

## WMSA Board Meeting, 13 Nov, 2019

1. Call to Order- The meeting was called to order at 1830. Present were Board members Seth Nadel, Julius Aubin, Vesta Melcher, George Butcher, Sam Underwood, Brenda Silva, Linda Gilbertson, Brian Moffatt, and Larry Kennedy. Also present were Vicki Matsumonji, John Taylor, Clay Howard, Mike Melcher, Joe Darbyshire, Deborha Childers, Don Childers, Tony Silva, Dawn Wilson, Phyllis Clark, and Sheila Moffatt.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Secretary's Report

A. Motion to accept- A motion was made by Sam Underwood and seconded by Brenda Silva to accept the minutes of 9 Oct, 2019 Board meeting as published. Passed unanimously.

4. Treasurer's Report

A. Motion to pay the bills- Tony Silva presented a \$55.00 bill for stamps. Dwight Yochem presented a \$12.91 bill for target stand repair materials. A motion to approve payment of these bills was made by Brenda Silva and seconded by Sam Underwood. Passed unanimously.

B. Motion to accept- Prior to the report being read Vesta Melcher announced that all subsequent Treasurer's reports would cover a calendar month, vice covering the time from one meeting to the next. This was done to put the report in sync with the monthly statements from the bank, and to ease the accounting procedure which had become quite complicated due to the usage of the newly issued debit card. There were no dissenting comments from the Board regarding this change. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report as read was made by Linda Gilbertson and seconded by Sam Underwood. Passed unanimously. WMSA currently has \$61,784.07 in the bank. A copy of the Treasurer's report is available in the Secretary's files.

C. Monthly Shooter Days Report- The 2nd Knoll Target Range generated 457 shooter days and 17 non-shooting visitor days in October.

D. Debit Card Status- The debit card for the Range Master has been obtained and is in use.

5. Membership Report- As of 13 November, 2019 we have 373 memberships consisting of 157 family and 216 individual. Adding the 197 dependent members gives us 570 current WMSA members, which includes 40 juniors. For informational purposes, one year ago the WMSA membership stood at 595.

( A presentation concerning the Show Low Lions Club "Shoot the Deuce" program was done at this time by Phyllis Clark. This agenda change was done as a convenience to Ms. Clark and the report for this presentation can be found under New Business, paragraph 9.B.)

## 6. Publicity Secretary Report

### A. Since the last Board meeting:

1. News Brief in the Tuesday, Oct 15th issue of the White Mountain Independent, "Raffle Winner Announced." This was for the Leupold spotting scope.
2. News Brief in the Friday, Nov 1st issue of the WMI, "Hours Change at the Range." This announced the shift to winter operating hours.
3. Business of the Week- The National Bank of Arizona, Show Low branch, hosted WMSA as its Business of the Week. This entailed a display table in the lobby for the week of Oct 28th-Nov 1st. Volunteers were present to answer questions on Nov 1st. Thanks to Linda Gilbertson, Seth Nadel, Vesta Melcher, Judy Sanchez, and Fred Bridges for giving of their time!

B. Future considerations- ADOT "Adopt A Mile" road cleanup is scheduled for Friday Nov 15th at 1:00 PM. Volunteers were enlisted after the meeting adjournment. They were provided with an ADOT safety handout and advised to view the Adopt A Highway video on the ADOT website. The group will meet at 12:30 PM on FS 206 (The road to the Range.) for additional safety briefings/vest and bag distribution.

C. Introduction of the new Publicity Chairperson- Vicki Matsumonji was introduced as the new Publicity Chairperson. She will be assisted by John Taylor and Bridget Reinhold. Thanks to all three for stepping forward!

## 7. Range Update-

A. Report from the Range manager- In lieu of a briefing by the Range Master Seth Nadel provided the following comments. The NRA flag that had been flying on the range access road has been repaired and will be back on display shortly. The final plans for the caretaker pad, solar system, water and sewerage systems, and the road to/from the site are in hand. Seth emphasized that the solar, water, and sewerage systems have been designed with enough capacity to support the range clubhouse/training facility which will be included in future plans for the range.

B. Range brass- Large quantities of expended brass are accumulating at the range. In the past a fixed donation amount was suggested for people who may want this brass for re-loading purposes. This has not worked as hoped. Julius Aubin suggested that people who may have use for the brass just donate what they felt appropriate. This was discussed by the membership present, and the consensus was to go with this suggestion.

C. Port-a-potties- Vesta Melcher reminded all present that the port-a-potties are not our property. They are owned by the concessionaire. Do not paint or otherwise alter them in any way, or WMSA will be charged for repair costs.

D. George Butcher reported that the Cowboy Shooters are in discussion with WMPS to reserve the training/competition bays for the Cowboys of the High Country on the 2nd Saturday of each month.

E. AZG&F will host a Shooting Range Conference in the valley on 25 Nov, 2019. Seth Nadel and Brian Moffatt will attend.

F. Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)- Inclusion of volunteers in this program is in work. It provides perks to volunteers who are 55 and older such as insurance to cover them while volunteering and while traveling to/from the volunteer site. This is definitely a good deal!

## 8. Old Business

A. Vote to accept the minutes of the 10 July WMSA Board meeting- The minutes for the 10 July meeting inadvertently omitted two items. Acceptance of the minutes was tabled at the August meeting pending a re-vote. The first item was to reduce the range fees for the anniversary weekend to \$1.00, and the second was a revision of certain pro-rated membership fees to bring them to whole dollar amounts thereby eliminating the need for RSOs to have a supply of change for new members who join during the year. Both items were re-voted and passed at the August meeting. Due to clerical oversight, the 10 July minutes were never accepted, an error that was corrected at this meeting. A motion to accept the minutes of the 10 July meeting, as amended by the re-vote, was made by Sam Underwood and seconded by George Butcher. Passed unanimously.

## 9. New Business

A. Thanks to Russ Theodore for his donations to the Young Guns- Brian Moffatt reported that Russ Theodore had donated six rifles, 3 handguns, steel targets, paper "splash" targets, and a large amount of other shooting related equipment for the exclusive use of the Young Guns. Thank you, Russ, for your generosity and support of this very important program!

B. Return of the "Shoot the Deuce"- This is a fund raising event sponsored by the Lions Club to provide an opportunity for people to try out various aspects of the shooting sports. Phyllis Clark briefed the Board on the usage of the funds raised by the "Shoot the Deuce." The event will require the use of all four training/competition bays. The initial suggested date of 15 Aug, 2020 conflicted with a scheduled event, and 29 Aug, 2020 was accepted as a tentative alternate date. Brenda Silva suggested that since this was a fund raiser, perhaps the range fees could be reduced. After further discussion Brenda made a motion, seconded by Vesta Melcher, to approve the use of all four of the 2nd Knoll Target Range training/competition bays for the Lions Club "Shoot the Deuce" event tentatively scheduled for 29 Aug, 2020, and that the range fees for that event be reduced to \$1.00 per shooter. Passed unanimously.

C. "No Show" Policy for 2nd Knoll facilities- Brian Moffatt noted that there are occasions when one or all of the training/competition bays have been scheduled for use, and the scheduling entity cancels for various reasons. This precludes the possible use by other WMSA entities on that day. Brian suggested that perhaps there should be a system in place to reduce this problem, possibly a "no show" charge like other ranges use. The Board concurred. A committee to discuss the situation and suggest possible options was designated. The committee will consist of George Butcher, Linda Gilbertson, and Brian Moffat. Dan Fondren, who was not present at this meeting, will be asked to join as the WMPS representative. Cancellations due to last minute emergencies, weather, etc, will be taken into consideration.

10. Motion to adjourn- - A motion to adjourn was made by Sam Underwood and seconded by Julius Aubin. Passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 1930.