

# WASHINGTON STATE MUZZLELOADER'S ASSOCIATION

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Hello Mike, Bob and Roy,

I don't know if you recall in 2016 my son Nicholas Schubert was handed a rifle and supplies by Will Ulry at the Rain-Dee-Voo for winning the peewee one shot buffalo match. It had a possibles bag made by Mike Nesbitt and a nice carved powder horn and all the fixins inside the bag. I remember Frank stating that he was the only winner to ever come back to the shoots.

Well I thought I would tell you all some history and say thanks again for that rifle. He has been shooting it diligently monthly with the Cascade Mountain Men, won a few rifles in pee wee shoots at Paul Bunyan and last week took his first spike bull elk at eleven years old near Natches, Wa with one shot at a lasered 96 yards using traditional black powder and a round ball.



That rifle has a pristine bore and started out as a Traditions Deer Hunter and someone modified it by affixing fixed sights, a rust browned finish on the barrel, A period brass trigger guard and it feels like a trigger tune on the lock. It's been a little tack driver for him. I don't know if you recall who donated that rifle to tell them how well it has been working but at least we want to thank the Puget Sound Free



Trappers and WSMA for giving Nicholas that set up. Not only did you make that day special, you have given us hours of enjoyment together, and his first elk. He will have the mount on the wall by next year sometime I think. I think it's safe to say you have helped create a muzzle loading enthusiast and some lifelong memories.

Thanks Again,

Ernst, Jackie, Natalie and especially Nicholas Schubert

## Hunting with Jim Haeckel

by Mike Moran

Jim and I headed out in late September for a few days for early muzzleloader deer season. We had a good time, but the deer were scarce. Here's our story:

Me and Jim set up a hunting camp in the eastern Cascade woods  
We packed the pick-up trucks with all the gear we thought we should  
The weather started turning grey as along the road we drove  
When he called, near in a panic, "Hey Mike, did you bring the stove?"

See Jim's a hardcore hunter and he loves to chase the critters  
He'll chase 'em down in all terrain and when the weather's bitter  
He'll hunt in wind and rain and snow, down to minus seven  
But a wall tent with a wood stove, well to Jim that seems like heaven

"Stove?" I said, "we can't use that there's fire rules in place.  
Smokey says it's dangerous to have one at our place."  
But buried in the truck bed just behind the tent a bit  
I packed that wall tent's wood stove just in case we needed it

It drizzled as we got there and began to set up camp  
Pretty soon our clothes and gear were dirty, cold, and damp  
Tomorrow we'll go out to see if we can get some meat  
But tonight it sure would feel alright if we could have some heat

Now there's nothing like wet canvas to amplify the cold  
Just add a little wind to that and watch your spirits fold  
I got up to go outside and said "I've got just one more chore"  
You shoulda seen Jim's face light up when that stove came thru the door

We set 'er up and lit the fire, man did it feel great  
See Jim had brought some dry wood, in case rain would be our fate  
When it started burning really good, Jim up and closed the door  
And when we got up next morning, we'd a hole burned thru the floor

I plan to hunt with Jim again, he's become a real good friend  
I hope he feels the same for me, partners 'til the end  
And next time we get together and go hunting that big buck  
The wood stove will be the first thing that gets loaded in the truck.



## New US Mail Address for WSMA

We've got a new mailing address for WSMA for sending in membership renewals or other hardcopy correspondence. Our treasurers have made their transition and the new address will be more convenient for Shaun to conduct business.

WA State Muzzleloading Association  
6536 Fawcett Ave  
Tacoma, WA 98408

## Youth Grant Applications

It's time to send in those Youth Grant applications again. We would like to see them by December 1st, but will take them after that. With all the cancelled events this year, kids have really had it hard, so let's make sure we do great things for them in 2021.

## Updates

It's been a rough rendezvous season for sure. So many events have been cancelled. Fortunately, many clubs have been able to continue doing monthly shoots, so at least there is some smoke making out there. Hunting season is upon us, let's all hope we can get out and participate.

Keep an eye on the calendar on the website and on our Facebook page for announcements and event information. If you have flyers ready for next year's events, please send them in.

## **2021 UPCOMING EVENTS**

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| <b>6 DEC</b>     | <b>DAISY RED RYDER BB GUN TOURNEY, CCRPC, LITTLEROCK, WA</b>           |
| <b>24 JAN</b>    | <b>WSMA SILHOUETTE SHOOT, PAUL BUNYAN R&amp;S CLUB, PUYALLUP, WA</b>   |
| <b>27-31 JAN</b> | <b>WA SPORTSMEN'S SHOW, WESTERN WA FAIRGROUNDS, PUYALLUP, WA</b>       |
| <b>13-14 MAR</b> | <b>CMM MUZZLELOADING GUN SHOW, EVERGREEN STATE FG, MONROE, WA</b>      |
| <b>27 MAR</b>    | <b>WSMA FUNDRAISING BANQUET, TACOMA SPORTSMEN'S CLUB, PUYALLUP, WA</b> |





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