

THE SPORTSMAN

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Bainbridge Island Sportsmen's Club

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

February 24 & April 28, 2009 - Board Meeting @ 6:30 PM
March 24th, 2009 – General Meeting @ 6:30, followed by Board Meeting

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

By now all members should have received the renewal forms in the mail. **Renewal dues are due now.** Members *renewing* their membership do not have to pay the initiation fee - ONLY THE ANNUAL DUES. Once you have renewed your membership you will receive a white "2009" sticker. Affix this sticker to your red membership card, right over the "2008" sticker.

If you joined the club in the last couple months of 2008 and your card already has a 2009 sticker, you won't be receiving another "2009" white sticker. You are already good to go.

If you have any questions please call Debbie Cauthers @ 842-9603.

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President's Corner

Greetings Sportsmen's Club members -- wishing all of you a fantastic 2009. ***Please let me know that you are reading this newsletter by sending me an email.*** I am at Lynda@LyndaHMcMaken.com.

I have received suggestions of future club activities and would like to have a membership sounding board for them as we move through the year. Please let me know if you are available to listen and respond. Thanks to all.

Lynda McMaken
President

WITHIN RANGE: Notes from the Chief Range Safety Officer

Here's the promised breakdown of 2008 range use. It surprised ME, and I'm CRSO!

And this MANDATES that I again speak for the Club, shooters, and guests, and say THANK YOU to our RSO staff. You Rock! I hope you'll be proud and impressed with what YOU have done for Bainbridge Island Sportsmen's Club in 2008.

I haven't broken down the Trap Range sign-in sheets as carefully (I will rely on Scott to break the data in the way most useful to the Trap

Side of Things) but casual observation is revealing... Thursdays, Fridays and second and forth Sundays yield scheduled range openings more than 120 days per year. A casual perusal of the Sign-In sheets suggests that an *average* of 10 shooters attend, that means **close to Twelve Hundred person-visits occurred on the Trap Range in 2008.** I tend to err on the conservative side (I want the cushion in case of an audit; heh,heh) but this is still a VERY impressive number. Way to go Trap!

The Pistol and Rifle Ranges don't enjoy that kind of steady through-put (yet) but the results on these ranges are **similarly** impressive. Rifle Range accounts for only a few percent. That's just the way it is for now.

Shooters per Sign-In Sheet	Number of Sign-In Sheets	Number of Shooters Represented
1 or fewer (including RSO days when no shooters showed up)	60	60
2 shooters (and/or with RSO)	31	62
3 shooters (and/or with RSO)	28	84
4 shooters (and/or with RSO)	22	88
5-9 shooters and RSO	37	av. 259
10 or more shooters and RSO	8	av. 83
Totals	186	636 +/- a very few

We must note that the "1 or fewer" slot includes all those Range Officer members who wanted to open the range at non-scheduled hours for their own practice.

I'll also note that the Pistol/Rifle Ranges were accessed *more than half of the days of the year*, and that there were about 640 person-visits in that time. We have a dedicated number of handgunners, but who says Bainbridge Island doesn't have a statistically measurable shooting population?

This next figure is one that I may need to revise in the coming months, because I don't know if I've properly gotten to all the info, but the "guest" pressure on the Rifle and Pistol Ranges was very light in 2008. Preliminary

count puts it at 13-20. Personally, I'd like to see that grow, on view of growing the Club membership and future plans.

Now for the Really Important part: There were only two Incident Reports in 2008, one procedural and one involving a firearm malfunction, **neither** resulting in the discharge of a firearm or any injury of any kind. Both were dealt with directly and discretely and we have learned from them.

2008 was Just the Way We Like It, safety speaking. Keep up the GOOD WORK and may our love of safe shooting sports never waver! See you on the range,

Ken Nelson (206) 855-0618
CRSO@BainbridgeSportsmensClub.org

From the Trap side of things...

A laminated copy of the "Trap Range Guidelines" is now hanging on the wall next to the sliding door in the clubhouse. This is a guide for all trap RSO's on properly opening, operating, and closing the trap range. Please feel free to read it and contact me (360-710-7649) if you have any suggestions, additions or possible revisions. Upon request, I can email a copy to anyone who would like one.

Upcoming Trap Meeting...

If you would like to become qualified to run the trap range, or a current trap RSO that would like a refresher, there will be another meeting in March. I will contact the remaining members who were unable to make the last meeting, schedule it, and post the date and time in the next newsletter. If you are interested, please contact me at 360-710-7649.

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. I would be willing to work with you at any

scheduled shoot. Please help out even if you cannot be there for every day. I can work with other Members to fill in when you cannot show. The hours helping at the Trap Range count towards a discount on your club dues.

Scott Youngs
Trap Chairman

WORK PARTY – Feb 14th

Calling all volunteers, including family members with energetic kids and/or any kids than want to donate some community service hours, for a clean-up party at the club Saturday, Feb 14th at 9 AM. .

Thanks, Steve Humphrey



On Target

Firearms Education and Training

February's Classes – Co-Ed Basic Pistol

The BISC Trainers are offering a Co-Ed Class on Basic Pistol Shooting on Saturday, February 28, 2009. The class will start at 8:00 AM and run to about 6:00 PM. The pistol range is reserved exclusively for this class that day.

Students will learn the basic knowledge, skills and attitude necessary for owning and using a pistol safely. Lessons will include two handed and one handed standing shooting positions, range time with one-on-one coaches, pistol selection and care, and overall fundamentals.

Students should bring a sack lunch for a half hour "working lunch", so as to make best use of the time available. Students are encouraged to bring their own guns, ammunition, and owner's manual, hearing and eye protection, and a billed hat. If a student does not have these they will be provided at an additional \$10 fee.

Space is limited, and will be filled on a first come first served basis. Please contact Steve Carstensen, Director of Training and Education,

and send in your check to reserve you place in the class.

Students must be 18, or accompanied by a legal guardian, and legally able to own and handle a firearm.

Cost: \$40, or \$50 if using club guns and ammunition. Check out the web site for the class description:

[http://www.bainbridgesportsmensclub.org/course_descriptions.htm#Basic Pistol Shooting](http://www.bainbridgesportsmensclub.org/course_descriptions.htm#Basic_Pistol_Shooting)

Send email to Steve Carstensen:
<mailto:Classes@BainbridgeSportsmensClub.org>
with your interest, questions, and for further instructions.

We expect this to be a popular class, so please turn in your reservation and payment early.

The BISC Trainers

NOTE – the pistol range is reserved for the Co-Ed Pistol Class on the afternoon of Feb 28 and will not be open to pistol shooters, but will be open as normal in the morning.

Shooting Events

Feburary's Event – Rifle Competition:

With the first event being a fantastic success, we move on to February's Event, which will be the **Classic NRA 50' 3 Position Rifle Competition on February 21 from 10am to 5pm**. This competition requires the use of .22cal Rifles on the pistol range, in Standing, Kneeling, and Prone positions. Top score will be for the highest overall accuracy. We will be using the Club .22 Target Rifles, or you can bring your own rifle, (.22cal only, please). All members and accompanied guests are welcome and encouraged to come participate in our second event for 2009. If you've never shot a rifle before, don't let it stop you from coming out and enjoying this event.

Note – pistol range reserved for rifle Feb. 21.

Results from the January Pistol event:

The Pistol Shooters were blessed with cold but sunny weather for the "5 to Glock" competition. Fourteen members and/or guests came out to the range to compete and had a great time, despite the temperatures. Here are the results.

High Capacity division:

Target 22 / Race gun :

- 1st Robert Hollar, 45.53s
- 2nd Doug Hartley, 50.13s
- 3rd Steve Korn, 51.58s

Standard:

- 1st Ron Haskins, 43.82s
- 2nd Jay Smellow, 58.46s
- 3rd David Fox-Hughes, 89.22s

Overall Time Winner: Ron Haskins with an intensely fast 43.82s round.

(Due to a misunderstanding of barrel length vs. barrel&breach length, the high capacity 'snubby' division was found to exist in error. All pistols in this division had 3" or longer barrels. Shooters in this category were moved to the Standard category and placed accordingly.)

Low Capacity (5 shot) Division:

Snubby:

- 1st, Steve Korn, 53.90s

Standard:

- 1st, Gary Neumann, 29.47s – with a single action six shooter!!!
- 2nd Steve Korn, 59.24s
- 3rd Ken Nelson, 64.43s

Overall Time Winner: Gary Neumann, with an impressive 29.47s perfect round.

Yours 'Event'fully:

Jay Smellow
Event Coordinator, BISC

LOST AT CLUB – contact if found

- Men's dark brown leather bomber jacket, contact Debbie Cauthers – (206) 842-9603.
- Bag of choke tubes for 20 gauge shotgun, contact Sonny Dulay – (206) 842-2555.

Celebration of Dedicated Service – To The B.I.P.D

As you have probably read elsewhere, BISC Trustee and B.I.P.D. Chief Matt Haney is moving to Colville, WA, where he will be Police Chief for the Colville Federated Tribes. The BIPD is having a farewell party for Matt on his last day of service and you are invited. Please join the celebration of Chief Haney's years of service with the BIPD (and as an active member and trustee of BISC). The party is Friday, March 6th at the Kiana Lodge. The time is 5:00 – 9:30 PM with a program planned for 6:30 PM. The cost is a mere \$25 per person, at the door. Please RSVP at (206) 780-4661, or email sshultz@ci.bainbridge-isl.wa.us

Calendar of Events

FEBRUARY 14

WORK PARTY TO CLEAN UP GROUNDS – 9 AM

FEBRUARY 21

RIFLE COMPETITION – 10 AM – 5:00 PM.
PISTOL RANGE CLOSED TO OTHER SHOOTERS.

FEBRUARY 24

BOARD MEETING – 6:30 PM.

FEBRUARY 28

BASIC PISTOL CLASS – Co-Ed, 8 AM – 6 PM.
PISTOL RANGE RESERVED FROM 12-6 PM. EMAIL CLASSES@BAINBRIDGESPORTSMENSClub.ORG FOR MORE INFORMATION.

MARCH 6

BIPD FAREWELL PARTY FOR CHIEF MATT HANEY. KIANA LODGE – 5:00 – 9:30 PM, \$25 AT DOOR. SEE ARTICLE THIS PAGE FOR DETAILS.

MARCH 24

GENERAL MEETING – 6:30 PM.
BOARD MEETING – 7:30 PM.

BISC— February 2009						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Pistol	3	4 Pistol	5 Trap	6 Retiree Trap	7 Pistol
8 Trap	9 Pistol	10	11	12 Trap	13 Retiree Trap	14 Pistol WORK PARTY
15 Rifle	16 Pistol	17	18	19 Trap	20 Retiree Trap	21 NO Pistol RIFLE COMPETITION
22 Trap	23 Pistol	24 BISC Board @ 6:30 PM	25	26 Trap	27 Retiree Trap	28 Pistol Pistol Class

Schedule of Events

Check www.bainbridgesportsmensclub.org for changes (Hot News or Shooting Sports)

BISC Board Mtg (6:30) on Feb 24

PISTOL/SMALL BORE RANGE
Rifle Competition, Feb 21 @ 10 AM – 5 PM
Pistol Class, Feb 28 @ noon – 5 PM
Every Monday @ 9 AM—noon
Every Saturday @ 9 AM—noon, exception, NO PISTOL on Feb 21 due to Rifle Competition
First Wednesday @ 9 AM—noon
Range reserved for Pistol Class on afternoon of Feb 28

RIFLE/LARGE BORE RANGE

Third Sunday @ 1 PM – 3 PM

POLICE USE:

None scheduled.

TRAP RANGE

Every Thursday night @ 6:30 PM

2nd & 4th Sundays @ 1 PM

Retiree Shoot—Fridays @ 10 AM—noon

COMMUNITY GROUPS

None scheduled.

BISC— March 2009						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Pistol	3	4 Pistol	5 Trap	6 Retiree Trap Chief Haney Farewell	7 Pistol
8 Trap	9 Pistol	10	11	12 Trap	13 Retiree Trap	14 Pistol
15 Rifle	16 Pistol	17	18	19 Trap	20 Retiree Trap POLICE	21 Pistol
22 Trap	23 Pistol	24 BISC General Meeting @ 6:30 PM	25	26 Trap	27 Retiree Trap	28 Pistol
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BISC General Mtg (6:30) followed by Board Mtg on March 24

PISTOL/SMALL BORE RANGE

Every Monday @ 9 AM—noon

Every Saturday @ 9 AM—noon

First Wednesday @ 9 AM—noon

RIFLE/LARGE BORE RANGE

Third Sunday @ 1 PM – 3 PM

POLICE USE:

March 20 @ 10:00 – 18:00

TRAP RANGE

Every Thursday night @ 6:30 PM

2nd & 4th Sundays @ 1 PM

Retiree Shoot—Fridays @ 10 AM—noon

COMMUNITY GROUPS

None scheduled.

February, 2009 Pistol and Rifle Range Calendar

Day	FEB Date	Time	RSO	Notes
1 st Mon	2 nd	9 am - 12	Steve Korn	
1 st Wed	4 th	9 am - 12	David Fox-Hughes	
1 st Sat	7 th	9 am - 12	Ken Nelson	
2 nd Mon	9 th	9 am - 12	Bill Philbrook	
2 nd Sat	14 th	9 am - 12	Stephen Douglass	
3 rd Sun	15 th	1 pm - 3	Bob Davis	Rifle Range
3 rd Mon	16 th	9 am - 12	Matt Rothe	
3 rd Sat	21 st	9 am - 12	Closed for Rifle Competition	
4 th Mon	23 rd	9 am - 12	Mike Dorsett	
4 th Sat	28 th	9 am - 12	TBD	RSO NEEDED

Times are for the Pistol Range unless noted.

If someone wants to step up for Feb. 28, please let me know!

Another Northwest Almanac, by Ken N.:

“In Seattle we DO have four seasons: Road Work, Winter, Mud, and August.”

BISC CONTACT INFORMATION

Lynda McMaken	President	(206) 842-8363
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