April 2015 Newsletter

PAUL BUNYAN PLAINSMEN

Monthly meetings held on the first Thursday each month at 7:00 pm
Monthly shoots held on the fourth Sunday of each month at 9:30 am
November through April. Rendezvous is Memorial Day weekend.
Summer League shoots every 2nd and 4th Wednesday evening June thru August
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<u>Club Meetings.</u> The next club meeting will be at the Paul Bunyan Clubhouse on <u>Thursday, 7 May</u> at 7:00 pm

Workparty. The next work party is Saturday, May 2nd, at 9:00 am. This is the last work party prior to rendezvous. Bring your weed wackers and other gardening equipment, because the focus will be on clearing and grubbing all the shooting lanes, pathways, and camping areas.

Rendezvous Update.

- -- Fireside Kitchen will be set up at rendezvous to provide food service throughout the weekend. Most meals will be under \$10. They specialize in mahogany smoked meats.
- -- We will need volunteers early to help set up with parking lot marking, erecting signs, etc.
 - -- Still awaiting word back from the band.
 - -- Still need a leader for the trade gun shoot and the council fire.
- -- We will need trail guides to come early and shoot on Friday. Please contact either Jack Knight or Mike Moran if able to volunteer.

<u>Summer League</u>. Mike Moran and Jim Haeckel will run the summer league shoots again this year. It will be a 6:30 pm start, and there will be only one pistol night.

For questions, corrections, or additions to the newsletter, contact Mike Moran at michael.moran248@gmail.com.

The April Paul Bunyan Shoot by Mike Moran

It is getting well into rendezvous season, and in addition to shooting competitions, it means sitting around the campfire. And what better to have at a campfire than that classic dessert -- S'mores! That's right, this month's shoot featured all the fixin's for your favorite fireside treat.

There were 13 shooters this month, and the weather cooperated for a great event. The course of fire included a single bull buffalo and a fleur-de-lac target, each shot with five shots at 25 yards, and then the s'mores. At registration each shooter picked up a small chocolate bar they could carefully open and use the wrapper as one of the targets. This was posted at 25 yards. Then at 15 yards each shooter had to hit a marshmallow and a graham cracker. Each ingredient was 10 points, and you had 5 shots to hit the three ingredients. This gave a maximum possible score of 130.

If you haven't seen a marshmallow go flying through the air, you're missing out on one of the great sights of life. Of course, some people couldn't keep a good grip on their triggers with chocolate all over their fingers, but the competition was pretty fierce. We had one first time shooter, Nina Baker. And there were plenty of leftovers for eating when the shooting was through.



Nina Baker takes aim



Shoot the apple off the melon

This event featured an archery side match in the spirit of the old story of William Tell. The target consisted of a cantaloupe on a bench with an apple balanced on top. The objective was to hit the apple without hitting the melon. Five shooters participated, each shooting two arrows at the target. Hitting the apple gave a score of 10, hitting the melon gave a score of 0. Each archer was able to shoot three times with two arrows regardless of score, then the archers with a positive score would continue as long as they could keep scoring. Fortunately for the safety of fruit-kind, the apple and melon remained quite safe. There was only one hit on the apple, and the contest was won by Mike Nesbitt.

1. Mike Nesbitt	124 3X	6. Mike Moran	111	11.	Andrew McDonald	153
2. Don Kerr	120 1X	7. Mark Curtis	105 1X	12.	Randy Scuka	41
3. Frank Ponceroff	116	8. Freek Hoover	88	13.	Nina Baker	24
4. Jim Hillberg	114	9. Karla Hillberg	81			
5. Jack Knight	113	10. Doug Nash	65			

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS:

May 2 nd	Work Party at Paul Bunyan, 9:00 am – 12:00
May 7 th	Meeting of the Paul Bunyan Plainsmen, 7:00 pm
May 15-17	Women's Primitive Skills, Paul Bunyan
May 22-25	Paul Bunyan Rendezvous