

Williams Sportsman's Club

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President's Message

These two guys went into a bar----

And it was a self-serve bar totally void of other humans. Seems like a lonely existence huh? Just what were these two gentlemen going to talk about. Inflation? Fuel Prices? Politics? Maybe but I'll bet the age-old standard of "the weather" would certainly be kicked about sooner or later. Most of us are amateur meteorologists with a lifetime of weather experience which by our standards makes us well---experts. I like most, put a degree of trust in the weather forecasts and plan accordingly. The NWS recently indicated that Northern Arizona would be blessed with more snow here in the second week of March—specifically March 10th and 11th with 1-2" of accumulation. As the last rays of daylight dwindle with light snow still falling, I gather up my trusty tape measure, head outside and find close to 4" of the white fully stuff on the ground.

If closure of the Range is required, WSC will use Facebook, our website and email blasts to inform our membership. So please check these sources before heading to the Range. It might just save you from consuming some of that nearly \$5.00 per gallon fuel!!!

Keith Heimes President

Announcements

April 1st Range Schedule changes to summer hours 9 AM to 1 PM – No fooling!

Club Management

The "Who's Who" of the WSC

Also make note that each of these folks, besides serving on the board, also serve as one of your Range Safety Officers and some even have a third duty!

President - Keith Heimes

Vice President – Bruce Speirs (Newsletter editor)

Secretary - Sheldon White

Treasurer - Matthew Fleece (Chief RSO and Website)

Parks and Rec Liaison - Rodger Ely

Board Members at Large -

Chuck Corcoran (Membership Director)

Annette Perkins

Jack Douglas

Sporting Clays Director – Warren Weir

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.

February Board Meeting Highlights -

- Ladies Only Handgun Orientation Events: Approximately 40 ladies on the waiting list.
 First class will be held in May. Exact date TBD. Anticipate 14 ladies maximum which will require a minimum of 8 RSOs.
- RSO Program: RSO hats will be available soon. BOD approved (Fleece motion, Corcoran second, unanimous) to fund purchase of RSO nametags.
- All present at meeting agreed that a RSO appreciation event would be a good idea.
 Event will probably be held at the Range with the date TBD.
- o The Range will be closed several dates in May due to outside training.
- o Friends of the NRA Banquet in Flagstaff May 7th, volunteers requested.
- April 2 & May 7, AZ G&F Hunter Ed Classes at the Range. RSOs needed.

Next WSC Board meeting set for April 13th at 5:30 PM.

Rifle & Pistol Range Activities

Hopefully we have seen the last of the cold white stuff and the need for snow closures stop.

Shotgun Range Activities

Sporting Clays - Sunday March 27th looks like a "Go"!

There has been an eerie silence at the WSC Sporting Clays Range for far too long. November 28, 2021 was the last organized shoot—ole man winter took control after that and has not released his grip since. The rabbits are holed up, the teal went south, and the pigeons are all enjoying what must be an extended hibernation from the snow and cold. When will normalcy return you ask??? If one is to believe extended forecasts, Sunday March 27th might just be witness to all things related to clay busting at the Camp Raymond Range. Higher temps combined with minimal moisture for the next two weeks are looking promising for a shoot. Currently there are 7 folks signed up for the inaugural 2022 event. Emails will be sent to all those on the Clays listing to confirm that the shoot is "a go" and to solicit for more shooters—to round out the number of participants to 12—our desired number of shooters for each shoot. If you are interested in meeting some new folks and enjoying some fast action clay shooting, drop us a line at wscaz2020@hotmail.com and your name will be added to the Sporting Clays contact list.

Range Safety Officers

New RSO

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

Membership Report

New Members

Here are 11 new members who have joined since our February 2021 WSC membership meeting.

Steve & Ramona Auld & family Scott Freedland & family Dawn & Shelly Wrigley
Roland Begue Marie Montoya Lucinda Smiley
Michael Coleman Amanda Radke Carol Stockstell

Tactical Tips

Spring is in the Air!

Time for some of you to freshen up your shooting irons and get out to the range – and that goes double for those of you who depend on a carry gun. A good cleaning and inspection plus fresh ammo are in order. We have also had reports that ammunition stocks are reappearing again on gun shop shelves.

Quotable Quote



Gun Shows Info

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

April

2 & 3	Yuma, Winslow, Prescott Valley
9 & 10	St Johns* Needs confirmation
23 & 24	Bullhead, Phoenix

April 30 – May 1 Tucson

May

14 7 15 Sierra Vista

21 & 22 Kingman, Williams

28 & 29 Springerville

Snap 'Shot' — Is it Spring Schedule yet?



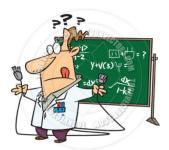




"Look at that rock solid stance!"

"He's frozen solid you ding dong!"

Lock, Stock & Barrel Trivial Pursuit Question – Does Temperature affect Ammunition and if so how? Answer – Yes, but Hot vs Cold have different Effects.



According to Professor Gun go Boom -

Cold - Not so much except that it does slightly lower velocities.

Hot – Absolutely, especially if left in the sun or a hot vehicle trunk.

Expect the powder to degrade and higher velocities. Heat really hurts ammunition longevity.

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



"In a perfect world, you wouldn't need guns. This is not a perfect world." - Sheriff Ben Johnson, Volusia County, Florida

Trading Post

WSC Trading Post – How it works

Send the information to wscaz2020@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.

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

With an NRA rating of 'Good Condition' these M16A2 HBAR uppers have 20" heavy barrels marked "B MP 5.56 NATO 1/9 H BAR," with 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 you want - Colt, FN, or Bushmaster. Note – some of the Colts are the early 'large' takedown pin version for those desiring to build a 'retro rifle.' Private party sale – no tax, \$500 each which includes shipping from Texas. If interested contact Bruce Speirs 928 412-4129 or bspeirs1055@gmail.com