March 2016



#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

The object of this organization shall be the encouragement of organized rifle, shotgun and pistol shooting among residents of our community, with a view toward better knowledge on the part of citizens of our community of the safe handling and the proper care of firearms, and the development of those characteristics of honesty, good fellowship, self discipline and self reliance that are the essentials of good sportsmanship and the foundation of true patriotism.

### RAIN-DE-VOO And How it RAINED!!

For their first muzzle-loading event of the year, the Puget Sound Free Trappers of the Capitol City Rifle and Pistol Club hosted the annual "Rain-de-voo" on the rendezvous trail just south of Littlerock. And rain it did: in showers, misty-misty and even a few "goose-drownders." This doin's got started at 1:00 o'clock Friday afternoon on February 12 when Booshway Frank Ponceroff opened the gate to the trail walk. Event registrants amounted to 43 individuals and the shooters were composed of 32 men, 2 women, 5 juniors, and four under 12's. Ten campers endured in their tin-tepees and only 6 primitives took their damp canvas home to dry. Nine traders welcomed the patrons including a number of visitors from the local community.

The competitors had a range of typical events: Rifle, Trade Gun, Pistol, Knife & 'hawk and Archery trails. Roy Williams headed the shooting trails while Scott Isom ran the Knife & Hawk event and Will Ulry carried on as Trade Chief. Capable helpers were: Segundo Roy Williams, Registrar/Clerk Tom Brown, Mike Nesbitt, Jeff Ritter, Kent Dunn, Adam Sampson, Tim Sampson, Don Kerr and Dave Perry, along with perhaps some others whose names may have escaped, kept the trails working. Aggregate scores could combine either Archery or Knife &'hawk with the Rifle trail. The Capitol City Bowmen ran the Archery event while Will Ulry and Clarence Atchison were overseers for the Under 12 events. Compliments certainly go to that fine staff.

Off the trail, in the shelter of the clubhouse, we had the Trader's Row. The kitchen was again being operated by the Capitol City Bowmen and the chow was really good. Our friends in the WSMA held their annual meeting late Saturday afternoon. On Saturday evening the clubhouse welcomed all comers to the Pot Luck, which had catered baked and fried chicken provided by the Free Trappers to compliment the tasty results of the Dutch oven competition.

Tim Sampson and Boyd Phillips were in charge of the evening's events. Our Trader's Auction filled out the evening's agenda. Lots of folks pitched in to get the "dirty details" taken care of which included some of the "guests" as well as the hard-working Free Trappers. Dutch oven cooking competition had two parts; main dishes and desserts. Top awards went to JoJo McWhinney for both the dessert and main dish.

Our shooting was concluded with the novelty events which began at noon Sunday. Those were run by Adam Sampson, Kent Dunn, and Pete Strobl. The novelty matches included the grub shoot, stake shoot, and a Squirrel Gun match.

The end result of all efforts and activities came in recognition in the aggregate blanket prizes and awards. WSMA's youth grant to this event provided special awards for Junior and Under 12 shoot-

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ers, and WSMA "Pilgrim" medals went to those participating in a black powder event for the first time. The WSMA donation contributed to the muzzle-loading rifle for the one-shot buffalo hunt prize won by Nicholas Schubert. Scout Troop 310 lead by Craig Brown participated in the Saturday trails and eight scouts were recognized with Pilgrim (new shooter) Awards. Special recognition was announced for Eagle Scout candidate Gabriel Tveten for his work on rehabilitating the Knife 'n Hawk trail and organizing several work parties to rectify the logging aftermath. Sticks 'n Strings (Bob Kindsvater) provided prizes for the Archery event and other trader's prize donations along with some Schuetzen powder made up the individual skills recognition. The primitive Camp of Adam Sampson was judged by Clarence Atchison as the most authentic and recognized with a suitable and useable award.

### **DETAILED EVENTS LISTING**

EVENT	1 <sup>ST</sup> PLACE	2 <sup>ND</sup> PLACE	3 <sup>RD</sup> PLACE
Top Mt. Man	Ken Edminster	Don Kerr	Frank Ponceroff
Top Mt. Woman	Leslie Crow	Dana Atchison	
Flint rifle	Allen Tresch	Mike Nesbitt	Roy Williams
Perc. Rifle	Athony Platte	Frank Ponceroff	Ken Edminnster
Pistol	JoJo McWhinney	Mike Nesbitt	Allen Tresch
Trade Gun	Don Kerr	Allen Tresch	Adam Sampson
Knife & 'hawk	Don Kerr	Ken Edminster	John Anderson
Archery	Frank Ponceroff	Mike Nesbitt	Bill Andrews
Under 12	Natalie Schubert	Savanah Aitken	Nicholas Schubert
Junior	Austin Michal	Caiden Martel Cars	on Edminster

Youth Rifle (one shot Buffalo Hunt, WSMA sponsored) Nicholas Schubert Accouterments from: Don Kerr, bag and powder horn, accessories from Rowland Zoller and capper from Frank Ponceroff, gun cover from Ralph Birmingham.

Ugly Mountain Man: Bill Andrews, judged by Dana Atchison ,
Primitive Camp: Adam Sampson, judged by Clarence Atchison
Low scoring shooter (box award from Bugler) Clarence Atchison
Adding to the Trapper's raffle Thompson/Center Plains Rifle, Mike Nesbitt made the shooting bag and Don Kerr donated a traditional Powder horn. Winner of that raffle was Clarence Atchison

The Free Trappers thank all those who came and enjoyed this event. Next year, on President's Day weekend in February, 2017 (February 17 thru 19), the new booshway for our Rain-de-voo, Roy Williams, and the (hopefully dry) crew, welcome you to come again.

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# MEMBERSHIP DUES RATES Dues and Renewal policies

Members will receive a statement 45 days before their membership expires. (Your renewal month is found on your mailing label.) The dues renewal date is the last day of the month in which members' "annual date" falls. Members' gate card will automatically "lock out" on their renewal date if they have not renewed, and their membership will be considered "inactive" for 30-days, during which time they may still pay their dues. After 30-days on "inactive" status the membership will be terminated. Should they wish to rejoin CCR&P past the 30-days "inactive" status, they must reapply as a new member and attend the Orientation class. Membership fees (taxes are additional), collected at the time of the orientation classes are:

Annual dues \$70.00 for the first member of each household and \$35.00 for each

additional eligible member of the household.

Initiation fee (one time) \$80.00 for each household and a refundable gate card deposit

fee of \$10.00 for each member.

In addition, each member is expected to devote 8 hours of volunteer service annually

or recruit two new members or pay an assessment of \$80.00.

NRA membership (required)

Orientation class (required)

(<u>GUESTS:</u> Members may bring their spouses and children under the age of 18 years old <u>as guests</u> as often as they'd like. Non-immediate family member guests are limited to two visits annually. Members **MUST** accompany their guests at all times, including spouses and children, and are responsible for the conduct of their guests.)

### NRA CLUB AFFILIATE BENEFITS

Free listing of events on NRA website; discount on range technician team & service; attorney referral service; non-legal advice for legal problems; NRA attorneys pro bono for national concern issues; eligible to apply for \$5,000 grant annually; \$10 reimburse for each new NRA member; \$5 reimburse for each returning member; "Club Connection" quarterly magazine; eligible for NRA firearms insurance.

## **February ML Match Report**

Or

### **Ground Hog's Shadow, Where Are You?**

February 6, 2016

Five Puget Sound Free Trappers gathered on February 6<sup>th</sup> in a joint effort to locate (and eliminate) the pesky shadow-creating harbinger of long and continued winter weather. They must have been successful because at the match's conclusion nary a single ground hog-gopher critter could be seen. By the way, no shadows were in evidence during these proceedings and the threatened rain showers were also absent. Dave Dolliver came out to help in range operations and target scoring.

The preceding day Frank Ponceroff, Roy Williams, Don Kerr and late arriving Mike Nesbitt along with Scott Isom had joined Bob Gietz in force to make all targets and target backing ready and avoided early morning frost and dim light.

Now for the match results. Luck targets: Will Ulry had the best gopher head target and Bob DeLisle maxed the dart board target with a dead-center "money shot." Individual matches: Trade Gun; 1<sup>st</sup> Frank Ponceroff, 2<sup>nd</sup> Adam Sampson, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Bob DeLisle. Pistol; 1<sup>st</sup> Adam Sampson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Roy Williams, and 3<sup>rd</sup>Bob DeLisle. Rifle; 1<sup>st</sup> Bob DeLisle, 2nd Adam Sampson, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Frank Ponceroff. These were all rewarded with a variety of sausage treats in honor of the Ground Hog celebration for the shoot. The aggregate prizes awarded for the combined rifle and pistol scores and those were donation items from the participants. They went to; 1<sup>st</sup>, Adam Sampson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Bob DeLisle, 3<sup>rd</sup> Frank Ponceroff, 4<sup>th</sup> Roy Williams, and, 5th Will Ulry. Will brought a novel brass-barreled blunderbuss for the trade gun even and while he was not very lucky on the stationary targets, he did make a couple of good shots on the flyers.

A brief Free Trappers meeting just touched on the need for more trail guides to sign up and that Rain-Dee-Voo action starts with set up this coming Thursday. The Rain-Dee-Voo workers get to kick off the shooting at 10AM on Friday. Scott Isom was present and is working to fine-tune the Knife and 'Hawk trail. After Rain Dee Voo, OWCF will shoot on the BP range on Saturday, February 20<sup>th</sup>. Following Rain Dee Voo the next monthly muzzle loading shoot will be on Saturday March 5th with range set up the preceding day at 2 PM.

OTD Booshway was present but had no details to discuss.

With their new match schedule postponed, Evergreen will shoot on Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup> before going to their new second Saturday schedule. Likewise, Evergreen's monthly shoot for next month is scheduled for Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup>. Spring Thaw at Evergreen has been staffed and will happen third weekend of March, actually beginning on Thursday, March 17<sup>th</sup>.

Bob Gietz 360-273-7862

## **February 2016 Old West Centerfires**

February 20, 2016

Second match of the 2016 Old West Centerfires season saw five participants at the CCRP Black Powder Range. Our weather was clear and cool so the hot coffee was quite welcome. A newcomer, Lew Gaiser, joined the regulars while shooting a borrowed C. Sharps Arms .50/70 rifle. (Just watch, he'll have his own rifle soon.) The course of fire included a total of 20 rounds, 10 rounds each at ranges of just 50 and 100 yards. We used the Double Bullseye Buffalo target at 50 yards and the standard 100 yard bullseye muzzle-loading target at 100 yards. These are the same targets that we have previously used at those distances. An interested visitor, Bill Burgin, observed our shooting and he will be in preparation for participating in the next match with his new .45/70 Sharps rifle. Jeff Ritter had shot his targets previously due to a pre-arranged absence and his witnessed scores are entered below as a participant. Shooters, their equipment and scores, in order were:

Jeff Ritter	1875 Shiloh Sharps .45/70	94	86	180
Jim Dickerman	1874 Shiloh Sharps .45/70	92	87	179
Sam Snelson	1874 C. Sharps Arms .45/100	85	93 X	178 X
Mike Nesbitt	1874 C Sharps Arms .50/70	90	80 X	170 X
Lew Gaiser	1874 C Sharps Arms .50/70	87	69	156
Don Kerr	1874 C Sharps Arms .45/90	87	68	155

This match used the format of having spotters assisting shooters if desired. About half used this option and it was noted that progress seemed about normal and no detriment occurred. Prizes, in the form of C. Sharps Arms merchandise provided by Mike Nesbitt plus additional meat prizes from the club were awarded to all shooters. Our next OWCF at CCRP will be April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016 on the High Power Range again and reminders will be sent. Targets for that match will be 100 yard ML Bull at 100 yards and the Modified Military 200 yard target at 200 yards.

#### Season's Accumulative Scores (Not In Order)

Name	Rifle & Cartridge	<b>Accumulative</b>	score
Allen Cunniff	1874 C Sharps Arms .45/70	193 5X	
Jim Dickerman	1874 Shiloh Sharps .45/70	361 3X	
Jeff Ritter	1874 Shiloh Sharps .45/70	357 3X	
Mike Nesbitt	Remington Rolling Block .44/77, Sharps .50/70	338 4X	
Mike Moran	1874 C Sharps Arms .44/77	167 2X	
<b>Bob DeLisle</b>	1874 Pedersoli Sharps .45/70	166 X	
Don Kerr	1874 C Sharps Arms .45/90	315 2X	
Sam Snelson	1874 C. Sharps Arms .45/100	178 X	
Lew Gaiser	1874 C. Sharps Arms .50/70	156	

## Top State Air Rifle Juniors Compete at CCRP

By Jeff Young

More than 60 young shooters from across the state brought their training, skills and olympic style air rifles to Capitol City's indoor range Feb. 6-7 to compete in the Washington State Junior Olympics Air Rifle Three-Position championships. With four full relays on the 20-point firing line, the two-day event tested the teenage shooters' marksmanship skills in a 60-shot prone, kneeling and standing position match.

A number of the competitors were "locals" who shoot for Tumwater high school rifle teams and the Capitol City Juniors.



The state match is typically held over successive weekends at two ranges on the opposite sides of the Cascades: Olympia and Spokane. About 80% of the shooters chose to fire their state match "record scores" at CCRP. High scorers have the chance to shoot at an even higher level, since this match qualifies teams to attend the National Junior Olympics, run by the Civilian Marksmanship Program at Camp Perry, Ohio.

Although the Spokane scores were not available as the Plinker went to press, eastside shooters may be hard pressed to outdo the scores shot here. Out of a possible 600 points, Walla Walla's Daniel Enger led the pack with 586, followed by Ryan Hinson of Vancouver with 585 and Puyallup's Alec Patajo with 583. In an interesting side note, Enger may continue to follow a family tradition. His mother shot in the 1988 Olympics.

In addition to watching some of the state's best young rifle shooters, spectators had a chance to see how far air rifles have progressed since the Daisy lever actions and Benjamin pumps many of us grew up with "back in the day." Interest in the guns has grown steadily since both air rifle and pistol were added to the Olympics in the 1980s.

Most of the rifles look like their Anschutz smallbore cousins. And like the .22s, walnut "position" stocks are rapidly giving way to colorful laminated and aluminum rigs fully adjustable for balance, length of pull, sighting height, cant and trigger position.

How well do they shoot? Good enough for pistol shooters to hit a 10-ring smaller than an aspirin tablet at 33 feet. Riflemen aim for an "X" about the size of a pencil lead. Expensive? Yes, but you can fire 500 shots for less than \$20. And, you can practice year round at the range or in your basement. Highpower shooters can improve their performance, especially in our rainy climate, by practicing indoors with the very accurate air rifle "uppers" on their ARs.

Capitol City offers a true bonanza of airgun shooting opportunities. Many Cap City Juniors choose to augment their smallbore shooting with the air rifle, in the process increasing their chances of getting picked up by a collegiate rifle team after high school. Older shooters pack the range for air rifle benchrest and field target matches. And many rifleman of the future fire their very first gun at the annual "Shoot Your Eye Out" match (the name derived from a popular film about a boy's memories -- and mom's worries -- as he receives his first Red Ryder BB for Christmas).

For more information on air rifle training and matches at CCRP, contact John Crossman at jcrossman@wsrpa.com or Harvey Gertson at rabbit65@comcast.net.

# March 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		(C,I)1400- 1700Tum- water School Dist. Rifle Teams.	(C,I)1900- 2100 4Posi- tion Small- bore Rifle League	(C,I)1700- 2015 CCJR Practice (C,I)1400- 1700Tum- water School Dist. Rifle Teams	4 (C)1900-2100 BOD Mtg (C,I)1900-2100 CCB Indoor Blue Face League	(C,I)0700-1800 WA Junior Indoor Rifle Championship (B)0900-1500 Black Powder Shoot (T)0945-1400 Beginner Pistol Training
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RANGE KEY: A=Archery; B=Black Powder; C=Clubhouse; H=Hi-Power; I=Indoor; M=Multipurpose; P=Pistol Sidebay T=Action Pistol CCB=Capital City Bowmen Clubhouse

## **Volunteers Needed**

Match Directors, Board members, and those in charge of each range are invited to list in the Plinker their upcoming volunteer needs by calling John Wicklund, 360-438-5971. He will compile and update the list each month.

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