar before coming to the range on those days. Click [here](#) for the match bulletins.

## **BLACK POWDER PISTOL TRAIL**

Eric Burkhead

The Black Powder Pistol Trail was reopened to PBRSC club members following the annual Plainsmen Rendezvous. (Thank you, PB Board members!)

Trail meets were held on the first and third Thursdays and the second Sunday of June. The weather has cooperated and allowed these sessions to be very enjoyable— easier to “keep our powder dry!” :)



BP pistol trail volunteers: (L-R) Darien Martin, Dwayne Anderson, Mark Merwin & Darrell Behounek

The Shotgun/Trail Clubhouse has not now been required for warmth and dryness, but continues to serve well for instructional sessions and comradery.

The Pistol Trail is currently scheduled for all PBRSC members for July on the first Thursday (7/4) at 1:00pm and the second Sunday (7/14) at 10:00am.

Y'all come on out and enjoy a pleasant saunter through the PB woods with your favorite black powder handgun— or just come out and we Trail regulars will loan you one! See you there!

# HUNTER SAFETY & GAME REGULATIONS

Lynn White

During the 1800s, some game animals were hunted nearly into extinction in North America. There were very few enforceable wildlife laws or regulations. Today we hear people who hunt complain about our state's hunting regulations. Regardless of what you think about the way our state manages fish & wildlife, the regulations, as we know them, are a necessary fact of life. Without them there would be far less game than we have now. Poaching has always been a problem, even with the regulations. However, because some people would harvest fish and wildlife until there were none left for the next generation, we need wildlife management if our privilege to hunt is to survive.

So why do we need hunting laws? It was because of regulated hunting, management planning, and wildlife biology that the populations of game and non-game animal have thrived over the past 100 years. In fact, we have more deer, bear, elk, and turkey today than we had in the early 1900s.

It is largely due to the practices of wildlife **conservation** and **preservation** that we have sustainable populations today. Many species of wildlife were slaughtered for their commercial values by hunters in the 1800s, having no thought for future generations of hunters. **How did we recover from such a disaster?**

- **Through Conservation**, which is the **wise use of wildlife**. Wildlife biologists were hired to study ways to increase game populations by **regulated hunting** practices. Different methods were imposed to study fish & wildlife populations, and the cow and doe tags we apply for each spring are taken from the **SURPLUS** game estimated to live in each Game Management Unit (GMU) habitat.
- **Through Preservation**, which is the **non-use of wildlife**. To protect game populations that had been decimated by over hunting, laws were passed to place some animals on a restricted list that

protected them from legally being hunted at all. In the early 1900s the United States & Canada agreed upon seven necessary principles to restore wildlife populations by establishing **The North America Model of Wildlife Conservation**.

In 1937, the U.S. Congress passed **The Wildlife Restoration Act** (Pittman-Robertson Act). The act provided funding for wildlife management and restoration, paving the way for wildlife restoration conservation and hunter safety training, making it possible for our generation and future generations to enjoy the great sport of safe hunting.

Hunting regulations ensure that we have sustained populations of wildlife. The **wildlife managers** determine hunting seasons and bag limits for modern firearm, muzzleloader, and archery hunters, to give everyone the opportunity to hunt and harvest game by a lawful means.

**Lawful and regulated hunting** has never caused an animal species to be hunted to extinction. As hunters, we are to be **SELF GOVERNING** in our harvesting practices and as conservationists we are to follow **FAIR CHASE PRINCIPLES**, allowing the game a chance to escape.

Next time I will discuss the practice of Hunter Ethics. **As Always – Stay Safe.**

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

The Orting Soldier's Home would like to resurrect the Soldier's Home Day at the Range program this summer. It 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. As we did in the past, they would like to shoot one afternoon per month (July-September) on the pistol range. We need a club member, along with a few helpers, to organize and supervise these events. If you can volunteer a few hours over the summer to help out the veterans, talk to a board member or contact us [here](#).

# ACTION SHOOTING INTERNATIONAL (ASI) ACTIVITIES

Jackie Russo

We held our June match on Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, due to a schedule conflict with our regular first Saturday of the month. With over 60 participants, it didn't seem to matter- a record turnout for an off-date. Everyone enjoyed sharpening their marksmanship skills during the 6 stages. It was a full house for New Shooter Orientation, too.

For some this was the opportunity to brush up skills in preparation for the upcoming Washington State IDPA Championship hosted by Paul Bunyan's range. For others it was their first experience with this move and shoot sport. With the mix of experienced shooters and new-to-competition shooters on each 6 squads, everyone was able to enjoy the 'mentor and mentee' "comradery promoted with ASI.

In our 5<sup>th</sup> year at Paul Bunyan, it's been an honor to see ASI grow to become a regular sport on the calendar, with a loyal following and welcoming place for practical practice with the everyday carry or trying out a new firearm.



There will be no ASI in July as we support our shooting sport cousin, IDPA for their State Championship, July 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>, with set-up beginning the 22<sup>nd</sup> in the action bays. We will return on August 3<sup>rd</sup> – for the annual Heavy Metal Match – celebrating those all-metal guns and a rock and roll stage theme! Prefer

Fantastik Plastik? Me, too! Glocks and P320s etc. are also welcomed for this match! Pre-registration is appreciated on [www.Practiscore.com](http://www.Practiscore.com). Find us under *Matches* and search *ASI at Paul Bunyan*. Be sure to wear your favorite Metal Band rock shirt!

Remember, ASI accepts .22 - .45 caliber pistols and PCCs. Most matches can be completed with 2 boxes of ammo. No need for holster – just have your gun in a case or gun rug. New Shooter Orientation is at 9 am in Bay 1. Range fee for Paul Bunyan members remains at \$20. You do not have to be a member of Paul Bunyan to join us on the range.

## OPENING FOR ORIENTATION CHAIRMAN

The club has an opening for an orientation chairman. The chairman works with the membership secretary, gathers 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 [here](#).

## 2700 OUTDOOR BULLSEYE PISTOL MATCH

Paul Bunyan Rifle & Sportsman's Club will host an outdoor 2700 Conventional "Bullseye" Pistol Match Saturday July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024. This is 90 shots with each of a .22, Centerfire, and .45 pistol. The complete match program is available on the club website by clicking [here](#). Contact match director Dennis Wilcox [here](#) if you have questions.

## 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](#).

### **No other reminders will be sent out.**

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

## **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 the morning 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.

## **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.

## **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 [here](#).

## **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.

## **FIREWOOD FOR SALE**

We have lots of firewood for sale at \$50 for a pick-up truck load. 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 you are interested.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

The club would like to welcome the new members for July. Eric Coldiron, Bret Dickson, Kimberly Uffelman, Robert Palfy, Lars Passic, Kent Taylor, Toni Taylor, Brandon Hell, Rob Smith, Jason Harris, Rusty Harris, Janet Harris, Christian Faiva, Matthew Anderson, Pete Lyuet, Jen Livingood, Morgan Hoke, Melanie Young, Darren Young, Allan Killingbeck were all voted into the club at the general meeting. Club membership for 2024 now stands at 1387.

## **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.

## **JUNIORS**

Cody Lovelace

Three of our juniors participated in the 2024 Spring Schutzenfest at Tacoma Rifle and Revolver Club in early June. Arkin Arranza came out on top with a very nice 1084-27 score. Click [here](#) for the complete match results.

## **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.

# CAST BULLET ASSOCIATION (CBA) MILITARY MATCH RESULTS

Al Richardson  
June 8, 2024

We had some very nice weather for a match, a welcome change. John Schauf was able to squeak out a win over Ron Heilman, with Anna Lynn taking third even after not shooting for several months. Good shootin' Anna. Thanks to all for help with target changes and scoring. Our next match will be Saturday July 13<sup>th</sup>.



Winners (l-to-r) Joy, Jon and Matt

NAME	CLASS	100yd	200yd	Grand Agg
John Schauf	ms	198-7x	193-5x	391-12x
Ron Heilman	ms	193-5x	197-7x	390-12x
Anna Lynn	ms	196-7x	190-6x	386-13x
Ron Yatso	ms	191-4x	188-5x	379-9x
Bill Ellingson	ms	186-2x	193-5x	379-7x
Alice Gardner	ms	182-3x	175-0x	357-3x
Bud Hyett	ms	176-3x	173-0x	349-3x
Matt Hyner	iss	186-3x	187-1x	373-4x
Al Richardson	iss	183-3x	189-6x	371-9x
Ben LoCicero	unc	187-3x	107-2x	294-5x

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

Major Scott Trapman, USA ret., and Steve Cole organized the veterans on the PVA side, supported by Plainsmen members Mark Merwin, Darrell Behounek, Brian Wissner, Chip Kormas and Eric Burkhead with Carla Hillsberg organizing the prize table. Jim Haeckel and Bill Sick served as match directors. The volunteer crew was reinforced by black powder members of the [Upper Nisqually](#) (Eatonville) and [Capitol City](#) (Olympia) gun clubs (Thanks stalwarts!).

## VETERAN'S BLACK POWDER EXPO

Eric Burkhead

The fourth Sunday of June witnessed the inaugural muzzleloading shoot of veterans of the Paralyzed Veterans of America (PVA), hosted by the PBRSC Plainsmen.

Under a sky of perfect summer weather, thirteen veterans fired a 16 shot course from 4 benches at four gong targets set at 25-, 35-, 50- and 75-yards distance. Volunteers furnished a variety of eight flintlock and caplock muzzle-loading smokepoles. The top three competitors were Jon, Matt, and Joy. Winner Jon fired a clean 16 straight, with the others following close behind. All shooters chose from a prize table loaded with top-drawer primitive-style items.



Chip Kormas looks on as a veteran marksman aiming to smack a gong

The shooting event was followed by a BBQ luncheon on the clubhouse veranda. All present enjoyed an awesome time, with the Paralyzed Veterans of America looking forward to a future sequel at the Paul Bunyan range!