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President's Message

New Keys

If you have not realized it as yet, we have re-keyed all the locks at the club. For those club VIP's who have had access to certain areas in the past, please see me and we will determine how to handle your needs.

Remember, the padlocks are also changing and the new ones will use the large door type keys.

Elections

The annual elections have been concluded and your 2002 officers are on the sidebar. In the only contested position, Larry Mallory won the popularity contest by two votes and will have to serve as Trustee for two years.

Annual Meeting of the Membership

Most of you missed the Annual Meeting and Awards presentations. Please take the time to thank the award winners for their commitment to helping the club and keeping things running smoothly.

Thanks again to John Ames, Gerard Loupe, Myron Olson, Ray Lindstrom, Scott Lorenz, and Larry Mallory.

National Rifle Association

The club is an NRA club, and an NRA recruiter. We offer a special deal on membership and an easy way to join or to renew. Just click on the NRA logo on our web site home page and you can use your credit card to join or renew your membership directly with the NRA for a \$10 discount. Membership through the club's web site is only \$25. It only takes a couple of minutes and since you are dealing directly with the NRA system, your transaction has no chance to be lost or delayed.

Anyone can use this facility. Talk your friends and neighbors into using our web

site to join or to renew their NRA membership. The club receives \$5 for every renewal and \$10 for every new member that uses our web site.

Carl Brattain

ITS YOUR CLUB, GET INVOLVED!

WCW Board Meeting Minutes of April 3, 2002

Meeting called to order by President Carl Brattain at 8:00 PM. All present except Ray McCardle and Myron Olson absent.

The minutes of the pervious meeting were accepted as published.

President Carl Brattain reported on the club finances.

Guests

Range Committee Chairman, Roger Ulrich, Archery Committee Chairman, Darian Carpenter, Ben Engleking, and Bob Young, representing the Lynnwood Police Department.

Orientation

The following new members have completed orientation:

Jason Carroll
Domenick Cona
Raymond Grigsby
Ronald Hoaglan
Jerry Keating
Charles Leach
Martin and Rebecca Morehouse
Sal Moreno
Shannon Murphy
Ronald Pearson
John Schuyleman
Frederick Shaw
Rich Smith
Steve L. Smith
Brian and Patricia West

Old Business

None.

New Business

John Conderman moved to approve the budget to present to the membership at the Annual Meeting. Motion passed.

Gerald Albertson moved to approve Lynnwood Police use of Range #1 on Wednesday, July 10, under Range Committee supervision. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 pm
Respectfully submitted by Dan Barton,
Recording Secretary.



Kenmore Range Benchrest Matches

April was not the cruelest month for benchrest shooters. It wasn't cold and the winds were-well- interesting. Good practice for those shooters competing in regional matches. Several of our shooters were in Arizona competing in the Cactus Classic Benchrest Match. We'll report any unusual accomplishments by them next month- if any. We had a good turnout, nevertheless- nearly filling two bays with eleven shooters.

Mark Burns is a new shooter at our matches and he was the only factory class competitor. He's been shooting a beautiful Sako .22-250 which he shoots exceptionally well. He outscored many of the custom class shooters. Hopefully he'll have some competition next month. Mark is a man who requires quality toys and knows how to use them. Here are his scores for the four matches- 94-0X, 98-1X, 96-2X and 94-1X. Welcome Mark and good shooting.

Contrary to usual practice we started the competition at 200 yards. You'll see why later. In the first match Don Gillard was first with 100-0X. Rick Graham was second with 99-3X and Amos Frombach was third with 98-2X. In the second match Amos snapped back with the best score of the day: 100-3X. He must have been practicing or something. Bob Gord also shot 100 but with no X, and Ron Koehler was third with 99-2X.

OK, haul those frames and staplers out to 300 yards. Don was shooting like a man possessed- which he may be- and scored another 100, this time upping his X count by one. He's been advised by a wise man to work on his X-count but he just won't listen. Leonard, the other Nicol, was second with 97-3X and Richard- the real McCoy- was third with 96-4X. In the last match Don and Rick both had 99-1X, Leonard

and Richard both scored 97-1X and Ron and Wally Siebert both had 97-0X.

It was good to see custom gun maker and machinist par excellence "Mac" McClusky at our match. Everyone was admiring the beautiful front rest he had made for himself. "Drooling over" would be a better expression. It was great having you at our match, Mac. We all have a lot to learn from you.

Our novelty match was a one-shot effort at 300 yards. Everyone should have been well sighted in, but only Ron Koehler really was. There was a little dot in the middle of the egg shaped target and Ron pretty much took out that little dot and drove home with the dough. Congratulations, Ron!

Next match is May 4. Novelty match will be at 200 yards this time. For info call Richard Nicol at 206 784-1093.

Annual General Membership Meeting Minutes, April 10, 2002

President Carl Brattain called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM. All Board Members and Trustees were present except Ray McCardle and Jim Dinnie.

Committee Reports:

Darian Carpenter: Archery
 Roger Ulrich: Range
 Larry Mallory: Shotgun
 Joe Waldron, Legislative

Old Business:

President Carl Brattain appointed a Teller Committee consisting of Ed Pack, Jerry Graham, Darian Carpenter, and Roger Ulrich to count the ballots.

The results of the election reported by the Teller Committee:

President: Carl Brattain
 Vice President: David Alvar
 2nd Vice President: John Conderman
 Treasurer: Ron Heraldson
 Corresponding Secretary: John Stewart
 Recording Secretary: Dan Barton
 Chairman of Trustees: Gerald Albertson
 Chairman Elect: Myron Olson
 2 Year Trustee: Morton Mallory
 Trustee: Jim Dinnie

Roger Ulrich moved to accept the results of the vote and destroy the ballots. Ed Pack seconded and the motion passed.

Carl Brattain distributed copies of the proposed budget for fiscal year 2002. David Alvar moved to accept the budget. John Conderman seconded and the motion passed.

The "Brightwater Report" was updated by Carl Brattain and John Bush.

New Business:

Chuck Wichser gave a report on the upcoming 3-D Shoot.

Carl Brattain presented the President's Award certificate and a knife to each of the following members for their help to the club during the past year: John Ames, Myron Olson, Gerard Loupe, Ray Lindstrom, and Scott Lorenz.

President Carl Brattain declared Morton "Larry" Mallory as the Member of the Year. He was presented with a certificate and a custom folding knife, and his name will be added to the Member of the Year plaque.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM. Respectfully submitted by Dan Barton, Recording Secretary.



We're preparing for this year's 3-D: July 13th and 14th. This is one of the bigger shoots in the State. It requires a lot of work and any help is welcomed. It's an opportunity to meet fellow club and non-club archers. Come out and get involved. The May 2nd Committee meeting @7:30 would be a great time to volunteer for specific duties. Sign-up sheets will be available at the meeting and we'll also get a copy posted on the bulletin board at the flat range.

CYM Youth Bow Camp presents a 5-day bow hunting camp for 7th to 12th graders. The Camp is located in the Cascade Mountains near Clear Lake, Rimrock, and close to White Pass. Camp events include: 4 day 3-D shoots, Bow hunter Ed. Course, Advanced Hunting Techniques, Speaker – Larry Jones, Team Games, Evening Rallies, and Recreation. The camp registration is only a \$100. I do not have 1st hand knowledge of the camp, but they may be reached at: CYM Bow Camp P.O. Box 1177 Republic, WA 99166 (509)-775-2502. cym@televar.com www.cyouthm.org

I'm trying to compile a list of e-mail address for those archers who would like to be included on our Committee Alert System. If you're like me, it's becoming easier to be contacted by e-mail rather than phone. We use the newsletter to post committee notes and upcoming events that are not time sensitive. More often than not, the news-

letter isn't the best and most efficient way to get in touch with one another. If you'd like to be included, please feel free to e-mail me your address. I'll be in possession of the list and will not abuse your trust. I've used the group mailing once since the 1st of the year. That instance was to announce the closure of indoor archery one evening. If you decide to give me your address and then later want remove, let me know and I'll promptly remove your name.

Archery Committee Chairman,

Darian Carpenter
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Shotgun hours of operation are:

Daylight Saving hours

Tues	5:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Wed	Noon to 7:00 pm
Thur	5:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Sat	10:00 am to 7:00 pm
Sun	10:00 am to 5:00 pm



Legislatively Speaking by Joe Waldron

Washington DC

Campaign finance reform (CFR) is now law. The National Rifle Association has already filed suit, claiming CFR is a violation of the First Amendment's guarantee of free political speech. Political advertising by political action committees such as the NRA's Institute for Legislative Action will be severely limited in the final days of a campaign. It is these just-before-the-election ads that have the greatest impact on voting patterns.

The next big battle on Capitol Hill appears to be federal "gun show loophole" legislation. There are at least four bills in Congress addressing this issue. The most likely candidate for attention is S.890, the McCain-Lieberman bill. The second "gun show loophole" bill in the Senate is S.767, by Rhode Island Democrat Jack Reed. While the Democrats have been lying low on the gun issue, Senators John McCain (R-AZ) and Mike DeWine (R-OH) have been spouting off about the alleged gun show "loophole." The fact that a Justice Department study shows that less than 1% of the firearms used by felons are obtained at gun shows seems to be lost in the ideological zeal to pass another gun control bill.

In early February the BATF amended the Form 4473 (yellow form you fill out at a gun shop) to ask new questions about citizenship and residency. These changes were in response to the events of September 11th. The new forms were supposed to be in place and ready for use by February 19th. For some unspecified reason, the new forms have not been received by most dealers as of the required date, effectively stopping gun transactions across the country. On February 21st, the BATF placed the new form on their web site, with blanket permission to use reproduced forms until the hard copy (yellow forms) arrive. It's interesting that an apparent BATF error can bring retail gun sales to a halt. Just a coincidence, I'm sure.

Olympia Watch

A funny thing happened on the way to the 2002 Legislative Session. Rural Democrats were reminded of what happened ten years ago. In the 1993-94 session, with Democrats in complete control of the legislature, Democrat leadership pushed three major programs: Hillary-care (state-mandated medical care), a major B&O (business and occupation) tax increase, and an omnibus gun control bill. It was urban Democrats who pushed the liberal agenda, but rural Democrats who paid the price in the November 1994 election. The House of Representatives changed from 60 Democrats and 38 Republicans to 60 Republicans and 38 Democrats.

During January, rural Democrats approached House leadership and asked that no gun control bills be run this year. Democrat leadership agreed, in the belief that if the gun issue could be defused, the Democrat majority in the legislature would be increased in the 2002 election by winning additional rural seats, to the point where the 2003 session would offer a safe opportunity to restart the gun control bandwagon. The one thing that is certain is that the 2003 legislative session will be a gun control battleground. Interestingly, we're seeing the same thing happen in several other states, mostly in the West and the South: no movement on gun control in an election year.

What happens in the coming months is critical for the future of our rights. The election season -- August through November -- will determine the future of our sport, and more importantly, our future as free citizens or subjects of a nanny state.

GOAL Post

GOAL Post was originally developed as a weekly summary of activity in Olympia during the legislative session. With critical elections coming in November, I will continue to publish GOAL Post on a periodic basis as events are scheduled or occur. Gun rights groups will be conducting grass-roots training seminars and meet-the-

candidate sessions as the election nears. Information on these and other events will be published as necessary. Distribution is by e-mail only, and is free to anyone who asks. Just send me an e-mail request (subscribe GOAL Post) to jwaldron@halcyon.com and I'll add your name to the list.

If you have any questions about firearms-related legislative issues, or Washington gun laws in general, please call me at my Bellevue office at (425) 454-4911. I am not an attorney, nor do I practice law, but I have had a hand in writing or amending much of the firearms code on the law books today. I can provide a layman's interpretation to Washington firearms code and how it is being interpreted.

Donations

We receive many donations during the course of a yearand 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:

\$25 Donations

Clark Sealls

\$15 Donations

Brno Crist

\$10 Donations

Mike Wieck

David Taft

The total donations received during this past fiscal year was \$9368.00.

Thanks!!!

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 just 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
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NRA RECRUITER **XC005464**

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RECRUITER SIGNATURE

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

DATE: _____ NEW MEMBER
 RENEWAL # _____
 NAME: Mr./Mrs./Ms. _____
 STREET: _____
 CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____
 DAY PHONE: (_____) _____ BIRTHDATE: _____

CHOOSE ONE MAGAZINE (NOTE: JUNIOR members receive Insights magazine)
 AMERICAN GUARDIAN AMERICAN RIFLEMAN AMERICAN HUNTER

MEMBERSHIP TYPE

- 1 YEAR ~~\$35~~ **\$25**
- 2 YEAR \$60
- 3 YEAR \$85
- JUNIOR (under 21 years old) \$15
- DISTINGUISHED (age 65+ or disabled veteran) \$30
- LIBERTY (no magazine) \$10
- EASY-PAY-LIFE \$25*
*\$25 down - 29 quarterly payments
 TOTAL COST - \$750
- LIFE (payment in full) \$750
- OTHER _____
- ADDITIONAL MAGAZINE (per year \$15)
- FOREIGN POSTAGE (per year: \$5 Canada, \$10 other)
- \$ _____ DONATION

PAYMENT INFORMATION CASH CHECK OR MONEY ORDER

CHARGE TO: AMEX VISA MC DISCOVER

ACCOUNT # _____ EXP. DATE _____
 MO. _____ YR. _____

MEMBER SIGNATURE (credit card only) _____

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