

THE SPORTSMAN

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October 2015

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Note: physical address (not for mail) is 8203 Sportsman Club Rd.

October 28, 2015 & November 18, 2015 – Board Meeting @ 7:00 PM
December 16, 2015 – Annual Membership Meeting @ 7:00 PM

Message from the President

October – Soon the Rains Will Begin...

Sadly I Report: Bob Dawson, a long time club member, was in a fatal car accident just west of the Hood Canal Bridge on Wednesday September 23rd. He was returning with his son and daughter from a day searching for mushrooms on the Olympic Peninsula. According to his grandson Emery Tallon “Grandpa wasn’t able to shoot much in the last 3 or 4 years, but he always considered the Sportsman’s Club to be a second home.” In accordance with Emery’s wishes old friends of Bob shot a 125 gun salute (a round of trap) in his honor on Friday, September 25th. Oddly enough I don’t recall anyone missing any targets.

Bob was involved with the club from the late 1950s. He is missed. There will be a service for Bob at 2:00 PM, Oct 17th, 2015 at Bethany Lutheran just down the road from the Sportsmen’s Club. Any flowers cards or remembrances can be sent to 17201 Kinnear Road Bainbridge Island, WA.



Sadly I Also Report: Longtime club member and trap shooter Verne Youngs (Scott Youngs’ father) passed away from congestive heart failure on August 5th, 2015.

The family will be having a Celebration of Life for Verne on Sunday, October 11, 2015, from 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM at the Grace Hall at Vinland Lutheran Church on Finn Hill in Poulsbo, 2750 NW Finn Hill Road (corner of Clear Creek and Finn Hill Road).

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This will be a celebration in his honor, for us to remember him and tell our favorite stories about him.

Rifle Range: We have very good news in that FARR has officially approved our request for a moved completion date for the rifle range. Originally our plan was to have the rifle range completed by the end of this year. The new target completion date is April 30, 2017. I should point out that going forward completing this range will be the top item on my agenda.

We are making progress in that the survey work is finally complete. At this time we have two companies who are reviewing our plans and preparing bids. We expect a third to enter the competition as well.

Help Needed: In the next couple of weeks I wish to schedule a day where volunteers can descend on the old rifle shooting shack and disassemble it. I said disassemble not demolish. I wish to use the wooden structure components in the construction of the new shooting building. If we simply were to knock it over with a bulldozer blade while grading it will make a horrible mess that we will then need to clean up. Let's take it apart and store the usable components in the barn. However, the roof of the building will definitely find its way in to the dumpster. If you can help please contact me at my email address or phone below. Bring a hammer and crowbar and a bigger hammer and bigger crowbar. ☺

More Help Needed: We are once again we are entering the holiday season. And that means we will again be appealing to those who would help us with the Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners. We are looking for three or four individuals who would be willing to help with the cleanup after the meals and folks who would be willing to chauffeur older folks to and from their homes. If you can help it would be much appreciated.

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

Alan Kasper
BISC President

From The Membership Chair

The shift to the new automated Membership System continues. We estimate that only 40% of

our members have logged into the new on-line system to check their records. If you have not yet logged in to check your account, please do have a look and confirm that your Volunteer information is up to date, and that the Range Pass User's names are correct, as these fields have changed, and are important details going forward! Then, there is nothing more to do until your renewal date comes around, and the system sends you a renewal reminder. If you didn't see the email from the automated system (could be in your 'spam' folder) you can find the link by going to the Club's website <http://biscwa.org/> and clicking on the "**Member Log-In**" link in the upper right of the main page.

If you did not receive a welcome message with the link, it could be that there is an error, or your membership dues are delinquent. Please contact membership@biscwa.org if you have any questions about your membership status. For those of you who have logged in and/or already renewed using this new system, your feedback would be appreciated! Please do send along any comments about your experience with the use of the system.

Reminder: 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

Archery News - Autumn archery programs

Adult Archery classes/RSO orientation opportunities available based on interest.

Explore Archery is 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. The next class to register for will begin in **October** on Thursdays starting at 4:00 PM.

Island Archers JOAD (Junior Olympic Archery Development) club is 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 or visit the Northwest Archers website at: <http://www.nwarchers.com/>

Thanks to the Archery RSOs for your generous donation of time opening the range on (most) Wednesdays from 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM and Sundays 11:00 AM -1:00 PM.

Brian Kemkes
Archery Range Manager

Pistol Range News

As we all can tell, a lot of things are happening at the Club: Activity toward the constructions of the Rifle Range being the major one.

While all this is going on, the Pistol Range continues to plug along on the upscale of business. Through August of 2015, the **Range income** has increased 198% versus last year (2014). During the same time frame, **Range uses** have gone from 585 in 2014 to 943 in 2015. Surprisingly, our **Guest shooters** have risen (Jan thru Aug) from 109 during 2014, to 225 in 2015.

On a more serious note: on the EPA side of things, we ask that after you have enjoyed your shooting, please use our facilities to wash your hands and face. It will help towards keeping your system on the lead free side. No food or drink is to be consumed inside the Range. It is for your safety and health that we request your cooperation.

We now have a new addition to our RSO list. It is our one and only Paul Browning. Welcome aboard Paul.

My thanks to all of you who are making the Pistol Range a safe and successful range.

All comments and inquiries will be answered if you call Pete @ 360-930-8017 or email Pete at pcholometes@comcast.net.

Shotgun Sports News

NEW - TRAP SHOOTING TRAINING SESSIONS

The Shotgun Range will be offering 2 additional Shooting Sessions each month. These 2 sessions will be devoted to "Training Shooting" as contrasted to the other 16 regularly scheduled "Open Shooting"

Sessions" each month. Initially these Training Shootings Sessions will be on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of each month from 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM.

The October dates are:

Saturday, October 03, 2015, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Saturday, October 17, 2015, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

The purpose of these Training Sessions is to allow shooters the opportunity to concentrate on practicing specific aspects and skills outside of the normal routine of Open Shooting Sessions. For example, the Trap Machine can be locked on a specific trajectory allowing shooters to work on a particular angle or from a particular post and shoot repeatedly as they diagnose difficulties and make corrections to improve their skill and gain the satisfaction of seeing tangible results in a relatively short period of time.

The usual Trap Shootings Fees will apply as each shooter will keep track of the number of shells they shoot by using the empty cartridge boxes as 'round counters'.

These sessions are also ideal for anyone who is interested, (or knows someone who is) in trying Trap Shooting for the first time, to come and have a safe and no-pressure environment in which to be introduced to the game. These sessions will be organized and managed by David Brown (the brainchild of the idea) and Byron Bush. RSO's will be on duty and all normal safety rules and regulations will apply.

Come on by and give it a try. Contact David with questions at davidbrown.db1@gmail.com.

Pacific International Trapshooting Assn (PITA) Shoots

The P.I.T.A. WINTER MULTIPLEX will start the first weekend of October.

These events consist of 50 singles, 50 handicap and 25 pair of doubles (scores registered with PITA). A 4th event is being adding for sub-gauge singles. A Multiplex HOA Name Tag is awarded to the HOA winner in each State/Province. You must shoot all targets to qualify. Shoot 100 targets at all 5 events and be eligible to win various prizes (randomly drawn).

Bremerton Trap and Skeet is one of the host clubs and the dates are 1st Saturdays – Oct 3, Nov 7, Dec 5, Jan 2, Feb 6. The shooting start time is 10:00 AM.

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

SPORTING CLAYS

For folks who want to expand their target experience, join us at BISC on Wednesday evenings for informal experience with the BISC 5-stand targets. We are practicing 5-stand and trap targets and we can shoot formal 5-stand rounds if there is interest.

The next Bremerton sporting clays shoot is October 11th. Check out the club web site at <http://www.bremertontrapandskeet.com> and get on their email list for notices which come out about 7 to 10 days in advance. The last few months we have had quite a few BISC members try this shoot for the first time and report that they have enjoyed it. Come and join us for this fun October shoot. The updated schedule as well as shoot results for all WA shoots are on the www.mywsca.com site.

For those who enjoyed the August 23rd trip to Sunnyside in Sequim, there will be a sporting clays shoot there on Nov. 7th. They run their sporting clays shoot somewhat differently than other ranges so this is another opportunity to expand your target experience! You might have to sign up in advance so contact Ellen Dryke directly if you want to participate.

Washington shooters did well at the 2015 Western Regional shoot in Zamora, CA. This is one of 5 regional tournaments sponsored by NSCA. Results are available at www.winscoreonline.com. Search by shoot start date which was September 2nd. Participants from BISC and Poulsbo report that they had a fine time. The terrain was very flat. Targets were all black against backgrounds of sky or dried grass/weeds. On one day, strong winds not only moved targets a lot, they also moved shooters as they were shooting! On that day, shoot management had to shut down the course and reset targets so they stayed in the air and in front of the shooters.

The next large shoot is the National Championship, October 17th to 25th at the National Shooting Complex in San Antonio, TX. There are 13 different events. The National Championship event involves 300 targets over 3 different courses and 3 days. As I write this, there are 1,874 individuals registered for just that event – 18 from WA state. The NSCA is trying to get a total of 2,000 shooters for the week and they are very close if they have not met their goal. There will be 450 guns given away by drawing. You can track results at www.winscoreonline.com.

The final 2015 PSCA event will be held at the National

Championship. Check it out online at www.PSCA.com and watch for the televised series starting in January 2016 on the Sportsman Channel.

The 2016 WA State Sporting Clays Championship will be hosted by Seattle Skeet and Trap (SST) on June 9th thru 12th, 2016. SST (<http://www.sstclub.com>) is one of the premier sporting clays facilities in this state. They did a fine job hosting the 2015 shoot so we are looking forward to the 2016 version. Check them out by going there for a practice session and/or participating in one of their monthly shoots.

Possible RSO Training Class

There is a possibility I will be teaching an RSO class between now and Jan 30. Anyone interested should send me an email so I can contact you if the class happens. My email is cmjbsj@hotmail.com.

*Chris Jensen
NRA Trainer*

Thanksgiving and Christmas Dinners

The Club needs volunteers for the holiday dinners. This important community service aspect to our club is the essence of our "give back" attitude at the club. There is no better way to share the spirit of the holidays than to be part of a great tradition. To refresh your memory, we put on a free dinner for seniors and those in need on Christmas and Thanksgiving. We are able to provide transportation to and from as well as the free meal and leftovers to take home. We have a group that does the set up as well as food acquisition and preparation. We need people on both days to donate 2-4 hrs for cleanup and transportation. Anne and I will take the lead on Christmas. We need a lead person to coordinate Thanksgiving volunteers as well as volunteers for both events. Please contact Jack Air at 206 495 8186 with whatever you can do to help. Thanks for your help.

*Best,
Jack Air*

Calendar of Events

OCTOBER 28
BOARD MEETING – 7:00 PM

NOVEMBER 18
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CLUB CALENDAR NOW ONLINE AT
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18 Trap Archery	19 Pistol	20	21 5 Stand Archery	22 Trap	23 Retiree Trap	24 Pistol
25 Trap Archery	26 Pistol	27	28 5 Stand Archery BISC Board Mtg	29 Trap	30 Retiree Trap	31 Pistol

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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

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2nd and 4th Wednesdays @ 3-5 PM

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