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## President's Message

### Christmas

Remember the club is closed Christmas Day. You all have a great day, eat plenty of Turkey and see you the day following. Gift ideas – the club offers gift certificates for \$25, \$50, \$75, and \$100. We also have Shot Cards for the Shotgun Shooters and shooting supplies for everyone. Check it out

### Volunteers

I would like to thank all the members who help out around the club. It is nice to see members making the club look a little better than how they found it. There are enough of us that if each person just does a little, the place will soon look a lot better. Thanks.

I would like to thank some specific individuals:

Rolf Mogster, who took his time to help a father teach his son how to shoot trap. The father was so impressed with Rolf that he first took the time to call the range and tell the Range Master, he then wrote me an email to again complement the Club on its excellent member and finally he wrote Rolf a letter of appreciation for his fine work. This was fantastic and Rolf said, "how could I do any less than share what I enjoy so much." (my paraphrase of Rolf comments to me).

Myron Olson who has been helping people with their home study hunter education course.

Dr. Andrew Tate, who runs the Seattle University shooting club. Dr. Tate brings his club to Shotgun once a quarter and with the assistance of Gerard Loupe, Bob Lambert, and Don Acres works with them on trap and five stand shooting.

Gary Webster and his crew who works with the youth Shotgun every other Saturday. Gary has about eight members that help him and unfortunately I don't know them all, but they include Clay Sturge, Jim Herrling, David Levinson, and others.

Mike and David Wichser, who with the assistance of some of the parents, run the youth archery program. Those two brothers, with the exception of hunting season, spend almost every Friday and Monday evening with the kids and have done so for many years.

Jack Giuliano and George Dunbar and crew who have run the youth Rifle program for many years.

John Ames who has been taking care of the maintenance of the public archery areas for a good many years.

To the guys that run all our shooting events, like Dick Abbey, Roger Ulrich, Bill Drake, Larry Lohkamp, Scott Lorenz, Vic Alvarez, John Law, Richard Nicol, Jerry Graham, and Ralph Barnes.

To the guys that run our training programs; Ed Pack, for hunter education, and Richard Ripley, for firearms training, and all the instructors that make these programs a success.

I have undoubtedly left several people out and I apologize to them, but the point is that many people donate a lot of time to make this club what it is and we all appreciate it.

### Events

Bullseye Pistol League has just started at the club house on Thursday evenings, first relay starts at 7 pm with additional relays to follow. Also the Winter Smallbore Rifle League starts on Tuesdays in the club house and runs to

April. See Gerald Graham if you would like to participate.

Fall Shotgun League wraps up the end of November and the awards program, starting Bob "Mr. Guitar" Lambert will take place December 8. Also, I believe that a Winter Shotgun League should be starting in December.

Shotgun committee meeting was changed time from 9pm to 7pm. Meeting lasted about 20-25 minutes. We went back to shooting and more members learned about what it takes to run a shotgun group. Some member choose to leave when the meeting started and that was unfortunate that they could not stick around and participate in their club, maybe next time.

Thanks to the efforts of Mr. Phil Murray, we have another instructor training course at our club in March 12 and 13, 2004. Those interested in becoming Hunter Education Instructors, please contract Phil Murray at phil-murray@comcast.net or give me a call. We will get you signed up for the course.

A big thanks to Michael Goza for donating a couple of copies of MS XP and a couple of copies of the just released MS Office 2003 for the club computers.

Thanks also to all the members who are including a donation along with their dues renewals. The extra funds allow us to make scheduled improvements more quickly and to plan for more.

**Work Parties**

With fall here, we will need help with the leaves. We will need to rake up leaves and clean gutter and side walks. Any help is appreciated. It helps to save money when we don't have to pay for maintenance.

**Dues**

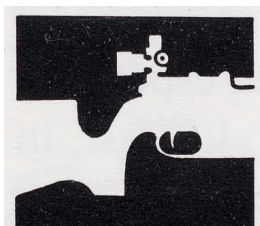
Dues are coming up. Don't forget that you must pay your dues by January 1, to stay current. The renewal forms are in your newsletter, on-line and available at the range office. Also, there is a line for donations, if you are so inclined.

This is a great place thanks to the work of many members over the last 50 plus years. Let's keep it going.

Have Fun, Be Safety, and Play Well.

*Carl Brattain*

**ITS YOUR CLUB, GET INVOLVED!**



**Rimfire Position Rifle**

**INDOOR RIMFIRE SHOOTING**

Practice sessions for the indoor four position rifle shooting will begin on Tuesday evenings on the 18th of November. Starting time will be 7:00 P.M. Several new shooters entered this activity last year resulting in WCW again entering two teams in the Puget Sound Riflemen's League. (Almost had enough for three)

If you have any interest in this kind of activity or just want to find out what it's all about, come out and join us for some fun. Bring your junior shooters and your "Plinker Rifle". It's the only time of the year that there is the opportunity to use the indoor range informally. If your gun isn't appropriate, there will be extra equipment available to use, but please bring standard speed .22 amunition, no high speed. Eye and ear protection is a requirement. There will be a charge of \$2 for each adult shooter.

The league shooting will begin in January and last for eight to ten weeks.

If you have any question, call Jerry Graham on 206-542-4587.

***Donations***

We receive many donations during the course of a year .....and we are very grateful. While we are not a charity and donations are not charitable contributions for tax purposes, all donations are put to work improving the facility and its operations. This month we received:

**\$100 Donations**

- Brian Illston
- Loren Yockey

**\$80 Donations**

- Lester Dorris
- Jack Riggs

**\$60 Donations**

- Allen McBride
- Frank Portuland

**\$50 Donations**

- Bernie Alfred
- Robert Gehrman
- Michael Goza
- Raymond Houle
- R.W. Chug Leede
- Rich Smith

**\$40 Donations**

- Diedrich Schmidt

**\$35 Donations**

- Paul Arnold

**\$30 Donations**

- Doug Stroud

**\$25 Donations**

- Raymond Cox
- W.F. Griswold
- Bobby Kelly

**\$20 Donations**

- Theodore Hudlow
- Dallas Soward

**\$10 Donations**

- C. Paul Brown
- Domenick Cona
- Dennis Dunn
- Robert Gord
- Monte Holmes
- Ernest Norehad
- Mike Orth
- George Marshall Paris
- Reid Stevens
- David Taft
- Bill Veghte

***Thanks!!!***

### WCW Board Meeting Minutes of October 1, 2003

Meeting called to order by President Carl Brattain at 8:00 PM. All Board members were present except Joe Waldron and Darian Carpenter.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as published.

#### Guests

Richard Ripley, Firearms Education Chairman. Richard requested to host the Toastmasters Club at his cost. There will be no income generated for the club.

#### Committee Reports

Larry Mallory: Shotgun Committee Report including the upcoming "Ladies Only" shooting clinic to be held tentatively May 1, 2004.

#### Orientation

The following new members have completed orientation:

John Alexy  
Robert and Dawn Cochran  
Walter and Janice Colbourne  
Aubrey and Janet Gaddy  
Jerry and Shari Hopple  
Fillip Kitsak  
Peter Mansur  
Ron Morgan  
Michael and Suzanne Robbins  
W. Douglas and Sheryl Smith  
Doug Stewart  
James Weiss  
Clay Wood  
R.W. Zeldenrust

#### Old Business

None.

#### New Business

None

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.  
Respectfully submitted, Dan Barton,  
Recording Secretary



### Kenmore Range Benchrest Matches

#### November BR Match Report

Our November match attendance was down considerably. Probably having to do with temperatures hovering around the 30 degree mark! For those willing to brave the cold, the conditions were pretty good overall, with some light breezes to keep it interesting.

This is the time of year we like to change up the format of our matches, and have a little fun with it. This month was our annual turkey shoot with competitors shooting two matches at 200 yards using small images of turkeys instead of the regular BR targets. This year's winner of the turkey shoot was Richard Nicol. He shot 99- 4x and 99-3x scores while braving the considerable recoil of his 30.06 bench gun. Good shooting Richard! 2<sup>nd</sup> place was taken by Mac McCluskey, recording scores of 96, and 97. 3<sup>rd</sup> place went to Bill Gildroy with scores of 89, and 93.

For the second half of our match this month we again changed from our regular 300 yard / 200 yard shoot to a 100 yard "varmint for score" format. Each shooter shot 5 - 5 bull targets, one shot per bull. Bill Gildroy showed us all how it is done scoring 250-19x ! At one point he shot two 5 bull targets in a row without missing an x! That's some pretty fancy shootin there Bill! 2<sup>nd</sup> place went to Mac with another fine score of 250 11x. 3<sup>rd</sup> place was taken by Richard recording a score of 248 12x. All in all a pretty fun shoot! The winner of the cash prize drawing this month was Scott Montgomery.

We are in the process of making a few changes in the BR matches. A couple of the factory class rules have now been changed. Factory class shooters may now use any scope. (previous rule was 20x max) And, factory class shooters may now shoot off a BR type rest. (previous rule was sandbags only) All other factory class rules remain the same as before. Also, as mentioned above we now have cash prizes!

Next month we will be shooting a similar format to the one this month so bring your best 200 & 100 yard loads, and come out and shoot with us! For more information call Rick Graham at (206) 784-1324.



### *Highpower PRONE Rifle Match*

The inaugural Winter prone match for 2003/4 was held on Saturday, 15 November, at Kenmore Ranges. On a typical Western Washington November day (gray, wet, and VERY dark) we kicked off our 60 shot, 100-yard reduced target prone matches.

Limited available light dictates only two relays, and competition from the Rattlesnake Mountain and Tri-County (Portland) matches reduced our normal overflow crowd to thirteen competitors. Nevertheless, a good cross-section of classifications was represented, with six High Masters, three Masters, and two each Sharpshooters and Marksmen.

We combined the SS and MK classes to obtain a "place" award, and Jim Airies took the combined class with a fine 545 - 11X. Rick Hunt, with the Mongoose (the rifle that tamed the Rattlesnake) took the Master class with a sandbagging 600 - 37X. Hopefully, his last match as a Master! The High Master class was won by Jim Cloward, with a 597 - 44X, and Jay Brooks won the match with a near-range record 600 - 47X!

Competition at all levels prevails, and the Northwest shooters continue to excel! Our next Kenmore match will happen on 20 December - registration begins at 0830, first shots at 1000. Come join the fun!

Dick Abbey

#### Shotgun hours of operation are:

##### *Normal hours*

<b>Mon</b>	<b>5-9pm Members Only</b>
<b>Tues</b>	<b>5:00 pm to 9:00 pm</b>
<b>Wed</b>	<b>Noon to 5:00 pm</b>
<b>Thur</b>	<b>5:00 pm to 9:00 pm</b>
<b>Sat</b>	<b>10:00 am to 5:00 pm</b>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>10:00 am to 5:00 pm</b>