

THE SPORTSMAN

Supporting the Bainbridge Island Community Since 1929

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

January 27, 2016 & February 24, 2016 – Board Meeting @ 7:00 PM
March 23, 2016 – Membership Meeting @ 7:00 PM

Message from the President 2015 Was Amazing

January 27th meeting: At the January 27th meeting we will tally the votes regarding the small changes to our bylaws we have previously distributed. In the event you will not be present at the meeting please take the time to respond to us with your vote to amend the bylaws. The proposed bylaws can be found here: <http://biscwa.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/Bainbridge-Island-Sportsmen-bylaws-revisions-rev-red-tm-110715-ajk.pdf>. The proxy ballot can be found further down within this newsletter.

Christmas Dinner: This year we filled our Club house hosting 45 people for Christmas Dinner. This is roughly double the number of people who attended last year's Christmas dinner. Seniors enjoy the outing as they are waited on by a host of volunteers. Again the Club extends its sincere thanks to Terri Zumwalt, the lead chef, who delivered the feast in the usual magnificent style. We would not be able to prepare this event without the assistance of numerous volunteers including: Bobbi Strom, Susan Paskell, Erika Wales, Catherine Schei, Will Schei, Ben Schei, Kyle Schei, Krista Schei, Mark Heinemann, Scott Heinemann, Tyler Heinemann, Bob

Valentine, Susie Valentine, and Anne Air. The Club wishes to express a special thanks to Jack Air and Brenda Dority our co-chairpersons who organized the event and gathered volunteers. In speaking with Jack he told me that helping with this event truly brought out the Christmas spirit in his own heart. The Club owes these people a real debt of gratitude. Thank you all.

Thanks to all the Volunteers: This club would not be what it is today without the numerous volunteers who step forward and make it happen for the community. Currently we have 230 members. This is not counting all the individuals who are part of a Family Membership and then the number goes up. And many of those individuals are the people who make this club work. Our archery program is a success much to the efforts of Shelly Schwinn, Brian Kemkes and Scott Tuchel. Our trap program runs because of people like Bob Davis, Mike Okano and Jerry Perez. The pistol range is a success due to Pete Cholometes, Andy Frank and Jerry Tonnessen and the more than 20 RSOs who keep the range open on scheduled shoots. Other significant contributors include Gary Smith whose multifaceted help has made many things happen and Terry Mundorf who has helped us with legal matters. And then there are the board members who do the back room block and tackle work of keeping the club running. Thank you all.

Hunter's Education: After an absence of two years this last

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year we reinvigorated our Hunter Education program. In reality it isn't our Hunter Education program it is the State's Hunter Education program we merely supply the venue, but it is a venue the trainers really enjoy and we again help out the community by permitting it to happen at our unique facility. This year there will be 4 five-day training events. Tom Tanosh will be the lead instructor for this training. Tom can be contacted at 360-710-3969. Each of the four events will take five days; Monday through Thursday 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM and then Saturday 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM. The dates for the events are as follows:

- May 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th and 21st
- June 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, and 11th
- August 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 6th
- September 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th

Financial Stability: As you know this last year you the membership voted to increase our membership dues. We increased them just slightly and I am happy to report that due to that slight increase we are once again financially sound and we are in a position to perform much needed maintenance such as gutters on the archery range and replacement gutters on the Club house.

Elections: As you know we just completed the voting for our four officers. All existing officers were reelected to their positions. Congratulations to all.

An Amazing Year. There is so much more I could have written about but this is a newsletter not a news-book. There are so very many people who selflessly contributed their talent and knowledge to making our club an inviting and family friendly place to be. We expect 2016 will be yet another great year.

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

Alan Kasper
BISC President

From The Membership Chair

Happy New Year! January is one of our biggest renewal months, and so please do watch for an automated message from the new automated Membership System. We hope you find the renewal process quick and easy.

If you don't renew in January, please log into the new on-line system to check your records. It is important to 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 key membership details. Then, there is nothing more to do until your renewal month and 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 is 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 - Winter archery programs

Open Range regular hours are Wednesdays 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM and Sundays 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

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

Explore Archery is for kids age 8 to 18.

Beginning February 1, 2016 we will no longer be offering the Explore Archery program on a regular weekday. This is to allow the 4:00 PM - 4:45 PM time slot on Thursdays to be used for a new session of Island Archers JOAD (Junior Olympic Archery Development).

Our plan is to restructure the Explore Archery program and get it back on the calendar as soon as possible. When it resumes it will probably be offered in a weekend, camp style format.

Explore Archery has proven to be an excellent way for new archers to try out the sport and learn the fundamentals. It has also proven to be an excellent spring board for entry into the JOAD program. We look forward to starting it back up soon.

If you have any questions about Explore Archery or the JOAD program please don't hesitate to let me know. You can also check out website for updates.

<http://www.nwarchers.com/>

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 Volunteer Archery RSOs for your generous donation of time opening the range!

Brian Kemkes
Archery Range Manager

Pistol Range News

To all of you who have "kept the place running in 2015"; I thank you. Though Bob Davis is a Pistol Range RSO, his commitments to the Trap Range consume much of his time. More importantly, he is the man who puts out this Newsletter, and is doing one fine job of publishing it. Thank you Bob for the communications help which you provide through this letter.

On the Pistol Range, our RSO's: re-cycle the shell casings, sweep and vacuum the floors, clean up the old target cardboard, replace light bulbs, spray the metal targets at the 25 yard line, fix the target tracks, remove dead and fallen trees, keep the Range supplied with propane, clean the bathroom, sweep the entrance, and provide their time to be "Your Range Safety Officer". That list covers only some of their duties. And they are there come rain or shine! To those RSO's we all owe a big "Thank You".

One can get the shooting times at "biscwa.org" however; I choose to put it in this letter. The Pistol Range is open from 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM every Monday and Saturday, except on the 2nd and 4th Saturday, it is open from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM. Come on out and shoot.

Happy New Year to all BISC Members, for without you, the Club would not exist. Keep it safe and keep it fun.

Pete Cholometes
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Shotgun Sports News

CONTINENTAL TRAP - JUST IN TIME FOR WINTER!

The 2016 Puget Sound Olympic Continental Trapshooting League Schedule: **NOTE 1/10/16 moved to Sumner.!**

Warm-ups:

11-29-15 Evergreen

12-6-15 Bremerton

12-13-15 Black Diamond

12-19-15 Sumner

12-20-15 Renton

12-27-15 Gig Harbor

1-24-16 Tacoma

Season Schedule:

1-3-16 Evergreen

1-10-16 Sumner

1-17-16 Black Diamond

1-31-16 Kenmore

2-21-16 Bremerton

2-28-16 Renton

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.

TRAP SHOOTING TRAINING SESSIONS

The Trap Training Shooting Sessions are held on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of each month from 9:00am - 11:00am.

The dates for the first Quarter of 2016 will be:

January 02, January 16, February 06, February 20, March 05, and March 19

Now that the Trap Training Shooting Sessions have passed their initial trial run and have earned their place on the Schedule, the plan is to expand the training curriculum a bit in the new year.

Our fundamental training module is to set the Trap Machine at 3 different fixed trajectories - 30 minutes each for fixed left angle targets, fixed straightaway targets, and fixed right angle targets. Each shooter is free to select a post position and distance of their choosing that allows them to concentrate on both the strong points and weak points of their shooting skills. The fixed angled shooting is followed by several regular Open Shooting Sessions so that participants can apply their training work right away in the standard Trap Shooting format.

This is also a great opportunity for new shooters to get a 'no pressure' introduction to Trap Shooting. We generally have several RSO's at our sessions so there is also an opportunity for some guidance, coaching, and lots of encouragement.

This year we will also dedicate several sessions to specific areas of training: pattern board work, shooting from close up to far back, various trap shooting "games" like "Chipper" and "Annie Oakley" (which In Texas is called "Coyote Ugly", because shooting those pieces of busted clays "Ain't pretty ... but you're scoring anyhow!"), informal competitions (both individual and team shoots), and quite possibly arranging for a Trap Shooting Seminar with a local qualified instructor.

So please come and join us. Bring interested family and friends and anyone who would enjoy and benefit from our Trap Training Shooting Sessions.

If you have any questions, please contact David Brown: 650-224-5911 / davidbrown.db1@gmail.com

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 4th 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 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

Sporting clays features different target trajectories at every shoot. Each club changes all the targets every month. You can shoot either for fun or for competition at all these shoots. The closest -- Bremerton -- is usually on the 2nd Sunday (e.g., January 10th). BISC usually has very good participation at the Bremerton shoot so you will see familiar faces if you join us there.

A full sporting clays schedule picks up in January. The full 2016 WA state schedule is on the WSCA site:

<http://ww1.mywsca.com/docs/2016Sched122815.pdf>.

Seattle Skeet and Trap (SST in Ravensdale), Granite Falls, Tacoma, Sumner, Upper Nisqually (UNSC in Eatonville) and Evergreen (in Littlerock) clubs conduct shoots almost every month. BISC members participate in most of these shoots.

Also in January, the Sportsman Channel begins a series of television broadcasts -- the **PSCA Pro Tour** -- featuring 2015 competitions among the top sporting clays shooters. They used flash targets and shot at night under the lights so broken targets could be seen on the video. The events end with head-to-head competition of the top 12 pros and 4 amateurs who qualified for the final in a special sporting clays shoot. **The first broadcast is on January 2nd at 10:00 AM our time on channel # 636 on Comcast on Bainbridge Island. Additional broadcasts will be on following Saturdays – same time, same channel.** A Washington shooter, Mike Wilgus, took 2nd place in the first event (See it on Jan. 9th) and ended 2015 tied for 3rd after all the PSCA events. You can find more info and watch videos of the 2014 events online at www.pzca.com.

5-stand is a great opportunity to shoot targets on different trajectories and can be shot in a much smaller area than sporting clays. For folks who want to shoot a greater variety of shotgun targets, join us at BISC on Wednesday evenings for informal experience with the BISC 5-stand targets. 5-stand can also be a good tune up for that end of season bird hunting trip -- unless you are sure your birds will fly only the trap trajectories you typically practice

BISC 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.

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.

January 30, 2016: 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM
Firearm Seminar: Concealed Carry and Home Defense - 28 student course, \$40 per student.
(This course is recommended before taking any personal defense shooting course)

If you carry a concealed pistol or have a firearm in your home for protection, how much do you really know about the laws, rules, and practical aspects of your choice? What do the laws require you to do in the areas of training, firearms maintenance, ammunition selection, and documentation? Where can you legally carry or more importantly where can't you? When are you justified in displaying a firearm? When are you justified in discharging a firearm? What should you do when a police officer contacts you and you have a firearm? What should you do after you have displayed a firearm? What should you do after you have discharged a firearm? Have you ever asked yourself these questions?

The seminar will cover topics ranging from Federal laws, Washington State laws, firearms selection, firearms maintenance, ammunition selection, safety, storage, options for concealed carry, making the decision to engage, and an opportunity to have your questions asked. This seminar will present legal and civil issues relevant to CPL holders, or anyone that intends to use a firearm for self-defense. The intent of this course is to provide participants with information that may help them avoid legal and civil pitfalls associated with using a firearm for self-defense.

To sign up contact Chris Jensen directly at cmjbsj@hotmail.com

Chris Jensen
NRA Trainer

Calendar of Events

JANUARY 23
NRA FIRST STEPS PISTOL ORIENTATION— 9:00 AM

JANUARY 27
BOARD MEETING – 7:00 PM

JANUARY 30
FIREARM SEMINAR: CONCEALED CARRY AND HOME DEFENSE— 1:00 PM

Dear Members,

On November 19th a Board Meeting was held at which time it was agreed to hold a vote to revise our By-laws at our General Membership Meeting on December 16, 2015. When we held this meeting we fell short of having a quorum by four Members.

As an update and clarification of our By-laws is needed it was decided to hold a Special Meeting at the same time as the next Board Meeting, 7:00 PM January 27, 2016 at the BISC Clubhouse and to facilitate voting by sending out a Proxy form (below) which can be signed and returned either by regular mail or by scanning and returning via email. And I will present your vote at this meeting. This will allow those who cannot attend to have their voices heard and should help insure that we have a quorum at the Special Meeting.

In the meantime, the proposed new By-laws can still be found here:
<http://biscwa.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/Bainbridge-Island-Sportsmen-bylaws-revisions-rev-red-tm-110715-ajk.pdf>.

Please note that most of the changes are highlighted in color but significant changes were also made to most of Article 4 where the specific changes are not highlighted. You'll want to read that section in total.

Thank you for your understanding and support.

Alan Kasper
President
Bainbridge Island Sportsmen's Club

**Proxy Ballot
for Special Meeting vote to revise our By-Laws
to be held January 27, 2016**

I, the undersigned, hereby acknowledge that I am a member in good standing in the Bainbridge Island Sportsmen's Club and that I designate Alan Kasper (or in his absence the meeting's chairman) to cast my vote

- () in favor of
- () not in favor of

revising our Club's By-Laws, as presented to the Membership by email on Nov 18, 2015 and again on Dec 18, 2015 at the following address on our site:

<http://biscwa.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/Bainbridge-Island-Sportsmen-bylaws-revisions-rev-red-tm-110715-ajk.pdf>

I understand that I may complete and then send this Proxy in by either regular mail or I can scan and send an image of this Proxy via email to Alan Kasper at info@biscwa.org.

Member's name (please type or print)

Member's signature

Membership #

Date Signed

If returning by regular mail send to:

Bainbridge Island Sportsmen's Club
P.O. Box 10421
Bainbridge Island, WA 98110
Attn: Alan Kasper, President

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See calendar and CRSO column.

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None scheduled

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					1 New Year's Day No Trap	2 Pistol Trap
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 Trap
17 Trap Archery	18 Pistol	19	20 5 Stand Archery	21 Trap	22 Retiree Trap	23 Pistol NRA First Steps Pistol Class
24 Trap Archery	25 Pistol	26	27 BISC Board Mtg @ 7 PM 5 Stand Archery Girl Scouts	28 Trap	29 Retiree Trap	30 Pistol Firearm Seminar
31 Trap Archery						

BISC — February 2016						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Pistol	2	3 Pistol 5-Stand Archery	4 Trap	5 Retiree Trap	6 Pistol Trap
7 Trap Archery	8 Pistol	9	10 5 Stand Archery Girl Scouts	11 Trap	12 Retiree Trap	13 Pistol
14 Trap Archery	15 Pistol	16	17 5-Stand Archery	18 Trap	19 Retiree Trap	20 Pistol Trap
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