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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.

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

Have Fun, Be Safe, and Play Well.

*Carl Brattain*

## Ramblings

Twice this year we have not mailed out a printed newsletter. The first time was because we lost our printer. He just went out of business quietly without letting us know, too late to find an alternate service. This month we had the big wind which put your newsletter editor out of service for over a week and right into the Christmas Holiday. Again too late to handle the printer time and mail time.

Well, maybe it will encourage more members to read the newsletter on line. Thanks to all the members who have opted out of the snail mail deliveries. You are saving the club several hundred dollars a month. If any other members would like to forgo a mailed copy, just send me an email and I'll take you off the mailing list.

### Membership

We are ending the year with a record number of members.....2389. That includes the record number of 586 new members we added this year. That's a lot of new members to assimilate into the club and our old members should be reaching out to involve these folks so that

they become active members.

### Older Dependents

According to the Bylaws, dependents are part of a Family Membership until they turn 21 years old. We extend this benefit a couple of years if the dependent is a full-time undergraduate.

We also make it very easy for a dependent 21 and older to establish their own membership. We waive the initiation fee and the first year's dues are only 1/2 the annual rate. If you have an older dependent, please keep this in mind.

### Record Setting

We like to recognize the efforts of our members and acknowledge their successes, especially when there are National Records performances involved.

Bud Solis has had a very good year in 2006. He won the 80 shot Washington 300 yard State Championships for the 4th time, setting 3 National Records in the process. His winning score of 800-65X, almost perfect, is the new event record. Bud tied the US Open and Police records, and set a new Senior record with a 200-19X string.

At the National Matches at Camp Perry, Bud won the Canadian Cup National Senior Championship, a combination of long range matches, mostly at 1000 yards.

At a registered match in August, Bud put his name into the record book again. Tying his own Police record and the National Senior record with a score of 200-18X at 500 yards.

In September Bud competed in New Mexico and won a spot on the 10 man US Veterans Rifle Team. Good going Bud!

Let's hear about our other successful shooting members.

**ITS YOUR CLUB, GET INVOLVED!**

**Board Meeting Minutes**

December 6, 2006

President Carl Brattain called the Meeting to order at 7:30PM. All Board Members were present except Ron Heraldson, Myron Olson and Larry Mallory.

**Guests:**

Mike Wichser Youth Archery Chairman, Ken Deleone Archery Chairman, George Wells representing Friends of NRA, Arnold Graham representing Puget Sound Rifleman's Assn, Ron Fisher representing Rocky Mt Elk Foundation, Steve Koon and Kevin Hanchett property developers and Gary Webster Shotgun Chairman.

**Orientation**

The following new members have completed orientation:

Josh Brantley  
 Ryan Cavaughton  
 Jeremy Dinsel and Cynthia Eng-Dinsel  
 Steve Fallin  
 Earl Foster  
 John Herrick  
 James Holmer  
 James Kernodle  
 Mark Nichols  
 Curtis Patterson  
 Marvin Sims  
 Michael and Shae Suveges  
 John Whetzel

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

A Motion was made by Gerald Albertson to approve the hiring of Roy Stevenson for part time maintenance and work party organizing maximum average 16 hours per week. Passed.

A Motion by Gerald Albertson to approve the purchase of an archery timer as requested by Mike Wichser. Passed.

A Motion by John Conderman to prepare a bill for 2005 and 2006 for fees agreed to for Puget Sound Rifleman's Assn. Passed.

A Motion by John Conderman to approve the exchange of M1 rifles as requested by George Wells, providing all paperwork is entirely legal. Passed.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00PM. Respectfully submitted by Dan Barton, Recording Secretary.

**Kenmore Range  
Benchrest  
Matches**

Our second annual "varmint for score" shoot was held on an overcast and at times rainy December day. Really though, not bad weather and decent conditions for a very fun and competitive shoot. There are still a few growing pains with this shoot. Although we can't say it came off without a hitch, (there were one or two hitches!), once we got up and running things were working pretty well. It is a long shoot which took just about all the short winter daylight to complete.

This year this shoot was officially named the "Siebert Shoot", with a traveling trophy in honor of Wally Siebert. Wally, who is a member here at Kenmore, has made some significant contributions to the sport of Benchrest shooting, especially in the area of optics. We are happy to be able to honor him in this way.

This shoot is always tough with competitors dropping very few points and with the X count often the deciding factor. This year was no different with only a few points and a few X's between the top placers. This year the Siebert Shoot was won by Floyd Middlebrook posting an impressive score of 499-19X! That's dropping only one point for a full days shooting! Congratulations Floyd! Second place went to Rick Graham with a score of 498-22X, and third (by only one X!) was Jeff Yost with a score of 498-21X. By the way, congratulations are in order to Jeff, who recently placed third in the Long Range BR Nationals in Reno!

I want to thank all those who came out and helped us give the Siebert Shoot a good start. We had several guys travel quite a ways to do so. Both our winner this year Floyd Middlebrook and John Parish drove from Gig Harbor. Joe Burns drove in from Anacortes, Mark Walker came up from Auburn, and Steve Kostinich made the long trip from Chehalis. Us regulars were happy to get to shoot with the "out of towners", and appreciate them making the effort to be part of this shoot.

January 13th is our next BR match at Kenmore. Hope to see you there!

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**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



Attention Bow hunters

Are you interested in refreshing your hunting skills or looking for a good introduction to the unique situations and circumstances a hunter can encounter when they decide to enter the field with bow and arrow? We (WCW) have at our disposal a certified Instructor (National Bowhunter Education Foundation: [www.nbef.org](http://www.nbef.org)) that has volunteered to provide a certification course sometime this coming early spring. We need a minimum of at least 8 interested potential students to justify the time required to offer the class. Fees will be nominal and well worth the investment. If you're interested, please e-mail me and I will get back to you once we have some tentative dates.

Darian Carpenter  
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**Firearms Education Committee**



Firearms Education  
January 2007

Thank You's

Kenmore Range has a very active Education Program. We teach both NRA Firearms Classes, and the State-mandated Hunter Education Class. The Instructors who teach these classes are all Volunteers - and very valuable people. They give their time and expertise to improve the knowledge, skills and attitudes of a lot of people who come to us for training.

While we've tried to list everyone who taught during the year, I'm sure I'll miss somebody. They still have our apologies and our thanks.

First Steps Shotgun:

Robert Blum, Dan Boulet, Paul Brown (8 classes!), Bob Carter, James McHugh, Rolf Mogster, Phil Murray, Richard Ripley, Robert Santillie, Robb Stack, Eldon Vincent, Gary Webster, Pat Webster

Basic Pistol:

John Blatchford, Robert Blum, Rebecca Christie, Bill Couture, Kevin Finke, Nicole Hamilton, Boyd Kneeland, John Marler, Phil Murray, Amy Peacock, Dan Reynolds (5!), Richard Ripley, Maurice Robkin, David Westberg

Home Firearms Safety:

John Blatchford, Dan Boulet, Nicole Hamilton, Boyd Kneeland, Phil Murray (6!), Amy Peacock, Dan Reynolds (5!), Richard Ripley, Maurice Robkin, Robert Santillie, Alan Schneider, Phil Sohn, William Thorpe, Michael Thyng

Basic Rifle:

John Benedict, Gary Eggleston, Gerry Graham, Nicole Hamilton (5!), Boyd Kneeland, Martin Morehouse, Phil Murray (5!), Richard Ripley (6), Alan Schneider, George Smith

Instructor & Range Safety Officer  
Classes:

Boyd Kneeland, Phil Murray, Dan Reynolds, Richard Ripley  
Hunter Education (and I'm probably leaving someone out here):

John Benedict, John Blatchford, Earl Brigham, Carl Brittan, Charles Brown, Paul Brown, Golden Cole, Ken DeLeone, Gus Dorati, Ben Engleking, Dave Garrison, Jim Kline, Rolf Mogster, Phil Murray (6!), Myron Olsen, Ed Pack, Richard Ripley, Maurice Robkin, Gary Webster (4!), Pat Webster, George Wells, Paul Zoba

These dedicated individuals have given a lot of personal time to this effort. They are bringing on the next generation and growing the sport. They deserve a lot more thanks than I can give in this column. To be sure, there is a lot of personal satisfaction in teaching. Bringing a new shooter along is a reward in itself. Still, when you see these individuals at the Club, take a moment and thank them, as well.

I also need to thank the Board of Directors for their support in this little enterprise. They have supplied support and encouragement when it's been needed, and I appreciate it. Finally, I'd like to thank the Rangemasters for registering students, getting us supplies, and putting up with our questions and interruptions.

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  
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or Phil Murray 425-844-1918  
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**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!!!**

WILDLIFE COMMITTEE OF WASHINGTON  
KENMORE RANGES

**2007 NRA/Highpower Rifle Match Schedule**

Dates of Competition: 18 Mar, 15 Apr, 20 May, 17 Jun, 15 Jul, 19 Aug, 16 Sep, 2007

(third Sunday of each month)

Location: Kenmore Gun Ranges - 1031 228th St. SW, Bothell, WA 98021

Phone: 425-481-8686

Competition is open to all. Shooters who have never participated in highpower matches must be present by 09:00 hours on the date of the match for orientation. The maximum number of shooters is 30 on first come first served basis. Registration begins at **09:00 hours** on the day of the match.

Match entry fee: \$15

Firing begins 10:00 hrs. Courses of fire: 10 shots offhand (standing) slow fire at SR-1 Target

10 shots standing to sitting rapid fire at SR-1 Target

10 shots standing to prone rapid fire at SR-21 Target

20 shots prone slow fire at MR-31 Target

(Two sighting shots at each position are allowed.)

Classifications: NRA classifications will be used, and Service/Match rifle categories if enough shooters are present. Unclassified shooters will be given temporary scorebooks with their scores (and temporary classifications) recorded.

Procedural and Safety Reminders:

- 1) NRA Rule 9.12 - No Refire Rule. Alibis and saved rounds refires will not be allowed.
- 2) Yellow open bolt indicator/chamber flags must be used.
- 3) Eye and ear protection is required.
- 4) Club members wishing to use Club-owned M-1 Garands must register with the Rangemaster BEFORE the match and be present by 08:30 hours on the day of the match for orientation.

For further information contact the Rangemaster at 206-481-8686; or Dick Abbey at 206-5422792 [crdicka@mindspring.com](mailto:crdicka@mindspring.com); or Stan Vlcek at 253-850-6289 [vlcakexcite.com](http://vlcakexcite.com).

**NRA**

There are many reasons to join the National Rifle Association. Let me give you a few.

First we are a recruiter and get a commission for every new members or renewal. The club gets \$10 for a new member and \$5 for every renewal processed with our recruiter number. For 2006 we have received \$1050 in commissions.....but we can do way better with your help.

Not only does the club get a commission, each member gets a \$10 discount on the annual dues.

**NRA**

Below is a form you can use to join or renew your membership in the NRA. You can fill it out and just send it to the address noted along with your check.

Everyone in the club should support the NRA and be a member. Notice in the Archery report that the NRA donated \$1500 this year for FITA targets. Notice in the Shotgun report that the NRA donated a similar amount for the Ladies Day shoot for the third year in a row. The NRA provides all the certification and class materials for our instructors and safety classes. It certifies our coaches.

The NRA also provides it's members with several valuable benefits which you may not be aware of:

1. \$10,000 accidental life insurance.
2. \$1,000 unscheduled firearm insurance, with the option to purchase more.
3. Choice of monthly magazine. All for \$25 if you use the form below or the link on our home page.

Little known fact: you can join the NRA for as little as \$10. Called a Liberty membership. This membership comes without the magazine. It was designed for the spouse, but can be used by anyone.

Don't wait, sign-up NOW.

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

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

PREMIUM GIVEN - EK381145     SEND PREMIUM - EK381133

NRA RECRUITER **XC005464**

*Wildlife Committee of Washington*  
RECRUITER SIGNATURE

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 RENEWAL # \_\_\_\_\_  
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