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First of all I want to thank those of you who voted me in for another term as president of our fine club. I want all members to realize that I take pride in trying to do a laudable job along with the other board members. We all of us have a great deal to be thankful for in the way this club has matured and grown over these many decades. Nobody is perfect and sometimes mistakes are made along the way. My personal pledge is that any mistake is more a mistake of omission rather than of commission. I believe we (the board) have endeavored to be open and transparent in the managing of this club.

With that said, there is nothing we can do about the dreadful ammunition shortage we are now experiencing. We continue to look into many and varied sources to fix this problem. We do have some possible remedies and hopefully by next month I will be able to provide more information in this regard.

Please take heed of this word of warning. We're still being watched for Covid-19 compliance as it pertains to mask wearing and social distancing. Yes we did receive a notice from the State concerning our compliance. Fortunately for us I think the inquirer did not realize we are an outdoor range. That in and of itself places us in a slightly different category as it pertains to the viral mandates. I realize that the veil of these restrictions appears to be lifting ever so gradually in our State. Nonetheless, this virus is very real and we need to protect ourselves and others as best we can until the mandates are lifted. These restrictions are extremely imperative when it comes to staff. They must wear masks at all times. In addition, we are trying to use debit cards as a pay source as much as possible in order to cut down on transmittable hand to hand contact between the users of our range and staff.

On to more pleasant matters it is good to relate that our website is getting better and better all the time. We will soon be adding interesting photos of club activities. Every picture tells a story. In our case one of the major stories is the incredible landscape of our property. I actually know that there are many members who come to the club just hang out and enjoy the scenery fairly regularly including myself. I am sure that as we proceed into the warmer days ahead we'll be observing the many young animals like the deer and coyotes that breed on our property each year. We have a regular mated pair of red tailed hawks that roam the skies over the property. It has been reported by maintenance that a Bobcat is also living on the property. Even a young Black Bear was sighted on the property last autumn. Please keep in mind we are a Wildlife Sanctuary and these animals are protected.

Lastly, I would note that soon you will be seeing some much needed infrastructure repair on the property. We will be repairing the roof on the rifle shack as well as the shooting bays at rifle. There will also be some repair work done on the baffles on range one. In addition, we will also be doing some repair work at shotgun. I don't anticipate this is going to be any severe hardship on the use of the range. If there is some anticipated we will do our best to notify users via the website and blast emails of any inconvenience.

That's it for now, and I do wish everyone all the best and please stay safe.

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WCW Board Meeting Minutes - April 7, 2021

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by President Joe Rinaldi.

Present board members:

Joe Rinaldi (President)
 Robb Stack (2nd Vice President)
 John Woolley (Treasurer)
 Jeff LeMoine (Chairman Trustees)
 Jim Thompson (Chairman Elect)
 Larry Mallory (Trustee)
 Jeff Gomes (2yr Trustee)
 John Sutton (Trustee)
 Martin Morehouse (Corresponding Secretary) via phone
 Dale Sieg (Recording Secretary)

Absent board members:

Mike Wichser (Vice President)
 Gary Webster (past President)

Committee Leads and Facilities Manager present at meeting:

Robert Haverstock (Range Manager)
 Martin Morehouse (Rifle)
 Ken Deleone (Archery)
 Amy Coloma - Archery
 Bob Pritchard (Shotgun)
 Emylee Norgaard (Handgun)

Guests:

None

Guest topics:

None

Committee reports:

Notes from the committee reports that were presented during the board meeting are below.

Archery report:

Ken Deleone presented.
 More events will be opening up this summer and the pandemic subsidies.
 Our new targets are not ready. The freeze in Texas has caused a delay. We are supposed to be ready in May.
 We will try to sell the targets we are not using to the public
 All the bad targets on the walk through have been repaired.
 We do not yet know if we will be able to have the 3D shoot. We will continue to evaluate our situation and notify people as we know more.

Handgun Report:

Emylee Norgaard presented.
 Five people renewed their special use. Two people finished probation period.
 We will have the first Pistol Special Use class on April 24th at 9am.
 NRA classes will be starting up again.
 During this board meeting, we discussed the Pistol Special Use renew policy. The renew policy is that people need to renew every 7 years. To renew Pistol Special Use, you just need to attend a Pistol committee meeting.

Rifle Report:

Martin Morehouse presented.
 Four members attended the last special use class. Vincent conducted the class as Martin was unavailable.
 Martin mentioned the special use renewal policy was published in last month's WCWI newsletter. The article in the newsletter describes the policy and what people need to do to renew their special use. For example, if people noticed the special use symbol is not on their new badge, the article describes how to get it back on their badge. Martin will put this in the newsletter next month too.
 The next Rifle Special Use range session is on April 25th.
 Our next NRA Basic Rifle Class is on May 22nd, we don't have an instructor for April.
 Our next joint committee meeting is scheduled for May 10th.
 We are still planning to replace the target post sockets on Range 1 at the same time we replace the near baffles.
 The Rifle Committee believes a more permanent target system on Range 1 is needed. Based on the NRA Range Design book and other sources, we have several possibilities. One is to simply replace the existing damaged target post sockets. Another is to replace the sockets with target posts in concrete bases. Another is to place wooden 'coffins' at each set of target posts, with brackets for the target posts that allow varied post settings.
 Masks are still required while at the ranges and on the property, but masks can be adjusted to eliminate fogging glasses and eye protection when you are shooting.

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Shotgun Report:

Bob Pritchard presented.

We got quotes back for the repairs and improvements to the shotgun range. If we do all the repairs and improvements, the updates to the Shotgun range will take several days and that needs to be scheduled.

Andrew Gough would like to bring the multi-plex shoots to a Monday night from the current Sunday night. Bob and Andrew need to discuss this with Robert Haverstock and the Trustees.

The Shotgun Committee is considering an electronic card system for purchases. Further research and coordination would be required to implement the system.

John Sutton asked if we could revisit the LED lighting. We will discuss this further during the Treasurer's Report.

Manager's Report:

Robert Haverstock presented.

We received 3 gate bids. We discussed the 3 options. Someone asked what happens if the power goes out? Some of the options have a battery backup. They also have safety disconnects to manual operate the gate.

The lowest bid does not seem to include the card reader. That will need to be added to the bid to compare to the other bids. Robert Haverstock will ask the lowest bidder for some references.

They completed the annual inventory. John will discuss this further in the Treasurer report.

We lost and gained 4 employees.

We conducted first aid and CPR classes for the employees. 12 went to the class. It was a good class. Renters will continue to utilize our facility. We continue to have a good working relationship with them.

We have a rat problem in the rifle office. A pest control company came and looked at it. We received a quote. We will be getting another quote and then get one of the companies out to address the issue. Regarding ammunition for the club, one of the members is importing Russian ammunition. He has 12GA trap loads and 9mm. The ammo is steel cased but is decent ammunition and we can get it at a very reasonable price. Robert Haverstock and Larry Mallory will pursue this.

Treasurer's Report:

John Woolley presented.

Our fiscal year ended on March 31st. Dues and initiation fees were up slightly from last year. Public fees were way down from last year. Facility rental was the primary source of income last year. The renters prevented a very real financial hardship on our club. We were very fortunate to have this business. Expenses were down from the previous year. Net income overall was very positive. Again, this was due to the renters. We completed inventory as Robert mentioned. The new POS system has been launched and it seems to be working well.

A person was identified to help John with the finances. This same person will help with membership.

John created a draft budget for next year. We discussed what should be in the budget. Dave Levinson suggested he budget \$100k instead of \$55k for ammo. We may also need to change our maintenance budget. Also, we should increase our wages from \$420k instead of \$350k in anticipation of operations getting back to normal. Dave Levinson suggested we use some of the money we have been able to accumulate over the last year for capital improvements. For example, Range 3 baffles, office roof, Range 1 and 2 baffles, front gate, redo lights in shotgun with LED lighting, redo trap 0 in shotgun and improvements to the PITA field. This would be about \$320k. This will be included in the budget for approval at the membership meeting.

We had a brief discussion regarding our insurance. Jeff LeMoine moved to allow Joe Rinaldi to sign the contract to renew earthquake and indemnification insurance. Jim Thompson seconded. Motion passed.

Trustees Report:

Jeff LeMoine presented.

Firearm inventory was completed last week.

Larry Mallory will sit in with Robert to negotiate with the renters.

Old Business:

We discussed Michael Parent providing some gunsmithing and FFL services on our facility. We will move forward. We will ask Michael to come to the membership meeting next week to share with the members what he will be doing.

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New Business:

Legal Heat would like to come back to our facility and start holding classes again. He would only need a classroom. We will pursue this according to state regulations regarding social distancing and safety protocols. Larry thinks this is a good idea. Dale Sieg will forward Robert Haverstock the contact information.

Joe would like to add a location on our webpage for members. In the section, he would like to have a bulletin board for members to advertise.

We discussed the proposed Shoop memorial. Jeff Gomes presented his proposal. Jeff will take a slightly different approach than what was previously discussed. Jeff will be making it a smaller event and will ask the family to come up with the words for the plaque. The plaque will be mounted at the base of our flag.

For the Good of the Order:

Martin Morehouse will send out an email to the membership stating the start time for the next members meeting will be at 7:30pm.

Robb asked if we are still monitoring the neighborhood social media sites. Robert Haverstock said we are and we have not heard anything negative for a while.

Martin Morehouse spoke on behalf of Steve Read. There is a request from Steve Read regarding pistol events. Steve would like to have turning target on range 3 and air pistol in the club house. Steve will discuss this with Mike Wichser.

Joe Rinaldi moved to adjourn at 9:25 PM. Dale Sieg seconded. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by Dale Sieg, Recording Secretary.

Special Use Update

As a reminder, each time you renew your membership, your special use endorsements count down to their renewal date. Special use renewals come every seven years. We are catching up with our records, so if your new badge doesn't have your special use noted on it, that just means that it is time to renew.

Renewal is simple - just attend the committee meeting that covers your special use, see the briefing to catch up on rules that may have changed in the past few years, and your badge will be updated.

WCW Quarterly Membership Meeting Minutes – April 14, 2021

Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM by President Joe Rinaldi.

Member count (excluding board members):

38 (31 in person and 7 online)

Board member count: 8

Present board members:

Joe Rinaldi (President)

Mike Wichser (Vice President)

Robb Stack (2nd Vice President)

Jim Thompson (Chairman Elect)

Larry Mallory (Trustee)

John Sutton (Trustee)

Martin Morehouse (Corresponding Secretary)

Dale Sieg (Recording Secretary)

Excused board members:

Gary Webster (past President)

John Woolley (Treasurer)

Jeff LeMoine (Chairman Trustees)

Jeff Gomes (2yr Trustee)

Guests:

Michael D'Ambrosia

Guest Topics:

Michael D'Ambrosia asked permission to post a sign on the range 2 bulletin board. He would like to post a sign for giving away pens he is making out of recycled brass and steel casings. He will give away up to 10 per week. All he asks is that people sign for them. He has been a member of the club since 1983 and this is just a little way for him to give back to the club.

Reading of the last Board Member Meeting minutes:

Dale Sieg read the Board Member Meeting minutes from the last Board Meeting. Joe Rinaldi talked a little more about the Shoop memorial we are creating.

Rob Lageson moved to accept the minutes as read.

Ted Hudlow seconded. Motion passed.

Reading of the last Membership Meeting minutes:

Dale Sieg read the Membership Meeting minutes from the last Membership Meeting. One of the members said he is not online and asked if he could have the newsletter mailed to him.

Dale Sieg asked him to come up after the meeting and he would make arrangements to have the last monthly newsletter mailed to him.

Rob Lageson moved to accept the minutes as read.

Ted Hudlow seconded. Motion passed.

Committee reports:

A brief review of the Archery Committee's, Shotgun Committee's, Handgun Committee's, Rifle Committee's, and Operations Manager's reports follow. Also included below are brief notes from the Trustees' and Treasurer's monthly updates presented at the quarterly meeting.

Archery Report:

Mike Wichser presented.

The Arizona Cup was held recently. Several shooters from our club attended. One of our male youth took 3rd place.

Olympic trials will be held at the end of May. We have 2 women participating.

Handgun Report:

Emylee Norgaard presented.

4 people signed up for the special use session that will be held later this month.

11 people were at the committee meeting.

Joe mentioned he is getting a lot of questions about when classes will be held again. Joe said we are getting close to being able to have classes. With all the new gun owners, he believes classes will become more popular.

A member brought up places he has found ammunition. He asked if we have reached out to partners for us to get more ammunition. We have been doing this. We had a brief discussion regarding ammunition. We talked about the possibility of purchasing Russian made ammunition. One of the members did not like the idea of purchasing Russian ammunition because he said it supports the Russian military.

Rifle Report:

Martin Morehouse presented.

Martin said there is nothing to add beyond what was read from the last board meeting minutes.

Shotgun Report:

Bob Pritchard presented.

Activating Trap 0 will help a lot. It will help with our daily bandwidth and PITA shoots. Member's nights are on Mondays.

The PITA shoot in May was canceled.

Operations Manager Report:

Robert Haverstock presented.

Robert mentioned some positive attributes to our new POS system. Membership has been streamlined. It is easier to manage Special Use and regular memberships. Everything is in one system and will save money in the long run. It will also help with inventory and help us identify what we should keep purchasing for resale versus what we should no longer sell.

We completed the yearly inventory.

We completed the CPR and first aid class. 75% of the employees attended.

We have changed our insurance company.

We will be focusing on repairs for safety over the next several months.

Trustees' Report:

Larry Mallory presented.

Baffles of Range 1 are in need of repair. Same with the pistol. We also need to repair the retaining wall in pistol. Also, we have a leaky roof on the rifle office. We also have a pest issue in the roof. We need to make those repairs before making improvements. Trap 0 and changing the gate will be the second phase of expenses and work being done. We are pursuing all of these and will work to do this in a timely manner.

One member thought of simply using CO from an engine to kill the pests. We will have exterminators out to address the pest issue.

Treasurer's Report:

Larry Mallory presented.

Our books look very good.

We have a surplus because of the renters. Outside of the renters, every category where we make money is down. Renters have paid our expenses and then some. Other good news. Membership is up slightly. This is the first time members is up in a long time. We would like to take the surplus to make some safety repairs and some club improvements.

Again, we are in good shape financially.

A member asked if the renters were a plus or a minus. Larry said he believes it was a big plus. Dale also agreed the renters have been a big plus for the club.

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Robb mentioned we (all members) should be salespeople for the club to the public. We should encourage people to use our facility.

A member asked if ranges are available at night. Shotgun, archery and pistol have night lights. He thought maybe we could do a Friday and Saturday night event. Joe said that is a good idea, but we do need to be cautious of our neighbors. We do not want to be shooting too late.

Old Business:

Joe Rinaldi mentioned the new POS system will help us with sales and will also help membership work better. He mentioned we have also been working on our website. We are looking for pictures so we can post on the website. If you have any range pictures, please send them to Joe Rinaldi or someone else on the board. Dale Sieg provided a high-level overview of what we are doing to the website. We are making phased changes to make items more discoverable and for the website to be easier to use. One thing we are working on is a virtual tour. If members have any input, please let us know. We will be making a member only section.

One idea provided by a member was to create a map of the facility like they provide at Disneyland. Show all the buildings and where people should go for different things. For example, where to sign in and where to pay.

A member said the calendar was a great improvement. Another member asked if we could change the 'from' Corresponding Secretary email address to say WCWI Corresponding Secretary instead of 'Corresponding' so people know it coming from WCWI. Martin Morehouse said he would do that.

New Business:

Annual election results:

127 ballots returned

Joe was elected President.

Larry Mallory was elected as the new 2 year Trustee with 117 votes.

John Sutton was elected as Trustee with 103 votes.

All other uncontested candidates were elected.

Joe moved to have Dan Barton take the ballots and have them destroyed. Martin Morehouse seconded. Motion passed.

A couple members sent notes with their ballots. They said if we are going to have an election in the future, it would make sense to send out a bio on the person who is running.

One member said if we looked at the minutes 5 years ago, we already said we would do that. We will do that going forward.

Because of the pandemic, we will not have all the awards this year we normally do. However, we will hand out two awards today. The two awards this year are two Gerard Loupe awards. The two people getting this award are great people and have helped the club tremendously. They are Ken Deleone and Dan Barton. Ken and Dan both gave a little speech. Thank you Ken and Dan for all your service!

Joe re-iterated the budget items mentioned in the reading of the last board meeting minutes and what Larry presented. Budget items were mentioned. Ken Deleone moved to accept the budget as discussed. Ted Hudlow seconded. Passed.

A member asked if we will use contractors for the repairs and improvements or members. We will use contractors for the roof. We will probably use a mix of members and contractors depending on the work needing to be done. John Sutton mentioned we have a lot of little things that need to be done.

Contractors should go with the big stuff. We should do the smaller projects with volunteers.

A member asked which roof has the pest problem. The board said the rifle office.

Ted Ludlow shared the plans for the upcoming swap meet. He said the swap meet will be on the last Sunday in June. Setup will be at 8am. The swap meet opens at 9am. We will end around noon. We will be accepting donations for shooting youth.

There will be a table for that. We have not decided if we will include the public.

A member suggested contacting the police to see if they would have things to donate. Joe mentioned that is something we can look into.

Michael Parent shared details of something he has been talking to the board about. His company is MRP Tactical LLC. He would like to provide low cost FFL services to members and the public at our range. This may draw more people to the club. He can also provide some gunsmithing activities for members too. We briefly talked about how transfers and gunsmithing exchanges would work. A member asked if Michael will also be providing NFA services. Michael said yes. However, he will not be doing the paperwork. A member asked where he would be setup at the club. We are still working on that. Nothing would be stored on our location. This will be a concierge service. It will be by appointment.

For the Good of the Order:

A member asked if pistol caliber carbines (PCCs) are now allowed in the Pistol Range. The board said PCCS are now allowed.

Joe moved to adjourn at 9:25 PM. Jim Dinnie seconded. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by Dale Sieg, Recording Secretary.

Our Gerard Loupe award recipients for 2021



Ken Deleone and Dan Barton

Kenmore Rimfire Match Report

April 2021

There were a record tying 34 contestants in this month's match with sixteen competitors in the Match Division and eighteen in the Sport Division with the addition of a record fifth relay.

Welcome to newcomers Alexia Fischer, Kyle San, and Cecil Chrisinger.

The weather conditions included breezy wind conditions.

Relay One Match Division Target One Brian Lapinski scored a match high score 244 4X with Fred Zingleman second at 240 4X, and Keith Wilson finishing third at 239 5X. Match Division Target Two: Brian Lapinski repeated in first place with a score of 241 5X. Keith Wilson finished in second at 238 2X with Stephen Goodwin third at 237 3X.

Relay Two Sport Division Target One. Dan Callahan finished first at 228 2X. Ryan Higginbotham was second at 227 2X with Kevin Kellogg placing third at 227 0X. On Target Two Dan Callahan repeated in first place with a score of 235 3X. H.H. Liao placed second at 227 1X with Steve Treperinas placing third at 224 1X.

Relay Three Match Division Target One. David Guyer finished first with a score of 242 2X. Joe Little placed second 237 4X and Luka Treperinas was in third at 233 2X. On Target two Joe Little finished first with a score of 241 8X. Luka Treperinas was second at 238 0X with David Guyer in third at 230 3X.

Relay Four Sport Division Target One. Eric Wittig finished first with a score of 229 1X with newcomer Alexia Fischer placing second at 223 0X and Josh Ness in third place at 209 2X. On Target Two, Eric Wittig placed first again with a score of 229 3X with Alexia Fischer placing second again with a score of 228 1X. Newcomer Kyle San was third with a score of 220 1X.

Relay Five Sport Division Target One. Mitchell McFerran finished first with a score of 239 2X with Eli Blaylock placing second at 222 0X and Jeff Ferrelli in third place at 221 2X. On Target Two, Mitchell McFerran and Jeff Ferrelli tied for first with a score of 231 1X with Robert Blaylock in third with a score of 223 2X.

The scores are posted under the Events tab on the range website.

Contact me if you have any questions about this match.

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Kenmore Benchrest Match Report

April 2021

There were seven contestants in this month's 300-yard benchrest match with six in the Custom Class and one in the Factory Class.

Match 1 Custom Class: Ted Larson placed first with a score of 105. Bryan Zolnikov was second at 102 with two way tied for third 101 at between Larry Wright and Kahn Nguyen.

Match 2 Custom Class: Larry Wright and Kahn Nguyen tied for first at 102. Ted Larson and Jeff Locke tied for third at 101.

Match 3 Custom Class: Ted Larson was first with a score of 102. Jeff Locke was second at 101 with Larry Wright and Kahn Nguyen tied for third at 100.

Match 4 Custom Class: Jeff Locke was first with a score of 104 which was his fourth consecutive 100+ score. Ted Larson placed second with his fourth consecutive 100+ score with a 103. Kahn Nguyen was third his fourth consecutive 100+ score of 102.

The overall winner in the Custom Class was Ted Larson with a total score of 411 with Jeff Locke second at 406 and Kahn Nguyen third at 405.

For information on this match contact Matt Daly matt5404@frontier.com

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I'll open this report to say a temporary (I hope) farewell to Stan Vilcek, long time WCW member and past High Power Match Director. Stan is returning to his homeland in South Africa for a period of time. He will retain his US citizenship and hopes to return to the US and us some day in the future. In departing he brought in some items for donation as a benefit to our High-Power competitors. Those that attended the April Game were in luck to be bestowed with his benevolence. One competitor left the range with a very nice case tumbler, some CLP and Sweets 7.62. Another took a genuinely nice 1917 sling. This correspondent scored, 3 new bore brushes, some cleaning patches (one can never have enough of those) and some individually package lens wipes. Left on Range 1 for a lucky member to score, a cloth shooting coat. One member tried it on immediately though was saddened to find it was too loose. He did not seem to be interested in my suggestion to wear a couple of sweatshirts under it or to drink more beer. Last fall at one of the CMP Games, Stan donated a spotting scope and stand. If you are just starting in the High-Power Games, let me know if you are interested in having it. He brought quite a supply of powder, primers, bullets, and loaded cartridges that he parted with at fire sale prices. As he could not take it with him, he sadly transferred ownership of his M1 Garand to one of the past event competitors. No, it wasn't free and the transfer was legal. Lucky scores for those in attendance. The moral of this story is to come to the High-Power Matches to make new friends, renew old friendships and potentially acquire an unexpected prize. Bon Voyage Stan, until we see you on the range again.

Back to the 11 April CMP Game, very nice weather which apparently kept folks away. Just two competitors, though I'm thinking that these two just scare all the others away everyone else. Daniel Moy, using his recently acquired stock of IMI 77 grain OTM (open tip match) rounds to fire a smoking hot 491-21X. I think that his wife being there as a personal cheerleader had a positive affect for him. Congratulations to Daniel, another Gold Pin. I invited his spouse to be a participate next time – assuming that Daniel could spare the ammunition. Bruz Marzolf was not far behind Daniel in firing a 488-22X, another Gold Pin recipient. As a rule note – had Bruz scored 491 as well, he would have been the top shooter with the additional X score. Both Daniel and Bruz chose to use their unlimited modern military rifles for this match. Congratulations to both.

In May, we deviate from the usual second Sunday schedule as the 9th is Mother's Day – call your Mom. May 16th is the next WCW High-Power Match date and the match will be a NRA Approved National Match Course of 56 rounds – 50 for record and 6 for sighters.

See you on the range.

George G. Smith
Member 3293