



The Bull Sheet

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Paul Bunyan Rifle and Sportsman's Club

Puyallup, WA

FEBRUARY MEETING NOTES

We received a temporary occupancy permit from Pierce County last week, allowing us to hold our general meeting in the new clubhouse. At this point, we still don't have running water but plumbers from Modern Building know where the issue is with the water supply and will be out next week to connect it. There is still work that has to be done to get the building finished, but at least we can use it now as it is while the other work continues. Chip Kormas announced that we will be having an open house once the building is complete. I will post more information here and on the website as that date approaches.

Mike Moran, club recording secretary, and past president Dave Farrow were read their office responsibilities and were sworn in as club officers for 2017.

RSO Darrel Behounek reported that he and other range safety officers are still finding a lot of brass in the trash cans. All brass, including 22RF and dud rounds (no steel cases), are to be placed in the red receptacles marked BRASS, which can be found on both the rifle and pistol ranges. It is up to all shooters to police their brass, remove targets, return target stands to their proper places, and pick up any trash when they are done shooting for the day.

Once the temporary clubhouse has been removed next week, a paving company will come in and pave a turnaround required by the fire department. This will disrupt our parking lot for a day or two. Don't be surprised if they have a large portion of the parking lot closed off or if they ask you to move your car so they can complete their work.

Bob Wendt reports that the high power rifle match series will start on the first Sunday in March with 100 rounds fired from the standing position to 200 yards. The various matches will run thru September, with the June match being a 600 yard CMP match, and the July match being a nostalgia match. For more information, contact Bob Wendt.

The BullSheet comes out within a day or two of the first of each month, both on line and in print form. We no longer send out notices that it has been posted on line. If you prefer to receive it in print form, send me an email (bullsheeteditor@gmail.com) and I will update your preference.

JUNIORS

Doug Shellenberger

We held our annual Groundhog match on January 28th. This is a 60 shot, three position smallbore match. We only had 19 shooters turn out for the match, which was won by Emme Nelson.

Some of our shooters attended an air rifle sectional match in West Seattle last month. Emme Nelson edged out Alec Patajo by one point to win the match.

Alec Patajo has received an invitation to attend both the air rifle and smallbore sectionals that will be held in Colorado Springs in April. As we have done in the past, the club voted to donate \$300 toward his expenses to attend these matches.

I recently took twelve buckets of brass down to the recycler. This is brass retrieved from the red containers on the firing lines. We had a total of 480 pounds of brass, bringing in \$779 to the junior club.

PAUL BUNYAN BASIC PISTOL SHOOTING COURSE

Dennis Wilcox

The Paul Bunyan Rifle & Sportsman's Club will host a Basic Pistol Shooting Course March 25 & 26. The course will be taught by NRA Certified Instructors and will cover the basics of safe and proper gun handling and pistol shooting. Participants will learn about firearm safety, parts and operation, shooting fundamentals, care and cleaning, storage options, selection, and more. Course hours are 9 AM - 4 PM both days. To obtain a registration packet, send an email with your name, address and phone number to Training@pbrsc.org (preferred) or phone Dennis at 253-841-9309. Advance registration and deposit of course fee (\$35) is required. Seating is limited to the first 14 students to register. Additional info is available at www.pbrsc.org.

NEW BUILDING UPDATE

As stated above, progress continues. The new stairs on the south side of the building have been installed, the inside of the building has been cleaned and made ready for use, inside plumbing is pretty much complete waiting for the outside water supply to be hooked up, and the multimedia system is ready for use. Right now, all of the club "stuff" from the temporary building has been stacked inside while we wait for shelving and cabinets to arrive. We are making notes of all defects in the building, which will be repaired as we go along. While there is still considerable work yet to be done, the building is usable while the remaining work continues.

MEMBERSHIP SUSPENSION

At the January BOD meeting, the board decided to suspend acceptance of new membership applications until the current backlog subsides. Anyone currently on the waiting list will be processed as scheduled. When the list is cleared off, we will resume acceptance of applications.

REMEMBERING AL BARRIE

Mitch Migliaccio

Friend and longtime club member Allan (Al) Barrie passed away quietly Christmas evening after a sudden decline into dementia at 87. He leaves his wife, Nancy, two sons and a daughter. He served in the US Air Force as a lieutenant during the early 50's and flew both the F84 fighter series and the C119 cargo aircraft. His last duty station was at Malmstrom AF base near Great Falls, MT, where he developed a passion for rifle shooting and prairie dog and antelope hunting. He was also interested in cars, and was associated with a local car club where he served as treasurer, being a CPA in civilian life. Over a period of years, Al had completely restored an AMC AMX Sports car right down to the overspray in the wheelwells, then sold it for what he called "a satisfying return".

Al had been active in the Military rifle and Black Powder Cartridge matches we put on several times a year, and could always be relied upon to help with setting up and running the matches. He was a founding member of the "Geezer Gang", which consisted primarily of those of us who had reached a certain age. When we began occasionally shooting an informal .22 long rifle 200 yard match, and added a one-shot side match, Al won the first one with a shot dead center in the x-ring using a Winchester Low Wall single shot rifle and a 15 x Lyman Super Targetspot scope. He framed it. No one has come that close since. Good on ya, laddie.

Editor's note: I had the good fortune to shoot with Al in a few of his last matches. I found him to be a true gentleman and a friend to all shooters. He will be missed by those of us who crossed his path.

USED BRASS AVAILABLE

Larry Wilson has lots of used brass for sale. Rifle brass is ten cents each and pistol brass is six cents each.

The proceeds from the brass sales go to help the junior program. Give Larry a call afternoon at 253-347-3225.

CARETAKERS REPORT

Doug Shellenberger

All of the available firewood has been sold. There are a few downed trees still scattered around the property but they haven't been brought out yet. We will get to that soon.

The range has been busy the past couple of weeks, even with the cold and rainy weather.

The range safety officers and caretakers have been noticing a lot of bullet strikes in the grass on the pistol range. A bullet that skips off the ground or hits a rock and ricochets can cause a dangerous situation, resulting in the bullet going who knows where. Targets should be hung between the top and middle slats on the target frames, none higher or lower than that. All shots should pass thru the paper target and impact the berms only. If you have any questions, contact a range safety officer.

A few club members showed up last week to help the caretakers remove all of the club "stuff" from the temporary clubhouse so it can be moved off our property. During the last week of February / first week of March, workers will prepare the temporary building for removal. At that point, the paving company will put in the turn-around required by the fire department. Trenching in new electrical lines and a new cable for the gate opener, removal of temporary light poles, landscaping, etc, will be completed once the temporary building is out of the way.

We still have club hats (\$12) and shirts (\$15) for sale. Contact me if you would like to purchase one.

MEMBERSHIP

This month, we had 19 folks join the club. Ronald Beane, Kenneth and Andrea Brazile, Steven Boehmer, Ed Davis, Dana Gardner, Keith Gibson, Sidney Grusnick, Michael Herness, Robert Jimerson, Duane Kupec, Steve LaPlant, Michael Martin, Eric Rasmussen, Jeremy Sabin, Bryan Schouten, Thomas Smith, Ryan Walsh and Richard Walsh were voted into the club at the general meeting. Welcome to all. Ben LoCicero reports that we currently have 1085 paid members

PISTOL SILHOUETTE

Bret Stuntebeck

February 4th

We put 22 entries across the line this month. Weather was in the 45-50 degree range with showers off and on during the day.....mostly on. Eric Davis and Jonathon Charlton made the trek over from Ellensburg as did Steve Bishop from Yakima. We appreciate their dedication to the sport to travel over the pass to come shoot with us. With it raining on this side it was snowing on the pass and had a chains or AWD restriction on the pass and the pass was actually closed for several hours due to avalanche danger. Joe Cullison from Sweet Home Oregon also made the trek, though he did not have to battle snow this month it is still a 4 hour plus drive. I thank each and every one who attends the match each month especially those that travel. On to the results of the match.

We had one 40's this month shot by Joe Cullison in U-Int. Richard Nicol posted a U-AAA, 34 followed by Steve Bishop with a U-AAA, 24. Eric Davis re-acquired a XP-100 in 7BR and posted a U-unc, 22. A little more work with the sight settings and I am sure those scores will be going up. In Production class Vince Leete posted a very nice P-Int, 38 just edging out Joe Cullison with a P-Int, 37. Richard Nicol posted a P-AAA, 32 followed by Joe Stumps with a P-AA, 26. I managed a R-Int, 35, followed by Joe Stumpf with a R-AA, 27 and Jonathon Charlton with a R-unc, 11. Joe Cullison shot an outstanding S-Int, 34 and a US-Int, 36. Nice shooting Joe.

On the smallbore side Vince Leete was the lone entry posting a P-AAA, 30.

In Field Pistol Vince Leete posted PAS-AAA, 30. Jonathon Charlton posted a very nice PAS-unc, 21 shooting my field pistol rig. Not bad for a first time out with a borrowed gun. He even cleaned one bank of turkeys!!

Our target setters did a fantastic job getting our targets set. Thanks to all who came out to shoot the match and also to those who stayed to help pick up targets after the match. It sure is good to more people attending the matches. Until next time shoot straight and be safe.