

NOMINATING COMMITTEE PRESENTS SLATE FOR 2024

The Nominating Committee has presented the following slate of candidates for the election at the Annual March Membership Meeting:

President: Gene Scott

Vice President: Steve Szeredy

Treasurer: Mike Staffileno

Secretary: Mark Schafman

Directors: Dave Hobart, Rick Gundy, Sal Saia, Tim Guy and Ed Kobilis

Nominations from the floor will also be accepted. Nominees from the floor must be a member of good standing, must be present to accept nomination, or have written signed acceptance to be presented upon nomination at the Annual Meeting on March 11th.

2024' Membership Dues & Assessments Are Being Distributed

Rick has sent out the 2024 invoices. Please pay as soon as you can. They are due by March 11th, the Annual Membership Meeting. I will be mailing out the new work cards upon receiving payment of your Dues & Assessments. Remember that you can start getting on your 2024 work hours, starting at the beginning of the year. Just keep track so you can get your card signed.

Weslaco Winter Gun Raffle

We are raffling off an FN America 502 Tactical 22LR 4.6" 15 Rd Semi-Auto Pistol. Valued at \$400.00. We will be selling tickets at the March Membership Meeting, Turkey Shot or contact Gene Scott. The drawing will be held also the night of the March Members meeting. Tickets are 1 for \$10.00 or 3 for \$20.00. Good Luck and please buy a ticket!

Last Chance for Weslaco Pheasant and Habitat Raffle:

Remember to buy your tickets for the raffle to support the Pheasant program and habitat at Weslaco. Grand prize is valued at more than \$500. A mobile feast of ten steaks, a dozen cigars, a set of 4 crystal tumblers and one special beverage, all packed in a 58 quart Orca cooler! All proceeds support Weslaco. Tickets are \$20 each (3 for \$50) and available at [Betterworld.org](https://wphr.betterworld.org/giveaways/mobile-feast).

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If you so choose, you can opt out of Better World service fee on line. Drawing on March 16 at the Weslaco Chukar Challenge. Contact Rob.Kochis@outlook.com.

March 10th Turkey Shoot

Turkey Shoot Signup at 11:00AM and shooting starts at Noon. Corned Beef Dinner Fixings' is Top Prize for the day (Valued at \$100.00)! Contact Chairman Gene Scott for more information.

March 16th Bird Dog Day- Chukar Challenge & Banquet

March 16th Start At 8:00am Hunting Style Dog Trial- Test the Medal of your dog and your shooting skills

Cost \$50- 4 Birds 20 Minutes Max Per Run. Remember, a Hunter Education Safety Course Certification is required to Hunt along with preregistering with Dog Training Chairman, Craig Cogar!

March 24th Blue Ball Event

The weather was so cold and snowy in January that we did not shoot the Blue Ball event. But you get a second chance in March. On March 24th 2024 we will taking another crack at holding the Blue Ball Event. It is a .22 LR rifle event. You will shoot ten rounds from the bench and ten rounds off hand for

score. Your score will determine where you shoot for the Blue Ball Elimination. Registration starts at 1:00 PM shooting at 2:00PM. Come on out and have some fun. See you there.

Any questions contact Greg Dolence at gdolence@windstream.net or 440-336-6299.

.Wobble League Trap - Shooting on Tuesday Nights

Come out and join Jim Skinner on Tuesday nights at 6:00pm. A New Wobble League started in January.

5- Stand/Skeet Shooting Thursday Nights

Five Stand and Skeet in the winter months is dependent on the weather. We plan to run unless there's a problem or questionable weather. Get your name and email on the list and a message will be sent out in the afternoon on the day of the event if it looks questionable.

Contact Brianhalfiron@roadrunner.com with the heading (Your Name, Shoot list). I will add you to the chain. You will not get unwanted emails. Please also bring smaller bills to pay for your rounds.

Pistol Shoot Thursday Nights

Thursday nights join Bob Morris for the Pistol Games at 6:00pm Card Shoot and Bullseye

Weslaco's Annual Members Banquet

Well, we had another successful members banquet. It was nice to have the room packed with so many members and their wives. I'd like to thank everybody that was able to donate a basket to be raffled off at the end of the evening. So many baskets donated with so many great ideas.

Thanks to Mike G. Matt R. Beth H. and Lou A who were able to help out during the banquet. And a big Thanks to Ginger G. for your help behind the scenes and calling the ticket numbers for the raffle. Hope to see you all next February again. Thanks, Michelle.

Berkshire High School Youth Trap Shooting Team

Weslaco will be welcoming back the Berkshire High School Youth Trap Shooting Team on Thursday evenings. They will be using Trap Field 1 & Trap Field 2 and "tentatively" will start on April 4th and run for 10 weeks. Member Byron Childs is the Teams Lead Instructor R/O and will have other Certified Instructors R/O's from Berkshire attending.

Clubhouse Reminder

Please remember to shut off the water pump and lock all the doors (especially the backdoor). Turn the thermostat down to 60 degrees when leaving. The door has been left open in the past and pump is continuing being left on too many times. Also, remember to clean-up and empty trash containers after you are done using any of the buildings.

Pistol Range Ammunition Violations

Members have found 5.7x28mm brass on the pistol range, this cartridge exceeds the maximum allowed velocity! This cartridge is capable of 1700 FPS or more depending on barrel length! Excerpt from rules below.

- Tracer, explosive, or incendiary ammunition is strictly prohibited. - Caliber restrictions: Rifle: Maximum .22 rimfire caliber or maximum 9mm Rifle caliber. Pistol: Any recognized traditional pistol specific caliber with a **maximum velocity of 1600 feet per second is allowed** up to and including 44 Mag or 45 Long Colt caliber. No pistols shooting traditional rifle ammunition will be permitted (ie 45-70 etc.).

We would like to take the opportunity to introduce you to our newest sponsor, Whiteknuckler Brand.

You can access their website by clicking the logo on the website or typing in the following address into your web browser <https://whiteknucklerbrand.com/pages/manufacturing-information>

Here is a little information about Whiteknuckler Brand.

All Whiteknuckler Brand products are made in the USA from the finest domestic steel and domestic hides. We are a small independent company providing employment for 8 people right here in the USA. We source as many of our materials as possible locally and use best practices to reduce our environmental impact, using water based stains on our wood products and no plastic in any of our packaging. We strive to have everything we do from our customer service to our handmade products be top notch! We stand behind all our products with a lifetime replacement guarantee. You deserve better than cardboard belts and plastic handles on knives!

We sincerely hope our line of products will please you for years to come.



-The Whiteknuckler Brand Team