

# THE SPORTSMAN

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**July 22, 2015 & August 26, 2015 – Board Meeting @ 7:00 PM**  
**September 23, 2015 – General Membership Meeting @ 7:00 PM**

## Message from the President

### Summer and Idle Pursuits.

**Trap Range:** On June 12<sup>th</sup> Paul Barlock of APA America (located here on the Island) and several of his coworkers used the trap range to shoot 5-stand. Four of us assisted as RSOs and generally helped manage the event. It was fun and there was much laughing and the raucous hoorah when a bird was hit. It was a good time. And that got me to thinking....

Some years back I read an article about how trap shooting was dead. Lots of people including me believed that. Because of that trap guns some years back could be had for a real bargain. Upon occasion I browse gun sale online sites and one day I saw a Holland and Holland trap gun for sale at an amazingly low price – for a Holland and Holland! I didn't act on that for two reasons. Firstly I am a dreadful trap shooter and secondly even a real deal on a

Holland and Holland is still a significant amount of money. However today I regret that I didn't bite that bullet. I would still be a lousy trap shooter but I would do it with style. And that brings me to today's topic. Trap shooting is fun and it is coming back in style.

Recently I read, in the July 2015 issue of Gray's Sporting Journal, an article written by Terry Wieland on the resurgence of trap shooting, i.e. [The Undeath of Trap Shooting](#). As a side note I will say without hesitation that Mr. Wieland is my favorite outdoor sports writer. I have known Mr. Wieland for a number of years now and after reading the article emailed him and asked him if we could include his article in our newsletter and he and Gray's graciously consented. It is contained herein. In the article Mr. Wieland talks about how trap is gaining in popularity. That resurgence is because trap is fun. Now you might say yea but I am a lousy shot and I might humiliate myself. Fear not! At our club we have plenty of folks, like me, who view hits on a clay bird sort of

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like an eclipse. Yes, it happens but don't get used to it. And yes we have a few folks like Bob Davis and Mike Okano who almost never miss a bird but as likely as they are to hit a bird they are also just as likely to give you a tip or two that will improve your score. You need to have a bit of fun. Come visit, bring your favorite shotgun. You will enjoy the experience and camaraderie.

**RSOs Please Take Notice:** On Wednesday June 24<sup>th</sup> someone opened the pistol range somewhere between 8:00 AM and 8:30 AM and commenced shooting at that time. As a result the club received a phone message complaining of the early shooting and I received an email complaining of that activity. Our club SOPs make it clear that the range is not to be opened prior to 9:00 AM. When we commence shooting earlier we needlessly upset the neighbors and the club's reputation as a good neighbor is tarnished. This does not help our image and is not in the best interest of the club. So for the sake of the club please refrain from firing that first shot prior to 9:00 AM.

**July 4<sup>th</sup> Assistance:** Once again the July 4<sup>th</sup> event is upon us. It would be greatly appreciated if we had a number of volunteers that could spend some time in the booth. Typically I ask for 2-4 hour shifts. We need at least two folks in the booth at all times. The tasks are simple: 1) answer questions about the club, 2) hand out brochures, 3) solicit new members and 4) capture names and contact information in the event you cannot answer a question. I would really appreciate your help.

**Rifle Range:** We continue to make progress albeit slower than I would have hoped.

As always I can be contacted at 206-842-6016 or email [alan@ajkasper.com](mailto:alan@ajkasper.com).

**Alan Kasper**  
**BISC President**

## **From The Membership Chair**

Thank you and hello to all returning and new members! Your membership is good for one year from the month you join, which is indicated by a punch on the month on your Membership card. This year brings a few changes to our membership fee schedule, so please review those details before sending in your renewal or application, so your new cards are not delayed.

The updated membership fee information and renewal membership form (and youth waiver) are available on the website <http://biscwa.org/membership-plans-rates-fees>. If your membership card has March punched out, please watch for your renewal letter to come in the mail shortly, and renew promptly! We hope that you will take advantage of the new online renewal form and PayPal payment option as that system is becoming more streamlined for processing applications and payments. Thanks in advance for your patience though should there be a delay, and do feel free to contact me with any membership questions or concerns.

You can also visit the website to print off a copy of the form, or pick up an application on your next visit to the Club, and mail with your payment to the PO Box. If you prefer, you can also pay by calling Mark Emerson, Club Treasurer (his phone number is on the membership form) with your credit card information.

**Reminder: If your address, telephone number, email or other details have changed, please contact me at the email below** so you will be able to keep up to date with Club news. From our membership comes our volunteer base. Your support of Club projects and scheduled RSO times at the ranges is appreciated!

Warm regards,

**Shelley Schwinn**  
[membership@biscwa.org](mailto:membership@biscwa.org)

## Archery News

### Spring and summer archery programs

**Adult archery classes** - opportunities available based on interest.

**Explore Archery** for kids age 8 to 18. A basic skills program where archers can work on the fundamentals of the sport and earn achievement medals for learning skills like safety, form, scoring, grouping and equipment knowledge.

**Island Archers JOAD** (Junior Olympic Archery Development) club for archers age 8 through 20 who want train for the competitive environment. JOAD archers will earn pins for shooting at progressively higher levels and will have opportunities to shoot competitively.

For more information about all archery programs please contact Coach Scott at [coach@nwarchers.com](mailto:coach@nwarchers.com) or visit the Northwest Archers website at: <http://www.nwarchers.com/>

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. The email is [archery@biscwa.org](mailto:archery@biscwa.org). Thank you for your generous donation of time.

**Brian Kemkes**  
**Archery Range Manager**

## Shotgun Sports News

### Olympic Interclub League - 12<sup>th</sup> annual

Results for the Inter-Club shoot at Bremerton:

- Singles was won by William Benton of Gig Harbor with a 50.
- Handicap was won by John Mullins of Bremerton with a 49.
- Doubles was won by John Mullins of Bremerton with a 48.
- High Overall was John Mullins of Bremerton with a 98.
- We had a Total of 45 Shooters.

The last Interclub shoot of 2015 will be:

**August 1<sup>st</sup> at Port Angeles, awards following.**

The shoot includes 50 singles at 16 yds and 50 handicap at 22 yds, with an optional 50 bird event at the choice of the host club.

The interclub trap program is a lot of fun. It's simply a fun and friendly competition among the six clubs in our area. The competition aspect is very low key. If you enjoy shooting trap, I encourage you to come out and try it. All shoots start at 9:00 AM, and you can arrive any time after 8:00 AM to get signed up.

### Pacific International Trapshooting Assn (PITA) Shoots

June 3<sup>rd</sup>, July 1<sup>st</sup>, August 5<sup>th</sup>: Summer Multiplex Trap, Bremerton Trap and Skeet, 6 PM, 50 singles, 50 handicap, 25 pair of doubles

July 7<sup>th</sup>, Washington State Senior Games Trapshooting Event, Evergreen Sportsmen's Club, see <http://www.washingtonstateseniorgames.com/TrapShootingInfo.htm>

July 8-12: WA State PITA shoot.

July 19-25: PITA Grand Pacific shoot.

For full schedule/info go to <http://shootpita.com>

### SPORTING CLAYS

If you are a shotgun shooter and want to shoot unusual targets, join BISC shooters on July 19<sup>th</sup> for our first 2015 visit to the Sunnydell Shooting Grounds in Sequim. (August 23<sup>rd</sup> is set for our next visit.) These shoots are just for fun and nobody keeps score. You can meet us at Sunnydell about 9:30 AM for shooting which starts at 10:00 AM -- or meet us at the Oak Table Restaurant in Sequim for breakfast at 8:30 AM. If you want more preview info, talk with the trap shooters. We do need to give Sunnydell advance notice of the approximate number of shooters so they can have the right number of staff on site. Please sign up on the list on the trap bulletin board or contact John McMahon ([jmcm333@comcast.net](mailto:jmcm333@comcast.net)) by July 9<sup>th</sup>. You can also join our group after July 9<sup>th</sup> too! Be sure to

bring enough ammo -- and lunch if you plan to stay into the afternoon!

A 50 target side-by-side (SxS) gun event will follow the Bremerton sporting clays shoot on July 12<sup>th</sup>. This is a great opportunity to have fun with your SxS! They use the "Lewis Class" system so cash prizes depend on luck -- not skill.

BISC was well represented at the state sporting clays championship. Jerry Perez won the trophy for the 2014-15 tour. John McMahon took the A3 trophy in the main (championship) event. Mike Wilgus (from Bellevue) won the overall state championship for the 8<sup>th</sup> time. You can see all scores on [www.winscoreonline.com](http://www.winscoreonline.com).

The US Open and the National Championship in October are the two most prestigious USA sporting clays tournaments each year. Mike Wilgus won the US Open on June 28<sup>th</sup>. This is his 2<sup>nd</sup> US Open win.

The US Open includes the first 2015 PSCA Tour event being filmed for television broadcast on the Sportsman Channel. PSCA Tour events include special sporting clays courses plus the top sporting clays shooters in 1-on-1 competition with flash targets that film well. See: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=edPZOYL8a3k&feature=youtu.be>. Amateurs can shoot the same courses to qualify and compete with the pros. Additional info about PSCA and the 2014 event videos are at [www.PSCA.com/watch/watch](http://www.PSCA.com/watch/watch).

### **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***

## **Pistol Range Manager's Report**

It is really nice to see the pistol range being utilized as it is today. And now, with the doubling of qualified RSOs pulling duty, we can have more fun. "Thank you" to those who have stepped up to become qualified and fill the RSO slots.

And, to those individuals that made constructive comments on the lead situation: thinking "**outside the box**" really does help.

I am waiting for someone to supply about three individuals, on a voluntary basis, to clean up the shell casings forward of the firing line. Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, or prisoners who need to meet civil duty to fulfill a Judge's order will do. It is a job that needs doing at this time. Please contact Pete, after 18 July 2015, if you have some potential takers for this unpaid position — call 360-930-8017 or E-mail is also acceptable after 18 July. Think about it..... Maybe it be done by the time I return from Alaska.

As a reminder, Andy Frank will be handling Pistol Range issues during the absence of myself and Alan Kasper.

Have fun at the Club.

***Pete Cholometes  
Pistol Range Manager***

### **For Sale**

Lee loadmaster with many accessories.  
\$150.00 Jerry Tonnessen 206-842-6379

## **Calendar of Events**

### **JULY 22**

BOARD MEETING – 7:00 PM

### **AUGUST 1**

INTERCLUB TRAP SHOOT – PORT ANGELES  
9:00 AM

### **AUGUST 6**

WOMEN'S ONLY PISTOL CLASS  
10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

### **AUGUST 26**

BOARD MEETING – 7:00 PM



Women's firearms training at Bainbridge Island Sportsmen's Club  
8203 Sportsman Club Rd, Bainbridge Island, WA

DATE: August 6, 2015 TIME: 10:00 AM-3:00PM

COST: \$80.00

The instructor for this course will be Christopher Jensen. Chris is a retired Bainbridge Island Police Officer, a 25 year law enforcement firearms instructor, 10 year NRA certified firearms instructor, Glock armorer and Glock Law Enforcement Firearms Instructor.

If you have any questions about this course contact Chris at [cmjbsj@hotmail.com](mailto:cmjbsj@hotmail.com)

This course is based on the NRA First Steps Pistol course. It is for ages 16 and up. This course will cover safe firearms handling, storage, cleaning, shooting on a range and for recreational purposes. Firearms and ammunition will be provided. There will be time at the end of the course to shoot a personally owned firearm if you want to bring one. If you bring your own firearm you will need to provide 50 rounds of ammunition for your firearm.

Sign up at: [NRAinstructors.org](http://NRAinstructors.org). (Select FIND A COURSE, Select NRA FIRST Steps pistol Orientation, at the bottom select Women Only, enter Bainbridge Island's zip code, and then Search, Click for details, choose the Register button, fill in the registration information, certify the information is true and correct and use the Register button, you are done.)



**CLUB CALENDAR NOW ONLINE AT**  
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BISC — July 2015						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Pistol 5-Stand Archery	2 Trap	3 Retiree Trap	4 Pistol
5 Trap Archery	6 Pistol	7	8 5 Stand Archery Girl Scouts	9 Trap	10 Retiree Trap	11 Pistol
12 Trap Archery	13 Pistol	14	15 5-Stand Archery	16 Trap	17 Retiree Trap	18 Pistol
19 Trap Archery	20 Pistol	21	22 5 Stand Archery Girl Scouts <b>BISC Board Mtg @ 7 PM</b>	23 Trap	24 Retiree Trap	25 Pistol
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@ 7 PM on July 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 @ 5:30 — 8 PM

Trap Every Thursday night @ 5:30 — 8 PM

Trap Every Sunday @ 1 — 3 PM

Trap Retiree Shoot—Fridays @ 9 AM — 12 PM

**COMMUNITY GROUPS**

Girl Scout Troop 40133 -

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays @ 3-5 PM

BISC — August 2015						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Pistol
2 Trap Archery	3 Pistol	4	5 Pistol 5 Stand Archery	6 Trap Women's Pistol Class	7 Retiree Trap	8 Pistol
9 Trap Archery	10 Pistol	11	12 5 Stand Archery	13 Trap	14 Retiree Trap	15 Pistol
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