



The Bull Sheet

Paul Bunyan Rifle and Sportsman's Club

Puyallup, WA

Established 1945

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OCTOBER MEETING NOTES

We have added the option to pay your club renewal fees online with a credit card. On the membership page on our website, you will find a PAY NOW button ([click here](#)). Those who elect to pay with a credit card will pay an extra \$5 (\$125 annual) to cover the cost of the credit card charges. Those who pay via check or cash will still pay \$120.

The November general and board meetings have been moved up to the 21st to accommodate the Thanksgiving holiday. The December meetings will be moved up one week as well to the 19th.

If you are a match director or chairperson who needs to put an entry on the calendar or submit a budget request for 2026, now is the time to send in the request. Requests are due by November 1st. Send the calendar information to Vice President Mike Moran by clicking [here](#), and the budget requests to Treasurer Bob Wendt by clicking [here](#). We will be finalizing these items at the November and December board meetings.

Those who plan on running for a club office are invited to submit a short (about 2-3 paragraphs) biography to be included in the December BullSheet. The biographies must be received prior to the November 21st board meeting. Send your write-ups to me at bullsheeteditor@gmail.com

Club member Joe Reno has volunteered to be our new shotgun chairman. Joe brings over 25 years of trap and skeet experience to the position, shooting at several area clubs and on the Puget Sound Olympic Continental Trap League. Joe will have the shotgun range open on the third Sunday of each month, 10am to 2pm.

Darrell Behounek reports that we put 440 guns on the firing line during the hunter sight-in event this year, down a few rifles from last year. We would like to thank those who volunteered to help with the event. Dennis Wilcox, Ken Swasey, Brad Davis, Bill Sick, Reuben Egloria, Ken Wise, Bob Butzerin, Lee Jorgensen, Mark Kosin and Gene Cullup donated their time and expertise to make the event a success. Cudos to Range officer Don Rubio who helped out on the weekends to get the range set up for the day.

NOMINATIONS FOR CLUB OFFICERS

Mike Moran

Elections for next year's club officers will be coming up in December, and we are always encouraging members to get involved in running the club. If you'd like to find out more about it, the position descriptions are listed in the Paul Bunyan Constitution (click [here](#)), or you can contact one of the current board members. We will call for nominations in November. Are you ready to throw your name in the hat?

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME

Membership renewals for 2026 are now due. To renew your club membership, download a renewal form [here](#). We will also have a few forms on the bulletin board by the range officer shack and in the print copy of the BullSheet. Dues can now also be paid through our website by clicking [here](#).

If you have any questions about your membership, please contact membership secretary Cindy Thomas at 253-229-0106 or via email [here](#).

BLACK POWDER PISTOL TRAIL

Eric Burkhead

The Paul Bunyan Mountain Persons, in their desire to become period authentic, have resumed their trapping heritage. Beavers are now a protected species in Washington State, so we have substituted the wiley forest mouse which has invaded the Dismal Nitch (aka Shotgun Shed). So far, the bag exceeds a dozen, and a few more will be needed to fabricate a frontier style mouse-skin hat. :)

Please note that the Black Powder Pistol Trail will begin Winter Hours, starting November 1st. Standard hours and days will be reduced to the **second Sunday** of each month from 11:00am to 2:00pm. In addition, the 1st and 3rd Thursdays will be made available to PBRs members and their guests from 11:00am to 2:00pm—**by appointment**. Simply phone me at (253) 686-5438 for arrangements. Note that the Nitch has a cozy woodstove and the Trail is sheltered by the forest canopy. Come join us, beginning November 9th!

As always, we will gladly furnish newcomers a pistol, powder & ball, coaching and even clean the dang thing for you! For more information, phone me at (253)686-5438.

PAUL BUNYAN AND THE ZONE OF FIRE

Lynn White

Many of the members of Paul Bunyan have talked about going bird hunting this fall. Pheasant, Chucker, Grouse, and other wild fowl are the target of hunters. Many bird hunters walk abreast across a field to maximize their chances of flushing a bird. What follows the flushing of the bird will reveal the hunter's level of training and commitment to firearms safety by only shooting in their zone of fire.

When three hunters walk abreast in the field and a bird takes to flight, there has to be an understanding of who can shoot and who cannot shoot. This was established long ago by those who have passed on to God's Heavenly Hunting Lodge.

Many years ago, the zone of fire became the model of safety for shooting birds in the field when hunters walk side by side. This prevents

hunters from passing on prematurely to the aforementioned Heavenly Lodge. **The Zone of Fire is the area where a hunter can shoot safely.** It is an area that has no people, domestic animals (i.e. cows or horses), houses, or buildings down range. If some unseen object comes into your focus where you are about to shoot, immediately cease fire and reassess your options.

To establish each person's zone of fire, stand facing down range and extend your arms out to your side with your thumbs pointing up. Now, slowly bring your arms toward the front and **stop moving inward when you can see your thumbs in your peripheral vision.** This cone shaped separation becomes your zone of fire. Each hunter should have about 45 degrees in which to shoot. Agreeing to the practice of only shooting within your zone of fire before you begin to hunt, will keep everyone safe. May you hunt successfully and

Remember – Stay Safe

ACTION SHOOTING INTERNATIONAL (ASI) RECAP

Jackie Russo

We had a wonderful turnout for ASI's The Senior Classic on October, 4th. A record setting 99 shooters showed up to take part on the 4th Anniversary for this match.

Seven stages with a fun senior theme ranging from "Help! I've Fallen" where retrieving a pistol from a downed "Paul Propman" (our resident full-sized doll—a quin handcrafted by our own Team Hallinan several years back) and engaging 3 sets of targets to "Best Retirement Day Fishing" where all shots are taken while seated in the "USS Birney Big Dog" boat.

Oops – Did I mention steel? Three stages incorporated fan favorites: steel! Hanging steel in Bay 5's "Waiting for Senior Discount at Denny's" and the plate rack for "Marshall's Mayhem" in Bay 7...Fishing" had steel poppers as well as Bay 2's "Piggly Wiggly Shoot Out" where the shooter's reloads are in the shopping cart and each target receives 3 rounds each. Accuracy for the win on this stage.



L to R: Malcolm, Marshall and Clint

The Senior Classic tradition is to welcome all shooters (but not PCC for this match) but celebrate those 50 years and better! Recognition for Seniors (50-59), Super Seniors (60-69) and Distinguished Seniors (70 +). Special categories for Veteran/Military; Law Enforcement; Ladies and most accurate in both irons and carry-optics were awarded medals, too.

We did award "High Whippersnapper" to the 'bestest < 50 shooter'...Jacob Bryant, with an incredible time of 67 seconds for the entire match!

Other notables: Most Accurate Irons: Joey Russo

Most Accurate Carry Optics: Andrew Hermer
For the Ladies:

Most Accurate Irons: Jackie Russo

Most Accurate Carry Optics: Vickie Jennings

For our Team Winners, meaning one member had to be a Senior, 1st place went to Team Hermer; 2nd to Team Burcham (father & daughter); 3rd to Team Hallinan!

The beautiful medallions were handcrafted by our own Brent Craven of River's Edge Artistry out of Orting WA.

Thank you all who helped set up the match and supported its success!


We are skipping the November match (an out of state match awaits). We will return on December 6, for the annual Paul Bunyan's *Toys 4 Tots Toy Drive*, supporting Pierce County's Chapter. It will be our "It's a PCC- Christmas" Match! Bring your favorite PCC ...or your regular handgun to this match. No range fee – in lieu bring a new unwrapped toy for donation. No time

to shop? We gladly accept cash / check donations day of match.

What to expect for a PCC (Pistol Caliber Carbine) match? More steel and targets at distance. But no worries – distance targets will be no further than 20 yds.

Join the fun and mark your calendars.

Pre-registration appreciated on www.practiscore.com find us under ASI at Paul Bunyan. Please note: we are moving away from walk-on registrations in 2026, so plan on using Practiscore and get registered on their website and avoid making an unnecessary trip to the South Hill.

The 2026 calendar is being finalized. Look to see a few more specialty matches such as "So you want a Revo-lution" a revolver – centric match; "A Crappy  Match "with a Poo –theme; The return of the "Hand sized –Handgun Match"; "Heavy Metal "and The Senior Classic (5th Year!).

Looking forward to seeing you all at the next match and in '26!

Questions? Send me an email at: ASI at Paulbunyan@gmail.com. More info on Action Shooting International? Go to the drop-down box at the [Paul Bunyan website](#) and click on [Pistol Shooting](#) under **More**.

IT'S AIRGUN SEASON

Al Richardson

We will have the airgun range open for casual shooting starting Wednesday October 29th at 6pm, shooting on alternating Wednesday evenings thru April (check the club calendar). This is a chance for those who like to shoot airgun, or are curious about it, to get some trigger time in our warm upstairs airgun range. This is just casual shooting from the bench, standing, kneeling or prone positions. The range is open to air rifle and pistols with a velocity of under 650fps for a .177 pellet. If you would like to give airgun shooting a try but don't have a gun, no problem. The club has a few guns for members to use. Please bring eye protection. If you would like more information, call me or send an email [here](#).

JUNIORS

Doug Shellenberger

We had 19 shooters participate in the Junior Airgun National sectional match at our range on the 25th. This is a standing-only nation-wide match, with the high scorers earning a chance to participate in the Junior Olympic tryouts in Colorado Springs. Arkin Arranza was the high scorer from our club. This match is one of best attended matches of the year. The results of the match can be found on the Orion website by clicking [here](#).



Match director Zach Duncan giving last minute instructions prior to the match.



Shooters during warm up before the second relay.

Shooters from Rogers High School are coming out Tuesday and Wednesday mornings for some airgun practice time on our range. Some of the other high schools have expressed interest in using our range, but so far, only Rogers has sent kids for practice.

FIREWOOD FOR SALE

We have firewood for sale at \$50 for a pick-up truck load (standard pickup bed filled to the bedrails). 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

Cindy Thomas

The club would like to welcome the 19 new members for October. Stephen Bloom, Wendy Bloom, Dylan Cleland, Shannon Burch, Drake Winfroy, Matthew Terrill, Michael Reise, Carmen Shepherd, William Shepherd, Brian Wade, Shannah Young, Christopher Darmony, Jay Bingham, Boyd Marler, Isaiah Florez, Timothy Clark, Thomas Hansen, Jay Burk, and Zac Basher were all voted into the club at the general meeting. Welcome to all. Club membership for 2026 now stands at 1038 members.

CAST BULLET ASSOCIATION (CBA) MILITARY MATCH RESULTS

Al Richardson

October 11, 2025

We were greeted by almost perfect October weather for our final CBA match of the year. Ron Heilman shot an outstanding 393-12X to take the winner's spot. We had a couple of new shooters join us. Alan and his son Chris came over from Gig Harbor to shoot with us. Many thanks to all that helped so much with set up and target changes. Our first match of 2026 will be April 11.

At our August match, club member Matt Hymer shot a [CBA](#) record score in issue class at 200 yards with a 100-8x. Congratulations Matt. He joins fellow club members John Schauf, Mitch Migliaccio and Ron Heilman in holding CBA records.

NAME	CLASS	100yd	200yd	Grand Agg
Ron Heilman	ms	194-5x	199-7x	393-12x
John Schauf	ms	192-4x	195-6x	387-10x
Doug Shellenberger	ms	177-1x	176-2x	353-3x
Alan Lentz	ms	105-0x	140-1x	245-1x
Ron Yatso	mi	188-0x	187-2x	375-2x
Matt Hymer	iss	185-5x	191-5x	376-10x
Al Richardson	iss	184-5x	186-2x	370-7x
Chris Lentz	iss	103-1x	76-0x	179-1x
Bill Ellingson	unc	192-4x	188-5x	380-9x
Joe Reno	unc	173-0x	167-2x	340-2x

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

STORAGE BINS AVAILABLE

Our club continues to sell heavy duty storage bins for the benefit of Toys for Tots. We are asking \$2.00 apiece [or more if you want to contribute:]. These bins are large (approximately 11"x11"x30") and stout, and sell commercially/industrially for over \$50.00 apiece. A few are usually stacked by the RSO shack on the rifle range, and as many as you might want are available. Just speak to Darrell if on duty, or phone Eric at (253) 686-5438 for pick up arrangements. Remember --- it's for the kids!

IN PASSING

Club member George "Mitch" Migliaccio passed away September 18th at 86 years old. Mitch started shooting in the field, hunting with his uncles when he was 8 years old. After a career in the Navy, Mitch joined our range in the early 70s and became an avid rifle shooter, shooting everything from .177 air rifle to 45-70 big bore and 50 caliber black powder guns. Mitch had a passionate love for anything to do with guns, dabbling in almost every type of firearm, hosting matches and mentoring through the years. Mitch was preceded in death by his wife Anne. He is survived by a brother and sister. Mitch was interned at Tahoma National Cemetery.

CARETAKERS REPORT

Doug Shellenberger

Our tree trimmer Aaron Warrick came out to cutdown four dead trees near the rifle range. As a result, we now have firewood for sale.

We have emptied our water trailers for the season. They came in handy this summer with the four small fires that started on the rifle range.

The squatter that was living outside the east perimeter fence has moved on, leaving a mountain of trash behind. While he was on State land, we will be required by the State and County to clean up the area.

We are having trouble with the soda machine by the clubhouse. Before we shut it off, it was dispensing 3 cans for the price of one! We have emptied it out and have contacted a vending machine technician to make the necessary repairs.

COST OF THE BULLSHEET

Like everything else in life, the cost to produce the BullSheet has gone up dramatically. The postage alone has taken a huge jump over what it was just a few years ago, plus the printing costs have gone up. If you get the BullSheet in print form and would consider reading it on line instead, please email me at bullsheeteditor@gmail.com so we can update your delivery preference.

FREE ONLINE TRAINING

Dennis Wilcox

There is free online training available which meets the WA requirement (which must be repeated every 5 years), courtesy of Sporting Systems in Vancouver WA. Point your browser here: [Firearms](#) [Safety](#) [Training Program Vancouver WA | Sporting Systems](#)

You can breeze through this fairly quickly - print a hard copy of the certificate and also save on your phone. Then you're good to buy a gun in WA - at least until May 2027 when the new permit to purchase law takes effect.

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 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 \$17. 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.

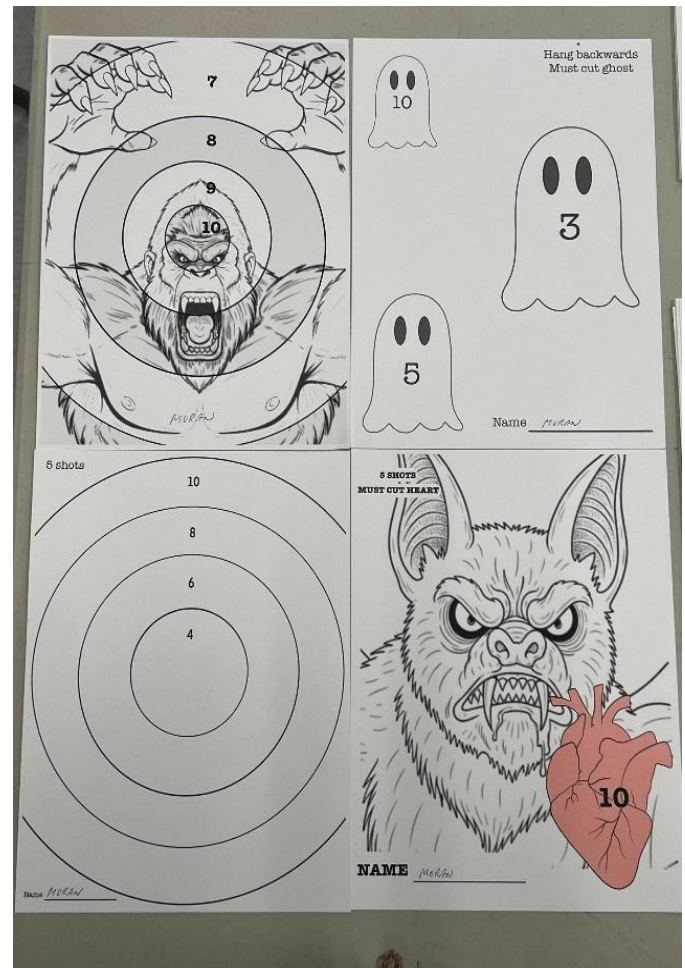
Trick or Treat, Muzzleloader Style

by Mike Moran

Halloween is a fun event, with childish pranks and fun costumes set in a dark and eerie environment. Of course, that describes many of our muzzleloader shoots, but this one was definitely ghoulish. Or at least the course of fire was, thanks to Paul Evans and his devilish creativity. The weather also helped, suddenly changing from our beautiful extended summer to a downpour trying to make up for lost time. At least the wind was quiet.

All the 11 shooters that participated were Plainsmen, which was probably due to the surrounding area power outages that kept some of the other black powder club members home tending their fireplaces. The basic course of fire was four paper targets, shooting five shots in each one, all at 25 yards. There were additional points for period dress.

Target 1 was the Backwards Bullseye. Typical of this style, there were concentric rings, each with a value, but the values increased farther away from the center. Ten points for the outer ring, and only four points for the center. Next up was Big Foot, with his snarling face at the center of a normally scored bullseye target. The Vampire target was next, with a

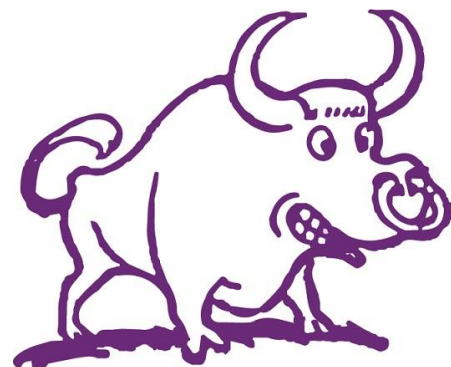


A spooky set of targets



Boosway Paul Evans shooting at ghosts

picture of the blood sucker showing his fangs. To kill a vampire, one must hit him in the heart, so in the lower right corner was a heart shaped target (ventricles and all). It wouldn't be Halloween without ghosts, and the last target featured three ghosts of different sizes and point values. That would be easy enough, but as Paul reminded us that we can't see ghosts, so this target was posted facing away from the shooter. The ghost target would also serve as the tiebreaker.





Jim Haeckel, tied for first place

“Trick or Treat” is the usual saying for Halloween, and to balance out Paul’s trick targets, his wife Meagan passed out candy treats, which eased the pain a little bit. In due time we were finishing up and moved to the clubhouse for prizes. And just as we were leaving, the rain stopped. Our next shoot will be Sunday November 23rd and will be our Thanksgiving Turkey shoot, with some turkeys for prizes.



That stove felt nice with all the rain

Name	Prim	Vampire	Ghosts	Rings	Big Foot	Total
Dennis Daigger	0	40	12	36	46	134
Jim Haeckel	3	40	10	38	43	134
Mike Moran	5	50	0	36	42	133
Mark Merwin	5	40	0	40	46	131
Paul Evans	5	20	30	30	44	129
Chip Kormas	0	30	20	20	39	109
Mike Barr	0	20	8	22	41	91
Eric Burkhead	3	20	3	24	41	91
Meagan Evans	0	0	16	36	28	80
Katie Harmon	0	10	6	24	30	70
Darrell Behounek	0	10	0	48	0	58