



North Whidbey Sportsmen's Association

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January 2026

Orientation & ID Cards:

Orientation on Saturday, 3 January at 9am. Anyone needing a new ID card can show up at 11am.

No January Potluck

BUT, we have a chili feed at 6pm before the January Member's Meeting, on January 14. Come at 6pm, enjoy chili and cornbread cooked by our volunteers.

January Breakfast!

On Saturday, January 17 there will be a Pancake and Bacon Breakfast. Come enjoy!

Monthly Meeting

The monthly member's meeting is January 14 at 7pm. If you have business with NWSA, please use email, call an officer, or attend this meeting.

Trustee's Meeting

The Trustee's meeting will be at 7pm, Wednesday January 21. Committee Chairmen are expected to attend this meeting also. All other members are welcome to attend and observe.

Range work continues

Construction continues on the Left pistol bay, and when complete, the focus will shift to the Center bay. During this time, watch out for construction equipment, and be aware that there are muddy areas near the pistol ranges and down by the Rifle Range. The purpose of all this is SAFETY, and some convenience. A better area behind the rifle shooting area, and also better parking at the pistol ranges is anticipated when this is all done. Please be patient!

Range Closures

The following range closures are scheduled but still subject to cancellation:

10 Jan: 8am—2pm Center and Right bays closed IDPA
13 Jan: 8am—5pm Center bay closed
16 Jan: 9am—Noon Center bay closed
24 Jan: 8am—1pm Center bay closed ASI
27 Jan: 8am—5pm Center bay closed
31 Jan: 9am—5pm Left Bay closed NRA Class

Trap

Trapshooting is on Sundays at 2pm. January dates are: 4,

Pistol Matches

10 Jan: IDPA Match 8am—2pm
24 Jan: ASI Match 8am—1pm

Saturday match set up begins at 0830. New shooters need to arrive 45 minutes prior to match start time for a safety and rules briefing. Handicap and Loading Zone signs are posted. Please observe.

For more info on pistol matches or pistol range, contact Jim Till at jtill39@gmail.com or call 360 739-6237.

Life Membership

See NWSA website for instructions on how to become a Life member.

Website

Do you use the NWSA website?

www.northwhidbeysportsmen.org

What do you use it for? Are you registered on the site so you can see the 'members only' features?

Renewing online is not the only reason to register!

ALSO! If you find a problem with a page or a link, please someone know right away. We can't fix it if we don't know its broke.

NWSA Officers and Trustees

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December Raffle (2 guns!)

Tickets will be sold every month until December (2026) when the winner will be drawn! Guns for this year's raffle are Winchester Model 70 in 300 Win Mag, rifle and also Smith & Wesson xD9 9mm pistol.

NRA Classes

Six new NRA Instructors were certified on 23 November. We're starting off with Basic Pistol Shooting classes: Feb. 20 and 21, and also Mar. 20 and 21. Once listed on the nrainstructors.com website, you'll be able to sign up there!

Newsletter & Corrections

Submissions for the NWSA Newsletter must be received by the Trustee's Meeting (3rd Wednesday). And if you find an error, please report it to the General Secretary right away. If possible, the correction will be in the next month's Newsletter. Email to NWSA.Training@gmail.com

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Any other issue	Bring it up at the next meeting.

Three ways to renew

1. You can fill out the forms and bring them by hand to the meeting, and submit your payment there, either cash, check or credit card.
2. You can fill out the forms and mail them to our PO Box. Be sure to include Service Hours form AND the Annual Renewal form with your payment (Checks only via USPS mail, please).
3. Online renewals are \$200 per year, and are for those who do not have the 12 hours of service, and are under 70 and physically able to perform the hours.

Please note, if you're over 70 or unable to perform service hours, just put that ON THE FORM and submit with your Renewal form and payment, either in person or through the mail. In that case, your renewal is only \$100 per year.

Even if you're not registered on the website, you can download the Membership Renewal Form. Just click on "Why Join" and then "How to Join". Also, for renewing members, the Service Hour form is in the Newsletter.

North Whidbey Sportsmen's Association Annual Service to the club Member's Report

This report is required to accompany the NWSA Membership Renewal Form.

12 hours service to NWSA is required per year of membership. Failure to perform 12 hours service results in an additional \$100 added to the membership renewal fee.

Service may be anything that contributes to the betterment or operations of the club. If it's a service to NWSA and requires the member's time, it qualifies. Examples are:

- Labor—including working on buildings, mowing, grounds improvement, brush/undergrowth control, road maintenance, range maintenance, equipment maintenance.
- Administrative functions, including managing guest waivers, managing the AED maintenance, assisting with any NWSA Administration duty.
- Serving as a Certified Range Safety Officer (hours on duty qualify)
- Serving as a Match Director (hours managing matches and prep work qualify)
- Serving as an NRA Instructor (hours instructing and preparing qualify)
- Serving with the kitchen crew
- Hunter’s Education (hours instructing and preparing qualify)
- Anything that directly contributes to the benefit of NWSA

Members with disabilities that prevent them from performing service to the club need only let us know using this form. Non-life members who are 70 and over are exempt from the service hour requirement.

Member signature, attesting to the accuracy of this report.

Member printed full name

Have something you want to **Buy, Sell or Trade?** You can list it here in this Newsletter. Email John at NWSA.Training@gmail.com

FOR SALE

LOST and FOUND

Have something you lost, or found? You can list it here so someone can claim it back or restore it to its rightful owner. Just email the details to NWSA.Training@gmail.com for entry here!