

# THE SPORTSMAN

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Bainbridge Island Sportsmen's Club

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Calendar at [www.my.calendars.net/bisc/](http://www.my.calendars.net/bisc/) -- Note: physical address (not for mail) is 8203 Sportsman Club Rd.

**December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009 – Dinner & Annual Meeting @ 6:30, then Board Meeting  
January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2009 & February 23, 2009- Board Meeting @ 6:30 PM**

## President's Corner

Save the date! **December 15th at 6:30 will be our pot luck for all the members.** Come meet your board. Express your thoughts. **Enjoy Elk stew and lasagna.** We will have a cleaning party and set up December 14th. Please let me know if you are able to help. In order to know how much food to prepare, and to keep the side dishes balanced, **please RSVP to me by December 10th and let me know the dish you would like to bring.** Best holiday wishes to all club members and hope to see YOU in December.

**Lynda McMaken**  
**President**

## Raffle

On December 15<sup>th</sup> the Club is holding a membership dinner and board meeting. Come join us for good food, good friends and a great Raffle. The grand prize raffle item will be a four hour ride along, for two, with the Bainbridge Island Police Department Marine Unit aboard their 33 foot custom built safe boat. The Department recently received federal stimulus in the amount of \$190,000 to upgrade communication, navigation and detection equipment. The boat is already considered one of the most high tech law enforcement vessels in Puget Sound. Also being raffled is "Official First Shooter" at the new pistol range and, courtesy of our friends at The Firearms Academy of Seattle, certificates to their Handgun Safety Seminar. A number of Club members have attended their courses. Check them out at <http://www.firearmsacademy.com>. If you cannot attend, you can still participate in the Raffle to help the Club and have a chance to win some great things, just print out the Raffle Entry Form and send it in with your check and you will be entered into the raffle.

Read more:

<http://www.kitsapsun.com/news/2009/oct/16/a-nother-federal-boost-for-bainbridge-police-boat/#ixzz0XK3mdwa5>

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## Club Leadership 2010

The current BISC Board Members and Trustees are listed below along with their status. We are currently recruiting candidates for the open positions. Please contact Lynda, Steve or Debbie if you are interested in helping us grow the club into the all-island resource we believe it should be.

In a non-profit corporation like our club, the secretary makes sure we follow the state-mandated corporate procedures and provides the official record of our corporate business. This is an essential and very important part of running the club and we need a volunteer. For the past year, Debbie has been both Treasurer and Secretary. The range and complexity of our activities has expanded, and it is too much to expect one person to handle the two jobs.

**President:** *Lynda McMaken*  
**Vice President:** *Steve Korn*  
**Treasurer:** *Debbie Cauthers*  
**Secretary:** (open for nominations)

**Trustee:** *Steve Humphrey* (retiring, open for nominations)  
**Trustee:** *Pete Cholometes* (continuing)  
**Trustee:** *Jon Fehlman* (continuing)  
**Trustee:** *Steve Carstensen* (continuing)  
**Trustee:** *Robert Cromwell* (continuing)  
**Trustee:** *Jim Walkowski* (nominated for re-election)  
**Trustee:** (open for nominations)

In addition to the our elected positions, the following people have volunteered to serve in our very important committee positions:

**Director of Facilities:** *Rich Schmidt*  
(continuing)  
**Chief Range Safety Officer:** *Ken Nelson*  
(retiring – need replacement)  
**Deputy CRSO:** *Steve Carstensen*  
**Director of Education & Training:** *Steve Carstensen* (continuing)  
**Education & Training Program Administrator:** new position  
**Trap Chairman:** *Scott Youngs* (continuing)  
**Pistol Chairman:** new position  
**Rifle Chairman:** new position  
**Director of Communications:** *Steve Cosgrove* (continuing)  
**Website/Newsletter Manager:** *Bob Davis* (continuing)

**NOTE:** We are in need of, and in discussion with some of you about the CRSO, Education and Training Program Administrator, Pistol Chairman, and Rifle Chairman positions. We can not continue our programs (like education, pistol range operation, etc.) without people to head up these activities. If you are interested in leading or helping, please contact Steve Korn.

## Treasurer's Report

Ballots have been mailed or emailed to all members. If you deleted yours you can email Debbie for a replacement, at [Cauthers@drizzle.com](mailto:Cauthers@drizzle.com). Ballots will also be available at the Annual Membership Meeting on December 15 at 6:30PM.

Voting will be conducted as the first order of business and the election results announced at the end. Mail your ballot ahead of that date so we are sure to have it in the Post Office Box by the morning of December 15 to be counted, or bring it with you to the meeting.

Also, remember that the membership will be voting on several Bylaws and Articles changes to comply with our pending 501(c)(3) status at the Annual Membership Meeting. (see the

November Newsletter and links to the amendments on the website)

Dinner will be largely Potluck, with a couple of entrees provided by the board. Bring a dish to share.

Come enjoy Good Food, company, and be present and accounted for as the Club takes a historic step toward the next phase in its non-profit status.

**Debbie Cauthers**  
**BISC Treasurer/Secretary**

## **FARR Projects Update**

The Pistol Range is now open for police use. The BIPD has different operating requirements than the club and does not need some of the safety improvements that we require. Also, we need to finish some of the construction details and get final inspection approval from the city prior to opening for club use. The remaining tasks required before we can shoot again are:

- Finish fabricating and install the steel plates over the studs
- Finish fabricating and install the steel entrance doors
- Install the telephone, add safety posters, first aid kit and fire extinguisher
- Paint the safety strips on the concrete floor

After we finish the above tasks, we can open the range for the club. At our current pace, we will be ready around year end. However, lots of volunteer help will be required to accomplish this. Let me know if you want to help out ([slkorn@earthlink.net](mailto:slkorn@earthlink.net)).

The official completion of the range under the FARR grant will not be until about a year from now. We will have to do the following tasks over the next year:

- Finish the outside walls
- Add an ADA accessible toilet facility

- Add target tracks (including an electrically driven cross track at the end of the range)
- Add sound absorbing material to the interior walls
- Add shooting benches, cabinets, desk
- Add interior, range and safety lights, electrical outlets
- Add propane heaters

Most of these tasks will be done with volunteer labor. Fund raising is required to raise the money to pay for materials as part of our match to the FARR grant.

**Steve Korn**  
**Vice President**

## **From the Trap side of things...**

Happy Holidays to all of you and your families!

First, let's all thank the Club volunteers that made the Thanksgiving Dinner possible. Without everyone's help it wouldn't have happened...

We are almost done with the arrangement and placing of the 5 Stand traps. It should be up and running at full speed shortly. I have one more trap to mount on the base, and then program it into the controller. Thanks to Trevor Leake and Rich Schmidt for their help with this project.

Merry Christmas and have a safe New Year.

HELP NEEDED...

Any Range Safety Officer willing to learn to set up and close the trap range please contact me @ 360-697-3482 or my cell, 360-710-7649. The hours helping at the Trap Range count towards a discount on your club dues.

**Scott Youngs**  
**Trap Chairman**

## Home Firearms Safety Class

The Home Firearms Safety class provides the basic knowledge and skills and describes the attitude necessary for the safe handling and storage of guns in the home. This course is offered **free to new members and their families**; and \$25 for others, \$10 for children 12 and under accompanied by an adult.

**Text:** The NRA Home Firearms Safety handbook is included with the course materials.

### Lessons:

- Rules for Safe Gun Handling
- Identifying and Unloading Different Firearms
- Practical Exercises in Safe Gun Handling
- Type of Ammunition
- Cleaning and Storage of Firearms

The next class is scheduled for January 30<sup>th</sup> from 2-6 p.m. To check for space and register, email [classes@bainbridgesportsmensclub.org](mailto:classes@bainbridgesportsmensclub.org).

**Steve Carstensen**  
**Director of Firearms Education and Training**

## Small Bore Rifle, Is it worth the effort?

Over the years, BISC has provided some of the best and most comprehensive training programs in the State. I have talked to numerous people who have told me, I received my first firearms training/opportunity at BISC.

The question is whether a Small Bore Rifle Program, and Team, is a worthwhile investment in time, effort, and funds. Those who participate do not have to be strong, fast, or the local H.S. Jock. They just have to learn how to be STILL. This opens up the opportunity to those who do not excel at most organized sports, and opens a welcoming door to all, especially the ladies, who are often left out.

Some of the advantages of Small Bore shooting for our youth are; it teaches responsibility, concentration, promotes personal development, self esteem, self worth as a team member, provides a safe and nurturing place to be, and to just plain have fun.

Some of the activities I foresee are;

- “Come and Try It” day
- Postal Matches with other Clubs nation wide
- Local competitions
- Fun shoots (avidity shoots)
- Local Bainbridge Island Matches
- Parent Day

Assistance will be needed to provide a safe and nurturing environment.

- Parent assistance, and support
- Team Mom’s who will provide support, especially to the ladies who wish to shoot.

Each person in our Club can assist in Funding by selecting some small portion of the activity to fund.

- Targets for the year, about \$130 annually.
- Shooting gloves, \$30 each, (Buy as many as you wish, we will use them)
- Practice ammunition for two kids annually, about \$75,
- Shooting Mats, about \$45 each.
- Just ask what you can do to help the youth

There is nothing to loose, but lots to gain as we nurture our youth. What value do we place on their fulfillment, and development into contributing adults?

WIN, WIN, WIN, and WIN solution.

***Tim listowanohpataakiwa  
Small Bore Development***

## **Volunteers & Pies needed for Christmas Dinner**



This is a wonderful event that the club puts on for the seniors in our community – but it takes lots of help in the following areas:

Put up tables and chairs; set tables; cook and two assistants; three drivers to pick up seniors before and deliver back home after dinner; four servers; four dishwashers/kitchen cleanup; take down tables and chairs; and **12 pies (any kind) to be at club in morning (let Jeff know if you are bringing pies).**

Call Jeff Hahto 842-4326. If you get the answering machine, use prompt 3 and leave your name and number and which event you will help out with, as well as which job.

## ***In Memory of: Wil Blain...***

On October 29<sup>th</sup> 2009, longtime BISC Member Wil Blain lost his 6 year battle with cancer. Most of you knew him from the Trap Range on Fridays at the Retiree Shoots. He was the guy at the club who would greet you with a smile, happily tell you a joke and laugh alongside you. Wil, in his younger years, was influential in a majority of the work parties that helped shaped this Club. He loved trapshooting and during his battle, he continued to help out wherever and whenever he could. If you met him on the street you would feel he was the most genuine person you had ever met. Those who knew him or called him friend are blessed for the time we had in his presence. Thank you Wil, for letting us be a part of your life.

If you would like to make a contribution, the family wishes that they be made to the Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation [www.multiplemyeloma.org](http://www.multiplemyeloma.org) .

***Scott Youngs***

BISC— December 2009						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 Trap	4 Retiree Trap <b>POLICE</b>	5
6	7	8	9	10 Trap	11 Retiree Trap	12
13 Trap	14	15 <b>Potluck &amp; General Meeting</b>	16	17 Trap	18 Retiree Trap <b>POLICE</b>	19
20	21	22	23	24 Trap	25 <b>CHRISTMAS DINNER</b>	26
27 Trap	28	29	30	31 Trap		

*Schedule of Events*

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**BISC Dinner Meeting (6:30) on December 15**  
**Christmas Dinner for Seniors/Helpline on December 25 – volunteers needed**  
**ALL PISTOL/RIFLE RANGE DATES SUBJECT TO REOPENING PENDING FARR CONSTRUCTION**  
 PISTOL/SMALL BORE RANGE  
**CLOSED**  
 RIFLE/LARGE BORE RANGE  
**CLOSED**  
 POLICE USE:  
 Dec 4 & 18 – all day.  
 TRAP RANGE  
 Every Thursday night @ 6 – 9 PM  
 2nd & 4th Sundays @ 1 – 4 PM  
 Retiree Shoot—Fridays @ 10 AM—noon  
 COMMUNITY GROUPS  
 None scheduled.

BISC— January 2010						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7 Trap	8 Retiree Trap	9
10 Trap	11	12	13	14 Trap	15 Retiree Trap	16
17	18	19	20	21 Trap	22 Retiree Trap	23
24 Trap	25	26 <b>BISC Board @ 1830 hours</b>	27	28 Trap	29 Retiree Trap	30 <b>Home Firearms Safety Class</b>
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**Bainbridge Island Sportsmen's Club  
Raffle Entry Form  
Enter to win a 4 hour Ride-Along for two with the  
Bainbridge Island Police Marine Unit.**

Tickets are \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10.00

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of  
Tickets: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$5.00 each \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ @ \$10.00 for 3 \_\_\_\_\_

**Other possible prizes include:**

- Privilege of being the Official First Shooter at the newly renovated Pistol Range at the Grand Opening event.
- Gift Certificate from the Firearms Academy of Seattle for their Handgun Safety Class.

Bring form and payment to Dec 15 meeting *or*

Mail Payment to (*must be received by Dec. 15*):

Bainbridge Island Sportsmen's Club  
P.O. Box 10421  
Bainbridge Island, WA 98110

Raffle is open to Club members only

Drawing will be held at the Member Dinner/Board Meeting on December 15, 2009, which starts at 6:30 P.M.

**Need not be present to win.**

**REMOVE THIS PAGE, FILL IT OUT, MAIL IT IN WITH YOUR PAYMENT**

## **Calendar of Events**

**DECEMBER 4 & 18 – ALL DAY**  
**POLICE USE OF PISTOL RANGE**

**DECEMBER 15**  
**POTLUCK DINNER & ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – 6:30**  
**PM.**

**DECEMBER 25**  
**ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER FOR SENIORS.**  
**VOLUNTEERS & PIES NEEDED.**

**JANUARY 26**  
**BOARD MEETING – 6:30 PM.**

**JANUARY 30**  
**HOME FIREARM SAFETY CLASS – 2:00-6:00 PM.**

***NOTE – the pistol and rifle ranges are CLOSED***  
***(with the exception of Police use) until further***  
***notice for FARR construction.***

## **BISC CONTACT INFORMATION**

Lynda McMaken	President	(206) 842-8363
Steve Korn	Vice President	(206) 842-6119
Debbie Cauthers	Treasurer/Secretary and Membership	(206) 842-9603
Steve Humphrey	Trustee	(206) 780-9455
Steve Carstensen	Trustee, Firearms Education & Training Dir., Deputy CRSO	(360) 472-1078
Jon Fehlman	Trustee	(206) 780-4686
Pete Cholometes	Trustee	(360) 930-8017
Robert Cromwell	Trustee	(206) 919-1437
Jim Walkowski	Trustee and Hunter Safety Ed.	(206) 842-2377
Ken Nelson	Chief RSO	(206) 855-0618
Scott Youngs	Trap Chairman	(360) 697-3482
Rich Schmidt	Facilities Dir.	(206) 842-0992
Steve Cosgrove	Communications Dir.	(206) 498-6264
Bob Davis	Newsletter/Web Site	(206) 310-2950
Clubhouse and Pistol Range		(206) 780-9374

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