

Williams Sportsman's Club

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"On Target!"

March 2024

Announcements

Range Time Schedule Changes April 1st – No fooling! Every Wednesday, Saturday & Sunday changes to <u>9:00am – 1:00pm</u>.

The "Second Tuesday .22 Shoot at the Range" - New WSC .22 Rimfire Challenge Shoot

This new event will be held monthly, every second Tuesday, starting at 5 PM and will be overseen by WSC President Martin. <u>The first of these monthly events will be held Tuesday April</u> <u>9th</u>. Bring whatever .22RF rifle you have. Our first shoot will be a benchrest event and targets will be provided. Future events will be steel silhouette and other assorted challenges. Prizes will be awarded to the high score shooters. Sounds like fun! Hope to see you there!

Coconino Sheriff Important Crime Alert Presentation – by Jerry Smiley, RSO

<u>Are you unsure of what you should do if you encounter an active shooter?</u> Come learn from our law enforcement experts on self-awareness, situational awareness, and civilian responses to active shooter situations. <u>Coconino Sheriff Jim Driscoll & Chief Deputy Bret Axlund are the featured speakers.</u> This three hour presentation will be <u>9 AM to Noon, Saturday, April 20th</u>. Snacks and refreshments provided - No RSVP required. Flyer coming your way too.

Lady's Handgun Course Coming Soon! - by Wynn Simon, Chief Range Safety Officer

Want to learn more? <u>Be sure to sign up</u> for our upcoming Lady's Handgun Course. This course is designed for women new to shooting (or those who want to refresh their handgun skills) to learn basic handgun safety and use. The \$30.00 registration fee will cover your targets, instruction time, and a year membership to the Williams Sportsman's Club! <u>Sign-ups will be</u> taken at the Sheriff's Crime Alert Presentation. Class date projected to be May / June 2024.

WSC Offering Youth Basic Rifle Marksmanship Course – by Chris Mayer, Board member & RSO Attention all WSC Parents and Grandparents! Your WSC will be conducting a Basic Rifle marksmanship program for children 9 to 17 years old. The program will utilize .22RF rifles and the WSC will supply the ammunition. If the youth does not have a rifle the WSC will supply one. <u>There is no cost for the course</u> however donations for the cost of targets and ammunition will be accepted. The WSC trainers are certified instructors and the WSC will have sufficient RSOs present to ensure range safety. The parent / guardian is responsible for their transportation to and from the range.

<u>All participating youths</u>, after their successful completion of the Basic Marksmanship Course, <u>will be awarded a FREE "WSC Youth Membership"</u> which will permit them full access to the WSC Range to maintain and improve their new shooting sports skills until they turn 18. At that time they would need to change their membership to an adult status.

<u>What you need to do and why</u>. The <u>WSC needs to know NOW</u> how many youths would be interested in attending. The time frame will be Saturdays in the late spring / summer. Email the club with your name & number, the youth(s)' name(s), ages, and if they have a rifle to use or not. Or if you just want further info do the same wscaz2020@hotmail.com

'Stop the Bleed' Class – by Annette Perkins, Secretary & RSO

Again this year your WSC is planning a "Stop the Bleed" class to our membership and Williams area residents in the June time frame. This training will provide you skills that can save a life! Stay tuned for the latest info and a club wide email, web postings, and community outreach will commence as soon as the details are finalized.

Range Gate Locked? – by Martin Martin, President & RSO

If the range gate is locked during scheduled hours the range is closed. Remember we share the range with other users and sometimes we may close early or even for the entire day due to weather. Also the USFS permit requires us to close the range access road if it is excessively muddy to prevent deep ruts and surface damage. We attempt to notify all WSC members about range closures and apologize for any inconvenience. Thank you for understanding. As always – Check the WSC website before traveling.

Protecting Your Freedom – by Martin Martin, President & RSO

If you are interested about your Right to Keep and Bear Arms in Arizona then you may want to consider the Arizona Citizens Defense League (AzCDL). This organization is an all-volunteer, non-profit, non-partisan grassroots effort that believes the emphasis of gun laws should be on

criminal misuse and that law-abiding citizens should be able to own and carry firearms unaffected by unnecessary laws or regulations. Visit their website for more info - azcdl.org

Club Management - by Annette Perkins, Secretary & RSO

Monthly meetings

WSC Board and General meetings are held the second Wednesday evening of every month starting at 3 PM at the American Legion Hall, 425 West Grant Ave. All WSC RSOs, members and the public are welcome to attend.

March 13th Board Meeting Highlights -

- Membership cards are to be eliminated as we keep an up to date roster at the Range for RSOs to check.
- Hunters' Ed Class April 14th & RSOs are needed.
- July 11-13 Airgun shoot scheduled, RSOs are needed and \$1,00 for reimbursable expenses approved.
- Range ADA improvements on hold until USFS permit is renewed and requirements become known.
- Budget proposal in process.
- Adal Lopez promoted to Senior Range Safety Officer.
- Newsletter format revision approved.
- Establishment of a WSC phone line for messaging discussed and the WSC Sporting Clays Facebook page is unusable until the administrator sign-in can be retrieved.
- Paper target are in the Target Stand cabinet.
- USFS and the City of Williams beginning the Range permit renewal process.
- The Williams Gun show dates are June 29 & 30, 2024 and September 28 & 29, and the Flagstaff shows are June 1 & 2 and August 10 &11, 2024. The club plans to have a recruitment table Saturdays only.
- The annual Friends of NRA Banquet will take place at the Rodeo Steakhouse 950 N.
 Grand Canyon Blvd. Williams, AZ. on August 24th at 4:30. Please visit https//:friendsofnra.org for information and tickets.
- Treasurer's report given.
- Membership Report given.
- The WSC Board voted unanimously to designate the Sporting Clays Range in remembrance of Keith Heimes and to acknowledge his hard work, dedication & devotion to the shooting sports. Private funds have been secured and the project will be handled by Matthew Fleece.
- Thank you letter to be issue acknowledging donation of shotguns and clay throwers.

Next WSC Board meeting set for April 10th at 3 PM.

Rifle & Pistol Range Activities – by Bill Cannon, RSO

Practical Pistol Challenge Saturday April 13th 9 AM – 1 PM - The second Saturday monthly We know you've heard it before "But wait! There's more! It's designed for You – Come out!"

As an alternative to shooting at fixed targets and to advance WSC members' skill sets, the WSC is offering a Practical Pistol Challenge as an additional and fun shooting opportunity. As the title implies, the course of fire is designed to impart 'practical' or a somewhat limited 'real life defensive use' of a pistol or pistol caliber carbine. The WSC Board is enthusiastic about the value this course offers our members and to ensure consistency of operations Bill Cannon has been designated as the Lead RSO to manage these monthly shoots.

It is designed to provide all WSC members an enjoyable time sharpening their shooting skills. The course is designed to be a fun, learning experience for those who carry a defensive pistol or you guys and gals new to pistol shooting - so don't panic as there is no set course of fire that you must follow. This means you may ask and engage all or only certain challenges.

There may be challenges with scenarios consisting of differing targets and target types, reloading demands, movement challenges, timed fire if you want, moving targets, barricade positions, and the opportunity to utilize differing standing, kneeling and prone shooting positions. Members may shoot the course as many times as they desire but if multiple of members are in attendance we will use a rotational order. Bring a box of ammo and a spare magazine or two. If you happen to go to the range when the course is being conducted please go over and check it out. You'll see it is set up to be FUN.

The WSC intends to offer this opportunity ever month and with more frequency as demand justifies. Right now <u>the course will be offered the second Saturday monthly</u> and shall be posted on the website, in the newsletter, and at the Range.

Mark your calendars for Saturday April 13th – RSOs Bill Cannon and Dale Vicari will help you.

Shotgun Range Activities – by Warren Weir, Treasurer, RSO & Sporting Clays Director

Next Sporting Clays Shoot - is scheduled for Sunday April 28th at Camp Raymond. If interested email the WSC and we will forward it to Warren.

Range Safety Officers – by Wynn Simon, Board Member & Chief Range Safety Officer

Senior RSO - A well-deserved congratulations goes out to **Adal Lopez** as he was selected to become our first Senior Range Safety Officer (SRSO). This new position was created to serve as a resource to our Range Safety Officers.

Range Safety Officer of the Month - Tim Topell was selected and presented with a \$25 fuel card. Besides being an RSO, Tim also helps WSC Rangemaster Dale Vicari with ongoing range maintenance work.

RSO Training - Continuing educational training for the RSOs was requested.

Membership Report – by Chuck Corcoran, Board member, RSO & Membership Director

New Members Welcome 3 new members who have joined since our February WSC membership meeting –

Ed Lewis Craig & Barbara Vogel

Quotable Quote – From the pages of the Williams Grand Canyon News October 2, 2021

"Our youth are the future of shooting sports activities in this country. Some might take up hunting, some may find competitive shooting their passion, but all of them started here learning safe firearms practices and being introduced to the proper fundamentals of the shooting sports." WSC Past President Keith Heimes

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



Put your money where your mouth is -

Friends of the NRA fund raisers -Prescott April 4:30 PM Flagstaff April 20th 4:30 PM Williams August 24th 4:30 PM

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



Hornady 366 Progressive Shot Shell Reloading Press. Cleaned and lubricated, replaced ball bearings with new and new primer tube filler mechanism.

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Firearms for sale: H&K USP .45 ACP \$850 AMT Backup .45 ACP \$450 Ruger Blackhawk .44 Magnum Revolver \$650 Meet me at the range to try them out.