

## **WMSA Annual Meeting, 19 July 2019**

1. Call to Order- Meeting called to order at 1830. Present were Seth Nadel, Linda Gilbertson, Vesta Melcher, Brian Moffat, John Tod, Sam Underwood, Vern Lewis, George Butcher, Jeff Wall, and Larry Kennedy. Also present were Howard Logsdon, Linda Logsdon, Judy Sanchez, Tony Sanchez, Bill Weldon, Jo Ann Weldon, Jim Tuvell, Alice Tuvell, Susie Underwood, Jeff Guiso, Fred Bridges, Clay Howard, Tony Silva, Cathy Perry, Sheila Moffat, Shirley Warner, Al Warner, Chris Wall, Jo Russel Theodore, Curtis Fernau, and Victoria Fernau.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Introduction of the Board- The members of the Board, and the venues that they represent, were introduced by Board President Seth Nadel.

4. Treasurer's Report

A. The Treasurer's report for fiscal year 2018/2019, covering from 1 July, 2018 to 30 June, 2019, was presented by WMSA Secretary Vesta Melcher. The net income for the year was \$9,333.19, which brings the ending account balance to \$38,382.06. Copies of the report were made available to attendees, and a copy is available in the Secretary's files.

B. Shooter days report- The 2nd Knoll Target Range generated a total of 4397 shooter days for the fiscal year. Despite a period of range closure due to weather, this compares favorably with the 3998 shooter days generated last fiscal year.

5. Membership Report- At the closure of the current fiscal year we have 460 memberships, 205 family and 255 individual. Adding the 282 dependent members, we have 742 current WMSA members of which 77 are juniors.

6. Publicity Secretary's Report

A. For fiscal year 2018/2019 the following activities have been accomplished and where appropriate, are continuing.

1. Rack cards and business cards have been distributed throughout the White Mountains, from Alpine to Holbrook.

2. Monthly articles and announcements in the White Mountain Independent.

3. Four raffles of shooting related items have been conducted

4. The Pinetop/Lakeside Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting ceremony at the 2nd Knoll range on 26 July, 2018. AZG&FD and Forest Service personnel were in attendance.

5. The second anniversary celebration for the 2nd Knoll range was held 25-27 August, 2018.

6. WMSA participated in the Fall Festival held in Pinetop on 28-30 Sept, 2018.

7. The 2nd Knoll Range was registered with Trip Advisor.

8. Board members were interviewed on White Mountain Radio, "98.5 The Storm," where they talked about the shooting sports on the show "All About Games."

9. WMSA is participating in the "Adopt-a-Highway" program. Our responsibility is from mileposts 345-346 on Highway 60.

10. WMSA will participate in the Pinetop/Lakeside COC Coupon Book when it is published. Purchasers of the book will be offered reduced shooting rates at 2nd Knoll.

11. A plaque was presented to the Show Low Cafe thanking them for allowing the use of their room for WMSA Board meetings, and indicating the meeting day/time. The plaque is on display at the cafe.

12. Experience AZ Magazine, with a full page 2nd Knoll/WMSA ad, has been published and distributed statewide.

13. Arizona White Mountain Magazine, with a two page article and ad, has been published. The magazine is distributed in Arizona and New Mexico.

14. 2nd Knoll polo shirts have been provided, and are selling well.

B. Current activities are:

1. Raffle #1 of the fiscal year, for a Dillon 650 Progressive Reloading Press, is underway. Silent auctions and donation tables for shooting related items are in place at WMSA functions.

2. The 2nd Knoll third anniversary celebration will be held 24-26 August, 2019

3. WMSA will participate in the Fall Festival in September, 2019.

4. Distribution of business cards and rack cards will continue.

5. Monthly articles and announcements in the White Mountain Independent will continue.

6. Polo shirt sales will continue.

## 7. Range Update

A. Seth Nadel stated that not much has changed this year. He reminded the attendees that 2nd Knoll is one of eleven AZG&FD ranges in the state, and all eleven ranges compete for available money. The planning is complete for the caretaker pad, water supply, septic system, and power source. The caretaker pad and its associated systems have priority over the 300 yard rifle range because it is a security issue. Work will commence when money is available. The "hip pocket estimate" for the 300 yard rifle range is approximately \$300,000 due mostly to extensive excavating that will be required. Seth reminded the attendees that the State money comes from the federally run Pittman-Robertson fund, financed by a tax on firearm and ammunition sales. He mentioned that the time volunteers spend as RSOs, performing maintenance work at the range, or even attending meetings all counts toward our input in funding. The Pittman-Robertson Act was recently modified, reducing the split of federal (Pittman-Robertson money) to state money from 75% fed money and 25% state money to a 90-10 split. This is a good deal for us, and our volunteer hours count towards the state share of the money.

## B. Range Manager

1. John Tod, our new range manager, thanked all RSOs for their services. Without RSOs we would not be able to operate the range. WMSA requests that RSOs serve 86 hours per year. Not all RSOs met this request, but some excelled. Three RSOs served more than 100 hours for the fiscal year, one exceeded 150 hours, and Fred Parry topped the list with 212 hours! Thank you, Fred!

2. The "whisker markers" which delineate shooting distances on the 100 yard range have been replaced, and an additional set marking 75 yards have been added.

3. John stated that he would be requesting volunteers in the near future to help refinish the shooting benches and stools on the 100 yard range. Also needed are folks to help with pulling weeds and removing tumbleweeds. Dwight Yochem recently singlehandedly pulled all the weeds on the 50 yard range. Thank you, Dwight!

C. Seth Nadel reassumed the floor and mentioned that the Show Low Police Department will be giving all their empty brass to WMSA. This good deal was arranged by Fred Bridges. Thanks Fred! It will be offered to members to be used for reloading for a reasonable monetary donation to WMSA. He also mentioned that after the completion of the caretaker pad and the 300 yard rifle range, the next goal will be a classroom/clubhouse building. After that, the sky is the limit, depending on whatever funding AZG&FD can provide.

8. New Business- Vote to ratify the actions of the Board. A motion to ratify the actions of the Board for the past fiscal year was made by Bill Weldon and seconded by Brian Moffat. A vote by all WMSA members present unanimously approved the motion.

9. Motion to Adjourn- A motion to adjourn the annual meeting was made and seconded, and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 1900.

10. In post meeting discussion it was mentioned that WMSA and the 2nd Knoll Range had acquired another sponsor. It is the White River Lodge of the Masons, Masonic Temple #62. Thank you, gentlemen!