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Club Skeet Results



No skeet shoot in January.

Welcome New Members!



*Wolf Thiel, Chris Morris, Dylan Dover, Chad Dover,
Steve Franklin & Max Coleman*

2008 ARA Match Schedule for GPGC (American Rimfire Association)

April 6
May 3
June 7
July 5
August 2
September 20
Tournament - October 4 at 9:00 AM
and 8:30 AM October 5

Saturdays at 9:00 AM
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Did you know...?

If you are at the Club and none of the buildings are open and you need a restroom, your front gate key fits the lock on the restroom under the high house on the first skeet field!

Range Officer Duty

Sat.	Feb. 2	Richard Dismukes
Sun.	Feb. 3	Brad Fitzgerald
Wed.	Feb. 6	Kerry Williams
Sat.	Feb. 9	Richard Simbala
Sun.	Feb. 10	Jack Foster
Wed.	Feb. 13	Herb Gundelfinger
Sat.	Feb. 16	Terry Cullender
Sun.	Feb. 17	Rick Stockstill
Wed.	Feb. 20	Al Barsh
Sat.	Feb. 23	Kent Megarity
Sun.	Feb. 24	Robb Dunn
Wed.	Feb. 27	Bill Weatherby



Feb. 3 - Noon Club Skeet Shoot
 Feb. 4 - 5:30 PM New Hdcp. Wobble Trap League Starts
 Feb. 7 - 7:30 PM GPGC Board of Directors Meeting
 Feb. 11 - 5:30 PM Handicap Wobble Trap League
 Feb. 14 - Valentine's Day
 Feb. 16 - 1:00 PM Public Day
 Feb. 18 - 5:30 PM Handicap Wobble Trap League
 Feb. 25 - 5:30 PM Handicap Wobble Trap League
 Mar. 2 - Noon Club Skeet Shoot
 Mar. 3 - 5:30 PM Handicap Wobble Trap League
 Mar. 6 - 7:00 PM Hunter Ed Class
 Mar. 8 - 8:00 AM Hunter Ed Class
 Mar. 10 - 5:30 PM End Handicap Wobble Trap League
 Mar. 14, 15 & 16 - NRA Shotgun Workshop
 Mar. 15 - Noon Shotgun Interclub Challenge
 Mar. 15 - 1:00 PM Public Day
 Mar. 17 - 5:30 PM New Trap League Begins
 Mar. 20 - Spring Begins
 Mar. 21 - Good Friday
 Mar. 23 - Easter



Education Classes Set for 2008

Student Classes

March 3, 6 and 8
 July 7, 10 and 12
 August 4, 7 and 9
 September 8, 11 and 13
 October 6, 9 and 11
 November 3, 6 and 8
 December 8, 11 and 13

Instructor Workshop

March 14, 15 and 16 NRA shotgun workshop
 May 23, 24 and 25 NRA rifle workshop
 June 20, 21 and 22 NRA reloading workshop
 July 19 and 20 NRA range safety officer
 September 26, 27 and 28 NRA handgun workshop

Grand Prairie Education Committee
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Thanks!

Thanks to **Jeff Zwiebel, Randy Walhood, Richard Kummer, Charles Richerson, Rick Stockstill** and **Gene Wills** for helping fill and tamp the potholes in the asphalt road in our property. There are still some holes to fill, so there will be a 'round 2' to this activity in the future!

Club Skeet Schedule 2008

Brad Fitzgerald, 972-816-0934

February 3rd - Prelim. 20ga.
 Lunch at 11:00 - Prelim. starts at Noon.

March 2 - 28ga. Prelim.
 April 6 - .410 bore Prelim.
 May 4 - 20ga. Prelim.
 June 1 - 28ga. Prelim.
 July 6 - .410 bore Prelim.
 August 3 - 20ga. Prelim.
 September 7 - 28ga. Prelim.
 October 5 - .410 bore Prelim.

Lunch is always at noon and the preliminaries start at 1:00 PM.
 Main event is 50 round of 12ga.

Recipe Corner

Duck Potstickers

from IHA at homestead.com

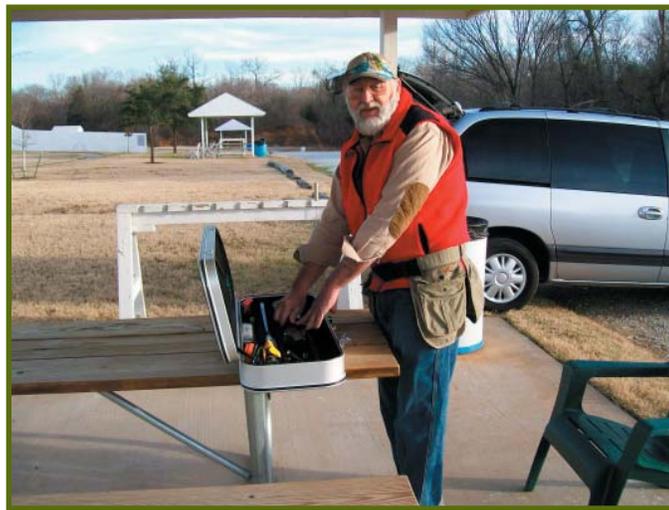
1 mallard or comparable duck, 4-5 lbs., boned
1 tbsp. chopped ginger
8 scallions, diced
1 c. shiitake mushrooms, diced
Peel of 1 orange, cut into julienne
Juice of 2 oranges
1 c. white wine
1/2 c. plum wine
Salt and pepper to taste
1 c. duck (or chicken) stock
1 egg white
1 pkg. potsticker skins
2 tbsps. peanut oil toasted
White and black sesame seeds

Directions:

Chop duck legs finely with sharp knife. Heat wok or saute' pan. Add 1 tbsp. of peanut oil. Season chopped duck meat with salt and pepper and add to pan when oil starts to smoke. Sear duck meat until brown, add chopped ginger, scallions, mushrooms, and half the orange peel. Deglaze with plum and white wines, add orange juice, reduce by half and add duck stock. (Duck stock can be made with neck and bones from your duck the day before.) Cook duck mixture for 30 minutes until sauce thickens slightly. Strain the sauce and keep warm. Cool off duck meat and when cold, make potstickers by brushing outside of potsticker skin with egg white and putting 1 tbsp. mixture in center of skin.

Place duck potsticker on sheet pan with parchment paper and semolina. Cook potstickers for 4-5 minutes in boiling salted water. Heat saute' pan with 2 tbsps. peanut oil until oil begins to smoke. Remove potstickers from water and gently place in peanut oil, browning potstickers on each side. Discard excess oil and deglaze potstickers with half the duck sauce.

Toss for a few seconds until both sides of potstickers are shiny. Divide potstickers evenly among plates. Sprinkle with toasted black and white sesame seeds. Serves 4.



Charles Richerson packin' up

Beginner's Skeet Shoot for 2008

Tuesday afternoons beginning April 8 and going through May, approx. 5:30 pm till dark, Bill Schweitzer and Terry Cullender along with several more skeet shooters will be sponsoring a beginning skeet shoot. This is primarily to help new shooters learn basics and gain a comfort level with the sport. There is no charge for the shoot except for the normal range fees. It is also open to members, non-members, guests, and shooters of all ages. Most of the instructors will be men but if some of the shooters would feel better being instructed by a female shooter let me know. I think I may be able to talk a very competent lady shooter into helping.

Bring your shotgun with you and the appropriate ammunition. Any gauge shotgun will work and the ammo is best with #9 or #8 shot but 7 1/2 will be okay. We always have several youth size 20 gauge semi-auto shotguns for use if you need it. You need earplugs, glasses and a shooting bag or large pockets.

After 6 or 8 weeks of shooting you should become a fairly competent shooter and then with more practice you can take your ability to whatever level you want. We teach

shooting safety and stress enjoyment. This is a social sport that should be fun. Come on out for an afternoon and try it out. For the first afternoon or two we work one on one with the raw beginners then try to place shooters in groups of similar abilities and then work with you as we see a need.

No one can learn to shoot shotgun without help. If you are not hitting a bird you cannot tell if you are in front, behind or above the bird. But an experienced shooter standing behind you while you shoot can tell you where you are shooting and what to do to correct whatever needs adjustment.

Any questions??

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Duck Hunt

Mike Coggin, his dog Bacchus, Dale Carver and I went to Lake Tawakoni for a weekend of duck hunting. We stayed in cabins at Wind Point Park and I took a cabin by myself which was a blessing. I understand that Bacchus, the chocolate Lab was jumping into the beds of Dale and Mike during the course of the night. We didn't hunt Friday night or Saturday morning due to white caps on the lake so we just drank beer and chewed the fat. Saturday afternoon we scouted for a protected ramp and launched from a backwater canal into a cove.

We got ten Sunday morning and four Saturday night. I know I wailed three on my own as I was the only one who shot. We didn't hunt Friday night or Saturday morning since the water was white capping on Lake Tawakoni. Saturday night we launched from a backwater canal into a cove where it was calmer as the still wind blew hard across the open water.

The wind calmed a bit Saturday night into Sunday morning so we launched this time from an open water ramp in the park. As the morning progressed the wind picked up as the sun came up. We got out of the cove 9:30ish and had the crap beat out of us going across open water in Mike's 17 foot semi V boat to get back to the ramp. What a ride that was! We shot ten ducks Sunday morning and four Saturday evening. Most were Teal, fast little buggers. I know I wailed three on my own out of the total killed as I was the only one who shot.

Forrest Weaver



Dale & 10



Me & Dale



Mike & Dale



Me & Mike

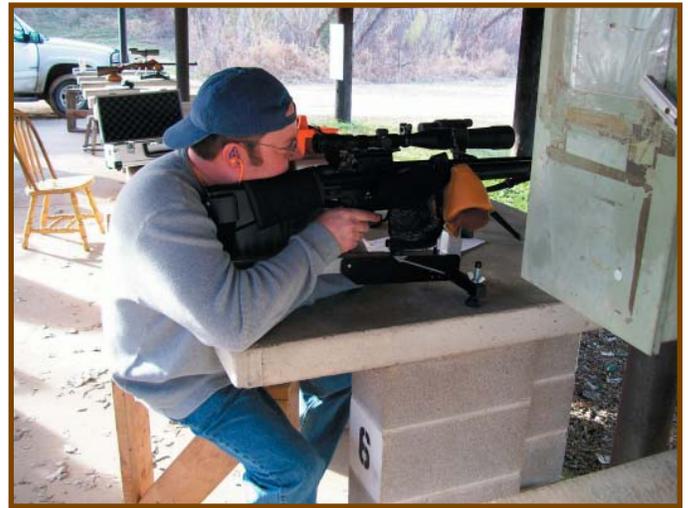
GPGC Pheasant Shoot

We are looking for additional shooters for the upcoming GPGC pheasant shoot in Corsicana on February 9. This year Upland Bird Country has started an Upland Bird Trophy for the gun club that has the highest percentage of birds killed and retrieved. We have always had a very high percentage and this year the Grand Prairie Gun Club should be the first name engraved on this inaugural trophy! You will be backed up by several other shooters, so shooting ability does not matter, just come have fun.

Shooters are stationed around an eighty foot high tower and pheasants are released two at a time. If you have a shot, you take it. Nine birds per shooter are released from 9:00AM to noon, with a short break in the middle. If we have a full squad, 360 birds will be released. Bring your full chokes (as most shots are long) and 4-6 boxes of pheasant loads (no shot larger than #5). You need to have a valid hunting license and an upland bird stamp. All birds are retrieved by dogs and will be cleaned and divided up among the shooters. A barbecue lunch is served at the clubhouse at noon and you pick up your birds on the way out. Total cost is \$210 per shooter.

If you are interested, contact Randy Walhood (214-850-1680) or catch him at the Club and get your name on the list by paying a \$100 deposit (you will pay the remaining \$110 at Upland Bird Country the day of the shoot). This is always a great event that can be done in less than a day with guaranteed shooting! Hope you can make it.

Check their website at www.uplandbird.com for more information.



Pittman Haymore



Pittman adjusting his chronograph with Andy Ellis looking on



Ken English, Richard Kummer with Donny Penwell shooting



Andy on the 200 yd. range

Monday Night Trap League Wobble Doubles Under the Lights

Last night finished out the league. We had 18 shooters and most of us struggled the entire time. I don't know why this game seems so difficult but if you try to plan ahead and set up for the second shot it is almost for sure that you will miss the first shot. Sometimes you smashed the first target so completely that you start celebrating early and forget that there is another target falling.

Our shooters fell into 3 distinct groups. On the top end we had **Gene Wills** and **Kerry Williams** shooting high scores right from the start. Then Michael Falco started moving up to challenge them. Final results are: **Kerry Williams First**, **Gene Wills Second**, and **Michael Falco** a very close Third with **Benny** bringing up Fourth. Fifth place was miles away with the middle of the pack.

I was in the middle where we occasionally shot a good score but generally were mediocre or poor.

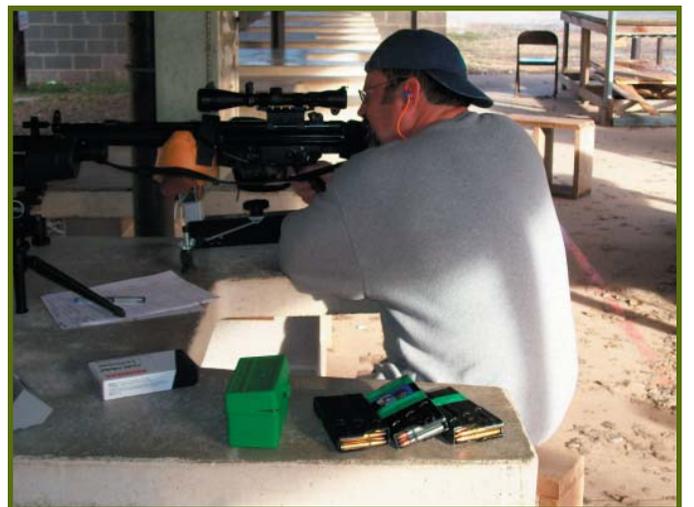
Then we had a large base of normally good shooters that shot so poorly it was funny. How can you shoot single digits at 50 targets? Needless to say we are ready for this to be over and a new game to begin.

Next Monday, February 4th will be the first night of Handicap Wobble Trap (Singles). Come on out and join us. We start about 5:30 or 6:00 pm and everyone is welcome, members and guests. Stay and participate in our Monday night meal also.

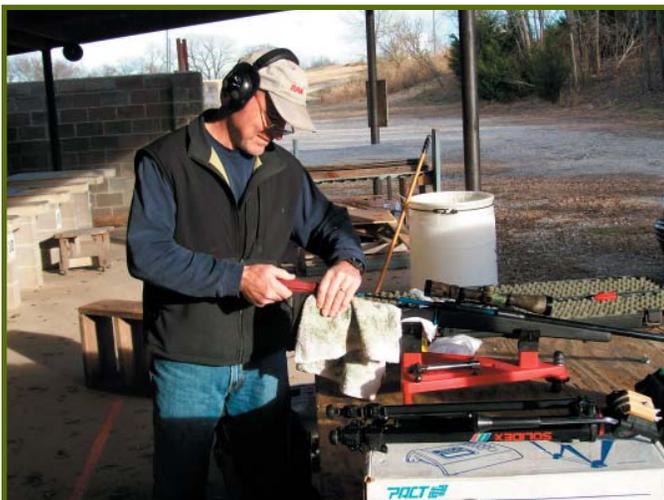
Terry Cullender



Andy shooting with Bryan Auston on the spotting scope



Pittman Haymore



Steve Graves cleaning his pet



Donny, Ken & Rick watching Richard

SPIRIT OF HOPE SPORTING CLAY SHOOT

April 5, 2008

Alpine Range, Rendon



Schedule of Events

- 7:30 Registration
Coffee, Donuts
& Fellowship
- 8:30 First team out
- 12:00 Start serving hot lunch
- 12:30 Awards (*or* last shooter in)
- 12:45 Shotgun Raffle

Awards

- First & Second and third place team scores
- High scoring shooter
- Top scoring female shooter
- Top scoring youth shooter (under age 16)

Cost

Individual Shooter & lunch	\$75.00
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Team (5 shooters & lunch)	\$375.00
Station Sponsor Team	\$600.00

(5 shooters, 2 x 3 sign at one station & lunch)

Additional donations will gladly be accepted.

Shotgun purchase and rentals are available from the Alpine Store. Sponsor registration needs to be signed up and paid by March 15th. Teams and individuals can register up until the morning of the shoot. But please register or sign up early so we know how many lunches to prepare.

Shoot Gun Raffle

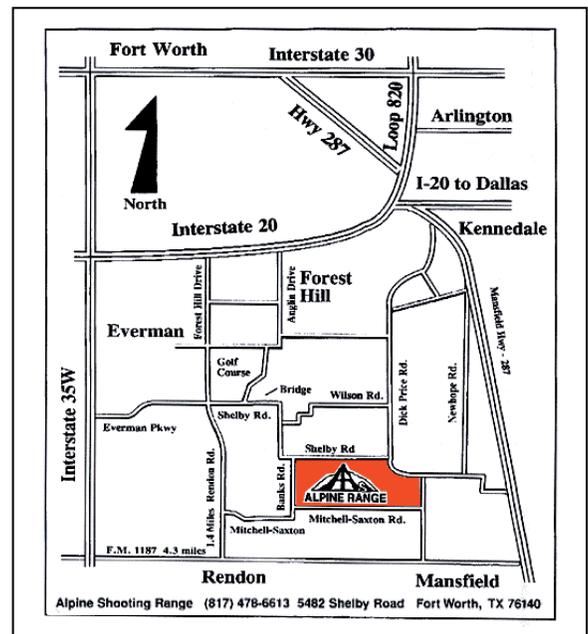
We will raffle off a new 20. Ga. Beretta Semi Auto shotgun valued at \$1,200.00. A \$20.00 entry will give you a 1/100 chance to win.

Lunch

A wonderful hot lunch will be prepared and served y the Saint Vincent DePaul Men's Club.

For additional information about the Spirit of Hope Foundation and all of the great things it does for the children of our community, please visit www.spiritofHopeFoundation.Org. For information relating to the sporting clay shoot call Don Yeandle (817) 825 – 2535 or E-Mail Don@extramile2.com.

Hope to see everyone out there ready to break a few clays to help kids who could use a BREAK!



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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!**

Future Construction

Future construction by the Trinity River Authority (TRA) will begin on our property in January 2008. This is to replace a large sanitary sewer line between the shotgun fields and the archery ranges. This is part of a large project that begins on our property and extends to SH360. The cost of this project is in excess of \$16 million and will be constructed by the S.J. Louis Construction Company. This project will not impact the rifle or pistol range. There will be times that the hours on the shotgun fields will be restricted. There will be advance notice of any change in operating hours after the contractor has had a pre-construction meeting. The archery range will be completely shut down for about the first year of construction. The large sewer line will run through the middle and entire length of the range. Afterwards the site will be graded and the range can then be rebuilt with permanent improvements. The sanitary sewer metering station behind our new building that provides that wonderful aroma will be relocated outside our main fence closer to Lower Tarrant Road. The new metering station will be sealed and access for TRA will be easier by being adjacent to the roadway. Stay tuned for more details!

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If you have articles, pictures or recipes you would like to submit for publication in an upcoming issue, contact Terry or Sharon by the 20th of each month. For best quality, photos should be in digital format, however good quality originals are acceptable for scanning.

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