



Williams Sportsman's Club

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"On Target!"



November 2021

President's Message

Change is in the Air!!!!

Shorter days, longer nights and morning chills linger as we long for the sun's warmth to comfort us. How long before we search for the trusty snow shovels and wonder if we should consider a lower elevation hideout for the winter. WSC will endure whatever Mother Nature brings our way and we will adapt to best serve our members. Our hours of operation will slide one hour later – 10 AM to 2 PM - to allow our friend the sun to take some of the chill off the early morning temperatures. If unfavorable weather conditions dictate we will close the Range to membership use. Our website and Facebook page will carry the latest information on Range status and if time permits a club wide email will also be issued. From this point forward make it a routine to check the website regarding Range open/closed status.

As we head into 2022 here are some changes you need to be aware of – We will be asking our members to pick up their brass after using the Range and to remove their paper targets from the cardboard backers before storing the target frames. Your consideration will be greatly appreciated as every little bit helps to lessen the workload on our RSOs.

Happy Thanksgiving to each, stay safe throughout the holiday season and we look forward to seeing you in 2022.

Keith Heimes
President

Announcements

New RSO

Everyone please extend a well-deserved 'Congratulations' to Jerry Smiley who is our newest Range Safety Officer!

Former WSC Member & RSO Returns

And also extend a hearty 'Welcome Back!' to Bill Townsend, who has renewed his membership and stepped back in to his position as an RSO.

WSC Assists Veterans Group zero in rifles for Elk Hunt

William's Sportsman's Club hosted a group of U.S. military veterans in late October for an elk hunt sponsored by Combat Warriors Inc., a 501c3 non-profit foundation based out of North Carolina. Their Northern Arizona Chapter coordinated with WSC President Keith Heimes for a visit to the Williams Shooting Range to sight in rifles. Keith said he was happy to assist the group and introduce more visitors to Williams and the shooting range saying "That's one of the founding reasons the shooting range was created by the city — to entice visitation while also providing a resource to visiting hunters and an ongoing shooting sports venue to the residents of Williams and its outlying neighbors."



Left to Right: Doug Middleton, Jack Tongen and son Remington, Josh Owens, Eileen and Reid Nichols, Dennis Stover (Senior Board Member & event coordinator). The three gentlemen on the left are US Army veterans with Eileen and Reid Nichols assisting with the hunt effort.

Club Management

The "Who's Who" of the WSC -

President - Keith Heimes

Vice President – Bruce Speirs (and Newsletter editor)
Secretary - Sheldon White
Treasurer - Matthew Fleece (and Chief RSO and Website)
Parks and Rec Liaison - Rodger Ely
Board Members-at-Large
 Chuck Corcoran (and Membership Director)
 Annette Perkins
 Jack Douglas
Warren Weir – Sporting Clays Director

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.

November 10th Board Meeting Highlights –

- The new WSC business cards were presented and are now available to all WSC board members and RSOs. Their intended purpose is to provide a ready set of club information for presentation to prospective members and once signed and dated by an RSO can also serve as a “shoot one time free” card.
- An overview of the ongoing range improvement projects was presented.
- The draft SOP update was reviewed. Minor alterations were suggested and will be incorporated into the final revision.

Next WSC Board Meeting

Due to the holiday season and as has been club tradition there will be no WSC Board meeting in December. The next WSC Board meeting will be January 12th at 5:30 PM.

Rifle & Pistol Range Activities

Another Black Power Loading Tool!



For you black powder shooters we have another reloading ‘tool’ for you! Pictured is a small stool alongside one of the black powder loading blocks. Due to the height of the ramada shelves this stool is meant to give those black powder rifles with shorter barrels the needed "lift" to comfortably utilize the loading blocks. This new stool is kept in the conex so if you want to use it in conjunction with the ‘loading block’ just ask the RSO on duty.

Daniel Boone should have joined the WSC!

Picking Up Brass

All users are now required to pick up their brass. This is a requirement of the City of Williams range operations agreement. Of course we need to do our best and as tempered by common sense – especially when we talk about .22RF cases, bad backs and worn out knees. Let's all just do our best. The WSC will provide a "brass recycling" barrel for this purpose.

And to assist all, and especially those who reload or those who want to depart, our new "Cold Range" procedures now permit brass to be picked up at that time. But NO HANDLING OF FIREARMS is permitted during a "Cold Range" status nor will any activity involving firearms or accessories on the benches be allowed!

Got Cardboard? Do your part as this stuff does not just show up all by itself!

The Range is always in need of a steady supply of replacement target frame cardboard and more precisely, nice square pieces that measure 18X36 inches. So if you have been to the range and blasted the center out of your target you should absolutely be contributing some replacement cardboard target material. The only requirement is that YOU must cut it to size at home first before you bring it. And please give us flat, decent quality cardboard for range use. The RSO's and your fellow shooters thank you! We don't buy this stuff folks so take a few minutes and do your part.

Range moves into Winter Schedule of 10 AM – 2 PM

Effective December 1st the Range will start operating under our WINTER schedule of 10 AM – 2 PM – a shift of one hour later in the day to get us more into the warm sunshine. Just because the Grand Canyon Railroad has a Polar Express doesn't mean we need to follow suit! Days the Range will be open remain the same – every Wednesday, Saturday, and the 1st & 3rd Sundays.

Shotgun Range Activities

Next Clays shoot at Camp Raymond November 28th

The start time will be 10 AM and if interested, please contact us at wscsz2020@hotmail.com. Going forward our shoot dates and times will be somewhat weather dependent as we navigate through the busy holiday season. New shooters are always welcome—contact us at the email address listed above to have your contact information added to our master notification listing. More information can be found on our website. Our shoots always prove interesting and challenging to even the experienced folks, so come on out and give it a try. You will have a good time and meet some great folks.

Curious are you? How To Shoot Sporting Clays - Tips for first timers.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vqia71jwGIM>

Range Improvement Project

RSO Ramada

The ramada completion is awaiting materials.

Range Safety Officers

New Range Gate Locks



On the backside of the gate post a new 'Master' lock sporting a grey band has replaced the old large lock with the extra-long octagonal hasp and large round body. Its new key on the PD issued range keys set just also happens to be grey making it easy to identify for those who routinely use the "backside" lock to access the Range. The second 'yellow' banded Master lock remains in service on the highway side. And extra chain links have been added to make opening and closing easier. If any issues arise from accessing or closing the locks, please let Keith know.

Chamber Flags

More are on the way. As a note to all - some RSOs have encountered a few .22's, that due to their small or unusual ejection ports, a chamber flag doesn't fit. Just ensure the weapon is safe and the action is open after calling a 'Cold Range.'

Picking up Brass

To facilitate reloaders and those who want to depart early we will allow brass to be picked up during a Cold Range, but there NO HANDLING OF FIREARMS nor any activities on the benches permitted. We will also have a brass "barrel" available for brass disposal / recycle.

Range Inspections

If something of a serious nature is discovered please contact Keith or Matthew as soon as possible.

Tactical Tips

Pro Tip: How to Zero Your AR-15 with SSG Robby Johnson | Shooting USA

The U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit's Action Pistol Team Member SSG Robby Johnson takes you through setting a zero on your AR rifle. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D4v0hEbW2OM>

Membership Report

Membership Renewals January

As a note to all - Your WSC membership renewal fees will be due in January. Make that item #1 on your New Year's Resolution List!

Recruit a Member

All WSC members are encouraged to spread the good word about all the shooting sports activities and the improvements made to our range facility. You are free to forward our monthly newsletters to those like-minded individuals who are not yet members.

New Members

Here are 9 new members who have joined since our October 2021 WSC membership meeting -

Carol Biocca

William Hopfer

Douglas Howser

James Dastyck

Larry Vespa

Kent & Barbara James

Gary & Lori Perriseau



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

Happy Veteran's Day to all our Veterans past and present!

Know to Expect the Unexpected

The weather has been gorgeous so far, but we all know to expect the unexpected! This is a great time to sort through your medical gear and check for expired items, items that are no longer usable, and to add season specific items to your kit.

One item I add to my car trauma kit is a "Blizzard Blanket" which is designed to prevent hypothermia and treat for shock. These are available at online medical suppliers such as, <https://www.thetacticalmedic.com> and <https://www.northamericanrescue.com>. General winter gear that I keep in the car includes sleeping bag, single burner stove, glow sticks, small battery lantern, water, energy bars, change of socks, spare boots, gloves, and hat. All gear is in the winter stuff sack. Several times I have been stranded on a roadway in winter conditions and have enjoyed being able to sit out the wait in warmth, hydrated and with calories! Having extra clothing available can make the difference in keeping or losing your toes as wet feet in freezing temperatures are experiences best avoided!

So, as we head into winter and the holiday's, take a few minutes to check your gear and kits!

Be Prepared, Be Safe, and Be of Good Health!

Gun Shows Info

Go to arizonagunshows.net and/or gunshowtrader.com for the most up to date information before traveling.

November 13-14, 2021 Mesa, San Tan Valley, Cottonwood

November 20-21 Wickenburg, Tucson
November 27-28 Glendale

Snap 'Shot'

Thanksgiving



Being a sportsman's club and all it probably would have been most appropriate for the WSC to have offered a Turkey Shoot this month. But with all the uncertainties of the pandemic and such it is unclear as to if the turkey target needed to wear a mask or not! And the practice of 'social distancing' appropriate for a distant target it may have required a target out at 1,000 yards! At that distance me, Mr. Tom Turkey, would appear as a fly speck!

*Wishing everyone a hearty, healthy and safe **Thanksgiving!***

WSC Life Member Tom Turkey

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



Why I Like Retirement!

Question: How many days in a week?

Answer: 6 Saturdays, 1 Sunday

Question: When is a retiree's bedtime?

Answer: Two hours after falling asleep on the couch.

Question: What's the biggest gripe of retirees?

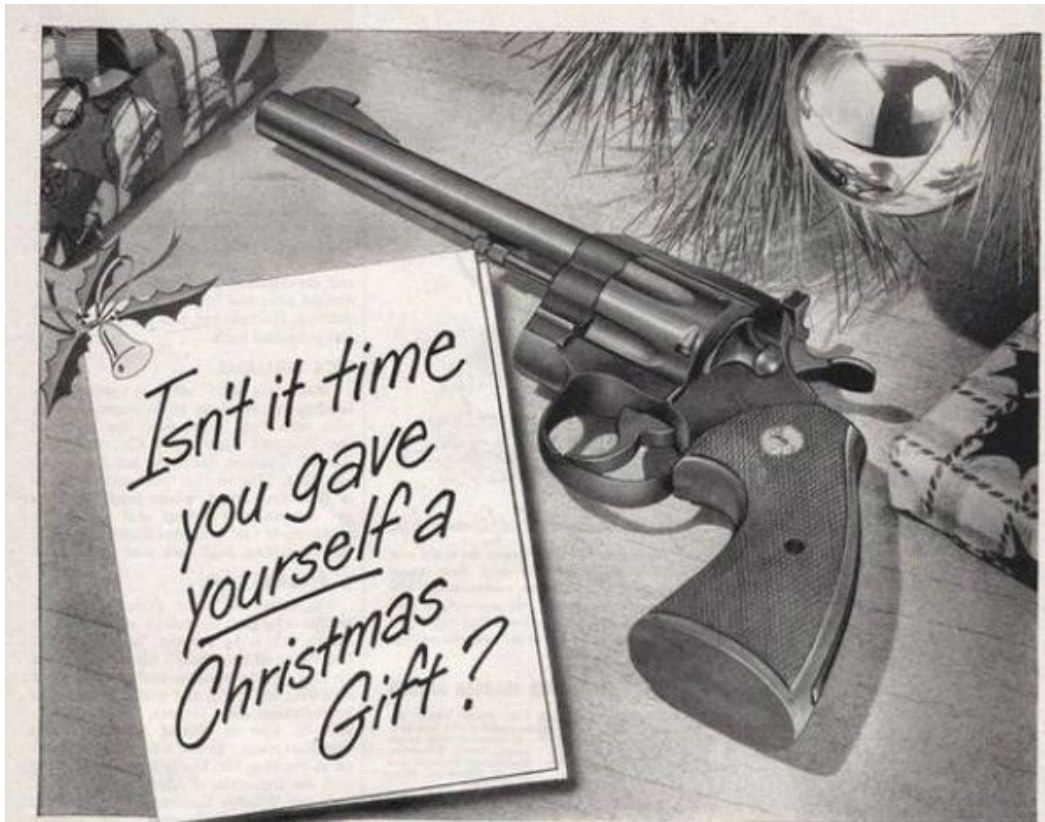
Answer: There is not enough time to get everything done.

Question: Why don't retirees mind being called Seniors?

Answer: The term comes with a 10% discount.

Question: Among retirees, what is considered formal attire?

Answer: Tied shoes.



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A revolver for 10-ring accuracy! Modified tapered barrel (6") for perfect balance. Fast cocking wide hammer spur, full checkered walnut stocks. Colt ACCRO Rear Sight, safety lock.



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\$69.⁴⁰ Caliber: .22 Long Rifle

Holster adaptation of the Match Target model, with round 4½" barrel and quick-draw, holster-free front sight.

It's never too early to start your Christmas gift planning! (1969). While the \$69, \$79, or \$84 prices quoted sound ridiculously cheap just think back as to what prices were at that time. Minimum wage was \$1.30 per hour, gasoline 34 cents a gallon, and .22RF ammunition was \$4.99 per 500 round 'brick.'

Trading Post

How the WSC Trading Post works

Send the information to wscsz2020@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. The condition of firearms, parts and accessories to be listed shall follow NRA standard rating categories. <http://www.nramuseum.org/gun-info-research/evaluating-firearms-condition.aspx>

For Sale – More HBAR Upper Receiver Assemblies – Your choice Colt, FN or Bushmaster



NRA Good Condition M16A2 HBAR uppers, with 20" heavy barrels marked "B MP 5.56 NATO 1/9 H BAR," fixed carry handle, fully adjustable A2 rear sights, bolt forward assist, case deflector, dust cover, birdcage flash hider, bayonet lug, front swivel, Nitride finish, with a barrel twist of 1 rotation in 9 inches. The upper does NOT include bolt, bolt carrier or charging handle. These are 'take offs' from a LE trade in. Specify which make - Colt, FN, or Bushmaster. Note – some of the Colts are the early 'large' takedown pin version for those desiring to build a 'retro rifle.'

\$500 each which includes shipping from Texas.

If interested contact Bruce Speirs 928 412-4129 or bspeirs1055@gmail.com