

# THE SPORTSMAN

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**May 25, 2016 & July 27, 2016 – Board Meeting @ 7:00 PM**  
**June 22, 2016 – Quarterly Membership Meeting @ 7:00 PM**

## Message from the President

### Rifle Range & Related Musings.

**Kitsap Sun - Rifle Range Article:** On May 20, 2016 Rachel Seymour wrote an article about the planned reopening of our rifle range. Prior to the article being written Rachael and I met and we discussed at length our plans for construction and reopening the rifle range. I gave Rachael a tour of the range and shared with her our plans. The article below is a link to the article. In general the article was factual. It presented a high level view of what we are doing but there is much more to learn about the details if you are interested. We welcome anyone to contact me and I will at their request present the entirety of our plans.

<http://www.kitsapsun.com/news/local/bainbridge-island-sportmens-club-plans-to-reopen-rifle-range-330e1b87-2f32-5bbe-e053-0100007f421c-380328361.html>

## Public Notice of Meeting

The Bainbridge Island Sportsmen's Club will be convening a meeting on Monday, June 18, 2012. The meeting will begin promptly at 7:00 PM and will end at 8:00 PM.

The topic to be discussed is planned improvements to the existing rifle range that will make the rifle range safer, quieter and provide ADA access to the rifle range. A PowerPoint presentation will be given that presents the plans.

The location of the meeting is the Bainbridge Island Sportsmen's Club main facility at 8203 Sportsman Club Road on Bainbridge Island.

Historically, promulgated by some in the community, there has been an enormous dissemination of false information regarding our plans. Moreover there are opinions reached without any input from the club or club members. We as a club have been completely open to offer up any and all information about our plans. On numerous occasions I have stated that I am always open to a discussion re: our activities.

Note the Public Meeting Notice herein. That was publishing June 8, 2012 in the Bainbridge Review.

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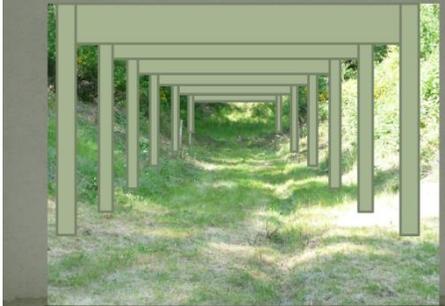
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We had five interested citizens attend the meeting. Although we promised a one hour of discussion we actually permitted questions and comments for two hours. Since that meeting I have been continually available for additional question, however, since that meeting four years ago I have not had a single question or issue presented to me regarding our rifle range plans from anyone at any time – **not one question in four years!**

#### Range With Beams

- Total of nine No-Blue-Sky beams
- Bottom of beams 7 feet from ground
- Beams comprised of wood and steel



One item that I have heard rumored is the believed absence of No-Blue-Sky beams. Below is an artist conception of the No-Blue-Sky beams layout we are planning to be part of our design. The article written by Rachael makes references to the No-Blue-Sky beams wherein she states they will be made of wood. In reality their construction will be wood and **steel**. This combined with muffler boxes that control where the rifle muzzle is pointed will make it certain the rifle is pointed down range at the berm. Moreover the muffler boxes will have a plate of steel on the top running their length to insure bullets go to their intended target and not escape the range. The airplane industry calls this belt and suspenders engineering. Anyone wishing a presentation on our exact plans need only contact me and I will share with that individual or individuals our plans.

**Volunteerism:** On previous occasions I have made mention that the club is only as good as its volunteers. There are numerous individuals who have on many occasions stepped forward to make the club function. People that come to mind are the range RSOs. They are there at every range use and insure that the club rules

are followed and safety policies are enforced. This happens regularly on a weekly basis. And then we have those folks that see a problem and step up to the plate.

**Byron Bush** is one of those people. We live in the northwest and as such moss is part of our lives. Well moss certainly became part of the Palmer building. It actually began to resemble one of those old English cottages we see in movies, one that has been in the English countryside since the sixteen hundreds. Well maybe it wasn't that bad but it was bad. The moss had reached 6-8 inches on parts of the roof. Byron brought over his ladder, shovels, rake and other tools and took on five hours of back-breaking work. As you can see the roof is clean. If you happen to see Byron at the club tells him *Thanks*.



**Notice:** This notice will appear in the next few newsletters. On Saturday, July 23, 2016 all firearm ranges will be closed to respect the Lubovich wedding (Linda Lubovich's eldest daughter) which will occur on that day just a couple of blocks from the club. We wish the bride and groom the finest wedding and the happiest marriage.

If you have any further questions please feel free to contact me. As always we welcome your feedback.

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**

Summer is just around the corner and Club membership renewals are steadily coming through the new system. Please do watch for an automated email from Bainbridge Island Sportsmen's Club, and follow the directions that are included to renew. We hope you find that this system makes renewing quick and easy! If you haven't seen an email from the automated system (it 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.

You can also log into the new online system to check your records if your renewal isn't due until later this year. Have a look at your profile 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. Once you've checked your membership profile, there is nothing more to do until your renewal month and date comes around, and the system sends you a reminder.

There is a 30-day grace period for delinquent renewals. Please respond promptly to the renewal email to avoid any reinstatement fees!

Feel free to contact [membership@biscwa.org](mailto:membership@biscwa.org) if you have any questions about your membership status.

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**  
**Membership Chairperson**

### **SUMMER CAMP FOR KIDS - AGES 10-17 -**

Just Board approved we're developing a Summer Camp for Kids this summer. Featured will be 3 one-day classes on **FLY FISHING** taught by International Federation of Fly Fishers (IFFF) Certified Instructors at our Pond.

**RIFLE - BASIC SKILLS** with .22 cal rifles in our Pistol Range taught by Chris Jensen, retired BI Police and NRA Certified Instructor.

**ARCHERY - INTRODUCTION** on our Archery Range

Kids can sign up for one, two or all of the classes. Classes will be held on Saturdays and based on interest will be repeated later this summer. More info including the cost of the summer camp will be available soon.

### **Archery News - Spring programs**

#### **Open Range**

Regular hours are Wednesdays 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM and Sundays 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM. Rental equipment available.

#### **Adult Archery**

RSO orientation/archery class opportunity coming in May. Watch the website for the dates and details.

#### **Youth Archery**

Explore Archery program will now be offered as a weekend "camp". This format will contain the same important information and skill-building instruction as the four week class, and students will have more range time than we did in the previous format. Explore Archery camp is a basic skill-building class for those who are new to the sport or archers who may have been shooting for a while but would like some formal training for kids age 8 to 18. The program will include instruction on safety, shot execution, scoring, aiming and equipment knowledge. Please contact Coach Scott if you have an aspiring archer who would like to participate in this fun program.

**Island Archers JOAD** (Junior Olympic Archery Development) club is for archers age 8 through 20 who want train for the competitive environment. 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/>

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

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

## **Pistol Range News**

It has been 21 months since I basically took over as Manager for the BISC Pistol Range. It has been a fun time and I believe a fair bit of good things have taken place; but not without the help of good people like Jerry Tonnessen, Andy Frank and all of the super RSO's. All of them have kept the Pistol Range "running like a well greased wheel". To all of them — Thank You.

My replacement is Jim Harrington, a very qualified RSO and Manager. I am sure that all of you will support Jim to the fullest. Welcome aboard Jim.

I will continue as a Trustee until new elections take place, and I will also be pulling RSO duties. If you think I will stop having safe shooting fun at the Range, then you don't know me.

Please remember that the Pistol Range will be open on 18 June "ONLY from 9 to 12 (Noon). Chris Jensen's Women's Training Class will take place from Noon on.

The Pistol Range is also "Closed all Day on 2 July". It is a Holiday weekend and the B.I. Rotary Auction takes place from 8 AM to 2 PM. We respect our Community.

My Thanks to all Members and Guests that have made the Pistol Range a resounding success.

Signing off for now: Pete Cholometes

**Pete Cholometes**  
**Pistol Range Chair/Manager**

## **Shotgun Sports News**

### **5-STAND**

The trap range will be open for 5-Stand shooting on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday's of the month. All machines are in good working order.

### **TRAP SHOOTING TRAINING SESSIONS**

TRAP TRAINING SESSIONS for June 2016:

No.1: Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup> (9:00 -11:00 AM):  
5-STAND PRACTICE for the Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>  
shoot at Sunnydell in Sequin.

No. 2: Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup> 9:00 -11:00 AM):  
TRAP TRAINING.

For a full description of the program, see the January 2016 newsletter, available at <http://biscwa.org/newletters>

If you have any questions, please contact David Brown: 650-224-5911  
[davidbrown.db1@gmail.com](mailto:davidbrown.db1@gmail.com)

### **INTERCLUB TRAP EVENTS**

The 2016, 13<sup>th</sup> annual, Olympic Interclub League  
**June 18<sup>th</sup> at Bremerton**  
**August 6<sup>st</sup> at Poulsbo**  
**September 10<sup>th</sup> at Bainbridge (at Poulsbo)**

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**

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

## **5-STAND AND SPORTING CLAYS**

**June 5<sup>th</sup> shoot at Sunnydell in Sequim.** A delegation from BISC will make our annual June trip to Sunnydell on June 5<sup>th</sup>. This is about as much fun as you can have with a shotgun and there is still time to join us! We will shoot a variety of targets such as the “lemming” which rolls along a dock, hits a ramp, and then jumps into the pond; the “groundhog” which is thrown along a ditch; high incomers and crossers at the “bus stop”; and others. If you have not yet signed up and intend to join us, let John McMahon know right away so we can arrange pullers: [jmcm333@comcast.net](mailto:jmcm333@comcast.net).

**BISC 5-stand Is Open** on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday evenings each month. We have preset menus for a formal round of 5-stand and we can be informal if participants want to practice specific targets. Targets include trap plus seven other trajectories -- rabbit, chandelle, etc -- as single targets and as report and true pairs. This is fun and a fine tune up for sporting clays, bird hunting – and the Sunnydell trips! We hope you join us.

**Sporting clays** has no standard target trajectories and each club changes all trajectories every month. You can shoot just for fun at all these events so try one sometime! The closest -- Bremerton -- will have their next shoot on June 19<sup>th</sup>. This month, there will be the annual afternoon Ken Main Memorial Pump Gun Shoot. The high score usually wins a pump. All you bird hunters, bring your pump for 50 interesting targets. Next month, Bremerton will have an afternoon 50 target SxS shoot.

The **2016 WA State Sporting Clays Championship** will be at Seattle Skeet and Trap (SST), June 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>. Events include: 50 target sub gauges, pump, and SxS; 100 target prelim and 5-stand; and the 200 target main event. SST is bringing in an excellent target setter from Oregon so the targets will be challenging -- and different from SST's usual presentations. If you want to see excellent targets or participate in one or more of these events, visit SST during this

shoot. For more info, go to: [www.mywsca.com](http://www.mywsca.com). To register or track scores, go to: [www.winscoreonline.com](http://www.winscoreonline.com). BISC shooters will be represented in all 9 events. Also, John McMahon tied for 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the statewide “Tour” event which ran from September to May at 9 clubs around the state so he will be in a shoot off to determine 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places.

The **Professional Sporting Clays Association (PSCA) Tour** features qualifying sporting clays shoots followed by head-to-head competition among the top qualifiers in a “Make-a-Break” format. They are broadcast on the Sportsman Channel through June 25<sup>th</sup> with a different 2015 or 2016 event each week. These shows are broadcast Mondays (1:30 PM and Midnight) and Saturdays (10:00 AM) on Comcast channel # 636 on Bainbridge Island. They use flash targets at night under the lights so target trajectories and breaking targets can be seen on the video. A detailed schedule and videos of the 2014 events are online at [www.pscacom.com](http://www.pscacom.com).

## **BISC Training Classes**

**Firearms Seminar**, June 10, 2016 from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM, \$40 per person.

Classroom only, the realities of carrying a concealed pistol or defending yourself with a firearm in Washington State. This is an interactive workshop where questions and comments are not only encouraged but expected. Topics include Federal Laws, Washington State laws, safety, firearms selection, storage, ammunition, training, and carry options? What you can expect when you display or use a firearm in self defense. Bring your questions so they can be answered or at least discussed.

For class information and to sign up for courses 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).

**WOMEN-ONLY: Introduction to the Shooting Sports**\*\*\* - Saturday, June 18, 2016 from 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM, 4 hours/\$50 per person.

A one-of-a-kind class with three parts:

- 1) Classroom intro to Range Safety & Firearm Basics
- 2) Range Time where everyone can fire a minimum of 8 firearms: 2 each of revolver, semi-automatic pistol, shotgun, and rifle
- 3) Q&A session to address any and all questions

Taught by Chris Jensen an NRA Certified Instructor and retired Bainbridge Island Police Officer. This is the first time a class of this kind has been available in the Seattle area and we hope to repeat it monthly, based on interest.

For more info see: <http://www.biscwa.org/women-only-introduction-shooting-sports>

\*\*\*(previously known as: WOMEN-ONLY FIREARMS 101)

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

*Here are some pictures of the last Women's class.*



## **Calendar of Events**

**JUNE 10**

**FIREARMS SEMINAR – 12:00 PM TO 4:00 PM**

**JUNE 18**

**WOMEN-ONLY: INTRODUCTION TO THE SHOOTING SPORTS – 11:00 AM TO 3:00 PM**

**JUNE 22**

**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING – 7:00 PM**

**JULY 27**

**BOARD MEETING – 7:00 PM**

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BISC — June 2016						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Pistol 5-Stand Archery	2 Trap	3 Retiree Trap	4 Pistol Trap
5 Trap Archery	6 Pistol	7	8 Pistol Archery Girl Scouts	9 Trap	10 Retiree Trap	11 Pistol
12 Trap Archery	13 Pistol	14	15 Pistol 5-Stand Archery	16 Trap	17 Retiree Trap	18 Pistol Trap Interclub Trap
19 Trap Archery	20 Pistol	21	22 BISC Member Mtg @ 7 PM Pistol Archery Girl Scouts	23 Trap	24 Retiree Trap	25 Pistol
26 Trap Archery	27 Pistol	28	29 Pistol Archery	30 Trap		

BISC — July 2016						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Retiree Trap	2 ROTARY AUCTION
3 Trap Archery	4 HAPPY 4 <sup>th</sup> of JULY	5	6 Pistol 5 Stand Archery	7 Trap	8 Retiree Trap	9 Pistol
10 Trap Archery	11 Pistol	12	13 Pistol Archery Girl Scouts	14 Trap	15 Retiree Trap	16 Pistol Trap
17 Trap Archery	18 Pistol	19	20 Pistol 5 Stand Archery	21 Trap	22 Retiree Trap	23 Pistol
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31 Trap Archery						

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