

CWSA NEWSLETTER



December 2023

Central Whidbey Sportsmen's Association: P.O. Box 711 Coupeville, WA 98239
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Executive Committee

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Secretary	Kay Gheen	907-231-5492
Treasurer	Ralph Young	360-678-0430
Membership Secretary	Wes Kenworthy	360-675-3524

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2023 Directors	Kirby Stevens	360-929-9122
	Gary Winlund	503-440-3492
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	Nick Montagno	520-977-0998
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	Ron Martin	360-320-8797
2026 Directors	Ralph Downs	360-202-7562
	Ed Green	360-821-8443
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Committee Chairmen

Archery Range	Bill Simons	360-929-1252
Fund Raising	Linda Pickering	360-320-5702
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Newsletter	Kris Hansen	425-772-8944
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Fire Arms Class Coordinator	Bob Clark	360-929-2167
Range Safety	Kelly Gustafson	360-632-3393
Calendar & Scheduling	Susan Gerard	360-689-7974
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	Randy Nolan	360-678-5215
Web Master	Brittany Humburg	
FYI	Mike Cox	360-399-0078
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Match Coordinators

Bowling Pins	Richard Morgan	425-750-5444
Falling Plates, Pistol	Roger Richards	360-820-8105
Falling Plates, Rifle	Roger Richards	360-820-8105
Hanging Plates, Pistol 22/PCC	Gary Raster	360-679-8375
Hanging Plates, Rifle	Gary Raster	360-679-8375
Speed Steel Rifle Bays 6,7,8	Larry Memmer	360-679-6893
Speed Steel Pistol Bays 1 thru 5	Jeffrey Drake	425-328-6795
	Ralph Downs	360-202-7562
Trap	Ron Martin	360-320-8797
	Brad Steward	757-894-9391
Multi Gun	Gary Winlund	503-440-3492
50-Yard offhand 22 rifle, 100 yard Iron sight or scope	Lance Landquist	360-320-3645
	Gary Winlund	503-440-3492
Any rifle 100 & 200 yard	Lance Landquist	360-320-3645
	Gary Winlund	503-440-3492
Vintage Military (100 and 200 yd) and Metallic Silhouettes	Lance Landquist	360-320-3645
200 yard--22 rimfire at the 200 yard range	Gary Winlund	503-440-3492
	Lance Landquist	360-320-3645

Next General Meeting

Monday, December 11, @ 1900
(7:00 PM)

The holidays are upon us and it's time for families to gather around and enjoy each other. I hope everybody has a wonderful holiday.

Membership

As we all know it's time for renewals one of the biggest questions is I log into my account, and I don't see an invoice. Go to our web page and go to membership login and use your username and password.

If you forgot your login or your password, contact Real Young, Wes Kenworthy, and Larry Memmer. The answer is simple when you logged into your account, you'll see Past Year. Click on Past Year then click on Future 90 days you will then see your invoice and just pay. If you don't have an account Please Contact Ralph, Wes Kenworthy or Larry Memmer and we will enable to set up your account. For those members who want to pay in person will be on 9 December from 10:00 to 1:00pm. Also, the next renewal after that is on 18 December from 4:00pm to 6:00pm. Before the board meeting.

Thank You To The Volunteers

At this time of the year, I would like to be recognized some of our key members who do outstanding work. To name a few, Ed Hilkey and Gary Winlund for maintaining the club ground to look like a park and all the volunteers that made this happen through the year couldn't have done it without you. Ralph Young, Wes Kenworthy, and Kirby Steven for getting the membership program running good for 2023 and 2024 no small feat with over 900 members at last count. Another person to recognize is Kris Hansen for the outstanding newsletters he has put out over the last year. Our newsletters are very professional and easy to read Thank you Kris. I would also like to recognize Bill Balfour for his outstanding performance doing the Thursday email blast thanks Bill for providing that to the club membership it really helps getting the club news out to the membership. Ralph Downs and Ron Martin for running the trap range all year-round you guys did an awesome job!!! Al Lindell thank you for what you do for the club. I can always go to you for the history of the club, and we have changed rules because of your knowledge of the club. Also like to thank all the Match coordinators for their volunteerism to run matches for club members Bowling pin Richard Morgan, Falling Plates Pistol/Rifle Roger Richard, Hanging Plates pistol 22/pcc and Hanging Plates Rifle Gary Raster, Speed steel Rifle Larry Memmer, Speed steel pistol Jeff Drake, 50 yard offhand 100 yard iron sight or scope Gary Winlund and Lance Lindquist, any rifle 100 & 200 yard, Vintage military 100 and 200 yard range Metallic Silhouettes and 200 yard rimfire at 200 yard range that you Gary Winlund and Lance Lindquist for a job well done. Linda Pickering for being at every general meeting running our drawing we have,

RENEWAL MEMBERSHIP DATES

Best way to Renew your membership is online at the convince of your home, otherwise dates listed below are for those members who prefer to pay by check or cash. Please renew online to beat the long lines of those people paying by check or cash. These are the only membership in person dates for 2024. If you miss these dates you'll have to renew online. All membership fob keys will turn off automatically on 10 January if you didn't renew your membership by these dates listed below. Invoices will be coming out in November for those member who have already set up their account. Those members who have not set up an account we will be sending you an invitation to set up an account in November so you can receive a invoice to pay online as well. Those that want to pay by check or cash please still set up an account so you can change your preferences.

December 2023

- Saturday the 9th 10am-1pm
- Monday the 18th 4pm-5pm prior to Board meeting

January 2024

- Saturday the 6th 10am-1pm
- Saturday the 13th 1130am, Orientation new members ONLY !

February 2024

- Saturday the 17th 10am-1pm

CLUB PATCHES

We now have 25 patches on sale for \$15.00, If there is a bigger demand, we can order more patches for members to buy. Please see Wes Kenworthy if you are interested in buying one of these patches.



thank you Linda. I hope I didn't forget anybody if so, I'm truly sorry.

By the end of December our new 2024 calendar should be published so you'll be able to plan for next year's events.

Volunteers

We are still looking for volunteers for to volunteer for President, Vice President 1 and Vice President 2. If you have the time, please come to the general meet or board meeting on 18 December at 6:00pm. This will be my last meeting for the club. Hopefully there is somebody who can step up and run the club or fill one of these 3 openings.

The board held the sportsman of the year award and Selected Larry Memmer for his upstanding work for the last 5 years as President. Close runner up was Kay Green for his work installing the gate system, rewriting the bylaws and adding a table of contents and installing Star-Link and ensuring it all works correctly.

On 14 December the club will be installing Star-Link at the club in hopes of improving our internet. Currently our internet doesn't support our membership program. Zippy was just too expensive and Star-Link is only \$140.00 a month for better speed then we currently have...



CWSA General Meeting Minutes

Date: 13 November 2023

Opening Call to Order & Pledge, by: Larry Memmer • Time: 19:01 • Attendance: 23

General Business Reports

Secretary, Reading of Previous Minutes: Previous minutes posted online.

Treasurer's Report: At the end of October, we had \$124,000.00 in the bank. As of today, we have \$132,000.00. We picked up \$8,000.00 over the past week with online renewals. All of this without anyone coming to the clubhouse and standing in line or without any effort by club officers.

Membership Report: Membership status, as of today:

Total CWSA Membership, by Membership Type		
Classification	Members	Revenue Realized
General Members w/o Service	444	54,968.00
Regular members with Service	1	96.00
Senior 65 + 5 w/o Service	171	13,130.00
Non-Paying (Life & Exec)	14	0.00
Associate, non-voting	134	0.02
New voting associate	1	53.00
New Regular Members	150	14,863.00
Total	915	83,110.02

Public Relations Report: Not present But continues putting out Thursday Blast!

Club Maintenance Report: All targets on the old short-range, new short-range, 100 and 200-yard ranges, and ranges 7 & 8 rebuilt.

Garbage cans emptied and trash hauled to the dump. Pistol bays 3,4 & 5 have had the targets removed for the winter. Pistol bay 1 have the speed steel targets stacked, and pistol-bay two has the new wooden targets installed. Mowing of the trap field and entrance by the trees has been Completed. Weed eating around the club house and parking area completed. Will replace the stop-sign post and other entrance post upon return. Gary Winlund says the new 100-yard range has been renumbered and has glow-in-the dark markings.

NRA Membership: Linda has no new information tonight. However, Gary Winlund signed up a new guy last Saturday.

Hat Sales / Fund Raising: No hat sales tonight. Last month we only sold one hat. The 50/50 raffle is presently at \$14.50, but we made \$60.00 in the raffle tonight.

Old Business

Review planned dates and times for members to renew their membership in person. Also, we encourage all members to renew online. Dates for in person renewals are as follows:

November 27th from 16:00 to 18:00, prior to the board meeting

December 9th from 10:00 to 13:00

December 18th From 16:00 to 18:00, prior to the board meeting

Saturday January 6th from 10:00 to 13:00

February 17th from 10:00 to 13:00. This will be the last face-to-face renewal opportunity for the year. If you want to pay by cash or check it must be done on one of the above dates.

New member orientations will be held on:

January 13th at 11:30

March 9th at 11:30

May 11th at 11:30

July 13th at 11:30

September 14th at 11:30

Discussed damage to target boards due to improper target placement. The date for the December board meeting has been moved to avoid meeting on Christmas. We again encourage club members to volunteer for club leadership positions and to encourage your friends as well. The club now has club patches with our logo for sale. A big thanks to Ron Martin for making this happen.

New Business

During our peak demand times in November and December we have found that our existing internet connection with Zippy Fiber to be inadequate. We have looked at several internet service providers that can provide service to the club house and have decided to go with Starlink. There will be an initial equipment expenditure of about \$800.00 per month plus a monthly service fee of \$120.00. The board would like to request the membership to approve an expenditure of \$1000.00 to purchase the necessary equipment and get the system up and running. Gary Raster made a motion to approve the expenditure of \$1000.00 for Starlink internet service. The motion was seconded by Gary Winlund and carried by a vote of the membership.

NRA basic pistol and basic rifle instructor class will be held on the second Saturday of December.

Gary Raster mentions that we will only be doing one women's AR class and one women's tactical shot gun class this coming year. Also, there will be no hanging plate rifle or piston shoots in 2024.

Closing

Raffle: Seven raffles tonight. Barry Rix won the 50/50 tonight but was not present to claim his prize money of \$14.50. 388635—Kirby won \$25.00 cash money. 388649—Steve Foster won a \$25.00 Cabellas card. 388629—Ralf Young won another Cabellas card. 388624—Doug Smith won a Starbucks card. 388609—Nick M. took nothing. 388677—Randy Nolan picked a shot gun cleaning kit. 388605—Linda took a pistol cleaning kit

Adjourned: Doug Smith made the motion to adjourn the motion was seconded by Gary Raster and the meeting was adjourned at 19:33

CWSA Board Meeting Minutes

Date: 27 November 2023

Opening, Call to Order: Larry Memmer, President • Time: 17:00

Members Present: Larry Memmer President • Randy Pike Vice President • Gary Winlund Board Member • Ed Hilkey Maintenance/Board Member • Nick Montagno Board Member • Al Lindell Member • Ron Martin Board Member • Ralph Downes Board Member • Wes Kinworthy Membership • Ralph Young Treasury, Ed Green Board Member

Reading of Previous Minutes: Pervious minutes are posted online.

Treasurer's Report: \$12,294 collected in 2024 memberships as of 27 November. Just received \$1,085 from Trap revenue for the year. We spent \$974.85 for StarLink internet equipment to be installed around the 14th of March cost for internet will be \$140.00 a month. Currently have 135,000 in the Bank

Membership Report: So far for membership renewals for 2024 we have 134 members renewed. We had 9 members renew in person on 27 November 2024. We were expecting many more people to renew, hopefully the pace will pickup with online and in person renewals.

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General Member W/O Service	444	444	\$54,968.00
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Public Relations Report: Sent out his last Thursday Blast due to family Emergency. Will Send out again when emergency is over with. Please look online at the club calendar for events during this time.

Club Maintenance Report:

1. Moving car parking barriers back 4 feet on each side of parking area. Moving signs back also. The Board approved for Ed to move the logs back four feet to allow vehicles to turn around better.
2. Moving center two targets on short new range over by two feet to align with shooting positions. Number shooting positions and targets. Board approved! This might save the target frames from being shot up by members not paying attention to where they are shooting!
3. Installing new post at the end of the road, after old ones rotted off. Approved
4. Talked about making another set of speed steel targets for pit five for handicap. Tabled
5. Talked about signs for who does maintenance on areas around gun range. Signs would cost approximately \$74.00 each, signs would be made of aluminum and would have slots for name plates to slide in as people change out for adopting ranges cleanup. No action taken.

NRA Membership: We are taking membership for the NRA if anybody needs to update or join the NRA members will get a discount through the club! See Linda Pickering or Gary Winlund.

NRA Training: Holding meeting on 8 December 2023 to see about holding a NRA class.

RSO Report: Not Present! I Haven't heard from him in over a month! We might be looking for a new RSO Coordinator. Hopefully, he is OK! Been trying to contact him with no success!

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Review dates and times for new member orientation. New member orientation will be offered on: January 13th at 11:30, March 9th at 11:30, May 11th at 11:30, July 13th at 11:30, September 14th at 11:30

Please consider running for a CWSA leadership position.

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Update on club's acquisition of Starlink internet service. All equipment has been ordered and mostly received. We will commence installation in a couple of weeks. We will migrate slowly and with caution to avoid any down time for the gate system and EZ-Facility.

Randy Pike said the signup sheet for adopting a range is up in the back of the club house. If anybody is interested in maintaining a range, please sign the list on which range you would like to be responsible for. The working parties will still maintain target stands.

New Business

1. Nominations for sportsperson of the year.

- Kay Green nominated by Larry Memmer

- Kirby Stevens Nominated and seconded by Ralph Young Larry Memmer. Larry Memmer was selected as Sportsman of the Year for 2024 by the Board members for serving as president for five years and his accomplishment during that period.

Gary Winlund brought up making Bay one more Wheelchair friendly, that would require digging out and changing the angle of getting into the bay and pour a 4 ft wide pad of concrete instead of gravel to allow better access to the steel plates in a wheelchair. A discussion on an extra set of steel plates installed in bay 5 or the short new range was discussed. Al Lindell brought up that out of sight steel plates away from Bay 1 that somebody might shoot with armor piercing bullets and wreck the plates, where in the pistol bay only pistols are used.

Adjourned: 1849