



Williams Sportsman's Club

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"On Target!"



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Announcements

“.22RF Challenge Shoot at the Range” Wed May 22nd - by Martin Martin, President & RSO

This new event is being held the fourth Wednesday monthly and starts at 5 PM. Bring whatever .22 rimfire rifle you have - bolt, pump, or semi-auto - with either a scope or iron sights, and join in the fun. To keep things fair and fun there are now two categories of shooters – those with iron sights and those with scopes. Also we have moved to a north pistol bay so the sun will not be directly in our eyes. Target each month will change from steel silhouette, steel gongs, field targets, or long distance benchrest. Prizes will be awarded to the high score shooters. Sounds like fun! Hope to see you there! Question? Call Martin (928) 853-2298

WSC Offering Youth Basic Rifle Marksmanship – 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. There is no cost for the course 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. It is open to kids in your neighborhood! We will have a flyer soon.

All participating youths, after their successful completion of the Basic Marksmanship Course, will be awarded a FREE “WSC Youth Membership” which will permit them full access to the WSC Range to maintain and improve their new shooting sports skills. Once they turn 18 they will need to change their membership to adult status.

What you need to do and why. The WSC needs to know NOW how many youths would be interested in attending. The course will be scheduled for Saturdays so 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 -> wscazrange01@gmail.com

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

If the range gate is found locked during scheduled hours, and our “WSC Range Open” sign is not posted, 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, and when range cattle are grazing. 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.

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.

May 8th Board Meeting Highlights –

- Make a Note - The WSC has a new email address of wscazrange01@gmail.com
- Keith Heimes interment 12 noon Friday May 17th at Camp Navajo Veterans' Cemetery.
- Sheriff Crime presentation reviewed.
- Stop the Bleed class had 21 participants – More should learn this life saving skill.
- Ladies shoot - 8 in first class, second session May 19th for 16 more.
- The first .22RF shoot had 14 shooters with Vicki Spencer awarded high shooter.
- Airgun shoot schedule for July 11-13 and RSOs are needed.
- WSC elections in July will be held to fill Secretary position.
- WSC to staff membership recruitment table at Flagstaff and Williams gun shows.
- Youth Basic Marksmanship Course date(s) TBD (June / July). Flyer needed.
- WSC to donate \$200 to WPD for their annual Badges and Bobbers outdoor sporting event. A concurrent request to announce and recruit interested youth for the WSC Basic Marksmanship Course at the event forthcoming.
- Finance report given.
- Membership now at 240 –WSC remains as the largest civic organization in Williams.

- April Sporting Clays shoot snowed out. May shoot set for May 26th.
- Range improvements and repairs reviewed. Entry sign revisions coming.

Next WSC Board meeting set for June 12th at 3 PM.

Rifle & Pistol Range Activities

Practical Pistol Challenge – by Bill Cannon, RSO

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 Practical Pistol Challenge is a fun, no stress, no drama 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 we think you'll agree. 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 for 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 and members may shoot the course as many times as they desire. We will use a rotational order if multiple members are in attendance. Bring a box of ammo and a spare magazine or two.

The WSC intends to offer this opportunity ever month and with more frequency as demand justifies. The course is offered monthly and the date will be posted on the website, in the newsletter, and at the Range. No stress, no embarrassment - just fun!

Mark your calendars for Saturday June 22nd and July 27th – 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 **May 26th** at Camp Raymond. If interested email the WSC at wsczrange01@gmail.com and you will be placed on the monthly notification listing.

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

Range Safety Officer of the Month - A \$25.00 gas card will go to **Bill Cannon**. Bill works diligently and is currently in charge of the monthly Practical Pistol Challenge. Everyone agrees he is doing a great job with this and we hope you make an effort to come out to the Range and check it out. Congratulations Bill!

New RSO – We are pleased to welcome **James Arnold** as our newest RSO.

More Range Safety Officers Needed – by Bruce Speirs, VP & RSO

Not enough shooting days each month to satisfy you? What's a group of dedicated WSC members to do? How about seriously considering becoming an RSO's? More RSO's would enable more Range coverage which could provide the possibility of more Range shooting opportunities! Most of our 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! 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 Wynn Simon for more information at wsczrange01@gmail.com I'm glad I did and I think you will find it fulfilling too! Our membership numbers are growing but we will have lost 3 RSOs by year's end year. Next time you're at the Range have a chat with the RSO for all the details. And that goes for you ladies too! We have an organized system that partners you with an existing RSO and gradually eases you into the program and duties. We don't release you until you feel confident in all aspects of the position. Your kids will be so proud and you'll look great in an orange vest and red hat!

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

New Members

Welcome 17 new members who have joined since our March WSC membership meeting –

Andrew & Angela Hamby
Chuck & Judy Pruettt
Brian Hughes
Larry Lucero

Greg & Melissa Sanecz
Roland & Roxanne Watson
Keith Meyer
James Mikelson

Buck & Patty Williams
Shannon Aleria
Denny Morris
Mike Palmer

Trading Post

WSC Trading Post – How it Works

Send the information to wscazrange01@gmail.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 –

Attention reloaders - Three hundred .41 Magnum bullets and fired cases - \$80 for all or OBO.
Michael Coleman (951) 505-5100 armory@minutemen.us

