

THE SPORTSMAN

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Bainbridge Island Sportsmen's Club

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February 25, 2014 & April 22, 2014 – Board Meeting @ 7:00 PM
March 25, 2014 – Membership & Board Meeting @ 7:00 PM

Message from the President Not all Change is for the Better.

Hunter Safety Education: This last August my 11 year old granddaughter and I attended the Hunter Education class that was put on by Jim Walkowski and several of his associates. I have been through this class twice, once with my son 25 plus years ago and this time with my granddaughter. It was nothing short of amazing to watch Mr. Walkowski work with the youngsters. Small corrections like lift your elbow and move your foot forward a touch had great outcomes. Yet it is to be no more. Mr. Walkowski has retired after 43 years of teaching this class. I was saddened when he told me his decision. We will miss him.

The class format has changed. No longer is it four evenings of classroom attendance and then an all day test on the following Saturday. The state has morphed the class into an online event with only a single day of class attendance for the test and field evaluation. Mr. Walkowski made his decision at

least in part due to this format change. In his words it is time for someone else to pick up the baton and run with it. Like I said change is not necessarily for the better. And that leaves a huge pair of shoes to fill. However, you are out there. We need to find someone who will pick up Mr. Walkowski's role. If you think you are that person and like to work with serious minded youngsters please contact me and I will see to it that you are pointed in the right direction. What better contribution can you make to the community than seeing that our youngsters who wish to hunt learn how to do it safely and sanely.

Archery Range Instructor “needed”: Here is some good news. Scott Tuchel has changed his mind. In the last newsletter I announced that Mr. Tuchel would be phasing out of the archery instructor role. However, after thinking extensively about this decision (he really likes working with wannabe archers) Mr. Tuchel has made an about face and wishes to stay involved. However, he does need a bit of help and a brief respite. If you are an archery instructor and wish to work over the summer helping kids to accurately and responsibly

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handle a bow and arrow please contact me or Mr. Tichel. Mr. Tichel has worked out all the details of the classes, possesses class outlines and will provide guidance to the individual or individuals who will step forward to teach a class or two. I am delighted that Mr. Tichel has done the about face.

Work Resumes: For those of you that have recently visited the clubhouse you will notice that the rear bathroom is coming close to being finished. Brian Kemkes stepped forward with his box of tools and magically made the bathroom door appear. The acquisition of the exterior replacement door also means that after perhaps as many as five years the rear entrance will be completed and we can actually think about completion of the siding.

Rifle Range: Rifle range progress is beginning to show some momentum and to that end I am calling for a work party that can help clear the overgrown mess on the rifle range. If we could find a number of volunteers who could arrive with limb loppers, weed eaters and the like for a morning or afternoon work party it would be very helpful. The date is flexible but I would like to see this occur in the next two weeks or so. Please contact me either by phone or email.

Subsonic 20 Gauge Loads: For those of you that shoot 20 gauge shotguns perhaps you have been searching for low recoil, low noise shotshells. I recently came by a 20 gauge over/under and its lightness demands a light load for practice. A Google search revealed this article <http://www.nssa-nasca.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/08/ceretto.pdf>. by Tom Ceretto; Google him for more information. This article features a 7/8 ounce load using Win AA cases and Alliant Green Dot at 1,050 fps. Although I haven't personally tried this load (I will soon) testing has shown that trap loads traveling at 1000 fps are extremely comfortable to shoot and effective. If you don't reload you can try the 20 gauge Winchester Feather loads. Gander Mountain is one source for those rounds: <http://www.gandermountain.com/modperl/product/details.cgi?pdesc=Winchester-AA-Featherlite-Target-Ammo-20-Gauge-2-3/4-7/8-oz-8&i=614284>

As always I can be contacted at 206-842-6016 or email alan@ajkasper.com.

Alan Kasper
BISC President

From the Membership Chair

Thank you all for your patience as I take hold of the reins for processing the new membership applications and renewals. If your membership comes up for renewal in February, or you've been delayed in returning your form for January, please visit the website to print off a copy (<http://www.bainbridgesportsmensclub.org/MEMBERSHIP%20APPLICATION.pdf>), or pick up an application on your next visit to the Club, and mail with your payment to the PO Box. You can also pay by credit card, by calling Mark Emerson, Club Treasurer (you will find his phone number on the membership form).

If you are interested in joining the Sportsmen's Club online community, we have an open group in Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/370794959723139/>) where we hope to exchange news of Club events, and to connect with the wider Bainbridge Island community to let them know of the Club activities that they can join. We look forward to "seeing" you there.

Thanks,

Shelley Schwinn
Membership Chair

Pond Cleanup – Fishing Derby

Jeff Hahto has been running the pond cleanup and pond opening/youth fishing derby for many years and would like a co-chairperson that could work with him and then take over the program when ready. Contact Jeff if you can help out with this great community event. Details below.

Pond Cleanup

It's a rite of spring and a grand tradition at the club – I'm talking about the annual Huck Finn/Becky Thatcher Fishing Derby for the young-uns (age 14 and under).

First we have to clean up the pond in preparation for a fresh delivery of trout. Pond clean-up will be April 12 at 9am and opening day fishing derby April 26 from 9am to noon. Your help would be appreciated on both days. For pond clean-up, bring weed cutters, rakes, wheel barrows and any other tools you may like to use. We will clean the pond itself and all the area around it. Contact Jeff Hahto at (206) 842-4326 if you can help.

Pond Opening – Youth Fishing Derby

It's a rite of spring and a grand tradition at the club – I'm talking about the annual Huck Finn/Becky Thatcher Fishing Derby for the young-uns (age 14 and under).

On opening day we need people to sell coffee, hot dogs and soda. We also need a judge and others to help some of the kids with fishing. We need someone to rig the club fishing poles the day before. If a few good people will dig some worms, it is very helpful. Contact Jeff Hahto at (206) 842-4326 if you can help.

Trap News

As you know from last month's newsletter, Scott Youngs has transitioned out of the role of Trap Chairman. We'd like to thank Scott for nearly 20 years of service to the club in this capacity and for creating a great trap program. I'd also like to thank my co-chairmen Jerry Perez and Mike Okano for stepping up and agreeing to help out in keeping the trap program running as smoothly as Scott has done for all those years. If you have any questions or comments on the trap program, you can contact Jerry, Mike, or myself.

The 2014 Olympic Continental League season is here! You can practice at either Poulsbo Sportsmen's Club or Bremerton Trap and Skeet Club on their scheduled shooting days. You don't have to shoot the entire season. You can show up and fill in the vacant spots. If you're interested in joining the league or just want to see about filling in where needed, please give Scott Youngs a call at 360-710-7649.

HELP NEEDED...

Any Range Safety Officer willing to learn to set up and close the trap range please contact Mike, Bob or Jerry.

*Bob Davis, with Mike Okano & Jerry Perez
Trap Co-Chairmen*

Archery News

I am happy to report that all is well with the Archery Range. We are currently working on making some improvements to the range and the building. We are also planning to spread wood chips on the range but we are in need of more wood chips. If any of you members know of any sources for free wood chips please contact Alan Kasper or myself, we can use all we can get. If you see any tree trimmers in your neighborhood please ask them to dump their loads at the club on the side of the archery building.

A notice to all eligible Archery RSO's, please let Shelley, our Range Coordinator, know your availability for each month so she can get you on the schedule. Her email is esstwobee@gmail.com. Thank you for your generous donation of time.

*Brian Kemkes
Archery Range Manager*

Calendar of Events

FEBRUARY 22

CONCEALED CARRY IN THE REAL WORLD –
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

FEBRUARY 22

NRA FIRST STEPS PISTOL (SEMI-AUTO) –
1:00 – 5:00 PM

FEBRUARY 25

BOARD MEETING – 7:00 PM

MARCH 15

NRA BASIC PISTOL SHOOTING COURSE –
8:30 AM – 5:00 PM

MARCH 25

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP AND BOARD MEETING – 7:00
PM

Pistol Range Schedule

Check the Online Calendar at

<http://www.my.calendars.net/bisc/>

To our visitors:

We strive to ensure a Range Safety Officer arrives to open the pistol range every Saturday & Monday morning and on scheduled Tuesday evenings. Sometimes we are unable to be there for you due to RSO availability. On a date when the RSO slot says "TBD," it's a good idea to call the range phone before you come to be sure an RSO has opened the range. We don't want you to show up to a locked gate. 206-780-9374. Thanks!

~Tyler Heinemann

206.799.3311

tylerheinemann@yahoo.com

**NOTE: the email for all archery requests
for classes or information is now**

nwarchery@gmail.com

2014 Firearms Training Schedule for Bainbridge Island Sportsmen's Club

The lead instructor for this training will be club member Chris Jensen. Chris has been an NRA certified instructor for over eight years and has experience teaching law enforcement, security, and individuals for over 20 years. For more information and to sign up for NRA training courses go to <http://training.nra.org/training.aspx>. NRA courses will be posted at least 60 days before course starts. Contact Instructor at cmjbsj@hotmail.com for information about courses not identified as NRA. Pay course fee in check or cash on day of course.

January 18	NRA Home Firearm Safety	1:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Posted on NRA training site
February 22	Concealed Carry in the Real World	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	contact instructor for more information
February 22	NRA FIRST Steps Pistol (Semi-auto)	1:00 PM - 5:00 PM	
March 15	NRA Basic Pistol Shooting Course	8:30 AM – 5:00 PM	It is suggested that students bring a lunch to this course
April 12	Concealed Carry Pistol	11:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Contact instructor for more information.
May 3	NRA FIRST Steps Pistol Orientation (Revolver)	1:00 PM – 5:00PM	
June 7	Retired law Enforcement and CCP qualification course	10:00 AM - 3:00 PM	This is a 100% shooting course.
July 19	NRA FIRST Steps Pistol Orientation (Semi-auto)	1:00 PM – 5:00 PM	
August 2	Concealed Carry Pistol level II	11: AM – 5:00 PM	Contact instructor for more information.
September 13	NRA Basic Personal Protection in the Home Course		
October 4	Concealed Carry Pistol	11:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Contact instructor for more information.
November 15	NRA Home Firearm Safety	1:00 PM - 5:00 PM	
December 13	Concealed Carry in the Real World	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Contact instructor for more information.

February 22 Concealed Carry in the Real World 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM contact instructor for more information

Short Description: Classroom only, this course covers the realities of carrying a concealed pistol in Washington State. This is an interactive workshop where questions and comments are not only encouraged but expected. Topics will include Federal Laws, Washington State laws, safety, firearms selection, storage, ammunition, and training, carry options, and what you can expect when you display, use, or fire a firearm in self-defense. Bring your questions so they can be answered or at least discussed. 3 hours, \$50 per person

February 22 NRA FIRST Steps Pistol Orientation (Semi-auto) 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Short Description: Firearm Instruction, Responsibility, and Safety Training — is the NRA's response to the American public's need for a firearm orientation program for new purchasers. Fee=\$75

More Details: NRA FIRST Steps Pistol is designed to provide a hands-on introduction to the safe handling and proper orientation to one specific pistol action type for classes of four or fewer students. This course is at least three hours long and includes classroom and range time learning to shoot a specific pistol action type. Students will learn the NRA's rules for safe gun handling; the particular pistol model parts and operation; ammunition; shooting fundamentals; cleaning the pistol; and continued opportunities for skill development. Students will receive the Basics of Pistol Shooting handbook, NRA Gun Safety Rules brochure, Winchester/NRA Marksmanship Qualification booklet, FIRST Steps Course completion certificate.

March 15 NRA Basic Pistol Shooting Course 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM (It is suggested that students bring a lunch to this course)

Short Description: Teaches the basic knowledge, skills, and attitude for owning and operating a pistol safely. Fee=\$100

More Details: This course is at least 8-hours long and includes classroom and range time learning to shoot revolvers and semi-automatic pistols. Students learn NRA's rules for safe gun handling; pistol parts and operation; ammunition; shooting fundamentals; range rules; shooting from the bench rest position, and two handed standing positions; cleaning the pistol; and continued opportunities for skill development. Students will receive the NRA Guide to the Basics of Pistol Shooting handbook, NRA Gun Safety Rules brochure, Winchester/NRA Marksmanship Qualification booklet - take a Basics of Pistol Shooting Student Examination, and course completion certificate.

April 12 Concealed Carry Pistol 11:00 AM – 5:00 PM contact instructor for more information.

Description: Review of basics, draw, movement, targeting, multiple targets, cover, concealment, family and friends, exit strategies. You must have a holster for your handgun. This course is 6 hours long. This course will start where the NRA basic pistol course and first steps pistol stopped. Except for 30 minutes for check-in and range safety rules at the beginning of class and 30 minutes for debrief at the end of course this course is all range time. Participants should bring a minimum of 300 rounds of ammunition and dress for weather conditions. Fee= \$150

CLUB CALENDAR NOW ONLINE AT

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BISC — February 2014						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Pistol
2 Trap Archery	3 Pistol	4 Pistol	5 Pistol 5 Stand Archery	6 Trap	7 Retiree Trap	8 Pistol
9 Trap Archery	10 Pistol	11 Pistol	12 5 Stand Archery	13 Trap	14 Retiree Trap	15 Pistol
16 Trap Archery	17 Pistol	18 Pistol	19 5 Stand Archery	20 Trap	21 Retiree Trap	22 Pistol <i>Concealed Carry</i>
23 Trap Archery	24 Pistol	25 BISC Board Mtg @ 7 PM	26 5 Stand Archery	27 Trap	28 Retiree Trap	

Schedule of Events

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BISC Board Meeting @ 7:00 PM on Feb 25

Concealed Carry in The Real World class @ 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM on Feb 22

ARCHERY RANGE

Wed afternoons, 4-6 PM

Every Sunday @ 11 AM — 1 PM

PISTOL/SMALL BORE RANGE

See calendar and CRSO column.

RIFLE/LARGE BORE RANGE

CLOSED for Berm Repairs

POLICE USE:

None scheduled

TRAP RANGE – public welcome

5 Stand Every Wednesday night @ 5 — 9 PM

Trap Every Thursday night @ 5 — 9 PM

Trap Sundays @ 1 — 5 PM

Trap Retiree Shoot—Fridays @ 9 AM — 1 PM

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2nd and 4th Wednesdays @ 3-5 PM

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16 Trap Archery	17 Pistol	18 Pistol	19 5 Stand Archery	20 Trap	21 Retiree Trap	22 Pistol
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BISC Leadership Contacts

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Jeff Hahto	Trustee	(206) 842-4326
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