

WASHINGTON STATE MUZZLELOADER'S ASSOCIATION

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WSMA Booth at the Cascade Mtn Men Gun Show March 10-11

The annual Cascade Mountain Men Muzzleloading Arms and Pioneer Craft Show is coming up shortly. Held at the Evergreen State Fairgrounds in Monroe, WA, it's one of the biggest and certainly the best show of its kind. WSMA will have our booth at the show, and need volunteers to man it. For working a two hour shift, WSMA will reimburse your entry fee for the show. See the list below, and thanks for helping out.



Elections and Annual Meeting of the WSMA

The annual meeting was held on Feb 11th at Rain-Dee-Voo. Nominations were taken and the following slate of candidates were put forth:

President:	Mike Moran	West Director:	Steve Hohnstein
Vice President:	Bill Daly	East Director:	Gary Wilson
Secretary/Treasurer:	Mike Nesbitt	East Director:	VACANT
Events Booshway:	Bob Gietz		

Nominations will remain open until March 4th. Voting will occur either in person at the CMM Gun Show or by email ballot. All votes must be in by March 15th.

Membership Renewal Time

The WSMA membership year expires on Dec 31st, so it's time to start thinking about renewing. Membership forms can be found on the WSMA website, and the same form can be used for new memberships as well as renewals. The cost is still just \$10.

WSMA Fundraising Banquet and Auction March 24th

Tickets are now available! They are \$20 per person and are available from the following people. You can also get them at the door.

Bremerton Area:	Bill Daly
Tacoma/Puyallup Area:	Mike Moran
Olympia Area:	Jerry Mayo, Will Ulry

This is another great volunteer opportunity, as we need people to help with running the activities at the dinner. Our auction cashiers, Kirsten and Andy Ward, have moved away and won't be able to join us this year, so we will need a couple of people to help with this as well.

Winter Olympics: We found your missing snow!



Seeing white targets is always fun in the snow

Littlerock. These “revels” got started at 1:00 o’clock, early Friday afternoon on February 16 when Boosway Clarence Atchison opened the gate to the trail-walk. Event registrants amounted to 48 individuals and the shooters were composed of 30 men, 1 woman, 5 juniors, and nine under 12’s. Ten campers endured in their tin-tepees and only 6 primitives took their damp canvas home to dry. Eleven traders welcomed the patrons including a number of visitors from the local community.

The competitors had a range of typical events: Rifle, Trade Gun, Pistol, Knife & ‘hawk and Archery trails. Mike Nesbitt headed the shooting trails while Scott Isom ran the Knife & Hawk event and DeWayne Pritchett

snow!

By Bob Gietz

Snow for the Olympic Games was delivered by mistake to Olympia, Washington on Sunday, February 18th during our Rain-Dee-Voo. And that fully completed the spectrum of weather for this year’s events, which even included a few moments of sunshine. For their first muzzle-loading event of the year, the Puget Sound Free Trappers of the Capitol City Rifle and Pistol Club hosted the annual “Rain-Dee-Voo” on the rendezvous trail just south of



Here's the Rain-Dee-Voo crew

carried on as Trade Chief. Capable helpers were: Registrar/Clerk Tom Brown, Roy Williams, Bob Gietz, Mike Nesbitt, Tim Sampson, Bob DeLisle, Frank Ponceroff, Will Ulry, Tim Sampson, Ralph Birmingham, and Jerry Mayo, along with perhaps some others whose names may have escaped, kept the trails working. Aggregate scores could include either Archery or Knife & 'hawk scores along with the Rifle trail score. Dale Soost of The Capitol City Bowmen ran the Archery event while Will Ulry and youth parents were overseers for the Under 12 events. Compliments certainly go to that fine staff.



In the picture to the left, we see Bob DeLisle shooting his trade gun before the snow fell. Off the trail and out of the snow, in the shelter of the clubhouse, we had the Trader's Row. The kitchen was again being operated by Bob Jamison of the Capitol City Bowmen and the chow was really good. Our friends in the Washington State Muzzleloaders Association held their annual meeting late Saturday afternoon.

On Saturday evening the clubhouse welcomed all comers to the Pot Luck, which had catered baked and fried chicken provided by the Free Trappers to compliment the tasty results of the Dutch oven competition.

Will Ulry and Clarence Atchison were in charge of the evenings' events. Our Trader's Auction filled out the evening's agenda followed by the Poker tournament. Lots of folks pitched in to get the "dirty details" taken care of which included some of the "guests" as well as the hard-working Free Trappers. Dutch oven cooking competition had two parts; main dishes and desserts. Top awards went to JoJo McWhinney for the main dish and Don Freelove for the dessert.

Our shooting was concluded with the novelty events which began at noon Sunday. Those were run by Will Ulry and Clarence Atchison. The novelty matches included the grub shoot, and a Squirrel Gun match.

The end result of all efforts and activities came in recognition in the aggregate blanket prizes and awards. WSMA's youth grant to this event provided special awards for Junior and Under 12 shooters, and WSMA "Pilgrim" medals went to those participating in a black powder event for the first time. The muzzle-loading rifle, part of the Grant from WSMA, for the one-shot buffalo hunt prize was won by Aaliyah Thomas. The primitive Camp of Mike Moran was judged by Mike Nesbitt and Clarence Atchison as the most authentic and recognized with a certificate and a period correct axe and carrier donated by Clarence Atchison.



Mike Moran gets his fire going

DETAILED EVENTS LISTING

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>1ST PLACE</u>	<u>2ND PLACE</u>	<u>3RD PLACE</u>
Top Mt. Man	Clarence Atchison	Ken Edminster	Mike Nesbitt
Top Mt. Woman	Esther Rhodes		
Flint rifle	Bob DeLisle	Allen Tresch	Tim Sampson
Perc. Rifle	Clarence Atchison	Bob Tresch	Tony Woore
Pistol	Frank Ponceroff	JoJo McWhinney	Bill Andrews
Trade Gun	Allen Tresch	Mike Moran	Bob DeLisle
Knife & 'hawk	Ken Edminster	Clarence Atchison	Jerry Charlton
Archery	Mike Nesbitt	Caiden Martell	Ernst Schubert
Under 12	Tyce Fuller	Nicholas Schubert	Peyton Thomas
Junior	Caiden Martel	Michael Gehrig	Carson Edminster

Merchandise awards for individual skills were provided by the Puget Sound Free Trappers with a grant from Schuetzen Powder.

Youth Rifle (one shot Buffalo Hunt), Aaliyah Thomas

Accouterments from: Clarence Atchison (powder horn, bag, and accessories and a gun cover from Ralph Birmingham.

Ugly Mountain Man: Will Ulry

Primitive Camp: Mike Moran (judged by Clarence Atchison and Mike Nesbitt)

Low scoring shooter (box award from Bugler) Al Thompson

Adding to the Trapper's raffle Lyman Trade Rifle, Mike Nesbitt made the shooting bag and Tim Sampson donated a traditional Steve Skillman Powder horn, plus a gun cover by Ralph Birmingham. Winner of that raffle was Steve (Two draws) Cole

The Free Trappers thank all those who came and enjoyed this event. Next year, on President's Day weekend in February, 2019 (February 15 thru 17), the new booshway for our Rain-de-voov, Clarence Atchison, and the (hopefully dry) crew, welcome you to come again.

**Can I take your
registration form?**



WSMA Booth at Cascade Mountain Men Gun Show

Volunteer List

Please contact Mike Moran at michael.moran248@gmail.com to volunteer. We need a minimum of two people per shift.

SATURDAY, 10 March:

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| 9:00-11:00 | 1. Jim Haeckel
2. Mike Moran |
| 11:00-1:00 | 1. Jim Hillberg
2. Bob Gietz |
| 1:00 – 3:00 | 1. Mike Nesbitt
2. Bill Daly |
| 3:00-5:00 | 1. Steve Cole
2. Will Ulry/Debbie Frelove |

SUNDAY, 11 March:

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| 9:00-11:00 | 1. Bill Daly
2. Steve Cole |
| 11:00-1:00 | 1.
2. |
| 1:00-3:00 | 1. Mike Moran
2. |

2018 Calendar Website Updates

Have an event you want to get posted to the calendar? Need to post your new flyer or registration form? You can send the info and flyers to Bob Geitz at duckfreak@q.com or Mike Moran at michael.moran248@gmail.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

10-11 MAR CASCADE MT. MEN'S MUZZLELOADING GUN SHOW, MONROE, WA

24 MAR WSMA FUNDRAISING BANQUET, PUYALLUP, WA




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