



# ***The Bull Sheet***

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

**Puyallup, WA**

**Established 1945**

**March 2023**

## **FEBRUARY 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 soon. All that remains to do is install the rest of the glass doors and anchor the cabinets to the wall.

As we reported last month, the homeless folks that were camped just outside the north-east corner of our property moved on. They left a large pile of trash for the state to deal with. However, it was our club that received a notice from Pierce County that we were responsible for cleaning up the area. Rather than contest the issue, Bob Wendt, Darrell Behounek and Doug Nash took an afternoon and cleaned up the area. They made several trips with our Kubota, completely filling our dumpster with the trash.

Bob Wendt reports that they are at the half-way point in the Monday evening smallbore league, but there is still time for shooters to join in the fun. This is a 4-position 50-yard league, a good way for newer shooters to get match experience. Get in touch with Bob if you have questions.

Darrell Behounek announced brass sales of \$159 for last month. The proceeds go to the junior club.

Bill Montgomery reported that they had 32 students in the last hunter education class, more than double the amount that attended the class last year. The number of sign-ups for future classes are far ahead of what we have seen in the past few years.

Cody Lovelace is still working to get the air gun range steps on the north end of the building repaired. The concrete on the steps and landing is crumbling and will need to be resurfaced or replaced.

## **ACTION SHOOTING INTERNATIONAL (ASI) ACTIVITIES**

Jackie Russo

Action Shooting International enters its 4<sup>th</sup> year at Paul Bunyan in 2023-and its popularity increased each year. During the inaugural year, we secured 4 dates averaging 40 or so at each match. Fast forward to 2023- where at February's match we had 62 shooters and 14 were new shooters to ASI- the largest group yet to participate at our match. One of them is a member of our Ladies League, Kathy N. She is new to the move and shoot sport and she shared the following:

"An ASI match is like going to a big family reunion. I'm not the best shooter at all, but I found inspiration, encouragement and mentoring. Now that I know the routine, I can't wait to get to my next match and focus on pace and accuracy. I'm hooked."

New shooters are paired up with a mentor, if they wish, and squad with seasoned ASI participants. NSO – New Shooter Orientation is required on the day of match at 9 am in Bay 1.

Our next match is March 4<sup>th</sup> – pre-register on [www.practiscore.com](http://www.practiscore.com) . Range fee is \$20. Bring at least 2 boxes of ammo and ear / eye protection. No need for a holster – all stages are table start or low-ready. Match starts at 10 am and is usually wrapped up by 1 pm. Be sure to check-in at the stat shack by 9:45am – or you may not be able to shoot.

In general, matches are the first Saturday of the month; this may be modified due to a conflict in the Paul Bunyan calendar. Always confirm match day with the [on-line calendar](#) available 24/7 on the Paul Bunyan website.

Hope to see you on the 4<sup>th</sup>!

## IN PASSING

Marty Kotzke

It is with great sadness that we report the passing of long-time club member Marty Kotzke. Marty was born December 6, 1952 in Northern Pennsylvania. Getting bit by the hunting bug at a young age, he never passed up an opportunity to go hunting and shooting with friends and relatives, endeavors that would become his lifelong passion. After high school, he started his working career with U.S. Steel in Pennsylvania, moving to the Seattle area in the 80s and retiring as a machinist. After his retirement, he worked in real estate for a while, and joined Paul Bunyan in 2005. Right away, he became a hunter education instructor, commuting from his home in Renton four nights a week plus Saturdays just to teach at our club. He made countless cross-country trips to attend, help with or teach hunter education and firearms safety events through the years.

Marty was the recipient of the Terry Hoffer Memorial Fire Arms Safety Award in 2019, given to the Top Instructor nationally every year. Marty served several years as a PBRSC board member and was a fixture at our annual hunter sight-in event, lending his expertise of guns and hunting to those in need.



Our airgun range was filled with friends and family at a memorial on the 25<sup>th</sup>, sharing stories about Marty and how much he meant to all who knew him.

Marty was a tireless worker around the range and was always the first one to volunteer his help for any task that needed to be done. His friendship and dedication to the club and will be missed by us all.

Marty is survived by his daughter Hillary, son-in-law David and three grandchildren.

## PAUL BUNYAN BEGINNING PISTOL SHOOTING COURSE

The Paul Bunyan Rifle & Sportsman's Club will host a Beginning Pistol Shooting Course March 25-26 and April 22 & 23. 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](mailto:spindleblaster@msn.com) (preferred) or 253-841-9309.

## JUNIORS

Doug Shellenberger

We held the NRA sectional air rifle matches at our range on February 18. We only had 9 shooters show up for the standing match due to scheduling conflicts with other ranges. On March 25<sup>th</sup> we will host the 3-position portion of the match. Complete match results can be found on the Orion website by clicking [here](#). After the 3 position matches are held in March, the air rifle season will be done for the year, with the juniors moving on to smallbore through the summer.

## MEMBERSHIP

The club would like to welcome the new members for this month. Greg Brossant, Christopher Castro, Stephen Callow, Peter Colley, William Josie, Kevin Lewis, Michael Melville, James Meyers, Jonathon Miller, Michelle Miller, Jama Naleway, William Perkins, Chris Pierce, Nimref Rubio, Brian Smith, Robert South, Therese South and Joe Zeisel were all voted into the club at the general meeting. Club membership now stands at 1343 paid for 2023.

## LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Kevin Olson

The legislature remains in session in Olympia and there are at least 3 bills of concern to gun owners. **HB1240** banning the manufacture and sale / transfer of so called assault weapons, **HB1143** which will require citizens to acquire a permit from the government to purchase firearms, and **SB5078** which will expose the firearms industry to government intrusion and harassment.

There are other anti-gun bills that at this time appear to be stalled, but could theoretically still be resurrected so require continued vigilance. The worst of those is probably **HB1178** / **SB5446** which would end state preemption and give county and city governments the ability to enact laws even more intrusive than state law.

The fact that there are other bad bills that have apparently been left on the ash heap gives me hope that the resistance yet lives and that our opposition can still have an impact. To that end, please contact your legislators and voice opposition to these bills. You can do so here, <https://apps.leg.wa.gov/billinfo/>. Simply input the bill (number only) and hit *Search*. Follow the prompts from there and you can communicate your position to Support or Oppose and input a textual message.

There are a number of different web sites that follow the action in Olympia, one of my favorites is [WashingtonGunLaw.com](http://WashingtonGunLaw.com). Check out his videos, he updates them regularly and also posts them to YouTube.com. If you're on Facebook, check out Washington 2023 Legislative Action Group - Save your civil rights.

## SHOTGUN CHAIRMAN WANTED

The club is looking for a shotgun chairman. The chairman is responsible for opening the shotgun range on the first Wednesday evening and the second Sunday morning of each month, running the big trap house and helping shooters with their shotgun techniques. If you are a shotgun shooter and would like to volunteer for the position, contact any board member or email us [here](#).

## CAST BULLET RIFLE MATCHES

Starting Saturday March 11<sup>th</sup>, our club will host a monthly Cast Bullet Association ([CBA](#)) military rifle match (see club calendar for future dates). These cast bullet matches are open to shooters using any rifle that was issued to the troops by any country. Classifications are: as issued (no modifications), modified sights (upgraded iron sights) and scope class. Registration starts at 8am followed by a course of fire review, then first shots at 9am. We start with a sighter target at 200 yards, followed by 2 strings of 10 shots each for score in 15 minutes, then repeat the course of fire at 100 yards. The cost of the match is \$10, \$5 for octogenarians or juniors. Membership in the CBA is required for ranking, records and awards, but those who are not CBA members may still shoot the match as long as they use cast bullets, either purchased or cast at home. If you are interested or have questions, contact us at 206-909-5499

## CARETAKERS REPORT

Doug Shellenberger

The elevator inspector has been in contact with us to do the annual and 5-year inspections on the airgun range lift. We are setting up an appointment for him to come out next week to start on the inspections.

We have cut down a couple of dead trees from behind the pistol berm. We will soon have a couple of loads 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 want to purchase a load. Contact me if you are interested.

## CLUB CAPS AND SHIRTS

We 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.

## OPEN DIRECTOR POSITION

We have an opening for a club director to serve out Marty Kotzke's term. The board will elect the director from the interested candidates at the March meeting. If you are considering running for the office, contact one of the board members or email V.P. Mike Moran [here](#).

## 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.

## 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  
February 4, 2023, 2023

We put 17 entries across the line this month. It was overcast when I got to the range with temps around 45 and got up to about 50 by the end of the match. On to the results of the match.

Five 40's shot this month. Jim Harris posting a U-Int, 40 with cast bullets. Richard Nicol posted a U-AAA, 34. Kyle Bishop posted a UAS-Int, 40 as did Steve Parsons, Steve Bishop and Joe Stumpf. Kyle and Steve Parsons each got 4 shoot-off targets and Joe and Steve Bishop each got 3. Steve Bishop posted a UHSAS-AA, 31. I managed a P-Int, 36 and a R-Int, 34. Joe Stumpf posted a R-AA, 22.

In Practical Hunter long course Kyle Bishop posted a PH-UNC, 29.

In Field Pistol Alec Patajo posted a PAS-AAA, 25

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.

## BB

Class	Name	Gun/Caliber	Score
P-INT	Bret Stuntebeck	TC: 6.5TCU	36
R-INT	Bret Stuntebeck	FA: 41MAG	34
-AA	Joe Stumpf, R	FA: 357MAG	22
S-AA	Steve Parsons	TC: 300W	15
U-INT	Jim Harris	RAMPRO: 6.5BR	40
-AAA	Richard Nicol	TC: 30-30	34
UAS-INT	Kyle Bishop	XP-100: 7-08	40+ 4
	Steve Parsons	XP-100: 7BR	40+ 4
	Joe Stumpf, R	XP-100: 7INT	40+ 3
	Steve Bishop	XP-100: 7BR	40+ 3

## HS

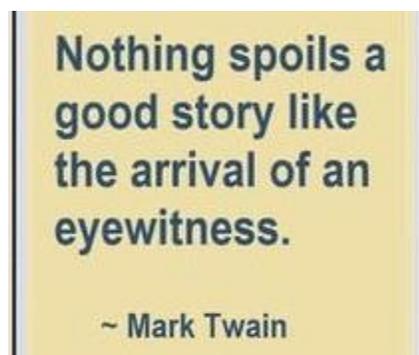
UASHS-AA	Steve Bishop	XP-100: 221FB	31
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## FP

PAS-AA	Alec Patajo (NRA)	TC: 22H	2
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## PH

PH-AA	Kyle Bishop	TC:44mag	29
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## GUNS AND AMMO USED ON THE PISTOL RANGE

We have had several instances recently of members shooting Pistol Caliber Carbines (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.

# THE QUAD CLUB SHOOT

Mike Moran

“Neither rain, nor sleet, nor predictions of snow and ice will keep our muzzleloaders from competing in the Quad Club Shoot.” That’s right, weather almost put a damper on the festivities, but early Sunday morning the roads looked passable, so 21 shooters came out for the annual gathering of the Black River Troublemakers, the Bremerton Brigade, the Lynch Creek Longhunters, and the Paul Bunyan Plainsmen. Although it did remain cold, the bright sun not only proved the weathermen wrong, it helped illuminate the targets for some very competitive scores.

This shoot goes back about 30 years, where it started as the “Tri-Club” shoot, and some of the old timers still refer to it that way. Over time the clubs have changed, but the spirit of the competition remained steady. The trophy for the best team is the three headed Indian Chief trophy that has resided with Paul Bunyan since February 2022.

The teams were organized at registration. Since there was an uneven amount of people from each club, the “extra” Plainsmen and some free agent “mercenaries” filled in the gaps to make three teams of 5 shooters, with the Plainsmen having 6.



The Targets. Bremerton (upper left), Black River (yellow), Lynch Creek (Sasquatch), Paul Bunyan (bottom)

Each club provides a target, so each shooter picks up four targets, each target posted at 25 yards and each receiving five shots. This gives a maximum score of 200. After the shooting is complete, the targets are gathered and returned to each club’s scorekeeper, who will score the targets. For the team with the extra person, only the top five scores per target are used, which means that all six team members could contribute to the team score.

In addition to the team score, an individual aggregate score was calculated and prized picked off the table as the scores dictated. We still had some wrapped prizes from our Christmas shoot that augmented the

layout of plunder on the table.

While the scores were being tallied, the shooters all enjoyed a pot-luck lunch, with each club providing a different part of the meal. The numbers revealed that the Paul Bunyan Plainsmen would retain the trophy for 2023. Thanks to all the score keepers, Darrell Behounek for getting the target frames ready, and Karla Hillberg for getting the food all set. It was another great shoot.

Next month’s shoot will be on March 26<sup>th</sup>, with Jim Haeckel coming up with the course of fire.

**Team results** (team members are listed under the team’s name)



Getting ready to fire. Lawrence Signorelli, Cody Mehr, and Allen Tresch (from front to back)

## Paul Bunyan 831-11X

1. Mike Moran 176-5X
2. Jim Haeckel 176-X
5. Jim Hillberg 171-2X
9. Doug Nash 159-X
15. Ken Goist 144-X
19. Jack Knight 112-X

## Lynch Creek 807-8X

3. Jerry Johnson 175-X
4. Cody Mehr 173-2X
10. L. Signorelli 158-2X
11. Tim Klima 157-2X
16. Tom Hay 144-X

## Black River 761-10X

6. Bob DeLisle 169-4X
7. Allen Tresch 169-3X
12. Mike Holeman 152-X
17. Mike Nesbitt 142-X
18. Jerry Mayo 129-X

## Bremerton 666-7X

8. Chip Kormas 160-3
13. Doug Kitchens 149-3X
14. D. Behounek 149-X
20. Will Ulry 106
21. Rich Glynn 102