

WASHINGTON STATE MUZZLELOADER'S ASSOCIATION

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Tacoma Rifle and Revolver Club Black Powder Fun Shoot

By Steve Cole

The Tacoma Rifle and Revolver Club hosted an event on March 19th on their rifle range. The intent of the shoot was to re-introduce black powder shooting to the club and generally have a good day “burning powder”. Chris Spieth, the new board member for the club who represents the black powder discipline, came up with the idea and spearheaded the effort.

The match consisted of ten targets (four at twenty-five yards, three at fifty yards, and three at one hundred yards). There was a tiebreaker at two hundred yards. Any muzzleloader could be used in the event, flintlock, percussion cap, or inline and all three were represented.

There were a number of highlights to the shoot. The first was that we had a first time muzzleloader shooter, the second was that we had two members of the club show up that had not fired their muzzleloaders in years, and we had two shooters hit the two hundred yard target, though there were no ties to be broken. Refer back to a “Fun Shoot”.

Overall, this was a great day and a great start to an event that will be repeated on **September 10th**. If you are interested in some last minute shooting before the hunting season begins or you just want to come out and enjoy the day with like-minded people, this will be something that you won't want to miss. Contact Chris Spieth at 30calchris@gmail.com for more info.

Bremerton Brigade's Snarlin' Badger

by Rich Glynn

We had a pretty good 2023 Snarlin' Badger, if I do say so. Started out with 12 shooters making up four 3-man teams for our famous Fort Shoot, and I'm proud to say we defended both forts with a hail of lead and excellent marksmanship. From there Brigaders and our guests took on Bob Schmiett's and Gene Duvall's Hawk and Knife Trail, the Trade Gun shoot and the Stake/Steak Shoot.

Unfortunately, I didn't get the names of the members of each team who tackled the Fort Shoot and the Hawk and Knife event. All shooters were winners and took home a grub bag packed with food donated by our Brigade, and the top three teams also took home a Washington State Muzzleloader's Association medal. In other events, the Trade Gun Shoot's top three were: No. 1, Running Bare, No. 2, Two Tails and No.3, Bobby Fisher. They each took home a bottle of hootch for their efforts. These same three mountain men also brought home the "bacon" in the Stake/Steak Shoot by each winning a T-bone steak.

Wrapping up the weekend, we had a Sunday morning Long-Distance Archery Shoot Out for big bucks. Top three archers were No. 1, Running Bare, who won the \$35 pot. (Running Bare was on a roll this weekend.) Second place went to Glenn Borg, and third to Wally McKendry. Archie Silcox officiated the fun archery event. The final arrows were launched 44 yards from the three-D target.

Can't have a Snarlin' Badger without a lot of people pitching in to make it happen. We had lots of help and guidance from our Segundo Doug Kitchens. Doug and Wayne Noll prepped our hooters. Doug got the Fort Shoot ready for action, and our critter targets received a fresh coat of paint thanks to Leon Luczynski. Registration was handled with aplomb by Wally McKendry and Glenn Borg. Our Brigade traders were Boyd Phillips and Gene Duvall. We also had hands-on help from Brigade members to spruce up the area, clean up the trails and get the water running next to the Cook Shack. Thanks also go out to Chuck and Minnie Lumadue, who kept the gang at Snarlin' Badger properly caffeinated, along with other hot drinks, and bundled all for grub bag prizes.

Thanks go out to the Washington State Muzzleloader's Association who provided the medals and who supports for our events.

And last but not least, I want to thank Will Littke, who set up an arrow-making station and took the time to enlighten us how to make an arrow. I think Bob Schmiett and I walked away with arrows we made (with a lot of help from Will). Pretty cool to happily share his knowledge (and his beer).

If I missed someone's contributions, I apologize. Thanks again to all for helping and participating in Snarlin' Badger 2023. Next: 2023 Bremerton Brigade Rendezvous Aug. 4-6.

WSMA FUNdraising Banquet – A Great Success!

If you weren't at this year's Fundraising Banquet, you sure missed a good time. It followed the same format as previous years, but with some notable changes. First, the food was fantastic! Our caterer, Jayson Poloai of "Manna for You" Catering put on an island feast to rival any Hawaiian luau. And no one went home hungry, in fact everyone who wanted one took plates of food home. The beautiful weather even made it feel tropical as the 70 dinner guests began to arrive.

Good friends reunited as cocktail hour began. It was held again at the Tacoma Sportsmen's Club and the ball room looked amazing with all the trophy mounts. Our games of chance for the prize of a Lyman Great Plains rifle or a pistol donated by Bill Daly continued through dinner, as well as the silent auction and bucket raffles. Mark Curtis again served as the live auctioneer, and made the event as entertaining as it was profitable.

Special thanks go out to all the folks who helped put this together, and for those that stepped in at the last minute to cover the gaps. We're already on the calendar for next year, 4th Saturday in March.

Membership Renewals

Didn't get to the gun show or forgot to stop by the booth and renew? You can still send in your renewal form by mail. You can print the form off the website, and while you're at it, print two and get a new member to join.

NRA Certified Muzzleloading Classes

Bill Gruner of Velente's Forge, one of our Traders, is a certified NRA Instructor at the Marysville Rifle Club. He teaches class in Basic Muzzleloading Rifle, Pistol, and Shotgun. He has classes available **August 19th and Nov 18th, 2023**.

To sign up for a class, email Bill Gruner at wilhelm@nwinfo.net or call (360) 348-7081.

2023 Calendar Updates

Please check the schedule on the website to ensure your event dates and contact info are correct. Send your club rendezvous flyers to michael.moran248@gmail.com for upload to the website calendar.

- 19-21 MAY WOMEN'S PRIMITIVE SKILLS, PAUL BUNYAN R&S CLUB, PUYALLUP, WA**
- 19-21 MAY SKAGIT MUZZLELOADER'S RENDEZVOUS, SEDRO WOOLEY, WA**
- 26-29 MAY PAUL BUNYAN PLAINSMEN RENDEZVOUS, PUYALLUP, WA**
- 2-4 JUN INTERLAKE MOUNTAIN MEN RENDEZVOUS, SEDRO WOOLEY, WA**
- 23-25 JUN PALOUSE HILLS RENDEZVOUS, COLFAX, WA**
- 14-16 JUL TIOGA MOUNTAIN MEN RENDEZVOUS, COQUILLE, WA**
- 21-23 JUL OR TRAIL DAYS AND BOB GEITZ MEMORIAL ENCAMPMENT, TENINO, WA**
- 30 JUL TRADE GUN FROLIC, PAUL BUNYAN R&S CLUB, PUYALLUP, WA**
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May 26-29, 2023

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Novelty Shoots, Trade Gun, Primitive Archery

Lil' Buckskinner Shoot and Activities...Ages 5-11

Team Stake Shoot and Chicken Shoot

Council Fire with Apple Pie Contest

Traders set up on Thursday May 25

Registration Friday May 26 starting 9:00 am

Prizes awarded Monday at 12:00



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Fees	
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For more information contact:

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Paul Bunyan Rifle & Sportsmen's Club 17902 Meridian East, Puyallup, WA 98371

Paul Bunyan Rendezvous 2023

Schedule of Events

Friday

8:00 am Gate opens for general admittance and registration

Saturday

7:00 am Registration opens
8:00 am Opening ceremony
9:00 am First groups go out on the trails
12:00 pm Bugler's Candy Cannon – Trader's Row
12:15 pm Lil' Buckskinners activities – in the Gazebo
4:00 pm Stake Shoot – Club teams – Rifle Range
5:00 pm Split the Ball Shoot – Rifle Range (following the Stake Shoot)

Sunday

9:00 am First groups go out on the trails
12:00 pm Bugler's Candy Cannon – Trader's Row
12:15 pm Lil' Buckskinners activities – in the Gazebo
4:00 pm Team Chicken Shoot – Rifle Range
5:00 pm Tim's Stew Pot
8:00 pm Council Fire and Apple Pie contest
Awards will be given out for novelty shoots and pie contest

Monday

9:00 am Trade Gun Challenge – Rifle Range
9:00 am Dan Smith Memorial Peewee Shoot – Age 5-11 – Pistol Range
12:00 pm Awards Ceremony – Rifle Range

Primitive Archery for Adults and Juniors will be self-guided

Sign up for all groups and specialty shoots will take place in the clubhouse.

Additional points are awarded for period clothing.

Eye and ear protection is REQUIRED during all firearm events

All competition events take place under the guidance of Trail Guides whose determination is final.

For the aggregate events, shooting is done offhand and from the pouch.

No sharing of guns within a single group is allowed; however coaching is allowed for new shooters in a different group.

Spectators are welcome and encouraged to cheer at all shoots and rendezvous events.

Sign up early for specialty shoots as space is limited.



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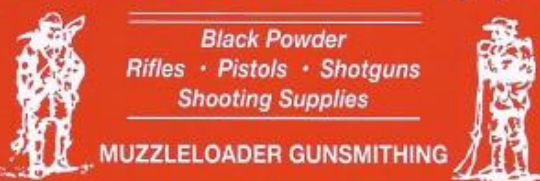
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