

# THE SPORTSMAN

Supporting the Bainbridge Island Community Since 1929

December 2015

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

**December 16, 2015 – Annual Membership Meeting @ 7:00 PM**  
**January 27, 2016 & February 24, 2016 – Board Meeting @ 7:00 PM**

## Message from the President

### 2015 The Club Gives Back to the Community

**Thanksgiving Dinner:** Just a few days ago we again sponsored our Thanksgiving dinner. We had 50 guests show up which may be the all-time record for attendance at this function. It fully filled our multipurpose room. These Thanksgiving Dinners are glowing reminders of the giving nature of our club. We do this for seniors who otherwise might not see Thanksgiving as the special day it is. We couldn't do this without the commitment and dedication of the volunteers.

**Jack Air** and his wife **Anne** plus **Dave Ward** and his wife **JoAnn** managed the affair. Without their commitment to laying the groundwork the event would never get off the ground. Various folks used their private vehicles to pick up and return home the seniors who signed up for the meal. We thank them for their efforts.

The cooking crew was again fantastic. **Terri Zumwalt** and her son **Todd** assisted by **Brenda and Rob Dority** again performed marvelously and delivered a fabulous dinner. Thank you to the trap group for donating the turkeys, and to the other volunteers including: **Kayla, Audrey, & Erica Wales; Ted, Erin, & Gage Graham;**

**Kim Hoang; Ellen Miller; Rich Saunders; Tyler Heinemann; Sue Paskell; and Bobbi, Bodie, Max, Cruz, Tara, & Aaron Strom.** One story touched me. A few days back I was in the Ester's Fabrics (yes I sew from time to time) and the lady helping me, **Allison Garrison**, saw my Bainbridge Island Sportsmen's Club cap and asked if we were doing the dinners again this year. I said yes and she immediately volunteered to cook pies for the event. It is moments of giving of oneself like this that can bring a tear to your eye.

**THANK YOU ALL!!**

**Rifle Range:** We are still plugging away on the rifle range and hopefully we will soon begin our grading project.

**Trap Range:** Several of the members came up with the idea of a trap training program. They have made good progress in structuring the event which occurs often on Saturday mornings. If you are interested in improving your trap skills I suggest you contact either David Brown at [davidbrown.db1@gmail.com](mailto:davidbrown.db1@gmail.com) or Byron Bush at [byronbush@gmail.com](mailto:byronbush@gmail.com) who can give you more details.

**Archery Range:** We are evaluating bids from multiple gutter companies and hope to have gutters on the archery range

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before the end of the year. This will help preserve the range building and make for a more comfortable entry and egress on those winter rainy days.

**Elections:** If you haven't sent in your filled out ballot please plan on being at our December 16th board and membership meeting. You can vote in person at this meeting or you can fill out the ballot below and send it in. Please send it in by no later than December 9th or deliver it in person at the December 16th meeting.

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 Treasurer

Everyone should have gotten their red envelope by now. Please remember the club in your annual giving this year!

This is an ask for Boy Scout Troop 1564: they are looking for large trucks (box trucks or trucks with lift gates) for their annual Tree Recycle on January 9th - anyone who would be willing to lend one for the day is asked to contact me - 206.992.7030

**Mark Emerson**  
**Treasurer**

## 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](mailto: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**

## Pistol Range News

Where has the year gone? While the Pistol Range has increased in usage, income and number of RSOs (yea!), we have decreased slightly in "guest usage". Everyone's help is needed in this area; by promoting the Club and simply offering to show an interested party the Club. We can all be proud of the efforts we have achieved and will achieve in the future. When a visit happens: a new member is born, or at the very least, a non-member desires to learn the "safe" way to handle a firearm.

The Pistol range is not all about profits, it is about relationships and camaraderie inside and outside the Club. Today, my bank teller is receiving a personalized "introduction to gun safety". Whether it results in a membership or not, I will have provided one more person some education in gun safety.

This visit will probably result in that person taking the class which Chris Jensen teaches so eloquently. Also, thank you Chris for stepping up as CRSO.

In the meantime, may each and every one of you, as Club Members, have a wonderful December.

**Pete Cholometes**  
**Pistol Range Chair**

## Trap News

### **CONTINENTAL TRAP - JUST IN TIME FOR WINTER!**

The 2016 Puget Sound Olympic Continental Trapshooting League Schedule:

<b>Warm-ups:</b>	<b>Season Schedule:</b>
11-29-15 Evergreen	1-3-16 Evergreen
12-6-15 Bremerton	1-10-16 Gig Harbor
12-13-15 Black Diamond	1-17-16 Black Diamond
12-19-15 Sumner	1-31-16 Kenmore
12-20-15 Renton	2-21-16 Bremerton
12-27-15 Gig Harbor	2-28-16 Renton
1-24-15 Tacoma	3-6-16 Seattle
	3-13-16 Sumner *Banquet*

If you would like to shoot this league, follow this link: <http://www.continentalshooting.com> or show up at any of the warm-up shoots to sign up.

## **Pacific International Trapshooting Assn (PITA) Shoots**

### **The P.I.T.A. WINTER MULTIPLEX.**

These events consist of 50 singles, 50 handicap and 25 pair of doubles (scores registered with PITA). A 4<sup>th</sup> event is being added 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 shoot different shotgun targets, join us at BISC on Wednesday evenings for informal experience with the BISC 5-stand targets. This can also be a good tune up for a bird hunting trip -- unless you are sure your birds will fly only the familiar trap trajectories . . . .

There are only a few sporting clays shoots in December. Granite Falls Dec. 6th) and Evergreen (Dec. 13th) are the only clubs in Western Washington throwing targets. A full schedule picks up in January. For the 2016 schedule check the WSCA site at <http://ww1.mywsca.com/docs/2016Sched100615.pdf>

Also in January, the Sportsman Channel (# 636 on Comcast on Bainbridge Island) begins a series of television broadcasts featuring events for the top sporting clays shooters in 2015. The first broadcast is on January 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00 AM our time. You can find a complete schedule and watch videos of the 2014 events at [www.pasca.com](http://www.pasca.com). A Washington shooter, Mike Wilgus, ended 2015 tied for 3<sup>rd</sup> after all the PSCA events.

### **HELP NEEDED...**

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

## **BISC Firearm Training Classes**

To sign up for the courses below go to <http://www.nrainstructors.org/> and select the course title, enter your zip code, there will possibly be several classes listed. Select the class scheduled to be taught at the Club and sign up. Any questions contact Chris Jensen at [cmjbsj@hotmail.com](mailto:cmjbsj@hotmail.com).

**December 12, 2015 9:00 AM – 3:30 PM**  
**NRA Home Firearm Safety Course** - 20 student course  
\$30 per student

Non-shooting course and teaches students the basic knowledge, skills, and to explain the attitude necessary for the safe handling and storage of firearms and ammunition in the home.

This is a six and a half hour course for safe gun handling that is conducted in the classroom only. Students are taught NRA's three rules for safe gun handling; primary causes of firearms accidents; firearm parts; how to unload certain action types; ammunition components; cleaning; care; safe storage of firearms in the home; and the benefits of becoming an active participant in the shooting sports. Students will receive the NRA Home Firearm Safety handbook, NRA Gun Safety Rules brochure, Basic Firearm Training Program brochure, course completion certificate.

**January 23, 2016 9:00 AM – 3:30 PM**  
**NRA FIRST Steps Pistol Orientation** - 10 student course  
\$75 per student

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.

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 10 students or fewer. This course is six and a half 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.

**Chris Jensen**  
**NRA Trainer**

## **Christmas Dinner**

We now have enough volunteers thanks to all the generous folks who have offered to help with the Christmas dinner. Now we need to get the sign up sheets filled with folks who want to come enjoy our dinner.

**Best,**  
**Jack Air**

## **Calendar of Events**

**DECEMBER 12**  
**NRA HOME FIREARM SAFETY COURSE – 9:00 AM**

**DECEMBER 16**  
**ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING – 7:00 PM**

**DECEMBER 25**  
**CHRISTMAS TURKEY DINNER FOR SENIORS**

**JANUARY 23**  
**NRA FIRST STEPS PISTOL COURSE – 9:00 AM**

**JANUARY 27**  
**BOARD MEETING – 7:00 PM**

**BAINBRIDGE ISLAND SPORTSMEN'S CLUB  
BOARD MEMBER ELECTION for 2016 POSITIONS**

Dear BISC Members,

It is that time of year when we all consider what the Bainbridge Island Sportsmen's Club means to each of you, and for you to decide who you would like on the Board of Directors. Please vote for each of the positions below. As is the case for every year each Officer is running for a one year term. There are no trustees that are up for election.

Each 2015 card holding member may vote. If there is more than one member in your household who is eligible to vote please write in the total votes for each nominee from your household on the ballot below, or you may print or copy the ballot for each eligible household member.

**Mail them to P.O. Box 10421 Bainbridge Island, WA 98110, by December 9, 2015 or cast your vote in person at the December 16, 2015 (Wednesday) Membership and Board meeting.** (Multiple eligible ballots can be returned in the same envelope.) *Do Not Email ballots.*

Sincerely,  
Alan Kasper  
BISC President  
Bainbridge Island Sportsmen's Club

**BAINBRIDGE ISLAND SPORTSMEN'S CLUB BALLOT FOR 2016 BOARD POSITIONS**

Vote for one Candidate for each Officer position; write in are acceptable. Mail your ballot(s) by 12/9/15, or bring it to the 12/16/15 Membership Meeting. Note: The four Officers are elected yearly, whereas the Trustees serve a three year term.

**President:**

- Alan Kasper  
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**Vice President:**

- Dave Ward  
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**Treasurer:**

- Mark Emerson  
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**Secretary:**

- Dutch Van Gessel  
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**CLUB CALENDAR NOW ONLINE AT**  
[www.brownbearsw.com/cal/bisc](http://www.brownbearsw.com/cal/bisc)

**BISC — December 2015**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 5 Stand Pistol Archery	3 Trap	4 Retiree Trap	5 Pistol Trap
6 Trap Archery	7 Pistol	8	9 5 Stand Archery	10 Trap	11 Retiree Trap	12 Pistol Home Firearm Safety
13 Trap Archery	14 Pistol	15	16 Annual Membership Mtg @ 7 PM 5 Stand Archery	17 Trap	18 Retiree Trap	19 Pistol Trap
20 Trap Archery	21 Pistol	22	23 5 Stand Archery	24 Christmas Eve No Trap	25 CHRISTMAS No Trap	26 Pistol
27 Trap Archery	28 Pistol	29	30 5 Stand Archery	31 New Year's Eve No Trap		

*Schedule of Events*

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BISC Annual General Membership Meeting  
@ 7 PM on December 16

Home Firearm Safety Class  
@ 9 AM on December 12

**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

Trap "Training Session" on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat @9-11 AM

**COMMUNITY GROUPS**

Girl Scout Troop 40133 -

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

**BISC — January 2016**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 New Year's Day No Trap	2 Pistol
3 Trap Archery	4 Pistol	5	6 5 Stand Pistol Archery	7 Trap	8 Retiree Trap	9 Pistol
10 Trap Archery	11 Pistol	12	13 5 Stand Archery Girl Scouts	14 Trap	15 Retiree Trap	16 Pistol
17 Trap Archery	18 Pistol	19	20 5 Stand Archery	21 Trap	22 Retiree Trap	23 Pistol NRA First Steps Pistol Class
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## BISC Leadership Contacts

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Bob Davis	Newsletter/Web Site	(206) 310-2950
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Chris Jensen	Trustee, CRSO, Firearm Training	(360) 340-7916
Brian Kemkes	Trustee, Archery Chairman	(206) 351-9052
Mike Okano	Trustee, Shotgun Co-Chairman	(360) 981-5180
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Clubhouse and Pistol Range		(206) 780-9374



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