



# Williams Sportsman's Club

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## "On Target!"



August 2021

### President's Message

*Your Williams Sportsman's Club has experienced an uptick in new members in the last two months. This is welcome news and WSC will always strive to make your shooting experience at our Range a pleasant and SAFE event. Standardization of Range Operations serves to keep all the shooters on the same page regarding what actions are allowed at any given point in time while the Range is operational.*

*Our Range Safety Officers strive to promote the concept of standardization and members are asked to become familiar with and adhere to these standards.*

*At times a review of key safety items is warranted by all users—especially for those that do not frequent the Range on a regular basis. Upon arrival the very first thing everyone needs to do is check in with the RSO to determine status of the Range—Hot or Cold. This determines exactly what is allowed in terms of moving your firearms either to the staging area short of the shooting benches or to the shooting benches. The area between the yellow and red lines further defines how firearms may or may not be handled depending on whether the Range is Hot or Cold.*

*Handling of firearms is only allowed when the Range is Hot and usually involves active shooting when muzzle control is paramount.*

*A Cold Range allows for administrative activities such as target replacement and brass pickup.*

*Before you pull the trigger always know your target and what is beyond it—this discipline will serve you well in any shooting scenario.*

*It takes a team effort - all shooters and the RSO - to keep WSC Range operations SAFE.*

Keith Heimes  
President

## **Announcements**

### **Friends of the NRA annual Fund Raiser - Mark your Calendars!**

Saturday September 18, 2021 at Miss Kitty's Steakhouse 642 E. Route 66, Williams, AZ

This event always sells out and there are only about 75 seats left. They can sit groups together (4-8-12, etc.) and are always looking for Donations to auction off and Volunteers to work the event.

Go to [www.friendsofnra.org/eventtickets/Events/Details/3?eventId=58550](http://www.friendsofnra.org/eventtickets/Events/Details/3?eventId=58550) or contact Patty Williams at (928) 853-4974 or [pwilliamsweat@gmail.com](mailto:pwilliamsweat@gmail.com) for more information.

See the last page of this newsletter for the ticket application form.

### **Commendation for WSC Received**

*Good afternoon Keith,*

*I wanted to thank the WSC for the excellent range and continued support that we receive during our training. Weather conditions suspended operations for an hour and a half on Wednesday, but the remainder went off without a hitch. The additional shade is greatly appreciated. Thank you again for supporting our program initiatives.*

*Regards,*

*Stevan Borozan  
Court Security Officer Training Specialist  
Education Services Division  
Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC)  
Arizona Supreme Court*

## **Club Management**

### **Monthly meetings**

WSC Board and General meetings are held the second Wednesday evening of every month starting at 5:30 PM at the American Legion Hall, 425 West Grant Ave. All WSC members and the public are welcome to attend.

### **August 14, 2021 Board Meeting Highlights –**

- The current WSC membership stands at 225.
- The board approved the purchase of generic business cards for new member recruitment, and info on WSC contacts, shooting range, and sporting clays.

- A request for a weather resistant brochure dispense at the Range entrance was approved. A follow on order of additional brochures are expected soon.
- An update regarding ongoing Range Improvements was presented. A covered RSO work station, Pistol ramada rear shelving, parking lot improvements, and a locker for targets will be set for completion late summer / early fall.
- A donation of five 5 year family WSC memberships was approved for the Friends of the NRA fundraiser. The NRA is a significant source for range improvement funding grants.
- The board was given a presentation on the Ladies' Only Handgun Orientation set for August 29<sup>th</sup>.
- Rodger Ely briefed the board on the "9-11 Stand Down" events scheduled for Friday Sept 10th and Saturday Sept 11th. Friday's events will be held at the "Shed" from 0900-1400 and volunteers would be appreciated. Saturday will be the parade and subsequent lunch at the Legion Hall. All are welcome. More info coming out in the local newspaper.
- The board will evaluate the cost benefits of purchasing a WSC banner for display at public events.
- A fall "turkey shoot" or something similar was discussed and the board agreed that this would be good for the Club and to encourage membership. Warren and Keith will research the details and present same at the September board meeting.

### Next WSC Board meeting

September 8, 2021 at 5:30 PM.

## Range Activities

### New Range Targets donated to WSC

Mike Lessnick, new WSC member and owner of Rubber Dummies 3D Tactical Targets, donated two training targets to the WSC. Mike recently relocated his business and family to the Williams area and is also slated to become a WSC Range Safety Officer soon. Check out his company's products here -> <https://rubberdummies.myshopify.com/>



These targets will handle any caliber up to .50 BMG, however to extend their life span **ball ammo only** shall be fired at them as hollow point bullets significantly increase 'wear and tear.' The targets are restricted for use on the pistol ranges only at this time.

**NOTE to RSO's** - These targets will be stored in the conex when not requested for use. A light coat of white paint after each use will refurbish them to "like new" condition.

*A big THANK YOU to Mike Lessnick for allowing us to utilize these targets!*

## **Range Improvement Project**

### **Next**

A covered RSO work station, rear shelving for the pistol ramadas, parking lot improvements, and a locker for targets will be set for completion late summer / early fall.

## **WSC Shotgun Activities**

The abundant moisture that Northern Arizona has received in recent weeks has been most welcome. Forest fire potential is reduced significantly, abundant grasses are growing, and the smell of fresh rain is always welcome.

But as with most things in life, there are sometimes negative consequences—and such is the case when we are talking about Sporting Clays—specifically the effect that high humidity has on the clays. Seems they tend to absorb high humidity which adds weight and also causes them to lose some structural integrity.

Our July shoot proved these points as we experienced a higher than normal breakage rate (not caused by lead shot) and the responsiveness of the clays could best be described as “sluggish”. The average humidity for the days leading up to the shoot were high—in the 80% range for several days.

Looking forward to our August shoot, the clays have been sequestered in a low humidity environment and will be loaded in the throwers just prior to commencement of shooting. We hope this procedure will reduce breakage rates and provide more dynamic flight profiles to challenge even the most experienced wing shooters. Only time will tell!!!

## **Range Safety Officers**

### **New RSO - Greg Stroud**

Please welcome Greg to our RSO cadre! He will be a tremendous asset to our group.

### **New RSO Work Station**

The board approved the construction of a work station that will provide some protection from the elements and a countertop area to maintain the sign in board and membership application forms. It will be an extension attached to the rear of the northernmost Rifle Ramada and have paver flooring, chairs and some cabinetry.

This work will be coordinated with proposed Pistol ramada rear shelving, parking lot improvements, and a locker for targets set for completion late summer / early fall.

Once these items are in place new aerial photographs will be posted on our website

## Tactical Tips



### ***Keep your Shooting Irons Clean & Ready!***

After you practice shooting your self-defense gun you should clean it. You are betting your life on the gun working when you need it the most so why wouldn't you!

Or do we need to arrange a motivational session with “The Gunny” to assist you?

## Membership Report

### New Members

Here are 17 new members who have joined since our July 2021 WSC membership meeting -

Ellis Family – Guy, Preashni, Sonali & Kailash

Pascalev Family – Pascal, Josee & Gabriella

Butch Keiningham

Ken Ehlers

Laura Straub

Gregory Stroud

Greg Hillman

Chris Neel

Walter Krushinsky

Jeff Hillman

Mike Lessnick

Fredrick Brane



### **The Medic's Corner** - by Annette Perkins, BSN-RN-BC & WSC RSO

Hello Everyone!

A minor change on this month's Medic's Corner topic so the K-9 First aid lesson will be addressed in the September installment. This month I am presenting a trauma scenario that occurred in my neighborhood and how the injuries were treated by this immediate responder(pre-EMS).

On a quiet Saturday evening, neighbors called me to help with a bicycle accident. I arrived at the neighbor's home, grabbed my trauma kit, and made my way to the injured person. The 55 year old female was sitting on the cinder driveway and clutching her right arm in obvious distress. I noticed that the right knee had a large 4 to 5 inch gash which had minor bleeding, was quite deep, and was full of cinders and dirt. There were several family members on scene and a young child surrounding the patient. What would your first action be in this scenario?

The first step with any trauma is to **Assess** the scene for safety, don gloves, and begin the ongoing assessment of the individual. One of the bystanders was on the phone with 911

requesting an ambulance. Another assisted the children away from the scene as they were becoming quite upset. These actions left two, able bodied adults to assist as needed. The injured person was able to describe how her injuries occurred and what hurt – her right arm, which she was clutching to her side, and her right knee.

In a trauma situation, the acronym **M.A.R.C.H** is used to manage the steps of trauma treatment.

**M - Manage Hemorrhage** (bleeding). If the bleeding is spurting, squirting, soaking, or pooling, Stop the Bleed Training recommends the application of a tourniquet or a pressure dressing. In this scenario I first chose to flush the wound with a Normal Saline Spray to better visualize the wound. The bleeding from the wound did not require a tourniquet but it did require a roll of gauze packing and the application of a T3 pressure dressing. T3 Pressure dressings are available through any number of reputable medical supply businesses. In a pinch, an ACE wrap can be used to apply pressure over the gauze wrap to apply pressure to a wound.

**A - Airway**. The question asks, “Does the individual have a clear airway?”. Our scenario patient did have a clear airway as she was able to talk to me throughout the interventions.

**R - Respirations**. The question asks, “Is the individual breathing in a normal manner, too fast or too slow?” This individual was breathing too fast. Normal respirations for an adult are 16-20 breaths per minute, and I counted 28-32 breaths per minute. While this is not unusual with trauma victims it is best to calm the patient and remind them to breath in through the nose and exhale through their mouth. Pain and anxiety are often the cause of rapid breathing.

**C - Circulation**. The question asks, “Does the individual have pulses at all four extremities (arms, legs), is the skin color normal, flushed or pale, is the temperature of the skin normal, warm or cool?” This individual had good pulses at her feet and at the left wrist. The right wrist pulse was weak. The individual had severe pain to the upper, right arm. My assessment was that there was a fracture of the arm and/or a dislocation of the right shoulder. I treated this injury by immobilizing the entire right arm with a sling without any repositioning of the arm or shoulder. I also applied ice packs to the right knee and right shoulder area.

**H - Hyperthermia/Hypovolemia**. This question asks, “Is the patient too warm or too cool?” In all trauma situations it is vital to protect the individual’s body temperature. I carry a lightweight, reflective ‘blanket’ for warm/hot months and a much warmer ‘blanket’ for cold months. The blankets protect the patient from environmental heating or cooling. This is also a standard care for treating a patient in shock or at risk for shock - especially if there has been blood/fluid loss.

Once these assessments and interventions were completed, I positioned myself behind the patient to support her in a position of comfort until the paramedics arrived and continued to monitor/observe all the points of **M.A.R.C.H**. and to monitor for shock. The fire department and ambulance arrived about 20 minutes from the call to 911. The EMT’s only had to load the patient onto a gurney, receive the report of the mechanism of injury (fall from bicycle), and

note observable injuries and the treatments that were applied to the injuries prior to their arrival.

The individual did require surgical debridement, placement of two drainage tubes and a wound vacuum to the injured right knee. The knee was immobilized post operatively and will require physical therapy and wound care. The right, upper arm was fractured and required immobilization and ongoing physical therapy. I have included a photo of the trauma kit I carry/use, and of the right, knee wound for visuals.

So, would your responses to this scenario, align with mine? Do you have the training and tools to be an immediate responder? Every person is capable of the interventions outlined in this scenario so seriously consider a Basic First Aid course and/or attend a Stop The Bleed presentation. Until September, be safe and enjoy our monsoon weather!

Looking forward to seeing you out on the range!



*Knee injury*



*My Trauma Kit*

## **Quotable Quote**

*"Those who hammer their guns into plows will plow for those who do not."* Thomas Jefferson

## **Gun Shows Info**

Go to [arizonagunshows.net](http://arizonagunshows.net) and/or [gunshowtrader.com](http://gunshowtrader.com) for the most up to date information before traveling.

Aug 14-15    Lake Havasu

Aug 21 -22      Flagstaff, Tucson  
Sept 4-5        Las Vegas, Yuma  
Sep 11-12      Phoenix  
Sep 18-19      Tucson  
Sep 25-26      Springerville

## Snap 'Shot' of Ed McGivern



Ed McGivern was born in Omaha, Nebraska, in 1874. He was a short (only 5'5"), stocky man whose appearance earned him the nickname "Stumpy," and he worked as a sign painter in Montana.

As a youth, he developed a fascination with firearms and uncanny skill at combining speed and accuracy with handguns. Experimentation revealed he could fire double-action revolvers faster than semi-auto pistols, and it was

with revolvers he performed his most famous feats. As McGivern's fame spread, he gave up sign painting for exhibition shooting, and he pursued that career until severe arthritis in his hands later forced him to retire.

McGivern specialized in hitting aerial targets as well as hitting two targets while firing two different revolvers simultaneously. As the number of targets increased, so did his need for speed, to which he devoted most of his career.

According to "The Guinness Book of World Records," McGivern's crowning achievement occurred on September 13, 1932, when he fired five shots two times from 15 feet, and the groups could be covered by a 50-cent piece. He did that in 0.45 seconds.

McGivern could hit a dime on the fly, drive a tack or nail into wood with bullets, hit six simultaneously hand-thrown skeet targets before they hit the ground, hit a tin can hand-thrown 20 feet in the air six times before it hit the ground, and shoot the spots out of playing cards or even split a playing card edge. He was also ambidextrous and fired all of his revolvers in double-action mode.



In his book "Burning Powder," McGivern revealed his favorite revolver: "The double-action .38 S&W Special Target revolver, with a 6-inch barrel, having a gold bead front sight, is the best all-around gun to be had for this work. The McGivern gold bead front sight is...standard equipment on all my revolvers." He did not use ergonomic target-type grips but fitted his revolvers with factory checkered walnut grips.

McGivern was also heavily involved in writing, training police officers, developing revolver sights and, with his friend Elmer Keith, revolver cartridges and long-range handgun shooting.

**The Grump – "Here's my opinion – ought to be yours!"**



*Keith, I fully support your suggestion to remodel the RSO office at the range!*

**Trading Post**

**WSC Trading Post**

Send the information to [wscz2020@hotmail.com](mailto:wscz2020@hotmail.com) with "Item for Sale" in the 'Subject' box. Be sure to include your name, email, phone, a good description, price, and a picture (optional). Notification to the WSC that the item is no longer available and should be stricken from the listing is the responsibility of the member. All sales or exchanges shall be considered private party transactions and compliance with mandated transfer requirements, if any, shall be the responsibility of the individual parties.



**GRAND CANYON COMMITTEE ANNUAL FUNDRAISER**  
**Saturday September 18, 2021 at Miss Kitty's Steakhouse 642**  
**E. Route 66, Williams, AZ**

***Doors open at 4:30 PM. Dinner tickets will NOT be sold at the door. Specify Ribeye Steak or Salmon (Vegetarian Available)***

Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, \_\_\_\_\_ State, \_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Totals -	Qty	Price
Dinner reservations: Each \$65.00	Stk _____ Fish _____	

***EARLY BIRD SPECIAL – Purchase your Tickets BEFORE Saturday, August 14, 2021 & get a chance to Win a \$500 Raffle Ticket Package***

2021 Table offer (8 dinner tickets and an AR-15)	Stk _____ Fish _____	\$2500.00
Ticket Packages \$100, \$200, \$300, \$500, \$1000, & 1,500 Sponsorships \$300 - \$12,500 Call for Special Brochure		

Contact Patty Williams, 928-928-853-4974

***Your Dinner and Raffle tickets will be waiting for you at the door!***

Payment by – CASH, CHECK# \_\_\_\_\_, or Credit Card / Type \_\_\_\_\_ Total \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Sec Code \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Card \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail address a must for receipt \_\_\_\_\_