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## *President's Message*

### Volunteers

A big thanks to all the members who have volunteered during 2006. Hope we have even more members finding the time to help out around the club in 2007.

### Dues

Dues are due for the 2007 membership year. 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. Thanks to all of you that have included donations, the funds are put to good use.

### Past Due

Our grace period for dues is over on February 28. Anyone without a 2007 Membership card is a public shooter. Keep in mind that there is time involved after you send in your dues before you receive your cards. If you do not want a delay, get your dues in now.

### Gate Key

We are changing the front gate key every year. We will be changing the locks sometime after the end of February. Keep checking on when the new keys will be ready for distribution at the Range Office.

### Board of Directors

Elections are coming up quickly. If you have a lot of free time and would like to run for the Board, let me or one of the current Board members know. Position duties and responsibilities are outlined in the club bylaws which you can find on the web site.

### Friends of the NRA Grants

We have been awarded 2 grants this year from the Friends of the NRA, totaling \$10,000. The club has always gotten great support from the NRA organizations and this is just one more reason for every club member to also be an NRA member. Several of the grants over the last two years has gone to the Archery and Shotgun programs, so support of the NRA should not be limited to just the rifle and pistol shooters.

The club gets additional benefits from the NRA if you join or renew your membership through the club. And you can do it for a reduced rate of \$25 ..... or as little as \$10 (Liberty membership) if you do not want a magazine. There is an NRA application/renewal form in the newsletter for your use. Just fill it out and send it directly to the NRA or drop it off at the Range Office. The club receives \$10 for each new member and \$5 for each renewal from the NRA.

The Friends of the NRA gets their funds from the local banquet and auction they hold each year. Be sure to attend those activities and lend your support.

### Range Committee

We continue to have members stopping in at the Orientation meeting or the Board meeting to try to arrange for rifle or pistol Special Use. Granting of Range Special Use is done by the Range Committee on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. Granting of Archery Special Use is done by the Archery Committee on the 1st Thursday of the month.

### In Memory

A familiar face has disappeared from the Shot-shack with the passing of William Buchanan. Bill was a long time member, and ardent shot-gunner and fisherman, and part of the original Fishing Committee. Bill served for several years as the club maintenance man and general mister fix-it. He will definitely be missed.

This is a great club thanks to the work of many members over the last 60 plus years. Let keep it going.

Have Fun, Be Safe, and Play Well.  
*Carl Brattain*

**ITS YOUR CLUB, GET INVOLVED!**

Board Meeting Minutes  
January 3, 2007

President Carl Brattain called the Meeting to order at 7:50 PM. All Board Members were present except Dave Alvar, Darian Carpenter, Gerald Albertson and Larry Mallory.

**Guests:**

Ken Deleone Archery Chairman and Gary Webster Shotgun Chairman.

**Committee Reports:**

Ken Deleone Archery, Gary Webster Shotgun and Vic Alvarez Range.

The Minutes of the previous Board Meeting were read and corrected. The Minutes were approved as corrected.

**Financial Summary:**

Vic Alvarez

**Orientation**

The following new members have completed orientation:

- Lewis and Marilyn Arnoldi
- Wayne Darling
- Aaron Hastings
- Milen Kosev
- Brendan McAferty
- Jeff Moore
- Lincoln and Janis Noe
- Daniel Rand
- Robert Rathje
- Jeff Verheul
- Steven Woods

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

None

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM. Respectfully submitted by Dan Barton, Recording Secretary.

***Shotgun hours of operation***  
*Normal hours*

<b>Mon</b>	<b>Members only 5-9pm</b>
<b>Tues</b>	<b>5:00 to 9:00 pm</b>
<b>Wed</b>	<b>Noon to 5:00 pm</b>
<b>Thur</b>	<b>5:00 to 9:00 pm</b>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>Closed</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>



**LEGISLATIVELY SPEAKING**  
*by Joe Waldron*

**Federal**

The 110<sup>th</sup> Congress was seated on January 4<sup>th</sup> with Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi at the help. Already we've seen half-a-dozen gun control bills introduced, along with a couple of pro-gun bills. Which ones do you think stand the best chance of getting through the system?

Bills move much more slowly through Congress, so I'll address these at greater length in future columns.

**State**

On January 8<sup>th</sup>, the 60<sup>th</sup> biennial (2007-2008) Washington legislature convened, with a Democrat supermajority in both chambers (House and Senate). Whatever the Democrats say they want, on the gun issue or on anything else, they should be able to pass easily. Normally that would spell t-r-o-u-b-l-e for gun owner. But a significant part of that Democrat supermajority is made up of rural and suburban Democrats, whose commitment to gun control is much weaker than that of the Seattle and Tacoma crowd.

A small handful of gun bills have been filed, both anti- and pro-gun. The ones to look out for at this time are HB 1014 (lock-up-your-guns), HB 1026 (gun show "loophole") and SB 5197 (gun show "loophole"). Call your legislators via the Legislative Hotline at (800) 562-6000 and ask them to OPPOSE these three bills.

It's up to us as gun owners to keep positive pressure on our elected officials to do the right thing and focus on the real problems, not gun control as a poor substitute. A classic example is the recent shooting at the Denny's restaurant in Kent. The shooter, an individual with a prior disqualifying domestic violence misdemeanor conviction and anger management issues, admits buying his handgun "off the street." When asked what the solution to such crimes should be, Senate Judi-

ciary Committee chair Senator Adam Kline responded, "Close the gun show loophole." Never mind the fact that there is no such thing as the gun show loophole (all laws that apply outside gun shows apply inside as well), what did the Kent shooting have to do with gun shows? Or the Foss High School shooting? The Jewish Federation shooting? The Seattle Capitol Hill "massacre?" NONE of these incidents had anything to do with gun shows.

**GOAL Post**

Once again during the January-April legislative session, I will be publishing the GOAL Post, a weekly e-mail summary of activity in Olympia. GP is usually distributed on Friday night, and runs about four pages. It provides a narrative of the previous week's activities in the legislature, a listing of gun related bills filed and their status, public hearings on gun-related bills scheduled for the following week, (occasionally) contact information for legislators who need a little positive reinforcement on a particular bill, and information about how to obtain copies of bills, or to listen to legislative hearings over the internet.

Subscription is free: just send an e-mail to [jwaldron@halcyon.com](mailto:jwaldron@halcyon.com) with GOAL POST in the subject line and I'll add your address to the list. The GOAL list is restricted solely to distribution of GOAL legislative reports and alerts. It is not used for any other purpose and your e-mail will not be released to any other organization or individual.

**Pistol Marksmanship and Competition Seminar**

The 1st Saturday of each month we have a pistol training session for Bullseye and International Standard Pistol. Learn what competition is all about and get a lot of practice on timed and rapid fire.

**Need:**

- A. .22LR semi-automatic standard pistol (5" barrel).
- B. 300-400 rounds of .22 Standard Velocity LR
- C. \$10

Starts at 9:00AM on Range #3



**Firearms  
Education  
Committee**



### NRA Basic Rifle

The NRA Basic Rifle class teaches the fundamentals of rifle knowledge. Although the class is taught in a "competitive target shooting" format, the principles are applicable to any rifle shooting, from plinking to competition to hunting to personal protection.

The class is a 14 hour class, conducted over 2 days on the 4th weekend of each month (except December, because that usually comes around Christmas). Because it's a basic class, we assume that the people taking the class may not have their own equipment, and so we supply rifles, ammunition, targets, eye and ear protection, and of course the books. The class costs \$50 per person.

The class starts off, as all NRA shooting classes do, with the safety lecture. We cover the NRA three safety rules, what they mean, and how the students need to behave as a result of the rules. The only way to have an "accident" is to violate at least one of the three rules.

The class then goes into the 3 main parts of a rifle (action, stock, and barrel), and some detail about each of those parts (such as muzzle, breech, chamber, lands and groves for the barrel).

Then we discuss the 6 most common action types (bolt, pump, semi-auto, lever, break, and falling block) (you may argue that some of these actions are not quite on the "most common" list, but that's a discussion for another article). We describe how each type works, how to load and unload each, and have the students load and unload each type under an Instructor's supervision.

We spend some time on ammunition. We cover several things:

- Ammunition basics (bullet, case, powder, primer)
- Firing sequence (firing pin hits primer, primer detonates, etc.)
- Ammunition failures (misfire, hang-

fire, squib)

What the various calibers are used for (458 Win Mag for dangerous game, 22LR for plinking, competition, and hunting small game, etc)

We talk about the NRA's 5 fundamentals of rifle shooting:

- Position
- Shot Preparation (breath control & aiming)
- Sight Picture control
- Trigger Control Follow-thru

Finally, we get to the range! But we don't get to shoot yet....

We explain the range rules & range commands, set up tables for benchrest shooting and get the rifles out of the Armory. We issue eye and ear protection, ammunition, and targets.

Finally, we shoot. We start with the Benchrest position, to allow the students to focus on fundamentals, then move to standing (2 variations), kneeling (2 variations), prone, and sitting (3 variations). Instructors work with students to help them get the fundamentals and build good habits. We usually shoot in series of 5 shot groups, perhaps 150 shots in all.

We spend some time on cleaning the rifles, on rifle sports and activities, and on the criteria to use when buying a rifle. Finally we have a written test, and award the course completion certificates.

We've had classes as small as 2-3 students, and as large as 11. We usually have 2 Instructors for each class, more if a large class happens.

That's NRA Basic Rifle as we do it here at Kenmore. It can be kind of a long couple of days, but it's always very rewarding to do. We end up with students who learn a lot, have fun, and, of course, we have fun at the same time.

If you know someone who has been thinking about getting a rifle, or has just gotten their first rifle, send them to us.

We'll get them started on the right foot, help them avoid beginner mistakes, and have fun in the process.

The Instructors who make this magic happen are just your fellow shooters, but they have learned how to introduce people to shooting in a gentle, non-threatening way. You could do this too. The costs are few, and the rewards are many. Plus, you'll be helping the next generation of shooters learn what shooting is really about, rather than what the media would have them believe.

Remember, the next NRA Instructor Training class here at Kenmore Range will be in May, 2007. We always need additional instructors in all of our disciplines – pistol, rifle, shotgun, and muzzleloading rifle. If you'd like to give back to the sport you enjoy, please consider becoming an NRA Certified Instructor. You'll be teaching the necessary knowledge, skills and attitude for safe and effective marksmanship to the next generation of shooters. NRA Instructor Classes will give you the necessary training.

As usual, if you have any questions, please contact either Richard Ripley 206-271-0670 [richard.ripley@verizon.net](mailto:richard.ripley@verizon.net)

### Hunter Ed

Hunter Education Instructor Training will be at the American Legion in Bothell in February! This will be your only chance this year to become a Hunter Education Instructor without traveling to Yakima or Spokane or Vancouver.

If you enjoy hunting, and want to help get new people (especially young people) into hunting, you need to become a Hunter Education Instructor.

The Hunter Ed program is run by the Department of Fish and Wildlife, and requires a 12 hour Pre-Service Training session. It's conducted over 2 days, usually 3-4 hours on a Friday night, and all day Saturday.

There is some lead time to get through the process to get into the class, so if you have any interest at all, please call Phil Murray at 425-844-1918 or [philmurray@comcast.net](mailto:philmurray@comcast.net)

**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:

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Thanks!!!

**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  
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