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## President's Message

### Volunteers

I would like to thank all the members who help out around the club. This time of year it is nasty outside, leaves everywhere, rain and cold weather, windy. This is the time when we get ready for next year. Please help around the club by cleaning up after yourself and your neighbor. This will help reduce what the other volunteer must do.

### Events

Winter Shotgun League starts the 25 January and run 6 weeks, with 2 make weeks.

The winter league will be a side by side shotgun event. It will include continental, doubles, and the White, Blue and Green Cards at 5-Stand (best score on each cards). The format and charges are like the fall league. Sign up at shotgun.

We are currently shooting the .22 Bullseye Postal League in the clubhouse on Thursday evenings, competing against 65 teams from Ohio to Texas to Washington and Idaho. Our "A" team won this event in 3 years ago, last year, and look to win it again this year.

The Standard Pistol League starts in mid February. Get out the 22 pistols with Iron Sights and let's have some fun. It is Thursday nights, with first relay starting at 7 pm and second relay starting at 8 pm. See you there.

We hope to have a booth at the Evergreen Outdoor Show in Monroe, WA. It will be February 25-29, 2004. If this happens, I will need volunteers to work the show.

Please let me know if you are interested in representing the club at the show. I will be setting up a schedule for Wednesday through Sunday. We will need two people most of the time. I would guess two crews of two people per day, maybe three crews.

Contact me at – [Carl@wcwinc.org](mailto:Carl@wcwinc.org) or phone at 425/485-9838 if you're interested and when you will be available.

The Lew McMurtry shoot starts the second Saturday of February at Machias. We need several shooter to show up at Machias to help us when this inter-club competition. The event is single shot continental and 23 yard handicap, 25 each. We shoot the second Saturday at Machias for 3 month and the 4 Saturday Kenmore for three month. Come help you club. We use to win this all the time, but have fell on hard times in recent years because of a lack of shooters going to Machias,

### Work Parties

We need to rake up leaves and clean gutter and side walks. Any help is appreciated. We need to clean up around the club house, both inside and out; leaves debris, cob webs, etc. Let me know if you are interested in helping.

### 2004 Dues

Dues are due. The renewal forms are in your news letter, on-line and available at the range office. Also, there is a line for donations, if you are so inclined. You will not have club privileges after February 29, 2004 without a new card. Remember it takes a week or two to get the cards out so give yourself time to receive the card in the mail.

WANTED – We could use a forklift to unload bird and things at the Shotgun range. If anyone know of one that will work on gravel or has one lying around, and it is not to expensive, let us know.

Have Fun, Be Safe, and Play Well.

Carl Brattain

**ITS YOUR CLUB, GET INVOLVED!**

### Board Meeting Minutes January 7, 2004

President Carl Brattain called the Meeting to order at 8:05 PM. All Board Members were present except John Conderman, Dave Alvar, Ron Heraldson, Darian Carpenter and Vic Alvarez. There being no quorum, the Meeting was adjourned.

### Guests

Art Clemente suggested having a social event prior to the April 14th General

### Orientation

The following new members have completed orientation:

Todd Anderson  
Harry and Judith Barton  
Mike Boseck  
Ken and Linda Chadwick  
Shaun Cox  
Michael and Diana Curneen  
James Duhamel  
Jim Grady  
Brian Hammer  
Robert and Rosanne Johnson  
Gerald Masoner  
John and Sharon Palmer  
Glenn and Linda Peterson  
Ron Uttenhove  
Mike Wilgus

Respectfully submitted by Dan Barton,  
Recording Secretary.

## Hunter Education Instructors

We will be holding a Training session on March 12 and 13 for people to become Hunter Education instructors. The course is being put on by Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife at our request. If you are interested, it is Friday evening and Saturday all day. Please contact me at:

carl@wcwinc.org

or Phil Murray at:

philmurray@comcast.net

and we will get you the data. You must be signed-up a month in advance.



### Kenmore Range Benchrest Matches

#### January Benchrest Match Report

It was really cold at our January match. Mark Burns was unrecognizable under his many layers of clothing, looked kind of like a walking haystack with a cleaning rod sticking out. I guess he was warm. No one brought a heater so a hot barrel was the only source of warmth. There were only five hot barrels but we had a good time.

Instead of shooting for score we decided to shoot for group at 100 and 200 yards, 2 matches at each distance. Conditions were actually quite good but cold air is denser than warm air and a little breeze can have a big effect on that hot little bullet.

After the cold smoky air had cleared Rick Graham had the best aggregate score averaging .379 inches for his four groups. Bill Gildroy was also under 400 with a .396" agg. Richard Nicol's average was .414" and Mark Burns' was 496"- not bad for a haystack!

Bill brought his son John to shoot with us. He campaigned valiantly with his factory .22-.250 and after the match he shot the smallest group of the day with his dad's gun! Please come back John. Two Gildroys are even better than one.

Next match is Feb. 7. We'll have a fun format for our match and a wonderful prize for the winner. Call Richard Nicol for info: 206-784-1093.



### *Highpower PRONE Rifle Match*

You know that you are in National Level competition when the first five places are "Clean," separated only by X-count!

Our January Kenmore Prone match, on the miniscule MR-31 Target, produced a fine series of scores for the 16 competitors. The weather (despite the Weatherman's dire predictions) proved delightful, for all but the last relay - when a rain squall came by for about 20 minutes. Bright sun on the targets caused some squinting comments from the group.

The Marksman and Sharpshooter classes were combined, and Paul Richards took the group with a fine 557 - 13X. Rick Hunt, on (we hope!) his last outing as a Master, won that class with a 599 - 38X!

High Masters (count 'em, eight!) accounted for a bunch of "Clean" scores. Second HM was Jay Brooks, with a 600 - 45X, bested by 1st HM Rich Vedvick, with 600 - 46X.

The Match winner, Mike Maurer, showed his Palma Team quality with a 600 - 49X. Great effort on the part of all hands, and a good time, as well.

Next outing for the Kenmore 60 - Prone matches will be on 21 February (Third Saturday of the month.) Come join the fun!

Dick Abbey

### Past Into Memory

Douglas H. Allen past away December 31. Doug was 69 years old. He will be best remembered for helping so many shooters to enjoy trap shooting. He will be missed by all his friend in the trap shooting brotherhood. Doug, you were one of the kindest GENTLEMEN it was ever our honor to know.

The Kenmore WCW Christmas 2700 bullseye match added up to:

**“COLD WEATHER AND HOT SHOOTING”!**

In the morning on my way to the WCW range the roads were icy and as I passed car wrecks on two separate overpasses, my hope of a good turnout diminished. Through ice and snow, 22 competitors managed to arrive safely and shoot in the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual “Friday after Christmas” outdoor 25yd registered 2700 match at the Wildlife Committee of WA range in Kenmore.

The temperature never made it out of the 20’s under the target shed, it’s probably one of the few times competitors liked scoring, since the targets were in the sunshine. The heat was cranked up in the lunchroom so we could warm up during breaks along with quite a few propane heaters on the line to warm bodies and especially trigger fingers.

Darius Young, who drove from Northeastern Washington and obviously isn’t fazed by the cold, set 5 senior 25yd records along with a new 25yard National 2700 aggregate record of 2668-156x (when approved). Great shooting Doc, especially with the added difficulty of shooting in freezing temperatures!

The Master Class was a hot bed of competition also with another “retiree” shooter, (read this, endless training time), Lindell Schmittler knocking down a 2616-106x for the win. The Master class was also augmented with 5 new shooters, which gave them an award category in the master/unclassified group. Awards were distributed between Dave Sasai and Alan Cox. Thanks to those new shooters for competing and to those who helped them discover our great sport.

Expert class was topped by, ace revolver shooter, Dave Schmolke’s 2477-57x over Doug Shellenberger’s 2466-44x.

Sharpshooter class was won by, eastern Washingtonian, Bob Jacobs score of 2413-47x. I sense a pattern developing of those easterners shooting better in the cold...

1<sup>st</sup> Marksman was Oliver Lajoie with a 2262-28x.

Thanks to all who braved the drive and for the great clean up afterwards.

Scott Lorenz  
Match Director

***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:

**\$200 Donations**

Clive Sollitt

**\$110 Donations**

Leslie Cole

**\$100 Donations**

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Myron Olson  
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Martin Nelson  
Morris Parrish  
Alan Richards  
John Rova  
Robert Sandblom  
John Schuyleman  
William Simmons  
Richard Wurdack

Thanks!!!

***Shotgun hours of operation are:***

***Normal hours***

***Mon 5-9pm Members Only***  
***Tues 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm***  
***Wed Noon to 5:00 pm***  
***Thur 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm***  
***Sat 10:00 am to 5:00 pm***  
***Sun 10:00 am to 5:00 pm***

**The NRA and the WCW**

Our club is an NRA recruiter, and we get a commission for all new members we sign up and for all renewals processed with our recruiter ID number. We receive \$10 for every new member and \$5 for every renewal.

The club has a significant number of NRA members and it would be a real benefit to the club for all those members to renew using the form below, or by using our web site direct link to the NRA renewals....on the home page. Besides, by renewing through the club, you save \$10. Let's see, you save \$10 and the club gets another \$5....what a good deal.

Then there are a great many WCW members who are not yet NRA mem-

bers. The club would receive \$10 of the \$25 special dues for every member who would join through the club. You would be doing your part on a national level to protect your gun and hunting rights. You save \$10 and the club gets another \$10....a really good deal.

Sign up your wife or husband or friends on a Liberty membership for \$10 (no magazine) and the club gets a \$5 commission. Don't want to get the full membership, sign up on a Liberty membership for yourself.

We have been getting an extra \$1,000 a year without much effort just from the few who sign up....we could get a great deal more and you would be doing yourself a favor. The benefits which come with an NRA membership are significant. You get \$1,000 unsched-

uled firearm insurance and \$10,000 accidental life insurance. And you would be adding to the strength of the organization, which has passed the 4 million member mark. There is strength in numbers and the NRA numbers should be much higher. Let's all pull together and give them the support they need.

As an aside, the NRA provides the lesson plans and manuals for all our safety classes....and grants for some of our projects.

Just remember, use the form below, or use our web site direct link. Use your credit card for easy processing.

SAVE MONEY and HELP THE CLUB.

**Special Rates for NRA Membership \$25.00**

By special arrangement, the NRA is allowing us to sign-up members for \$10 OFF their regular dues. Pay by credit card or your check made out to the NRA. Mail it to the club, drop it off at the Range Office or mail it directly to the NRA:

National Rifle Association, Recruiter Program Department  
11250 Waples Mill Road, Fairfax, VA 22030-7400

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*Wildlife Committee of Washington*  
RECRUITER SIGNATURE

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 RENEWAL # \_\_\_\_\_  
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1 YEAR	<del>\$25</del> <b>\$25.00</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> 2 YEAR	\$60
<input type="checkbox"/> 3 YEAR	\$85
<input type="checkbox"/> JUNIOR (under 21 years old)	\$15
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTINGUISHED (age 65+ or disabled veteran)	\$30
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