



# Williams Sportsman's Club

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## "On Target!"



September 2021

### President's Message

*For those shooters who frequent the WSC Range you've seen numerous changes evolve over the past several months. Some might say "why don't you just leave things the way they were" 'cause I felt comfortable with the status quo and "I'm getting too old for all this change stuff"!!! Well, I know that feeling all too well when my wife says, "Dear, let's redecorate the house"!!!!!! Alarm bells sound!!! Is it time for an extended solo vacation???*

*The Range improvements that you've seen have all been "aimed" at one goal—to make your shooting experience safer and more enjoyable. Next time you visit the Range you'll see yet another slight change. The metal target stands have been moved so there is one to the front of each shooting bench, including the pistol bays. 'Why,' you ask — the goal being to declutter the parking lot area and hopefully streamline the process of setting up your targets. Will it work? As they say "only time will tell", but your feedback is welcome.*

*In addition, you will soon see a member check-in station designed to smooth flow the Range sign-in process and consolidate other Range materials such as target frames, staplers, support bags, first aid kits etc.*

*One last item: We are always accepting volunteers. The Range volunteer pay scale is under constant negotiation and our requests for federal assistance funds have been totally ignored. And **we need more RSOs!** WSC now has both the rifle and pistol Range to staff in addition to the Sporting Clays Range. Neither Range can operate without volunteer RSOs.*

*See you at the Range.*

*Keith Heimes  
President*

## **Announcements**

**Are You Signed up? The Friends of the NRA annual Fund Raiser in Williams is next Saturday!**  
Saturday September 18, 2021 at Miss Kitty's Steakhouse 642 E. Route 66, Williams, AZ.

This event always sells out and there may be some tickets still available. Contact Patty Williams at (928) 853-4974 or [pwilliamsweat@gmail.com](mailto:pwilliamsweat@gmail.com) for more information or [www.friendsofnra.org/eventtickets/Events/Details/3?eventId=58550](http://www.friendsofnra.org/eventtickets/Events/Details/3?eventId=58550)

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

### **Arizona State Rifle & Pistol Association Washington's Birthday Rifle Match**

This rifle match is a fundraising effort to support the ASRPA Junior High Power Rifle Team, 'AZ Scorpions and will be held October 16-17, 2021 at the Ben Avery Shooting Facility, Phoenix.

The match will be a modified 50-shot National Match Course in a 4-man team, all fired at 200-yards (Timed – standing, sitting / kneeling, prone). The current NRA High Power Rules shall apply with special modifications so noted in the match flyer. Shooters may use a NRA/CMP Service Rifle or any military, military-surplus or military-style rifle in as-issued condition, or as approved by match director. Optical sights are permitted on modern semi-auto rifles. Go to [www.washingtonsbirthdayriflematch.org](http://www.washingtonsbirthdayriflematch.org) for further details regarding requirements & fees.

### **Our Newsletter**

Feel free to forward our newsletter to your like-minded friends. We're proud of our club and all the efforts we've put in to our Range.

## **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.

### **September 8, 2021 Board Meeting Highlights –**

- The current WSC membership stands at 251.
- Design drafts for WSC informational business cards are coming.
- Range target stand placements discussed.
- The recent Ladies' Shoot was reviewed.
- The Board approved a committee to review the WSC Bylaws for possible updating. A committee will be appointed.

### **Next WSC Board meeting**

October 13, 2021 at 5:30 PM.

## Range Activities

### Ladies Shoot held August 29<sup>th</sup>

The WSC hosted yet another very successful outreach “Ladies Only Handgun Class” providing the ladies of our community with the basic knowledge, skills, and proper attitude necessary to SAFELY own and operate a firearm. The entire 4 hour program was conducted at the Range and began with handgun basics such as types, function and most importantly how to handle a firearm SAFELY. This was followed by live fire practice with each participant paired with an instructor to practice proper stance, loading procedures, grip, sight alignment and trigger squeeze. Approximately 50 rounds of ammo were fired by each shooter. While the main focus was on the safe operation and use of handguns the day ended with .22 rifles and a miniature steel chicken shoot. They all did great!



*See pages 8 - 10 for more pictures.*

The ladies –

Lisa Bettencourt  
Dorothy Hrenchir  
Debbie Jones  
Janet Leger

Kim Lessnick  
Bobbi Lewis  
Nancy Mock

Jenny Rodgers  
Robin Sanger  
Angie Williamson

WSC staff – President Keith Heimes, Program Coordinator Chuck Corcoran, Chief Range Safety Officer Matthew Fleece, and Range Safety Officers Bruce Speirs, Wynn Simon, Jack Douglas, and Chris Mayer.

Information regarding future Ladies Classes can be found at our website, [Williamssportsmansclub.com](http://Williamssportsmansclub.com). If interested you can also email us [wscz2020@hotmail.com](mailto:wscz2020@hotmail.com).

## **Range Improvement Project**

### **New Range Safety Officer Work Station**

This project will provide some cover for the RSO's and it will be an extension attached to the rear of a Rifle Ramada. It will have paver flooring, chairs, and some cabinetry. All shooters will check in here upon arrival at the range.

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

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

## **WSC Shotgun Activities**

### **Sporting Clays**

WSC's membership has increased significantly since we officially introduced our Sporting Clays operation a few months ago. That means it is probably time for a recap of the operation to inform our newest members that WSC does indeed have a Sporting Clays operation.

Our website [www.williamssportsmansclub.com](http://www.williamssportsmansclub.com) has a complete description but here is a synopsis of the operation –

**History:** WSC absorbed what was formally the Flagstaff Clay Target Shooters operation in the fall of 2020. First official WSC shoot was May of 2021.

**Location:** The clays range is located at the Camp Raymond Scout Camp—approximately 12 miles SE of Williams, AZ at the south end of Garland Prairie.

**Shoots:** Conducted the fourth Sunday of each month. Number of shooters desired is from 6-12 with a start time of 0900. Each shoot is on a first come first served basis based on email responses.

The course is designed as a 50 round course of fire. While relatively small in physical layout, it does present a healthy challenge to even the most experienced shooters. If you are interested in busting some clays just shoot an email to [wscz2020@hotmail.com](mailto:wscz2020@hotmail.com) and your name will be added to the master clays email listing.

Come join us!

## Range Safety Officers

### A Question for our Members - Not enough shooting days each month to satisfy you?

#### Answer – We need More Range Safety Officers!

What's a group of dedicated WSC members to do? Maybe you should give serious consideration about becoming an RSO! More RSO's would enable more Range coverage which could provide the possibility of more Range shooting opportunities! Most of your RSO's only pull Range duty about one day per month. Now think about this - What better excuse is there to enjoy a day at the Range than signing yourself up to go to the range! So have you considered becoming a RSO? As a benefit of becoming an RSO you are given the authority to conduct off day range shooting and expanded use of the range facility. Whoopee! Contact WSC Chief Range Safety Officer Matthew Fleece for more information at [wscsz2020@hotmail.com](mailto:wscsz2020@hotmail.com) I'm glad I did and I think you will find it fulfilling too!

#### You too can share in the fun!

From the WSC Bylaws - Section 5. Rights, Privileges and Duties of Members

*a) In that the WSC is maintained for the benefit of every member, each member should strive to share in the responsibility for its continued operation. Therefore, it is vital to the WSC that each member volunteer a portion of his/her time, knowledge and effort as is possible to achieve the goals and objectives of the WSC so the burden of operating the WSC is not consistently placed on just a few members.*

Key phrases –

- Rights, Privileges and Duties of Members
- Maintained for the benefit of every member....
- Each member should strive to share in the responsibility....
- Vital that each member should volunteer...
- So the burden is not consistently placed on a few members....

## Tactical Tips

### You have the right for a carry gun, you want one, now what?

If you believe it is a good idea to have a carry gun it should be something that is practical in size, has good performance, all while being controllable to shoot.

A .22RF derringer is very small and easy to carry but fails the performance requirement terribly. Likewise a .44 S&W Magnum is a superior performer but it is very difficult to master and conceal. Too small just doesn't do the job and too big hurts! Size matters! So what's a guy or gal to do?

One take away from our recent Ladies' Shoot was the experience a few had with the pistols that their husbands said were 'just perfect' for them. Some were too heavy, some too light or too small, for some recoil was an issue, some had sights that were terrible, some were complicated with multiple controls for the safety, magazine release, slide lock, etc., and some had heavy magazine and or slide (recoil) springs that made it a struggle for most folks to load and then rack.

Think about this for a moment. Did you buy your car without getting information first and then not even a test drive? I bet not so why would you do so with your carry gun? While there may not be a 'used gun lot' for you go to and 'kick some tires and look under the hood' and such but there are some alternatives.

Do you have friends who have a few pistols? Are they knowledgeable and experienced? Would they agree to some range time with you so you can try different makes, models and calibers out? And also consider coming to the range a few times just to see what others are doing and shooting. Watch them shoot and note the pistol's ease or difficulty of use. How about the recoil? Ask for their honest opinion, ask the RSO's. You can never get too much info.

## Membership Report

### New Members

Here are 30 new members who have joined since our July 2021 WSC membership meeting -

Forward Family – Jason, Kim, Gavin, Logan

Hillman Family – Greg, Kaliseia, Jeffrey, Kiendrych

Mock Family – Paul, Nancy, Brandon, Elektra, Zach

Wes Purvis

George Chambers

Michael Cosner

Debora Jones

Dina Purvis

Roberta Lewis

Jon Montgomery

Joe Needham

Jonas & Lisa Bettencourt

Richard & Gloria Edwards

Larry & Dorothy Hrenchir

Mark Proudfoot

Judson Swearingen

Angelina Williamson

## Found Property



This nice walking stick was left at our Range. Contact us at [wscsz2020@hotmail.com](mailto:wscsz2020@hotmail.com)



## WSC Lock, Stock & Barrel Trivial Pursuit – Ammo Woes Continue, Why?

### Ammo Crisis to worsen as Biden Administration Bans Import of Ammunition

**NRA-ILA**

INSTITUTE for LEGISLATIVE ACTION

The Biden Administration prohibited the importation of Russian ammunition effective September 7<sup>th</sup>. The NRA believes the restriction seems more aimed at punishing American gun owners and businesses than as a punitive foreign policy against Russia. While Russian ammo makes up a large part of the American ammunition supply it represents only a small percentage of the Russian GDP. This move by Biden will worsen the present supply problems, create more ammunition shortages, and bring higher prices.

For the full article go to <https://www.nraila.org/articles/20210822/biden-administration-bans-importation-of-russian-ammunition>

### 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.

Sep 18-19	Tucson
Sep 25-26	Springerville
Oct 2-3	Queen Creek, Willcox
Oct 9-10	Mesa, Lake Havasu City, Yuma, St Johns
Oct 16-17	Prescott, Kingman
Oct 23-24	Wickenburg, Tucson
Oct 29-30	Casa Grande

### The Grump – “Here’s my opinion – ought to be yours!”



*Don't irritate us old people. The older we get, the less "Life in prison" is a deterrent.*

*Have you ever listened to someone for a minute and thought "Their cornbread isn't done in the middle."*

*In life it's important to know when to stop arguing with people and simply just let them be wrong.*

The ladies on the firing line. They all did great!













**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 \_\_\_\_\_