



AZ State Shooting Sports Committee (SSSC)

02 AUG 2023 Meeting

Notes in red font.

- Welcome, Introductions and Pledges
- Attendance:
 - o Ashlea G.
 - o Steve F.
 - o Tim L.
 - o John S.
 - o Haley C.
 - o Justin C.
 - o Kat W.
 - o Stacy H.
 - o Teri J.
 - o Derek H.
 - o Carol P.
 - o Kristine S.
 - o Erik S.
- Review of previous meeting minutes/notes: July meeting notes/minutes sent out via email on 27 JUL 2023. **No comments.**
- Shooting Sports account balances as of 27 JUL 2023:
 - U of A accounts:
 - o No change from last month; pending charges from Level-1 Instructor Workshop held 14-16 JUL 23
 - 2370240 Instructor Certification: \$5215
 - 2372050 Match: \$5335
 - 5600700 SSEIC Gift Acct: Instructor Certification: \$49

5600700 SSEM Gift Acct: Match: \$33

- Old Business:

- State shooting sports instructor update.
 - 105 Level-1 Instructors qualified in 216 disciplines.
 - 12 Level-2 Instructors qualified in 21 disciplines.

Row Labels	Count of Lvl 1 Archery	Count of Lvl 1 Pistol	Count of Lvl 1 Rifle	Count of Lvl 1 Shotgun	Count of Lvl 1 Hunting Skill	Count of Lvl 1 Muzzleloader	Count of Lvl 1 Western Heritage	Count of Lvl 1 Coordinator
Apache	2	1	2	1				
Apache/Navajo Nation	1							
Cochise	3	2	5	3	1	2		
Coconino	9	6	5	3	3	2		
Gila	5	1	2	1				
Greenlee	1		2	1				
La Paz	3		2		1			
Maricopa	6	4	5	2	2	3		1
Mohave	3	3	3	3	2		1	1
Navajo	2		1			1		
Navajo Nation	2		1					
Pima	12	4	10	1	7	1	1	
Pinal	8	6	7	3	6	4	2	
Yavapai	3	1	3	1				
Yuma	3	3	6	1	2	4		1
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Grand Total	63	31	54	20	24	17	4	3

Count of Lvl 2 Archery	Count of Lvl 2 Pistol	Count of Lvl 2 Rifle	Count of Lvl 2 Shotgun	Count of Lvl 2 Hunting Skill	Count of Lvl 2 Muzzleloader	Count of Lvl 2 Western Heritage
			1	1	1	
1	2	1			1	
			1			
		1	1			1

1			1			
	1	2		1		
1						
1		1				
4	3	5	4	2	2	1

- AZ Shooting Sports Operations Policy Update: Renewed prioritization based on ALVSCE operations department inquiry. No update.
- Shooting Sports / 4-H Tri-fold creation: No action.
- Level-1 Instructor Workshop is 14-16 JUL 2023 at James 4-H Camp near Prescott after action review.
 - (25) instructors trained, including two youth instructors, in (45) disciplines
 - Mixed feedback on James Camp location (positive social interactions and room/board, negative range conditions and restrictions mostly caused by Stage 1 fire restrictions)
 - Positive comments about pre-event communication, use of electronic curriculum and instructor knowledge and presentations
 - **Need to create designated shooting areas at camp emphasized in discussion.**
- Reminder: Club / County annual equipment inventories are due no later than 30 September 2023 to the State Coordinator. Counties should collect and consolidate inventories from clubs prior to submission.
 - All club / county owned firearms, air arms, and bows need to be accounted for, regardless of where they are being stored.
 - Major range support end items including: optics, target backs, 3-D targets and impact backdrops and pellet traps should also be included.
 - Equipment accountability spreadsheet can be downloaded from shooting sports webpage, inside the program coordinator tab/resource list.
 - Purpose of inventory collection is to remain in compliance with draft Shooting Sports Operations Policy, as well as to ensure equipment that is not being actively used is available for loan to clubs/counties in need.

- Discussion covering the voluntary participation of counties in the equipment transfer/loan program endorsed by Erik.
- Instructor certification badges. If there is an error in your badge, please contact Erik via email to make the correction. Data used to create badges was taken from Z-Suite and several archived instructor spreadsheets.
 - All badges for fully qualified instructors given out to county professionals and shooting sports volunteers.
- New Business
 - State Archery Fun Shoot after action review / discussion.
 - Great event discussion.
 - Turnout was very similar to last year's attendance.
 - Raised over \$1K for archery program.
 - Other counties encouraged to host similar events in other disciplines in order to provide additional recreational and competitive opportunities for 4-H shooting sports members and potential members.
 - 2023-2024 State Team try-outs; 27-29 OCT 2023.
 - Flagstaff Range Complex use is confirmed.
 - \$5 per competitor charge by range
 - Need to empty on-site latrines after event is done
 - Erik planning a recon of the range mid-August
 - Seniors and those who will be seniors as of 01 JAN 2024 are eligible to compete, including those that have already gone to Nationals in a particular discipline (note that they remain ineligible to represent the state at Nationals a second time in a previously competed-in discipline)
 - Schedule concept:
 - Practice, equipment inspections, opening ceremony Friday
 - 10 hours available Saturday (0730-1730)
 - 5 hours available Sunday (0730-1230)
 - **Need to confirm discipline courses of fire and corresponding rulebook updates.**
 - No rule changes needed by any disciplines
 - Need to confirm the general rule of no "Crocs" wear on any range.
 - Competitors will be able to select three disciplines to compete in. These choices will be guaranteed as Erik will create discipline firing orders based on selections.
 - Event Discipline Leads:
 - Rifle: John S.

- Pistol: Derek H.
 - Archery: Kip B.
 - Muzzleloader: Doug W.
 - Shotgun: Stacy H.
 - Hunting: Steve F.
 - Western Heritage (no competition, demo only): needed
- 2023-2024 State Team Try-outs being held 18 November 2023.
 - Location remains TBD (Phoenix or Gila County COAs being looked at)
 - No decision made on location yet
 - 2024 State pins design and order.
 - New design ideas? Ideas needed within the next two months.
 - Quantity needed?
- Shooting Discipline Updates:
- Archery: (Kip Bennett): Not present
 - Pistol: (Doug Whitehead): NSTR
 - Rifle: (John Sparlin): NSTR
 - Shotgun: (Stacy Hadley): Excited to offer sporting clays in OCT
 - Air Rifle / Pistol: (John Sparlin): Awaiting pricing on potential used air rifle buy from Wildgats organization
 - Muzzleloader: (Steve Fenn): Volunteered to purchase a complete set of 1/2 scale steel silhouette targets for organization... Thank you!
 - Hunting Skills: (Steve Fenn): NSTR
 - Western Heritage: (Stacy Hadley): Request a site visit by Todd K. out of Montana during FEB Western Heritage demonstration?
- Open Floor:
- Site recon to Three Points (Tucson) VFW later in the week by Erik. Early discussion about a possible outdoor 4-H live-fire range facility partnership. Invitation open to all local instructors.
 - Derek H.: Several events coming up involving local VFWs and 4-H
 - 26 AUG 2023, 0800-1200, AZ Army National Guard Family Day air rifle event at VFW Post 720 (volunteers and range trailer needed)

- 16 SEP 2023, 1000-1600, Apache Junction VFW air rifle shooting event (volunteers needed)
 - 29 SEP – 01 OCT 2023, Arizona State VFW Conference, Booth space available for 4-H
 - 14 OCT 2023, Veteran's Stand Down support event, Coolidge VFW, (volunteers and range trailer needed)
- Next meeting date time group (DTG): 02 AUG 2023, 6:30pm, Zoom

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