

## March 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 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday evening June thru August*

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**Club Meetings.** The next club meeting will be at the Paul Bunyan Clubhouse on Thursday, 2 April at 7:00 pm

**April Shoot.** The next monthly shoot will be on Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Shooter's meeting will commence at 9:30.

**Workparty.** The March workparty was moved to Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>. The focus will be on additional wood cutting, and reviewing and fixing the targets.

**Archery.** There was a proposal at the last meeting to incorporate more archery events, such as in conjunction with the monthly shoots, and possibly incorporate an "archery aggregate" score which combines archery and knife/hawk. More needs to be discussed on how to implement this before it can be applied to rendezvous.

**Rendezvous Update.** There was discussion about incorporating a non-firing event such as Buck and Doe into the rendezvous, also possibly woodcutting with a two man saw. Mark Curtis has found a food vendor who is willing to serve meals, he will get prices.

**Summer League.** Mike Moran and Jim Haeckel will run the summer league shoots again this year. It will be a 6:30 pm start.

**YHEC.** Paul Bunyan Hunter Education is looking for volunteers to help with the Youth Hunter Education Challenge (YHEC) held at Paul Bunyan on April 18<sup>th</sup>. The volunteers would be helping with scoring and safety. See Mark Curtis if interested.

For questions, corrections, or additions to the newsletter, contact Mike Moran at [michael.moran248@gmail.com](mailto:michael.moran248@gmail.com).

## **The March Paul Bunyan Shoot** by Mike Moran

In Poor Richard's Almanac, Ben Franklin once wrote, "For want of a nail, the shoe was lost. For want of a shoe, the horse was lost. For want of a horse, the rider was lost...." Our own modern day philosopher, Poor Bill Sick, modified this classic saying, changing it to, "For want of a .40 caliber ball puller, the match was lost." Unfortunately for Bill, even after finding one he was unable to remove his ball, and had to take it back to his shop to fix.

Fortunately for the rest of the 14 shooters, the day went without any other mechanical mishaps. Jim Haeckel provide the target array, with 5 shots at a Buffalo and 5 shots at a Fleur-de-lac target, both at 25 yards; then 1 shot at each of 5 small, brightly colored paper cut outs. There was a circle, a star, a squiggly worm, and a St Patrick's Day cocktail napkin with a shamrock on it. It looked like you were shooting into a bowl of Lucky Charms cereal. All those napkin sized targets were placed on the target stands, then just for fun the stands moved out to 35 yards. A hit in any of them was 10 points each, for a top possible score of 150 for all three sets of targets. This proved a bit more challenging than was expected, I think.

The match proceeded as usual with the shooter's meeting at 9:30. The first target up was the buffalo, then after that was shot the fleur-de-lac.

Last came the paper targets, and luckily the rain and wind held off to give everyone at least a small chance for hits. Mike Barton was our only junior shooter and Mark Curtis was the big winner. I don't know what he was doing during his long hiatus from shooting, but he has come back with some good solid marksmanship. And Chip Kormas didn't shoot, but he signed in and paid his entry fee because he saw a prize on the prize table he wanted to donate to the WSMA Fundraising Banquet auction. Here are the final scores:

1. Mark Curtis	122	6. Boyd Phillips	99 1X	11. Karla Hillberg	67
2. Wally McKendry	113 6X	7. Jim Hillberg	96	12. Jayme Haeckel	63
3. Mike Moran	109 3X	8. Frank Ponceroff	84	13. Mike Barton	63
4. Bob DeLisle	108 2X	9. Jack Knight	77 1X	14. Bill Sick	36
5. Mike Nesbitt	101 3X	10. Jim Haeckel	73	15. Chip Kormas	0



Good shooting on the "easy" target

### **OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS:**

28 Mar WSMA Fundraising Banquet, Tacoma Sportsmen's Club, Puyallup.