

WASHINGTON STATE MUZZLELOADER'S ASSOCIATION

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An Appeal for New Blood

I want to take a moment to thank the hard working board members of the WSMA for all that they've done to keep this organization going. Many of them have had a hand in running it for a decade or more. It is a volunteer organization, and the time and effort sacrificed by these fine folks is greatly appreciated. They have earned a break.

If we are to continue as an association into the future, we need to have some other people step up and help out. The commitment is relatively small, and many hands make light work. Please contact one of the board members if you are interested in helping out.

WSMA Business Meeting February 16th

Our annual business meeting will be at 3:00 pm on Saturday, February 16th, 2019 at the Capitol City Rifle and Pistol Club in Littlerock, WA. It will be held during Rain-Dee-Voo put on by the Puget Sound Free Trappers. We will review the budget and membership status, and take nominations for this year's election in March. All members are welcome to attend.

CMM Gun Show - March 9th - 10th

Coming up soon is the Muzzleloading Gun Show hosted by the Cascade Mountain Men in Monroe, WA. WSMA will have a table at the show and will need volunteers to staff it. The best part - WSMA will reimburse your entry fee!



Bill Daly, Steve Hohnstein, Doug Kitchens and Terry Gadberry man the booth at the Sportsmen's Show

Fundraising Banquet Saturday March 23rd

The fundraising banquet is just around the corner on the 4th Saturday in March at the Tacoma Sportsmen's Club in Puyallup. Our own ladies will again be providing the meal and our generous traders and craftsmen will ensure some great items for the auction.



FHarry Charowsky shows off his fur trade antiques

Tickets will be available soon from key people at different clubs, or you can buy your ticket at the CMM Gun Show. We're keeping the ticket prices at the low price of \$20.

Western Washington Sportsmen's Show

Thanks to all the volunteers who made it out to host the booth at the Sportsmen's Show. It was a good crowd and we had a few very interested folks. Expect to see some new faces at your events.

WSMA Silhouette Shoot

The WSMA Sanctioned Events started out this year with the Silhouette Shoot at the Paul Bunyan Range on Sunday, January 27th. Eleven brave shooters braved the 50 degree temperatures to compete for prizes and medals. The firing was done on steel targets at different ranges. Each shooter would shoot four silhouettes at four



Them turkeys are far out. Looks like ham for supper



Tim Klima knocks 'em down with his trade gun

stations, for a total of 16 shots. There were small chickens at 30 yds, piglets at 50 yds, hogs at 100 yds, and turkeys at `50 yds. Shots that hit the target but didn't knock it over were counted as hits.

There were enough silhouettes to have two shooters per station. For those of you who have done the math, there were more shooters than firing positions so the group was split into two. Mark Curtis, Boosway for this event, randomly drew shooter numbers out of a hat to assign a starting position for each person. This gave a

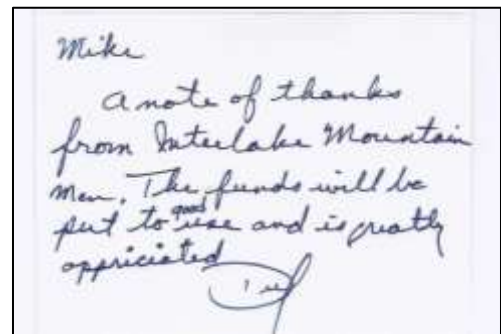
firing order of 5 and one of 6 people. The first firing order had fifteen minutes for their first station, then a 5 minute break to reset targets, and then the second firing order stepped up. It alternated until everyone had completed their shooting.

The scores were very tight. Ties were broken by who had hit the most furthest targets. It was a fun shoot, and was run very efficiently. Jack Knight III was the only Youth shooter.

Place	Name	30-Chicken	50-Piglets	100-Hogs	150-Turkeys	Total
Y	Jack Knight III	0	0	1	1	2
1	Jim Hillberg	2	2	2	1	7
2	Jim Haeckel	4	1	1	1	7
3	Dakota Nash	3	3	1	0	7
4	Jay Van Ness	2	0	2	0	4
5	Tim Klima (w/ Trade Gun)	2	1	1	0	4
6	Jack Knight	2	1	0	0	3
7	Frank Ponceroff	3	0	0	0	3
8	Tyler Eppling	1	0	1	0	2
9	Don Freelove	2	0	0	0	2
10	Freek Hoover	2	0	0	0	2

WSMA Youth Grants

WSMA provides grants to clubs and organizations that have youth shooting programs. Each year clubs can apply for funds to help buy prizes or support events for kids. The application can be found on the WSMA website. This year the WSMA has provided over \$4,000 to seven different groups for events in 2019.



Membership Renewals

Our membership year ends on December 31st, so it's time to renew. Our by-laws allow a 90 day grace period and many folks take advantage of that and pay at the CMM gun show when they buy their Banquet Tickets. But why wait? It's as easy as filling out the renewal form and popping it in the mail. Renewal costs remain the same: \$10 for individuals, \$15 for families, and \$20 for traders.

There are a number of you who have missed renewing last year and some the year before that. Let's get things up to date.

2019 Rendezvous Calendar Updates

Bob Geitz is beginning to pull together the updated dates, locations, and points of contact for the calendar on the WSMA website. If you have an event and want it listed, please send the info

to either Bob Geitz at duckfreak@q.com or Mike Moran at michael.moran248@gmail.com. If you have electronic versions of your flyers (word or .pdf versions) send them to Mike to included.



I'll see you at the Cascade Mountain Man Gun Show. You can renew your membership and buy your banquet tickets there.

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, 9 March:

9:00-11:00 1. Mike Moran
 2.

11:00-1:00 1.
 2.

1:00 – 3:00 1.
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3:00-5:00 1.
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SUNDAY, 10 March:

9:00-11:00 1.
 2.

11:00-1:00 1.
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1:00-3:00 1. Mike Moran
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APPLICATION TO JOIN WSMA

New Renew

____ ____ Individual Annual Dues (\$10.00)

____ ____ Family Annual Dues (\$15.00) (Head of house, spouse, children under 18, still living at home)

____ ____ Club Annual Dues (\$10.00)

____ ____ Trader Annual Dues (\$20.00). Business Name: _____

Make check payable to WSMA and mail to PO Box 2913, Olympia, WA 98507

Name: _____ Club: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Newsletters will be sent by email unless requested otherwise.

AREAS OF INTEREST AND PREFERENCES

Primitive: _____

Flint Rifle: _____

Target: _____

Perc. Rifle: _____

Hunting: _____

Pistol: _____

Historical: _____

Shotgun: _____

Trader: _____

Trade Gun: _____

Gun Maker: _____

Appraisal: _____

WSMA MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

The following represents a part of ongoing WSMA activities. Some have time frames and deadlines, which need to be considered. Application Forms are available from the WSMA website.

WSMA Monthly Newsletter. Receive the monthly WSMA newsletter with stories and articles about upcoming events. In order to save postage and printing costs, the newsletter will be sent by e-mail. Paper copies can be mailed upon request.

WSMA Annual Events Calendar. A comprehensive list of events throughout the Pacific Northwest which is posted and kept updated on the WSMA website.

WSMA and the WDFW: The WSMA represents the muzzleloader hunters on a statewide basis. We participate and are involved with the WA Department of Fish and Wildlife committees to ensure muzzleloader hunters have input on future muzzleloader hunting opportunities in Washington State.

WSMA Pilgrim Award: Recognizes the first time Muzzleloader shooters at rendezvous events. It is presented by a WSMA representative at scheduled events where possible.

WSMA Youth Activity Incentive Grants: Based on applications received each year prior to December 1st. Amount is based on available funds and established need and worthiness of the program. Open to member clubs as well as other youth organizations desiring to facilitate muzzleloading shooting programs. Applications need to reach the WSMA by Dec 1st. Late applications may be considered. Additional awards and prizes may be presented by the WSMA based on available funds.

WSMA Youth Ronly Boxes: Everything for a kid to participate in rendezvous! WSMA has three boxes containing a rifle, shooting bag, powder flask, powder, ball, patches, knife and hawk to get started. The boxes are presented at the Annual Fundraising Banquet for a one year loan, and collected back and reconstituted for the next youth. Applications are available on the website.

WSMA Sanctioned Event Medals. WSMA gold, silver, and bronze medals are available for specific, dedicated events submitted to the Events Booshway by Dec 1st and approved by the Executive Committee. Up to 24 medals provided at no cost to the member organizations based on submitted programs. Additional medals available at cost.

WSMA Annual Fundraising Banquet. Each March the WSMA gathers for a catered meal and night of fun with the purpose of raising money to support WSMA activities. The highlight of the event is the live auction, with items donated by our traders and members. Please join in the fun.

All WSMA members are encouraged to participate in all of these membership benefits. WSMA is the key to more fun and enjoyment in the great sport of Muzzleloading.

2019 UPCOMING EVENTS

15-17 FEB RAIN-DEE-VOO AND WSMA ANNUAL MEETING, LITTLEROCK, WA

9-10 MAR CASCADE MOUNTAIN MEN GUN SHOW, MONROE, WA



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