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CHAPTER NEWS AND EVENTS

PENALTY INCREASE FOR INCOMPLETE VOLUNTEER HOURS

Starting with the 2024 dues renewal process, all members that have not completed the required 4 volunteer work projects within their probationary period will be charged a \$100 penalty instead of the current \$60 penalty.

Two of the four projects must be a conservation project. All four can be conservation but a minimum of two is required. The club calendar has all conservation projects listed in Bold Green letters. Regular credit projects are written in Bold Brown letters.

The Board of Directors approved the increase in an effort to encourage members to volunteer for chapter conservation and regular work projects. We are a volunteer organization and of late, the number of volunteers has not been sufficient to complete all of the needed work activities.

As long as members have not completed their requirements, they will remain on probationary status. If you complete your projects in year one, you are still on probation until your two years are up.

WAC CHAPTER ORIENTATION AND RANGE SAFETY CLASS IS NOW MANDATORY

There are some members that do not use the rifle, pistol or shotgun ranges. Many of these members have never attended the chapter "Orientation and Range Safety Class". Members that have not attended the Orientation and Range Safety class are not issued member range passes and cannot use these ranges on their own until

they complete the class.

This causes the members using only the airgun or archery ranges to not have credentials indicating that they are members. This is a particular concern on the archery range due to its location at the main entrance to our property.

The board of directors has a long standing policy that you must display a range pass when using any of the chapter ranges. This includes Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun, Archery and Airgun ranges. Not covering the airgun and archery ranges was an oversight and needs to be corrected.

Effective January 1, 2024, all members must display a WAC range pass when using any of the above ranges. This will also limit guests to only two per qualified member. An archery and airgun component has been added to the orientation and range safety class.

A green member range pass and red Visitor pass must be displayed while on any chapter range with the exception of organized and supervised events.

The orientation and Range Safety classes are held on the last Sunday of the month at 8:30 AM. The class is approximately 3 hours long and is held in the main hall. You must pre-register by email. You can email [John Randall](mailto:John.Randall) to let him know you are coming.

Members that have not taken the range Orientation and Range Safety class must complete the class by the end of this year. Any member that has not completed the class by January 1, 2024 cannot use any range on their own and can only use the ranges as a guest of a member that has completed the class. All members and their guests must display their range card while on any of our ranges.

Conservation

Fri 16, Garden Maintenance Meet at 8:30 AM. to 11:00 AM at the Green Maintenance Shed. Contact Meo Curtis (meosotis58@verizon.net)

Sun 18, Save Our Streams Committee, Chemical testing at Mullinix Mill monitoring site Noon to 1:00 PM. Observers welcome on a limited basis with prior notice. Contact John Hartwell 240-543-0156

Spring is right around the corner. Keep an eye on the calendar for upcoming conservation events

Rifle/Pistol (Hans Varmer)

The 2023 Calendar is now posted on the website. For your convenience, we are including the Rifle & Pistol Committee events in one convenient place, with the online class pre-registration link for you to plan. The cost of all classes, such as NRA Basic Pistol and Wear & Carry Day 2, is \$150, Utah non-residence carry permits is \$150. Stop the Bleed classes will be \$50 and, the NEW Practical Defense Holster will be \$30.

Shotgun Range Schedule (Steve Olsen)

July, 2023

Sat	7/1	George King, Bob Shelley
Sun	7/2	Steve Meyers
Wed	7/5	Frank Bis
Sat	7/8	Paul Turska, Lee Becknell
Sun	7/9	Joel Gross, Gerhard Bartsch
Wed	7/12	Jay Jeffrey
Sat	7/15	Doug Chapman, Michael Levendusky
Sun	7/16	Al Cross
Wed	7/19	Jeremy Dvorak
Sat	7/22	Phil Butler
Sun	7/23	Eric Huber
Wed	7/26	Craig Leopard
Sat	7/29	Ryan Turner
Sun	7/30	Dave Stevenson, Jay Deva

Thanks to our Volunteers

If you joined the chapter on or before May 2021 and you have not seen your name listed in any issue of the newsletter as being graduated to full member status, you are **still on probation**.

If you are not sure as to your status, email Forrest at **fpnthree@gmail.com** and you will receive an email of your work history on record.

The following probationary members have completed their required volunteer projects and will become a full member after their two year anniversary date.

None during the month of May

Congratulations to our new Full Members

The following probationary members have successfully completed their probationary period and have now graduated to Full Member status.

Ronnie Hoggard, Phillip Raum, Zachary Miller, Kevin Limparis

Cowboy Action Shoot Set Up

5/12/2023 (Chair) Chuck Limparis

Members and Nonmembers:

Ron Limparis

Probationary Members: (Regular Credit)

Paul Ris

Garden Maintenance

5/12/2023 (Chair) Meo Curtis

Members and Nonmembers:

Karl Krchma, Jeff Deschamps

Probationary Members: (Conservation Credit)

Clayton Dukes, Chris Donati, Paul Ris, Griffin Duffy, Nick Bobay, Allen Young

Chapter Maintenance Day- Rifle, Pistol and Shotgun Range Clean Up

5/28//2023 (Chair) Paul Turska

Members and Nonmembers:

Joe Pauley, Kevin Wolf, Chuck Crooks, Bob Shelly, Tracy Schaff, Guy Wright

Probationary Members: (Regular Credit)

Ron Hoggard

NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS (Jim Piateski jimpiateski@verizon.net)

Thanks to Jim Piateski for mailing the printed version of the newsletter every month and Forrest Neal for tracking volunteer hours. Thanks to Chuck Crooks, Hans Varmer , and Steve Olsen for their contributions to this newsletter. Chuck Crooks for posting the newsletter on the web in such a timely fashion.

If anyone has an article, picture or topic, which they wish to have included in future newsletters, send to Jim Piateski at jimpiateski@verizon.net and include some contact info in case there are questions. If you have photographs of chapter events that you would like to share with the membership in the on-line newsletter, please send them to Jim Piateski at the above email address. Please include the names of those pictured as well as the date and name of the event.

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