

Notes from the April 2018 Board and Membership Meetings.

Inventory: We need to update our custody cards for the firearms.

Firearms Firing School: John will work with the CMP to arrange a School for next year if not this year.

Website Manager: Everyone was in agreement that we should have a professional manage and maintain our website and use paid advertising as much as possible to help pay for it. The cost of a single hard copy newsletter edition to be mailed by the post office is about \$1000.00 to \$1300.00, of which we send 2 editions each year. It was noted that the estimated cost for the website would be from about \$900.00 - \$1300.00 to continue what we have now, and the website has much more information. This is planned to begin in Jan 2019.

State Matches: The Governor has not yet signed off on his authorization for us to issue an award (trophy/patch) in his name, and his office has not yet signed a memorandum of understanding for keeping our sponsored trophies at his residence. We will continue to pursue solutions.

Remington Iron Mike Trophy: The Trophy is ready for use and we need to include it in our policy manual along with the requirements to earn it. The board voted for this and the minimum requirements to earn the "Remington Iron Mike Trophy Championship shall consist of at least two matches. The exact details are listed in the policy manual. Along this same line it was also voted that competitors must use a service rifle to win the wssa sponsored service rifle Greg Strom Trophy. For the Governor's Patch/Award, It is planned to award as many as two patches for this year's championship xtc high power rifle matches. It was also approved that only the top 10% of competitors aggregate scores in state championship matches could receive a governor's award.

Governor's Cup/Patch Awards & Guidelines for the Future: This topic was discussed for about 18 minutes or longer. There were no decisions or agreements reached at this time. We will continue to work on this in the future.

Governor's Top 100 & prizes/sponsorship: There is no progress to report. We will continue to pursue ideas and solutions.

Wyoming Club/Range Improvement Support. Should we just donate money to the shooting sports, (clubs/ranges/groups/personnel) or should we consider "when appropriate" to loan money in support of the shooting sports. This discussion was on going for about 25 minutes or more. No decisions, solutions, or agreements was reached.

The NRA'S donation to WSSA of a Henry Rifle: What is the best way to use this asset when we receive it? Maybe funds from this could go to junior's scholarships!! It was decided that to auction the rifle on Gun Broker to the highest bidder with profits going to the junior funds.

Junior Hi Power Shooting Program: The program is more or less suspended, (lack of junior competitors) but the new guidelines are now contained in the policy manual.

WSSA Legislative Directors additional responsibilities: The idea is to have the legislative director assist folks with Grant Request. (Where to go to get them and how to write them.) Most agreed this was a good idea but no additional duties or requirements was added to the policy manual at this time.

Reports of Standing Committees and Board Officers.

Vice President: David Urasky is working with the governor and his office with regards to keeping our trophies, the Wyoming Top 100, and in general, supporting the shooting sports. David noted that making contact with the Governors folks was difficult and seldom accomplished. He will continue his efforts.

Competitions: Dave Babits, Covered the current match schedules for 2018 and noted that the Remington Iron Mike Trophy matches will be in Rawlins. These events will be most challenging for most xtc competitors.

Junior Hi Power: Tom Helak, noted that we just put in place new guidelines and plans, and the club can use more mentors and coaches for the juniors. Some of the rifles are fixed up and repaired with all of the rifles expected to be ready within the couple months.

Hunting/Conservation: Paul Garbin reported that the game and fish may allow grizzly bear hunting this year. We will see what happens.

Note: The following Directors/Board Officers were not present for this membership meeting. Junior Small Bore Director Dudley Irvine, and Legislative Director Mark Spungin. It was noted that Mark Spungin has been sick with Kidney Stones. We all wish Mark and his wife Beverly the best and for Mark to have a speedy recovery.

Discussion: We will pay the CMP \$200.00 for an M-1 rifle to use for a raffle prize this year. If this goes well we may continue to use this CMP program to help raise money to support the junior shooting sports.

Trophies/Ranges/Matches/Governors Cup: The Rawlins Range is up and ready to go. There are 3 State Championships scheduled to use the electronic targets this year. The Governor is displaying 3 of our trophies for us, which we hope to continue for the time being. We will continue to work with the Governor's office, and the Game and Fish to upgrade our championship matches, and to see if we will be able to find ways to assist with the Wyoming Top 100 program. We have patches and hats to award the winners of our various state championship matches. The Remington Iron Mike Trophy is ready to have someone's name placed on it. We hope to be able to conduct a small arms firing school, if not this year, then maybe next year for sure. (Firing School,, Maybe have official CMP Certified Instructors?)

Discussion: Beginning in January 2019, if not sooner, the WSSA website will be maintained by a professional manager with advertising being used to help pay the cost. At this point Nick proposed some by-law changes to help this plan succeed.

The basic proposals were, 1. Allow the juniors to vote, & 2. create a new membership class, maybe called Corporate Sponsor, to have the same basic privileges as our clubs. There was a lot of discussion about these proposals. No one liked the idea of allowing the juniors to vote, except for Nick. There was a lot of questions and confusion about dues, advertising fees, and voting privileges. It was decided that we should add corporate sponsor without voting privileges to the wssa By-Laws as a new membership. As per the By-Laws this subject will be put in the May-Aug newsletter to inform our members about the proposed changes and ask them to comment and let the board officers know their feeling about this. Then at another scheduled membership meeting (in this case our fall meeting) this matter may be taken up again, at which time a decision could be made to mail our members referendums ballots as appropriate to authorize the changes. Of course the basic idea behind all this is to help pay the expenses of our newsletters and website.

Camp Guernsey: Nick and David Urasky plan to make a trip to the Guernsey ranges and see if conducting matches at Camp Guernsey is feasible for us, with the CMP Games being of great interest for future planning. Nick and Dave will report their findings at the next meeting.

Lander Range Improvements Funds Request: This matter was placed on the agenda for discussion, but no one from Lander showed up.

More I-pad Tablets are needed for State Championship Matches in Rawlins: There was a lot of discussion between the board officers about this. There was some debate and confusion at times. We all learned a lot about the Rawlins Range Operations. But finally, it was decided to to fund \$1650.00 for 10 I-pad tablets, and that David Urasky supervise the purchase, and that the I-pad tablets would be the property of WSSA

Elections 2018:

We received only 5 nomination ballots in the mail from our members for the fall elections. Everyone who was nominated has refused to run, and does not want

their name on the election ballot. Members at the meeting were encouraged to put their names on the election ballot for Competitions Director and Junior Hi Power Director, but no one would volunteer. However Cynthia Garbin agreed to run for Legislative Director. After a lot of discussion about a special election, or modifying the ballot the decision was finally reached that the clubs By-Laws and election system has to play out as designed. At this point the Ballot should look something like this.

Late Notice: David Urasky has now decided not to run for WSSA President!

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| President: | Now Open |
| Competitions Director: | Open |
| Junior Hi Power: | Open |
| Legislative Director: | Cynthia Garbin |

Raffle Winner for 2017: Mr. Peter J Schmotzer from Casper won the M-1 Garand Rifle. He purchased the ticket while at the Casper gun show. The CMP will be notified and the necessary administrative work will be completed so that Mr. Schmotzer can receive his rifle.

At this point, everyone went home.