



GIG HARBOR SPORTSMAN'S CLUB

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HAPPY NEW YEAR



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Grant Lau

John Cheyney

Michael Blondin

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COMING TO THE GIG HARBOR SPORTSMAN'S CLUB

CORT TRAINING

On February 7th, 2012 from 6:30 PM to 8:30 pm
Minimum of participants must be a total of 10.
As of now, there are seven persons signed up.

The purpose is to assist with the reduction of poaching, other resource abuses, and biological information gathering and resource enhancement projects.

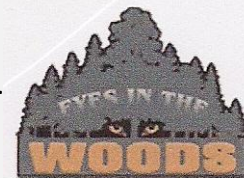
**ARE YOU TIRED OF POACHERS?*

**ARE YOUR HUNTING AND FISHING GROUNDS BEING SHUT DOWN?*

This program's primary goal is to create a network of trained citizens dedicated to reducing poaching and other natural resource abuse through this non-confrontational expert witness program.

BECOME A CERTIFIED WITNESS FOR OUR RESOURCES

Join us in protecting Washington's fish and wildlife by attending an Eyes in the Woods Crime Observation & Reporting Training (CORT). Learn from WDFW Enforcement Officers how to identify, document and report natural resource crimes. This training satisfies Master Hunter requirements.

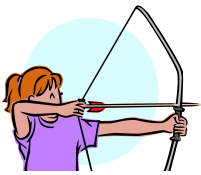


To register: EIW Calendar Registration at www.eyesinthewoods.org, or contact the local training coordinator to attend: Michael Imes, Region 6 Training

If you have any questions or concerns contact:

Michael Imes, Region – 6 Training Coordinator
(253) 858-6551 or michael.imes@eyesinthewoods.org

Thank you Darren and Shannon Forman and family for decorating the clubhouse this Christmas!



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Our BOD meetings are almost always held the third Tuesday of each month. This monthly article in our newsletter is intended to be a simple summary of the highlights of the BOD meeting and is not to be confused as being a replication of the actual meeting's minutes.

December's Board of Directors meeting was combined with a Holiday Pot Luck and was held December 20th in the clubhouse. The meeting was called to order at 7:28. All Directors and most committee chairs were present.

After November's minutes were approved, George Flaherty (exercising his option of 'Guest Speaking First') requested all the special shoot and training numbers be given to him for compilation and submittal for the annual CMP Report.

The Treasurer's report stated that we were about \$1000 under our projection due to an unexpected charge from our accountant for filling out unexpectedly more complex tax forms. It was reported that both the Turkey Shoot and the Continental League warm up shoot made money.

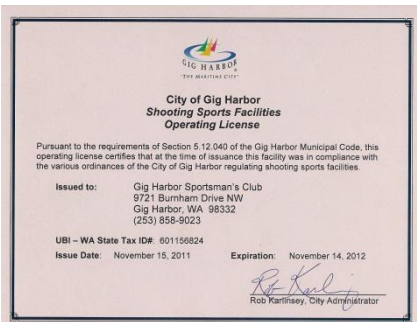
Darline Sypher, using the new, streamlined membership reporting system, noted 45 new club members and 36 deletions. All new applicants were accepted. We now have 1460 members.

Mike Levanger and Dave Sypher reported on the Building and Grounds activities announcing that Grant Lau had donated a large screen television to the club. John Cheyney is to build a cabinet for it and installation should be complete by the first week in January. There was also discussion of renewing the canvas car port used to protect the club's rolling stock. Dave will report on cost estimates at the next meeting.

Bruce McDonald reported on Kitchen activities stating, (thanks to Thom Halligan) that the oven/grill was now fully functioning. Bruce reported that we have had a few more card carrying cooks sign up to donate their services and we are just about fully staffed, however with more cooks sharing the responsibilities it makes it easier on all of them. Bruce sent out thanks to the cooks at the Continental warm up shoot. An excellent breakfast was served all morning, with the chef's responsibilities being shared by Tom Lovrovich, John Cheyney, and Le Rodenberg.

Mike Blondin gave his report on the Rifle/Pistol Range and said all shifts have been covered. Mike gave special acknowledgement to George Flaherty for filling in on Saturdays. Mike is working on a spreadsheet that will show expiration dates and certifications of all RO's and Range Masters.

John Fowler, being Chair of the Club's Future Planning Committee, announced that we now have our City of Gig Harbor Shooting Sports Facility License.



John turned the floor over to Le to discuss his participation at the City Council meeting where the City's 6 year Traffic Improvement Plan was again approved as written. Le made it clear to the

council that the road shown on city planning maps going through

the club's property was not acceptable and that the city did not own the land nor was the land for sale. In the meeting, and on the record, Le was assured by the City Administrator that the route shown can be changed at any time and that, in a year to eighteen months from now, Le would be included in the city's efforts to reroute that road. Le advised the Board that he or his designate will be in attendance at all Council meetings.

In the discussions of old business, Le and Thom Halligan talked about their meeting with the Washington State Department of Ecology in Lacey. The DOC has a concern with high levels of lead in North Creek that runs through the club's property. The DOE was impressed with our efforts to mitigate this problem thus far, but said we still need to do more. Le and Thom will be handling this issue with the DOE. The meeting was congenial and not adversarial.

In topics under New Business, it was decided to order a large quantity of new Club t-shirts. It was also decided to join the Gig Harbor Chamber of Commerce. The question was asked of the Board if the club had enough instructors for NRA Certified classes. Pat Latshaw, attending as a guest, said she and her husband were now certified instructors and they would like to use the club for their classes. Although the club is adequately staffed for those classes, the BOD had no problem with allowing her to hold classes as long as issues like insurance and consistent class and instructor fees were dealt with properly.

The next meeting date is Tuesday, January 17, 2012 at 7:00 PM.

2nd ANNUAL
"S'MORES ON THE RANGE" Day

When: February 12, 2012
Time: Noon to four

Please join Thom Halligan as he plays "Cupid" with a Valentine's Day celebration featuring 'DIY' S'mores! Toast your graham cracker using Thom's traditional recipe on the griddle, roast a marshmallow over the open fire and add a piece of chocolate (provided by Trop's Chocolates, Gig Harbor, WA.) then enjoy a bit of culinary bliss!!!

It's Thom's way of saying "thanks" to all of you!




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