



SMOKE SIGNAL

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From the Vice President



ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN 2011:

- Two Easements were granted to PSE which brought in \$500.00
- We installed Clear Internet Service with WIFI and Telephone with unlimited Long Distance for the same price we were paying for Local Calling Service only.
- The Office PC's Memory and Software were upgraded. The PC is used for Tournaments, E-mail, Web Research, and miscellaneous club business.
- We kept JOAD running and added an Awards System even after the Coach left last summer.
- We kept Thursday nights running despite Steve Coleman's departure last summer.
- We implemented a public/private partnership with Tacoma Metro Parks to provide Adaptive Archery instruction to Wounded Warriors, Vets, and the public each Thursday afternoon. The club earns money to help cover expenses from this program.
- A grant request was submitted to Easton for ten Whitetail Targets for our JOAD Program and summer tournaments (Postscript...Haven't heard back from Easton yet.)
- A Real Estate Tax Exemption was submitted because we are a 501c4 non-profit organization. We tried, but received notice that it was denied.
- We found that we never had a 501c3 designation. We've always been a 501c4. We found that we can't be reinstated and have to submit a new application to become a 501c3 non-profit organization. Explanation:
 - According to the Internal Revenue Service Code, 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are nonprofit organizations that are exempt from paying federal income tax. 501(c)(3) organizations are either a public charity, private foundation or private operating foundation with open membership whereas 501(c)(4) organizations are civic leagues or associations operated exclusively for the promotion of social welfare or local associations of employees with limited membership.
 - When it comes to lobbying and political activity, 501(c)(3) organizations can appeal directly to legislative bodies and representatives and may support issue-based legislation. However, they must notify the IRS of their intent to lobby by filing form 5768, which formally informs the federal government that one has elected to use the expenditure test to have the organization's lobbying activity measured. Under this test, lobbying capacity is typically limited to spending less than 5 to 20% of the organizational budget on lobbying activities, depending on the size of your organization.
 - 501(c)(4) organizations can engage in unlimited lobbying so long as it pertains to the organization's mission. 501(c)(3) organizations are not permitted to engage in political activity, endorse or oppose political



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candidates, or donate money or time to political campaigns, but 501(c)(4) organizations can do all of the above.

- In regards to supporting these organizations, donations made to 501(c)(3) organizations are deductible to the full extent of the law as charitable contributions. Donations made to 501(c)(4) organizations are not deductible, though some businesses who make these contributions often write them off as advertising or business expenses.

More to come!

- We proposed and approved policy and Bylaw changes to shore up our club structure and management.
- Put on 22 days of Tournaments and Fun Shoots.
- Hosted the WSAA Annual Convention and Banquet.
- Repaired Paper Target Shed Roof.
- Disposed of broken Coke Machine.
- Appointed a new Building Grant Committee!!!
- Rebuilt our Web Site in WordPress for continuity. Selected Board and committee members can edit and update according to their assignments. Big improvement!
- Scanned a whole box of old documents and electronically stored them.
- Redistributed work assignments to cover more than just targets. This is a result of an increase in membership.
- The Fourth Walkthrough is 75% ready. Needs a little more work to complete it.
- Installed Large Exterior Light outside clubhouse. Improved security!
- Due to the efforts of our members, we had many more accomplishments last year that are not listed here that have resulted in a better club and facility for our members. Thank you one and all!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Listed below, you will find a list of task that need to be completed. Some require funding. If a Board Member's name is beside the task, please contact them to ensure the task is funded and supplies and equipment are available. Please don't forget to record your work hours:

- Fix Chain Link Fence. Sections are bent and broken. (Bryan Dissen)
- Finish work on Men's Bathroom. (Bryan Dissen)
- Install new floor in Women's Bathroom. Paint walls and complete miscellaneous items. (Bryan Dissen)
- Install new floor in Clubhouse (Steve Allen)
- Install new bales in the new Fourth Walk Through Course. (Oren King)
- Move backstop for A6. (Oren King)
- Fix Slat Fence. (Oren King)
- Paint all Target Sheds. (Mike Ballard)



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- Build Moveable Shelters for people to stand under with somewhere to hang bows for the Flat Shooting Range. (Oren King)
- Donate working Stove/Oven. Take old one to Recycle Center for disposal. (Steve Allen)
- Install new sink in one of the bathrooms. Move old sink to outer wall by kitchen to be used for hand washing station for Cook Shack. (Steve Allen)
- Make Display Shelves on clubhouse walls using parts from existing blue cases in clubhouse. (Bryan Dissen)
- Grant Work: Need volunteer to assist our Grant Committee on long term project to acquire funds to build and Indoor Archery Range. (Kurt Allen - Same E-mail as Laura Allen)
- Scan old documents into electronic format i.e. Newsletters, meeting notes, etc. from decades ago for preservation of club history. (Kelly Loney)
- Install large window in clubhouse wall that faces the range so observers can be in the clubhouse and still watch Archers. Some kind of shutters or bars will be required for security. (Jerry Bradshaw)
- Install window in office by the front door for tournament registrations. (Mike Ballard)
- Install a real heating system that will keep the clubhouse at a constant temperature of 70 degrees or higher if needed. Funds have not been approved as of yet for purchase. (Steve Allen)
- Finish repacking bales and replacing old ones on the range. (Oren King)
- Fix or replace Front Porch Roof. It leaks! (Steve Allen)

PLAY SET PROJECT:

The board has approved to spend up to \$600.00 to prepare for, update, and move a donated Rainbow Sun castle Play Set to the club. This will help immensely in keeping our non-shooting quest-lets occupied and out of trouble. This is a ten year old (\$3,200.00 when new) Play Set that Kelly's kids have outgrown and lately it's just a roost for some annoying turkeys. Steve Allen and Kelly Loney are the Play Set Committee. Please contact either of them (see end of Newsletter for contact info.) If you would like to take on any of the following as part of the Play Set Project it would be deeply appreciated and your work hours would be logged for membership credit:

- Take down existing Play Set and re-use, recycle, or dispose of its parts.
- Level a 25' x 35' area for the new Play Set on the old Play Set's site.
- Place railroad ties or other barrier around the perimeter in preparation for wood chips.
- Coordinate Installation and spreading of wood chips.
- Coordinate and install the new Play Set.
- Replace any lumber that is no longer of use.
- Clean Vinyl and wood.
- Refinish wood.





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Last Board Meeting Minutes (Summary):

Indoor Range Committee: The Indoor Range Committee formed with Kurt Allen as Chair and Bryan Dissen and Jerry Bradshaw as the required Committee Board Members.

Safety: Safety is an ongoing responsibility of each member. A safety briefing will be given at the next meeting.

New Board Members Voted In:

Mike Ballard - Tournament

Dave Sandana - Hunting

Pat Fernandez - Grounds

Please join the Board in congratulating and thanking these members for stepping forward.

Reports:

President: We had a great turnout at the Dirty Thirty. 130 Shooters entered clearing over \$2,000.00.

Vice President: No Report.

Treasurer: The club currently has:

- In Checking Account: \$5,296.64
- In Savings Account: \$10,430.93
- In CD1: \$11,182.45
- In CD2: \$5,069.91

We've received five to six hundred dollars so far for the Banquet. This will just cover the rental fee, food and raffle items.

Secretary: A board member Key Checkout Form has been created.

Communications: Absent. Candice sent out flyers for the next two shoots.

Range: There are several trees that need to come down (Post Script....did they?).

Hunting: Dave Sandana is a certified Bow Hunting Instructor. Class dates will be announced in the near future.

Grounds: Bryan Dissen stated that we should be getting some new equipment soon.

Activities: We had an adequate stock of food items that met the requirements of the 3D Shoot. Our Banquet Site and Caterer have been contracted. Note: New date for the Banquet will be announced soon.

Tournament: No Report.

Education: Thursday nights are going great. We've average 15-25 students a week for the past three weeks totaling \$152.00 in revenue. I spoke with a Ft. Lewis Scout Leader about bringing his scouts out here. I planned to speak with Joe Daniels from Disabled Hunters soon.



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Old Business (Not mentioned elsewhere in this Newsletter): Per Bryan Dissen, our insurance covers the use of Crossbows. Jerry will be talking to Joe Daniels from Disable Hunters soon.

New business:

- **Project Lists:** The new project list will be posted in the Club House. Members, please see January's 2012 Newsletter posted on the Web Site to print a copy if needed.
- **Play Set Donation:** Six Hundred Dollars for the Play Set have been approved. Bryan Dissen made a motion to nominate Kelly Loney and Steve to Co-Chair the project. The project to setup the playground will begin in February.
- **3D Target Purchase Approved:** Candice made a motion to spend up to \$1,500.00 for 3D Targets and supplies to sustain the 2012 tournament season (Post Script.....The Board has pre-approved funds of \$4,000.00 from 2010 which can be used if needed.)
- **Publicizing Shoots:** The January Shoot was not on the Calendar and was also not publicized well. This resulted in numerous complaints from our members. Kelly will speak with Andy.
- **Audit:** An audit of Paper Targets and creating a Master List to track usage will help in planning purchases. Candice tabled this for discussion at the February Board Meeting.
- **Fund-raising:** A discussion for having a Spring Yard Sale was tabled for discussion at the February Board Meeting.
- **Paper Target Replacements:** Let Oren know what needs to be done.
- **Changing Locks:** Candice will purchase new locks. Bryan will provide her with a list of locks needed. Candice will have multiple copies made and Board Members will receive only the keys needed to perform the duties of their position going forward.

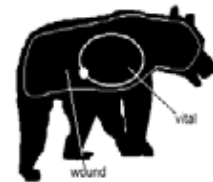
Upcoming Tournaments & Events



Skookum Archers Proudly Present

The Foul Weather Field

Saturday, February 18th



14 Field, 14 Hunter, 14 Animal Targets, all in unique lanes
Awards in all Classes. Register by 8:45a.m.; Shotgun start at 9a.m.

Fees: Adults - \$20; Young Adults - \$15, Youth - \$10, Cubs \$5, PeeWee Free,
Active Skookum members get \$5 discount



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11209 Shaw Road East
Puyallup, WA





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Skookum Archers

WET & WILD 3-D

**Sat. Mar. 17 &
Sun. Mar. 18**

**It's the
big one!**

Register from 9am-Noon Saturday. 9:30am
Shotgun Start Sunday. Awards in all classes.

Fees: 1 Day \$15; Both days \$25 (adult)

1 Day \$10; Both days \$15 (youth)

1 Day \$5; Both days \$10 (cubs)

Family max: \$43; peewees shoot free

For more information contact Bryan Dissens at
president@skookumarchers.com; 253-882-9673





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Skookum Archers SPRING SAFARI

Saturday April 7th

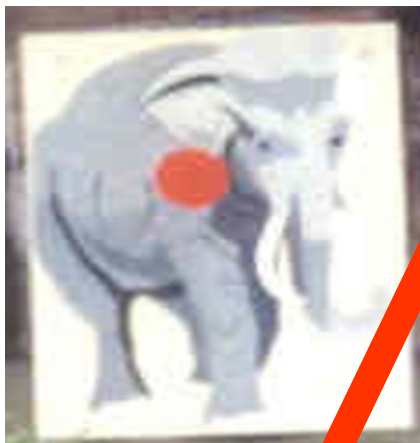
Register from 8-9am. 9:30am Shotgun Start

Fees: \$15 Adult, \$10 Youth, \$5 Cubs

Family max: \$43; peewees free. Active

Skookum members get \$5 discount.

For more information contact Andy Ludwig at aludwig@comcast.net, (253) 736-4071.



For more information visit skookumarchers.com



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Skookum Archers Host the Nortorious **WET 'N WILD 3-D**

IT'S OUT BIGGEST SHOOT OF THE YEAR!

Sat. & Sun. March 3rd and 4th, 2012

Register from 7:30am-1:00pm Sat.; 9:30am shotgun start Sun. Limited day camping on site. Binocs OK - No Rangefinders. One arrow per target; Unmarked distances. Visit our web site for a map to the range. Awards based on class. Must shoot both days for awards.

| FEES: | ADULTS | YOUTH | CUBS |
|---|---------|---------|---------|
| Both Days | \$25.00 | \$15.00 | \$10.00 |
| One Day Only | \$15.00 | \$10.00 | \$ 5.00 |
| Family Max: \$43.00; Peewees shoot free | | | |



For more information:
Bryan Dissen: (253) 882-9673
president@skookumarchers.com



Skookum Archery Range
11209 Shaw Road East
Puyallup, WA

New Winter Hours At Great Northwest!!

Mon-Fri 12-9 PM, Sat 9AM-3:30 PM, Sunday Closed

Come on down and get your hands on the new Hoyt and Strother bows! ? Great Northwest has it all!

Your Full Service Pro Shop On Site at Skookum Archers

Indoor shooting range, full service pro shop, featuring Hoyt, Strother, PSE and Martin / Rytera bows. Tons of accessories and lessons available. Fuse Accessories, Easton and Beman Arrows, Carter and Scott Releases, and much much more!



Great Northwest Archery 253.841.0991



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Skookum Archers 2012 Shoots

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| Foul Weather Field | Feb 18 th | 14F-14H-14A |
| Wet and Wild | Mar 3-4th | 3D |
| Spring Safari | Apr 7 th | Safari |
| NW All-Star | May 26 th | F/H/S/FF/3D/A |
| WA Games | Jul 7 th | Target |
| WA Senior Games | Jul 8 th | Target |
| WSAA State Target | Jul 14 th -15 th | Target |
| WSAA State FITA Field | Aug 18 th - 19 th | FITA Field |
| Cancer Shoot | Oct 6 th | 14F/14H/14A |
| Halloween Shoot | Oct 27 th | 3D, Safari |

Photos show damage to range from last week's snow and ice storms.





BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2012



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The monthly Board of Directors Meeting and Members Meeting are held on the second Monday of every month from 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM respectively. If you would like an issue to be brought up or need time on the agenda, please contact a board member and we will get you on the agenda.

The deadline for submissions to the Smoke Signal is the 21st of the preceding month. The exception would be any important late breaking news pertaining to the club.

Hello Archers,

I have volunteered to fill the position of Hunting Director. This is my first contribution to Skookum's News Letter so I'd like to tell you a little about my self.

When I was a young boy I was taken hunting for the first time by a dear friend and neighbor named Tim. He introduced me to the outdoors through this single act and helped create a monster. Not literally, but I was hooked. I've been shooting archery for almost 20 years and love it. Most recently I completed the Washington State Master Hunter Program and earned my Certification as a Bow Hunting Education Instructor.

Here are some important dates to remember if you are interested in extra tags this year.

- Open now through midnight February 29th 2012 you can apply for a Spring Bear tag. The information is in your 2011 hunting pamphlet on page 57, with application instructions on pages 78-80.
- Open now through February 15th 2012 is enrollment in the Washington State Master Hunter Program. This is a self study course and can be found at WWW.WDFW.WA.GOV

Don't forget the deadlines to apply for those tags. If you are interested in the Master Hunter Program, I strongly encourage you to take advantage of myself as a resource and join the program. I'm looking forward to serving the club and all of the Skookum Archers in the year ahead.

David Sandana



Thank You

A HUGE Thank you to Christian Curby for taking on the intense project of coordinating the Sportman's Show!

Kelly Loney
Skookum Archers
Vice President



HELP WANTED:

We as a club have dreamed of having an indoor range for many years, and with the programs we are now running (J.O.A.D., Intro to Archery, Tacoma parks agreement, leagues) we are well over due! With this in mind, the board has agreed to form a building committee.

The Committee will be divided up into parts with some people working on building design, costs, permitting and others working on the financing (grant writing, donations, advertising).

We would like to form up this committee as soon as possible. If you have experience with grant writing, permitting, building construction, or just have some good contacts, we need your help!

Please keep in mind that this project will be ongoing for some time and committee members will be meeting on a regular basis until it is complete.



If you would like to help with this exciting project, please contact the committee chair, Kurt Allen (klgallen87@msn.com)

Skookum Archer's Club Annual Banquet Second Chance

February 25th, 2012

Due to the unfortunate weather events during January, the annual banquet had to be postponed. So, we are offering a second chance for you to attend our annual banquet.

You must be preregistered by Feb. 18th, 2012 in order to attend.

Registration forms must be received by February 18th!!! Payments may still be made at the door. However, WALK-INS will not be accepted. You must be preregistered!!!

Non-member quests are also welcome this year (Please preregister your quests.) Adult meals for quest will be \$20. Children's (quest) between the ages of 6-12 will be \$15.

Don't Delay - Register today!!!



Events Calendar for February 2012

Skookum Archers, Weather

Thu Feb 2, 2012

6:30pm - 7:45pm Public Instruction \$5 / person, equipment supplied

Where: Skookum Archers Clubhouse Range

Calendar: vice.president@skookumarchers.com

Description:

Anyone can come, 8 and up, \$5 per person. After a brief safety presentation, you'll be taught archery in an unstructured - but coached - group session. The instructors make it safe and fun!

Tue Feb 7, 2012

1:30pm - 3pm Tacoma Parks/Military Archery Program

Where: Skookum Archery Club

Calendar: vice.president@skookumarchers.com

Thu Feb 9, 2012

6:30pm - 7:45pm Public Instruction \$5 / person, equipment supplied

Where: Skookum Archers Clubhouse Range

Calendar: vice.president@skookumarchers.com

Description:

Anyone can come, 8 and up, \$5 per person. After a brief safety presentation, you'll be taught archery in an unstructured - but coached - group session. The instructors make it safe and fun!

Tue Feb 14, 2012

1:30pm - 3pm Tacoma Parks/Military Archery Program

Where: Skookum Archery Club

Calendar: vice.president@skookumarchers.com

Thu Feb 16, 2012

6:30pm - 7:45pm Public Instruction \$5 / person, equipment supplied

Where: Skookum Archers Clubhouse Range

Calendar: vice.president@skookumarchers.com

Description:

Anyone can come, 8 and up, \$5 per person. After a brief safety presentation, you'll be taught archery in an unstructured - but coached - group session. The instructors make it safe and fun!

Tue Feb 21, 2012

1:30pm - 3pm Tacoma Parks/Military Archery Program

Where: Skookum Archery Club

Calendar: vice.president@skookumarchers.com

Thu Feb 23, 2012

6:30pm - 7:45pm Public Instruction \$5 / person, equipment supplied

Where: Skookum Archers Clubhouse Range

Calendar: vice.president@skookumarchers.com

Description:

Anyone can come, 8 and up, \$5 per person. After a brief safety presentation, you'll be taught archery in an unstructured - but coached - group session. The instructors make it safe and fun!

Tue Feb 28, 2012

1:30pm - 3pm Tacoma Parks/Military Archery Program
Where: Skookum Archery Club
Calendar: vice.president@skookumarchers.com

Last, but not least, don't forget the Foul Weather Shoot Scheduled for Saturday February 18th!
Shotgun Start at 9:00 AM



We need the E-mail addresses of the members listed below to update our membership database. If your name is listed below, please E-mail your E-mail address to:

John Evans @ evansj2@comcast.net or Kelly Loney @ skookum.comm@gmail.com

E-mail addresses needed for:

Doug Anderson, Rodney G. Bruse, Chester Church, Bryan Dawson, Jacob Edwards, Donald Ferguson, Eugene Fitting, Scott Goodman, Leau Graff, Lance Koehler, Brendan Laterman, Jeff L. Manard, Tomas Marks, George Meyer, Dwayne Montgomery, Dale Olson, Robert Patterson, Curtis Reid, Gerry Rosengren, Anthony, Mark E. Serber, Sam Shockley, John Spadaro, Aaron Taylor, Christine Valdes, Bill Wanden, Kyle Westover, Coral (Willie) Williams.





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John Evans, Editor

Target Assignments: Active members are responsible for maintaining a target area. **IF YOU DON'T KNOW YOUR TARGET ASSIGNMENT, THEY ARE POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE CLUB-HOUSE AND WILL BE ON THE WEBSITE SOON. IF ALL ELSE FAILS, CONTACT THE CLUB VICE-PRESIDENT - KELLY LONEY.** We are responsible for replacing Target Faces when needed; picking up trash in your shooting lane; and reporting maintenance that needs to be done to the Range or Grounds Chair. Especially be aware of low hanging branches or any dangerous trees and report any range work that needs to be done to the Range Chair i.e. target shed; shooting bales, or shooting stakes. Please do not replace targets until they need it. Typically this means that the center scoring area is shot out. Also, we can all pitch in on replacing the target faces on the flat range. Thanking you in advance for your help in making the club a place that members want to come to and enjoy themselves.