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Casual/Beginner Skeet/Trap League

Every Tuesday 5:30 till dark beginning April 5, 2005 through May 31, 2005.

This will be a fun league with emphasis on practice and instruction. Shoot skeet, trap or both. Serious shooters should not join this league unless you want to participate with instruction for new shooters.

Any gauge shotgun will do and any action except single shot. We will shoot a minimum of 2 rounds (2 boxes) per evening. The cost will be \$3 per round for members and \$4 for guests. This is an open league; any age or sex.

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2005 ARA Match Schedule for GPGC

(American Rimfire Association)

- April 2
- May 7
- June 4
- July 2
- Aug. 6
- Sept. 10
- Oct. 1 & 2
(Tournament)

Matches start at 9:00 A.M., Saturdays. October Tournament starts at 11:00 AM the 1st, and 8:30 AM the 2nd.

Sponsors: Mike Pallet mwpallet@yahoo.com
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Every Wed. - 1:00 PM - Casual Skeet & Trap
Every Sat. & Sun. - 1:00 PM - Open Skeet & Trap
unless there is a scheduled event!
Every Mon. - 5:30 PM Trap Under the Lights
Members and Guests

Club Skeet Results



April 3, 2005

HOA Champion:

AA Champion:

AA-2:

A Champion:

A-2:

B Champion:

B-2:

C Champion:

D Champion:

D-2:

E Champion:

E-2:

Benny Emmons - 50

Joe Miller - 49

Bobby Voss - 49

Kerry Williams - 48

Jeff Zwiebel - 47

Brad Fitzgerald - 48

Ken Hulsey - 47

Bill Schweitzer - 44

Bill Weatherby - 44

Gene Wills - 43

Doug Doyle - 41

Shane Cole - 38

Pittman Haymore - 38

John Slocum - 38

Special Doubles Event - \$200 Split 60/40

Champion:

Runner-up:

Benny Emmons - 48

Randy Walhood - 46



**Welcome
New Member!**

Ed Lewis

**An apology to the New Members in March
whose names were wrong!**



Doug Penttinen



Roy Walker

Range Officer Duty - 2005

Sat., Apr. 2	Ed Kilgore
Sun., Apr. 3	Brad Fitzgerald
Wed., Apr. 6	John Slocum
Sat., Apr. 9	Mike Skidmore
Sun., Apr. 10	Randy Walhood
Wed., Apr. 13	Joe Miller
Sat., Apr. 16	Don Kovatch
Sun., Apr. 17	George Stevens
Wed., Apr. 20	Jack Martin
Sat., Apr. 23	Buz Owens
Sun., Apr. 24	Paul Stringer
Wed., Apr. 27	Ken Hulsey
Sat., Apr. 30	Steve Thompson



Education Classes Set for the Year 2005

The club will conduct seven (7) TEXAS HUNTER EDUCATION classes this coming year. The schedule is as follows:

Student Class

July 18, 21, 23	Oct. 17, 20, 22
Aug. 22, 25, 27	Nov. 14, 17, 19
Sep. 12, 15, 17	Dec. 5, 8, 10

Instructor Workshops

Apr. 22, 23, 24	NRA Rifle Instructor Workshop
May 21, 22	NRA Range Safety Officer Workshop
June 24, 25, 26	NRA Reloading Workshop
Sep. 9, 10, 11	NRA Pistol Workshop
Oct. 8	TP&W Responsible Shotgunning

Each class will consist of two (2) night sessions and one (1) full day. The days are Monday and Thursday nights from 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., and the Saturday session will be from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The cost is \$10.00 check, money order or cashier's check made out to:

Grand Prairie Education Committee
972-641-9940 (leave message)



- April 1 - Daylight Savings Begins
- April 2 - 9:00 AM ARA Rifle Match
- April 3 - 10:00 AM Club Skeet Shoot
- April 5 - 5:30 PM Beginners Skeet League
- April 7 - 7:30 PM GPGC Board of Directors Meeting
- Apr. 9/10 - Ivan Tabor Memorial Shoot
- April 12 - 5:30 PM Beginners Skeet League
- April 16 - 1:00 PM Public Day
- April 17 - 10:00 AM Club Trap Shoot
- April 19 - 5:30 PM Beginners Skeet League
- Apr. 22/23/24 - NRA Rifle Instructors Workshop
- April 26 - 5:30 PM Beginners Skeet League
- May 1 - 10:00 AM Club Skeet Shoot
- May 3 - 5:30 PM Beginners Skeet League
- May 5 - 7:30 PM GPGC Board of Directors Meeting
- May 7 - 9:00 AM ARA Rifle Match
- May 10 - 5:30 PM Beginners Skeet League
- May 15 - 10:00 AM Club Trap Shoot
- May 17 - 5:30 PM Beginners Skeet League
- May 21 - 1:00 PM Public Day
- May 21-22 - NRA Range Safety Officer Training
- May 24 - 5:30 PM Beginners Skeet League
- May 30 - Memorial Day

Hunter Education Classes

In 2004 the Education Committee conducted 6 Hunter Education Classes and 6 Instructor Workshops.

The Hunter Education classes had just over 300 students bringing our overall count to over 3,300 students.

These instructors, 22 in number, have put in a lot of hours and work.

All the sweat and sore muscles has earned them the right to think of themselves as one of the two best teaching teams in Texas. We think we are the best and probably are! Thanks to all involved for your help!

Jan Heath

Recipe Corner



New South Venison Steak

3 pound steak cut from rump of venison

¼ cup flour

¾ tsp. salt

Cayenne pepper

Dash of thyme

Dash of ground nutmeg

Dash of ground cloves

2 Tbsp. melted beef suet or cooking oil

3 onions, large, thinly sliced

2 cups tomatoes, fresh, peeled and quartered
OR 2 cups stewed tomatoes

1 ½ Tbsp. Worcestershire sauce

4 drops Tabasco

1 ½ cups Burgundy (Port may be substituted
for part)

1 clove, whole

1 garlic clove

Bouquet garni

Salt & pepper to taste

1 cup sautéed mushrooms

Sift flour with salt, cayenne, thyme, nutmeg
and cloves. Using tenderizing mallet,
vigorously pound seasoned flour into steak.
Cut the steak into 1 inch cubes or strips.

Heat oil in Dutch oven and sear meat on all
sides; add onions. When meat and onions are
well browned, add tomatoes, Worcestershire
sauce, Tabasco, Burgundy, clove, garlic and
bouquet garni.

Cover pot closely, set in moderate oven, and
cook 2 1/2 hours or until meat is tender.
Remove from oven. Add salt & pepper to taste
and bring to a boil over direct heat.

Stir in sautéed mushrooms and serve over rice
with red current jelly.

Source: **Southern Living, Our Best Recipes**

Shooting Tower Pheasants

The morning was gray with rain in the forecast as eleven gun club members assembled at *Upland Bird Country* near Corsicana. In all, 40 shooters surrounded the perimeter of a 25-acre oval of woods with an 80-foot tower near the center. The forest was thick with hardwoods but shooting lanes were visible among the treetops. After the siren blows pheasants begin to soar overhead every few minutes. Shotguns were popping sporadically and the birds were high and deceptively fast, but very few of the 360 pheasants thrown made the gauntlet alive. The retrievers were getting a very good workout and much praise.

After an outstanding bar-b-que lunch we each picked up 7 cleaned and packaged pheasants and headed home. A great shoot and fun packed morning an hour from home for \$195 and the service is 4 star. Check the site out: www.uplandbird.com or call Steve Stroube 903-872-5663



Tower Pheasant Team

Benny Jr., Bill Schweitzer, Benny Emmons, Vic Marshall, Terry Cullender, Gil George, Richard Hovas, Gene Wills, Randy Walhood, and Bobby Sherrill.

Club Trap Schedule 2005

John Slocum, 972-602-1600

April 17 - 10:00 AM SUN	September 18 - 10:00 AM SUN
May 15 - 10:00 AM SUN	October 16 - 10:00 AM SUN
June 19 - 10:00 AM SUN	November 20 - Turkey Shoot
July 17 - 10:00 AM SUN	December 18 - 10:00 AM SUN
August 21 - 10:00 AM SUN	

Club Skeet Schedule 2005

Brad Fitzgerald, 972-816-0934

April 3 - 10:00 AM Sunday	August 7 - 10:00 AM Sunday
May 1 - 10:00 AM Sunday	September 4 - 10:00 AM Sunday
June 12 - 10:00 AM Sunday	October 2 - 10:00 AM Sunday
July 10 - 10:00 AM Sunday	November 13 - 10:00 AM Sunday

2005 InterClub Challenge

The 2005 InterClub Challenge was held at Grand Prairie Gun Club on March 12, 2005. The weather was unseasonably warm and also very windy which made for challenging shooting. This is a team event in which each member shoots 50 skeet targets and 50 16-yard trap targets. The combined high score wins and gets to keep the traveling trophy at their club for the next year. The winning and runner up teams also receive a custom belt buckle commemorating the shoot. The individual champ and runner up also received a buckle.

Ten teams entered the event with hopes of taking home the traveling trophy. DeSoto, Grand Prairie, Arlington, North Texas Shooters Association, Dallas and Paris were represented. When the smoke cleared DeSoto once again claimed the trophy with the team of Jimmy Powell, Doug Thomas, Randy Sullivan, Mike Jury, and J. R. Hardman. They shot a combined score of 466 of 500. The runner up team was from Arlington consisting of Norman Wolf, Ed Gill, J. R. Minick, Mark Hodgson, and Jay Blakeny. They shot a combined score of 465 of 500. Mike Jury took the high over all individual buckle with a 49 in skeet and a 50 straight in trap for a score of 99 of 100.

J.R. Hardman shot 49 in skeet and 49 in trap for a 98 of 100 which captured the runner up individual buckle.

Many thanks to Benny Emmons and the many club members who volunteered to help cook, pull or score targets or clean up. The beef brisket lunch was outstanding and the Hunter Ed class also got to benefit from 'lunch at the Club'. We had approximately 15 volunteers that helped run the shoot and it cannot be emphasized enough how these type of events would not be successful without them and how fortunate our Club is to have people that volunteer. This is what makes our Club what it is. Thanks to everyone who helped.



Pistol Range News

The pistol range is getting a new target line at 15 yards. There will be new target frames that will be configured for standing or bench shooting. This will eliminate the hanging targets from the first baffle. The hanging targets allowed shooters that shot from the bench to impact the second baffle or the railroad tie wall above the bullet traps. Both overhead baffles and the railroad tie wall are in need of major repair. The railroad tie 'soldiers' in front of the baffle poles are in need of replacement due to bullet impacts. The ever present rule is to 'make sure your target is placed correctly to impact the bullet trap within your shooting lane'. The dirt filled tires below the bullet traps have been shot up and the pistol directors are indicating that this can be faced with soil to create a better impact area. This range has been in use for over 12 years and is in need of major maintenance (refacing/repair of the overhead baffles, replacement/repair of the railroad tie wall above the target line, and dirtwork at the target line). This could potentially cost \$10,000 to repair the damage from use. This is a huge impact on the Club's budget and hopefully by using the range 'smarter' in the future by making sure any bullets impact the traps, we can extend the time required before major work is required again. The range will always require maintenance. The goal is to extend the time period before it is required again.

Club Trap Shoot Results

For the March 20th Trap Shoot we had 13 shooters turn out for beautiful weather and an outstanding fried catfish lunch - including French fries, cold slaw and fried onion rings. **John Slocum** did an impressive job with the help of Gene Wills on lunch and ran a smooth tournament. Seven shooters participated in the doubles with **Gene Wills** taking first in Lewis class and **Kerry Williams** besting **Ken Hulsey** for second in the Lewis class shoot off.

In the 16 yard singles there was a three way tie for first. **Bill Weatherby** edged out **Bill Schweitzer** and **Gene Wills** in the shoot off and **Al Barsh** took second in Lewis class by default. We had an impressive participation of skeet shooters in this shoot - seeing much improvement and wonders never cease to amaze me!

Bill Schweitzer

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Be Courteous!
Reload the houses when
you finish shooting. Pick up
your hulls - clean up the
area a little - use
trash cans!

Give Jeff your email address and have your newsletter in color, quicker and save the club handling and postage!

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