



The West Seattle Sportsman

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Next Club Meeting

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, April 1st, 7:30 PM at the range. I'm sorry we did not have the leftover Goose Stroganoff and Pheasant Cuscuta at the last meeting but somebody forgot about it so we will have it at this meeting instead. Also we will have Dom Budnick back to continue his story telling and have him show us some of his pictures and videos as well. Dom will also have copies of his book available for sale at the meeting. †

Razor Clamming

We will be going razor clamming April 25th - 27th near Copalis beach. We will be staying at the Blue Pacific Motel and RV Park www.bluepacificmotel.com phone 360-289-2262.

The Blue Pacific has a great clam cleaning area that is covered incase of inclement weather, has several sinks with running water and

has a propane burner setup for dipping the clams in hot water, to make shelling and cleaning them easy.



Clam Cleaning Area

The Camp sites are grassy with fire pits and picnic tables and the rest rooms have a shower in them.

The tides this weekend will be great for clamming or if you just like beach combing, with a -1.3 ft on Saturday, -1.6 ft on Sunday and -1.7 ft on Monday.



Typical Campsite

Be prepared for any kind of weather. Last year we had rain, hail, snow, frost, and sun. We also got our limits of 15 clams each, both days, in less than an hour.

If you want to go I would suggest you make your reservations ASAP as I believe they will fill up fast if they have not already.

I hope to see some of you down there with us this year. †

Youth Conservation Camp

Each year we sponsor 1 boy and 1 girl to go to Conservation Camp on Orcas Island. Conservation Camp is held in July with girls going July 12th - 18th and boys going July 19th - 25th. Children will participate in training and field activities such as Wildlife & Habitat Management, Firearm & Archery Safety, Hiking & Outdoor Survival, Fly Tying & Casting, Ecology & Water Safety, First Aid & CPR, and Leadership &

Team Work. As a way to determine whom we will send, we will have a little essay-writing contest. All your children, grandchildren, nieces or nephews need to do is write in 100 words or less "Why I Want to Go to Camp" and turn it into the board of trustees at the May Club Meeting.

The board of trustees will select 1 boy and 1 girl from the entries received as the winners. The contest is open to all children ages 12 to 16. Entries may be turned in to any officer or trustee at or be-

fore the May club meeting or by mailing to:

The West Seattle Sportsmen's Club
P.O. Box 16258
Seattle, WA 98116

Entries must be post-marked no later than May 6th, 2009.

For more information on the camp see please see their web site at <http://www.washingtonconservationcamp.org/>. †



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Club Member Credits Success to Shooting Training

We received an update from the father of one of our club members that started in our junior program as a member of the West Seattle Totems and is now going to the US Naval Academy in Annapolis.

Steven Loo is a "Plebe" (Freshman) but has qualified as an "Expert" in both rifle and pistol which entitles him to keep this ranking and wear the ribbons and medals for life. Sharpshooter and Marksman ranking in one or both are not presented medals nor do they keep their ribbons after they leave the academy. Although Steven was an NCAA recruit for the academy rifle team, he opted to be a "walk-on" for the pistol team. After a few rounds of try-outs, he won a berth on the pistol team.

During the Fall 2008 and Spring 2009 Pistol season, the Naval Academy has shot the following matches:

- The Citadel
- US Coast Guard Academy
- Ohio State University

- Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- US Military Academy – West Point
- Maryland State Jr. Olympics
- US Air Force Academy
- Collegiate Sectionals

Most are standard 600 point matches in both air and small bore; Steven shoots both and is doing well. At the 'Collegiate Sectionals' he shot well enough to come in the top 30 in his event nation wide. This earned him a berth to compete and represent the US Naval Academy, at the "2008 NRA Collegiate National Championships" held at Fort Benning, GA. on March 16th – 20th, 2009. Additionally he has won a berth by coming in the top 25 nation wide to again represent the US Naval Academy at the '2009 National Jr. Olympics' in Colorado Springs, CO. this April 15th – 20th.

He credits the skills and methods he learned while shooting for the "West Seattle Totems" taught by Stan Mar and Kurt Oberloh, and as a parent Steven's father will take some of the credit too.

Steven's father (Steve Loo Sr.) said "Maybe some of the members would like to know that there is merit to the kids learning to shoot.

Thanks to WSSC and Totems Coaches'." †

Baker Lake Fishing Trip

We have made reservation for our freshwater fishing trip to Baker Lake over the weekend of June 5th – 7th. If you were planning on going and are not sure if we reserved a spot for you, or if you just decided that you want to go, please call or email Roz Mascio (206-719-3529 or roz@wssportsmen.org) and find out if we have a spot for you. If we do not she can let you know what spots we have so you can call or go online and reserve a spot next to us.. At this point in time there are still campsites available at Horseshoe Cove where we will be staying. For more information on Baker Lake see last months newsletter which is available on line on the club website. †

Kids Fishing Derby

We're coming up on our annual kid's fishing derby we put on for the children in our community. This year the Seattle parks department will be cosponsoring the event with us on Saturday May 16th.

Once again we will need volunteers to help run this event. So mark your calendar for Saturday May 16th and stay tuned for more information in next month's newsletter and at our club meeting. †

Up coming Small Bore & Air Matches

Apr 19	Tacoma	Prone Sight-In & Practice Match
Apr 25	Puyallup	Junior International 3-P PTO
May 8	Wenatchee	Junior Air Rifle Match
May 9-10	Wenatchee	Junior Outdoor Championship
Jun 6-7	Tacoma	Schutzenfest / NRA 3P Championship
Jun 13-14	Tacoma	Koehler Memorial Prone
Jul 25-26	Vancouver	NRA 3-Position Regional
Aug 21-23	Tacoma	State Smallbore International Camp
Sep 12	Puyallup	State 4-H Championship
Sept 12-13	Tacoma	State Conventional Prone Championship
Sep 26-27	Tacoma	Schutzenfest / Outdoor Int'l Championship
Oct 31-Nov 1	Olympia	State Indoor Int'l 3-P Championship (West)
Nov 14	Puyallup	JORC (West)
Dec 5	Olympia	JOARC (West)


Range Hours and Activity

Monday - Small Bore - 6 PM, Tuesday - Winter Rifle League, Wednesday - Juniors - Call Fred Burr at 206-935-4883 for information.

Cost: Adult members \$2.00, non-members \$4.00, Juniors \$1.00.

The West Seattle Sportsmen's Club

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Rolf's Cooking Corner

Poached Grouse Breasts

- 4 grouse breast
- ½ tsp onion powder
- ½ tsp white pepper
- 1 Tbsp kosher salt
- 2 cups sweet white wine
- 2 cups chicken broth
- 2 cups sliced oyster mushrooms
- 1 cup heavy cream

Combine all dry spices and rub onto grouse breasts. Place breasts in wine and broth, cover with lid and poach (185° liquid) until done, approximately 20 minutes. Remove breast from pan, place in pie tin,



cover and keep warm. Add mushrooms and reduce liquid to half. Add heavy cream and again reduce liquid to half, this should be a slightly thin sauce. Add the breasts back to the liquid, garnish with fresh herbs and serve over risotto rice and asparagus. †

Events Calendar

- Apr 1st - Club Meeting
- Apr 10th-12th - Razor Clamming open
- Apr 22nd - Board Meeting
- Apr 25th-27th - Razor Clamming open
- May 6th - Club Meeting
- May 16th - Kid's Fishing Derby
- May 20th - Board Meeting

If you have any ideas for programs to have at the club meetings or any good outing ideas let one of the Officers or Trustees know. You may contact us at: info@wssportsmen.org †

New

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION WEST SEATTLE SPORTSMEN'S CLUB

Renewal

Date _____

I, _____ of _____, Washington, being interested in the propagation and conservation of game birds, game animals, and fish in the State of Washington, do hereby apply for membership in the WEST SEATTLE SPORTSMEN'S CLUB and tender herewith the sum of \$_____ in payment of one year's dues.

"I solemnly swear that I will abide by the Constitution and By-Laws of the West Seattle Sportsmen's Club and help in its up-building and I will not willfully disobey the Game Laws wherever I fish or hunt. I will always be a true sportsman both in the field and to my brother members at all times.

Signed _____

Street Address _____

City _____, Zip _____

Phone _____, Email _____

Recommended by _____

(New Only)

If you would like to receive the Club newsletter by email check here.



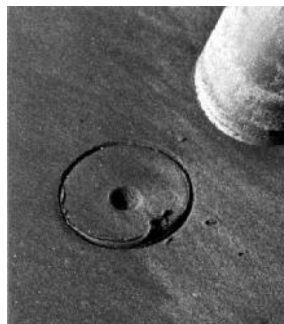
Stuff For Sale



For Sale - Club Logo items available; hats \$15.00, shirts and other items available too. Contact Tony at the club meetings, by email at secretary@wssportsmen.org or by phone at 425-226-5643.

If you, or a WSSC supporter, have something you would like to list in this section please send an email to "info@westseattlesportsmen.org" listing the item or items you would like to sell, the price, and your contact information. Put "Stuff For Sale" in the Subject line of your email. Keep in mind that this comes out only once a month. In order to be listed in the coming month's newsletter you will need to have your ad emailed to us no later than the 20th of the prior month..... †

How to Use a Clam Tube



1. Facing the ocean, check impression of tube in sand, then center the tube over the " clam show."

2. Slant the top of the tube slightly toward the sand dunes. Work the tube in carefully with a rocking or twisting motion.



3. Work the tube down 6" to 10" below the surface. Place thumb over air vent, pull up using your leg muscles (keeping your back straight will avoid muscle strain!). Do this one to three times.

4. Check each core that you bring up. The clam may be concealed within. If the clam does not come up with the tube, reach into the hole for it. Remember to keep the first 15 clams and avoid wasting any.

Proper digging improves your efficiency, minimizes the breaking of clams and cut fingers. †



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