

WMSA Board Meeting, 13 Sept, 2017

1. Meeting called to order at 1803. Present were Board members Bill Welden, Sam Underwood, John Easterbrook, Linda Gilbertson, Brenda Silva, John Major, Seth Nadel and Larry Kennedy. Board member George Butcher arrived at 1830. Also present were Cathy Parry, Fred Parry, Jeff Wall, Doug Heckman, Mike Melcher, Vesta Melcher, Dan Fondren, and Tony Silva.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Secretary's Report

A. Motion to Accept- A motion was made by Sam Underwood and seconded by Bill Weldon to accept the minutes of the 13 Aug, 2017 Board meeting as published. Passed unanimously.

4. Treasurer's Report

A. Raffle #3, for the .44 Caliber Uberti cap and ball revolver, netted \$373.12.

B. Motion to pay the bills- Tony Silva presented a \$19.60 bill for postage. Sean Mulkearn had previously presented a \$40.47 bill for AR Class supplies. John Easterbrook presented a \$142.66 for food, supplies, etc, for the range anniversary celebration. Larry Kennedy presented a \$20.00 bill for renewal of the WMSA membership in the AZR&PA. Jeff Wall had a \$68.23 bill for AR class supplies. VIP Awards presented a \$37.84 bill for RSO nametags. Seth Nadel had a \$314.55 bill for target backers and other target materials. Bill Welden presented a \$406.14 bill for target refurbishing materials. A motion was made by Sam Underwood and seconded by John Major to pay these bills. Passed unanimously.

C. Motion to accept- A motion to accept the Treasurer's report as read was made by Bill Welden and seconded by Sam Underwood. Passed unanimously. WMSA currently has \$24,954.88 in the bank. A copy of the Treasurer's report is available in the Secretary's files.

D. Raffle drawing and new raffle- The winner of the Swedish Model 38 rifle was John C. The next raffle will be for a Ruger 10/22 Model 11112 semi-automatic rifle. This is the take-down model of the 10/22. The drawing will be 11 Oct, 2017.

E. 2nd Knoll Target Range generated 483 shooter days for the month of August.

5. Membership Committee Report- As of September 13, 2017 we have 215 memberships, consisting of 99 Family and 116 Individual. Adding the 136 dependant members, that gives us 351 current WMSA members.

6. Range Update

A. RSO report- We have lost 10 RSO's due mostly to people heading south for the winter. Despite that, things are going okay.

7. Old Business

A. Presentation of former AZG&FD Director Voyles' plaque- Seth Nadel will present the plaque, and an honorary lifetime membership in WMSA, to Mr. Voyles at his going away party on 30 Sept.

B. Status of storage container- AZG&FD has okayed the placement of a 40 foot container west of the 100 yard range. Seth Nadel checked prices for such containers at locations in the valley as well as locally. Considering the cost of moving the container and painting it the required Forest Service approved color, all were comparable. The decision was made to purchase the container from "Containers on Demand" of Linden, AZ which will paint and deliver the container for us. Some minor dirt work will be required to prepare the site for the container. John Easterbrook will be able to rent a backhoe to do this work, and will supervise the project. The backhoe cost for one day is \$382.00. John will need at least three "rake and shovel" people to do the work that the backhoe can not. The date is TBA. More to come.

C. Donation of trailer to AZG&FD- As previously reported, the winner of the pontoon boat trailer raffle donated the trailer back to the Association. The decision was made to donate the trailer to AZG&FD, which had voiced a use for such a rig. Seth Nadel will deliver the trailer to the Ben Avery Range when he travels to the valley on 30 Sept.

D. Round Valley Preparedness Fair, 23 September- Linda Gilbertson will attend this event on behalf of Ladies Day, LLC, and will provide table space for WMSA/2nd Knoll information.

E. Pinetop-Lakeside Outdoor Adventure, 23 September- This event will be held at "The Orchard," behind Charlie Clark's restaurant. WMSA has been invited to participate. Fred Parry will coordinate. He will need volunteers from the various shooting venues of WMSA to man the table, answer questions, and talk about their particular shooting events.

F. Porta-Potty contract for 2nd Knoll Range- The current contractor for this service has become difficult to deal with, and has provided poor customer service. Bill Welden informed the Board that Atterberry's will provide 2 ADA approved potties and 1 regular potty, with weekly servicing throughout the year, for \$200 per month. A motion was made by Linda Gilbertson and seconded by John Major to leave the current contractor and accept Atterberry's offer. Passed unanimously. Bill Welden will coordinate.

8. New Business

A. Club Polo Shirts- Cathy Parry has researched the possibility of embroidered polo shirts to advertise the range. "4 Imprint" can provide an excellent quality polo shirt, with free embroidery, for \$12.75 per shirt if purchased in a lot of at least 24. A motion was made by George Butcher and seconded by Sam Underwood to order 24 polo shirts in steel gray color to be embroidered "2nd Knoll Target Range, Show Low, AZ." Passed unanimously. These shirts will be provided to interested individuals for a donation of \$15 to the WMSA treasury.

B. Targets for the Target Tamers- The Target Tamers are a ladies shooting group who meet twice monthly at the range. They have been shooting only at the Bullseye target centers, and would like to find other targets to enhance shooter interest. A motion was made by Sam Underwood and seconded by John Major to authorize up to \$100 for the purchase of more interesting paper targets for the Target Tamers. Passed unanimously.

C. Establish a program for gun shops to give a "Day at the Range" with a gun purchase- Sierra Blanca Shooting Sports has approached the Board with the possibility of giving all purchasers of firearms at their store a certificate good for a free day of shooting at the 2nd Knoll Range. After some discussion a motion was made by Brenda Silva and seconded by Sam Underwood to provide Sierra Blanca Shooting Sports, and any other local gun store which desires to participate, a packet of serialized gift certificates for a free day of shooting at 2nd Knoll. Participating gun stores will pay WMSA \$5 per certificate used at the end of each month. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Black Powder shooters group- John Easterbrook reported that an informal poll shows interest in forming a black powder shooting group under the auspices of WMSA. John will pursue this project and can use help from anyone who is familiar with the various aspects of forming a black powder club.

E. Agreement between WMSA and WMPS-

1. There had been significant internet discussion regarding this item between WMSA Board members and certain WMPS Board members. John Major, the WMPS representative on the WMSA Board, stated that since there had not been a WMPS Board meeting on the subject, any "offers" presented in this email discussion should be considered as unofficial. A complete copy of these internet discussions is available in the WMSA Secretary's files. Bill Weldon presented a motion, seconded by George Butcher, as follows: "I move that we do not renew our agreement with the White Mountain Practical Shooters. However, we want to cordially invite and strongly encourage them to continue using the Second Knoll Target Range for the majority of their shooting activities under the same rules, regulations, and by-laws that the other five shooting clubs follow." This led to significant discussion between Board members, with input from meeting attendees, covering many subjects such as benefits WMPS receives, what WMSA gains by WMPS participation, insurance coverage for WMPS events staged off site, storage of

WMPS range equipment on site, etc. A vote was taken on the motion and it passed with three dissenting votes. The WMPS Board is scheduled to meet on 19 September, and will discuss a possible future WMPS/WMSA agreement then. Any offers from WMPS will be addressed as they occur.

2. A motion was made by Brenda Silva and seconded by George Butcher to revise the fee schedule for shooting at any WMSA affiliated event. The proposal was \$2 for WMSA members and \$5 for non-members. This motion was tabled pending liaison with AZG&FD and the U.S. Forestry Service to ascertain if such a revision can be done in accordance with the Special Use permit.

F. Working Party- Bill Welden requested a 3-5 man working party to help refinish the tops of the 100 yard range shooting benches. The proposed date/time is 26 September at 1300, or 1 PM if you desire that format. More to come on this.

9. Motion to adjourn- A motion to adjourn was made by Sam Underwood and seconded by George Butcher. Passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 1933.