

# Washington State Police Pistol Association

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## Membership News

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2007 marked Tom Persell's 30<sup>th</sup> year in a row of being on the Washington State Governor's 20 list. At this year's State Match awards banquet Tom was presented with a framed copy of the 1978 and 2007 Washington State Governor's 20 lists.



Tom Persell recognized for 30 years on Gov. 20 List

In 1978 Tom was 8<sup>th</sup> on the Gov's 20 list with an average of 1455.4 and in 2007 he was 8<sup>th</sup> on the Gov's 20 list with an average of 1452.33 – 61x. In 1978 the Washington State Police Pistol Association was known as the Northwest Police Combat Pistol Association and they took an average of your top five scores.

For those of you that do not know, Tom was a Military Policeman in the Army from 1966 to 1968. He started shooting PPC while working for Los Alamos P.D. from 1969 to 1976. In 1971 and 1972 he was on the winning 2-man team at the New Mexico Regional match.

Tom started with Everett P.D. in 1977 and kept up his PPC shooting. Tom told me "that when he starting shooting with Everett P.D. he joined a good team which included James Billesbach, Jerry Aaron, Bill Davenport, and Ken McDaniel." I asked Tom if he had any advice for new shooters. He said "work on one position at a time and perfect it, also practice, practice, practice."

## More Membership News

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### 2008 State and Regional Championships

I'm a little behind in writing this newsletter. But for those that could not make it to this year's State and Regional matches, both were a great success. This year's Washington State Championship Match was held at Hanford. The 1500 Grand Aggregate results were: Steve Voigt – Match Winner followed by Curtis Bearchum 2<sup>nd</sup>, and Daryl Cross 3<sup>rd</sup>. High Canadian shooter was Shawn Gross and High Female shooter was Jeanne Manion. Steve Voigt won the 4" service revolver match with a score of 478-40x. Daryl Cross won the off duty side arm match with a score of 478-29x. Curtis Bearchum won the stock semi-auto match with a score of 478-25x and Kurt Bearchum won the duty gun match with a score of 476-23x. Shawn Gross and Brad Hanson of Canada won both the revolver and semi-auto 2-man team matches.



Brad Hanson and Shawn Gross winner of both revolver and semi-auto 2-man team matches

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### **2008 State Postal Match**

Congratulations to the following six competitors who had the top 1500 scores at the State Match:

Steve Voigt 1484-96x  
Curtis Bearchum 1484-78x  
Daryl Cross 1463-71x  
Ralph Lettau 1463-68x  
Pat Pronovost 1451-66x  
Tom Persell 1446-52x

**For a total of 8791-431x**

Their scores will be sent to the NRA for the State Postal Match scores. Each of the six competitors will receive from the NRA a patch, a pin, and a Postal match score book which will list their standings compared with other states that have participated in the NRA State Postal Match program.

### **2008 Regional Match**

This year's Regional match was held in Seattle. The major results from that match are: Steve Voigt was match winner in the 1500 Grand Aggregate followed by Brad Hanson (from Calgary P.D.) and Gary Crane. High Canadian Shooter was Dan Bennett from Alberta P.D. (Retired). Steve Voigt won the 4" service revolver match with a score of 479-35x. Daryl Cross won the off duty sidearm match with a score of 479-38x and the stock semi-auto match with a score of 477-34x. Steve Voigt won both the revolver and semi-auto distinguished matches. Congratulations to Brad Hanson and Ralph Lettau who were awarded points in the distinguished revolver match; and to Jay Osborn and Curtis Bearchum who were awarded points in the distinguished semi-auto match. Jay Osborn, Kurt Bearchum, Robert Maier, and Dan Russie of Hanford Patrol won both the revolver and semi-auto 4-man team matches. Steve Voigt and Curtis Bearchum of Hanford Patrol won both the revolver and semi-auto 2-man team matches.



Curtis Bearchum and Steve Voigt winner of both the revolver and semi-auto 2-man team matches

### **Governor's Top 20**

There are two matches left this year, both in Seattle. If you are short a couple of matches to make the Gov's 20 list or want to try to raise your score come on out and shoot at the November 15th and December 6th matches.

### **Current standings for the 2008 Governor's Top 20**

The average as of 10/25/08:

Name	Total/Average
Voigt, Steve	1485.1676
Bearchum, Curtis	1475.5008
Cross, Daryl	1473.1674
Lettau, Ralph	1471.1674
Pronovost, Pat	1450.6674
Russie, Dan	1449.6673
Persell, Tom	1444.0006
Sorsdahl, Russ	1443.5006
Trowbridge, Gary	1440.1672
Upton, Jim	1439.0006
Bearchum, Kurt	1439.0006
Osborn, Jay	1438.1672
Haakensen, Mike	1436.5006
Kissler, Charles	1430.8339
Miller, Byron	1423.1671
Pruitt, Richard	1421.8338
Oberg, Bill	1420.3338
Caldart, Brian	1412.8338
Maier, Robert	1410.8339
Stoddart, Robert	1403.0004
O'Neill, Darrell	1397.0004
Waters, Gary	1377.3337
Payne, Stewart	1347.3337
Rochon, Rodney	1346.1670
Reynolds, Jon	1063.1669
Hanson, Brad	972.8338
Marquess, Ken	858.3335
Lynch, Kelly	853.5002
Wallays, John	678.8335
Parrish, Maurice	612.6673
Manion, Jeanne	605.8335
Schmidt, Kevin	577.3335
Shatto, Rollie	475.3335
Manion, Robert	444.8334
Snyder, Jim	423.6667
Young, Mark	421.3334
Hickman, Patrick	129.1667

Total/Average is the average of top 6 match scores for those that had paid memberships by May 2008

**Match 16, 19, and 21 Results**

As you all know we have added some matches and aggregated matches to the State and Regional programs to try to come up with a Mini-National format. Last year we had only six people who shot all courses of fire and were able to compete in Match 21. This year we had 13 competitors who were able to compete in Match 21. Way to go! Let's try to get 18 shooters competing in Match 21 next year. The match 22 scores are the two 1500 scores that were shot at the Regional Match in Seattle. The award certificates will be handed out at the banquet at next years Regional Match.

WSPPA Individual Service Pistol Aggregate – Match 16  
July 19-20, 2008

<b>Name</b>	<b>Off Duty Sidearm</b>	<b>4" Revolver</b>	<b>Stock Semi Auto</b>	<b>Match 16 Aggregate</b>	<b>Certificate Awards</b>
Cross, Daryl	478-29X	475-27X	473-30X	<b>1426-86X</b>	Match Winner
Voigt, Steve	470-31X	478-40X	470-25X	<b>1418-96X</b>	First Place High Master
Crane, Gary	472-27X	475-28X	475-25X	<b>1422-80X</b>	First Place Master
Bearchum, Curtis	467-27X	470-28X	478-25	<b>1415-80X</b>	
Gross, Shawn	466-24X	466-28X	472-25X	<b>1404-77X</b>	
Hanson, Brad	450-25X	454-29X	469-22X	<b>1373-76X</b>	
Russie, Dan	477-33X	474-26X	467-21X	<b>1418-80X</b>	First Place Expert
Persell, Tom	450-18X	477-27X	450-15X	<b>1377-60X</b>	
Pronovost, Pat	457-21X	469-30X	435-16X	<b>1361-67X</b>	
Haakensen, Mike	445-15X	463-20X	448-11X	<b>1356-46X</b>	
Bearchum, Kurt	466-29X	471-30X	470-26X	<b>1407-85X</b>	First Place Sharpshooter
Upton, Jim	466-22X	470-28X	461-25X	<b>1397-75X</b>	Second Place Sharpshooter
Sorsdahl, Russ	457-24X	459-21X	455-15X	<b>1371-60X</b>	
Kissler, Charlie	463-22X	450-19X	451-17X	<b>1364-58X</b>	
Osborn, Jay	453-16X	466-22X	442-17X	<b>1361-55X</b>	
Caldart, Brian	458-25X	450-20X	441-21X	<b>1349-66X</b>	
Waters, Gary	441-8X	458-15X	432-10X	<b>1331-33X</b>	
Bennett, Dan	459-15X	447-15X	459-20X	<b>1365-50X</b>	First Place Marksman
Payne, Chip	431-14X	433-9X	441-11X	<b>1305-34X</b>	

WSPPA President's Match – Match 19  
August 9-10, 2008

<b>Name</b>	<b>Revolver Distinguished</b>	<b>Semi Auto Distinguished</b>	<b>Match 19 Aggregate</b>	<b>Certificate Awards</b>
Voigt, Steve	590-36X	589-33X	<b>1179-69X</b>	Match Winner
Cross, Daryl	589-29X	587-28X	<b>1176-57X</b>	First Place Master
Hanson, Brad	571-21X	564-24X	<b>1135-45X</b>	
Bearchum, Curtis	564-16X	568-17X	<b>1132-33X</b>	
Crane, Gary	551-14X	569-18X	<b>1120-32X</b>	
Lettau, Ralph	569-19X	549-17X	<b>1118-36X</b>	
Russie, Dan	572-23X	568-20X	<b>1140-43X</b>	First Place Expert
Upton, Jim	541-22X	562-17X	<b>1103-39X</b>	
Pronovost, Pat	519-6X	561-16X	<b>1080-22X</b>	
Persell, Tom	463-21X	564-19X	<b>1027-40X</b>	
Oberg, Bill	516-9X	458-14X	<b>974-23X</b>	
Osborn, Jay	566-13X	574-18X	<b>1140-31X</b>	First Place Sharpshooter
Bearchum, Kurt	568-24X	562-18X	<b>1130-42X</b>	
Stoddart, Robert	536-15X	507-5X	<b>1043-20X</b>	
Kissler, Charlie	557-21X	484-11X	<b>1041-32X</b>	
Sorsdahl, Russ	508-23X	502-10X	<b>1010-33X</b>	

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WSPPA Special Aggregate Match – Match 21  
August 9-10, 2008

Name	Match 16	Match 19	Match 22	Match 21 Aggregate	Certificate Awards
Voigt, Steve	1418-96X	1179-69X	2950-166X	<b>5547-331X</b>	Match Winner
Cross, Daryl	1426-86X	1176-57X	2872-107X	<b>5474-250X</b>	First Place Master
Bearchum, Curtis	1415-80X	1132-33X	2924-136X	<b>5471-249X</b>	
Crane, Gary	1422-80X	1120-32X	2925-125X	<b>5467-237X</b>	
Hanson, Brad	1373-76X	1135-45X	2925-153X	<b>5433-274X</b>	
Russie, Dan	1418-80X	1140-43X	2865-115X	<b>5423-238X</b>	First Place Expert
Upton, Jim	1397-75X	1103-39X	2840-102X	<b>5340-216X</b>	
Pronovost, Pat	1361-67X	1080-22X	2860-110X	<b>5301-199X</b>	
Persell, Tom	1377-60X	1027-40X	2863-105X	<b>5267-205X</b>	
Bearchum, Kurt	1407-85X	1130-42X	2857-96X	<b>5394-223X</b>	First Place Sharpshooter
Kissler, Charlie	1364-58X	1041-32X	2760-92X	<b>5165-182X</b>	
Osborn, Jay	1361-55X	1140-31X	2620-84X	<b>5121-170X</b>	
Sorsdahl, Russ	1371-60X	1010-33X	2549-81X	<b>4930-174X</b>	

**ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

The annual WSPPA membership meeting will be held after the match in Seattle on November 15<sup>th</sup>.

Election of Officers will be held, the Match Schedule for 2009 will be determined, as well as discussion of new and old business.

**A Note of Thanks**

Since WSPPA does not have its own web page, we would like to thank Tom Giboney for making a WSPPA section on the Seattle Police Athletic Association (SPAA) web page. Tom has done a very nice job posting the WSPPA match schedule, newsletters and match results on the SPAA web page. You can check out the WSPPA information at [www.spaarange.com](http://www.spaarange.com) then click on the shooting competition page.

**2009 Membership Applications**

As a reminder the 2009 WSPPA membership dues are now \$25.00 (U.S. funds). Please fill out a WSPPA 2009 membership application and send it and the money to Dan Russie at the address listed on the application.

Please do not wait until the end of May to send in your membership application. Help out your association treasurer and secretary by sending in your application and money early. A drawing will be held for all the members that have their application in by Dec. 31, 2008. The winner will get a nice baseball hat with the WSPPA logo on it.

Thanks to the following members who have paid their 2009 dues. Charlie Kessler, Mike Haakensen, Robert Kadow, Gary Trowbridge, Pam and Marc Wheelwright, Darrell O'Neill, Russell Sorsdahl, and Dan Russie.



Photo by Dan Russie - 2007

Happy 233<sup>rd</sup> Birthday to all you Marines on  
November 10<sup>th</sup>.

And to all Veterans we thank you for your  
service and remember you on November 11<sup>th</sup>.

**UPCOMING MATCH DATES TO REMEMBER**

Date	Time	Sponsor	Location
11/15	0930	Snohomish	Seattle
		Annual Membership Meeting	
12/6	0930	WSP	Seattle

**2009 W.S.P.P.A APPLICATION FORM**



TO BE COMPLETED BY SECRETARY/ TREASURE  
Date Paid .....  
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NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
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AGENCY: \_\_\_\_\_ RANK: \_\_\_\_\_

REGULAR  RESERVE  RETIRED  OUT OF STATE  MILITARY POLICE  CIVILIAN

HOME ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EXT \_\_\_\_\_

**E-MAIL ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_ (The fastest way to get match bulletins)

N.R.A. MEMBERSHIP NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

N.R.A. P.P.C. **Revolver** CLASSISFICATION (Check One)

High Master  Master  Expert  Sharpshooter  Marksman  Classified  Unclassified

N.R.A. P.P.C. **Semi-Auto** CLASSISFICATION (Check One)

High Master  Master  Expert  Sharpshooter  Marksman  Classified  Unclassified

**MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE \$25 PER YEAR AND INCLUDE:**

- SCHEDULE OF STATE, NRA APPROVED AND REGISTERED MATCHES
- REFRESHMENTS AT EACH MATCH AND A DISCOUNT OF \$2.00 ON ENTRY FEES OF REGULAR MONTHLY MATCHES
- WSPPA NEWSLETTER & MONTHLY STATEWIDE MATCH RESULTS
- ELIGIBILITY FOR WASHINGTON STATE GOVERNORS TWENTY (APPLICATION MUST BE DATED NO LATER THAN THE LAST MATCH OF MAY 2008)
- MEMBERSHIP IN THE LARGEST POLICE FIREARMS ASSOCIATION IN THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

Monthly match fees are \$17.00 for non-members, \$15.00 for members and are for the 1<sup>st</sup> N.R.A. 1500 P.P.C. Aggregate only, \$10.00 will be charged for the second P.P.C Aggregate. Other matches fired are at additional cost as determined by the match sponsors. The match sponsor will supply a copy of the complete match bulletin for any match upon request. A copy of the W.S.P.P.A. Constitution and bylaws are available upon request to the association secretary.

Direct applications and FEES to:

Make Checks  
Payable to: **WSPPA**

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Any application received without the FEES attached will be returned. Please make sure that you include a check with your application.