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THE BULLET-TIN

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Welcome New Members!



Brian & Gina Sorensen



Steve Potter & Devin Barge



David Berling & Mark Tharp



Mark Tharp & son, Gordan



Smitty Smith, wife Rhonda and daughter Norma Jean

Club Skeet Results



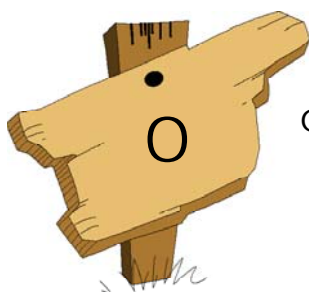
No club shoot in April!

Heroes on the Water

May 9th I'll be participating in/ helping to sponsor a kayak fishing tournament at Lake Grapevine for an organization called Heroes on the Water. There is a lot to what they do but I know space is limited so I'll keep this brief. It's an organization dedicated to helping wounded war vets by getting them out of their normal environment (hospitals, doctors, poking, prodding, etc) and into a kayak, fishing pole in hand and simply having a good time enjoying the outdoors. The original intent was just that simple, it was an added bonus when it was discovered that not only did they enjoy it, it was also VERY therapeutic for the soldiers. Now it's a full 501 C 3 charitable organization completely free from all the political BS. If you'd like to contribute anything to the organization please feel free to contact me directly. These young men and women have given so much for their country it's the least we can do to give something back. All donations in excess of \$30 will be tax deductible.

Website: www.heroesonthewater.org

Thanks in advance,
Jason Foshea



Going...going...
GONE!

Range Officer Duty

Sat.	May 2	Bill Schweitzer
Sun.	May 3	Will Chisum
Mon.	May 4	Keith Hill
Wed.	May 6	Jim Speer
Sat.	May 9	Joe Bettacchi
Sun.	May 10	Benny Emmons
Mon.	May 11	Terry Cullender
Wed.	May 13	Joe Miller
Sat.	May 16	Donny Penwell
Pistol Range Officer Douglas Gast		
Sun.	May 17	David Anderson
Mon.	May 18	Gene Wills
Wed.	May 20	Rusty Porter
Sat.	May 23	Ken English
Sun.	May 24	Bobby Sherrill
Mon.	May 25	Gil George
Wed.	May 27	Jack Martin
Sat.	May 30	Don Yeandle
Sun.	May 31	Don Ambrose



Kids helping set up targets during Youth Shoot

May 3 - Noon Club Skeet Shoot
 May 4 - 5:00 PM Sporting Clays League
 May 5 - 5:30 PM Beginner's Skeet Instruction
 May 6 - 6:00 PM Bullseye Pistol Match
 May 7 - 6:00 PM Thursday Skeet League
 May 7 - 7:30 PM GPGC Board of Directors Meeting
 May 9 - 10:00 AM Hunter Ed Instructors Appreciation
 May 10 - Mother's Day
 May 11 - 5:00 Sporting Clays League
 May 12 - 5:30 PM Beginner's Skeet Instruction
 May 13 - 6:00 PM Bullseye Pistol Match
 May 14 - 6:00 PM Thursday Skeet League
 May 16 - 1:00 PM Public Day
 May 17 - 10:30 AM Sporting Clays Match
 May 19 - 5:30 PM Beginner's Skeet Instruction
 May 20 - 6:00 PM Bullseye Pistol Match
 May 21 - 6:00 PM Thursday Skeet League
 May 22 - 7:00 PM NRA Instructors Rifle Workshop
 May 23 - 8:00 AM NRA Instructors Rifle Workshop
 May 23 - 9:00 AM .22 Pistol Met. Silhouette Match
 May 24 - 8:00 AM NRA Instructors Rifle Workshop
 May 25 - Memorial Day
 May 26 - 5:30 PM Last night of Beginner's Skeet

ARCHERY - HERE WE GO AGAIN !!!

We have a fairly new member that is very interested in installing an archery range. We have a large supply of box targets and 3D targets stored away. Ron Melton has the experience and the desire to try to organize an archery committee that can make a range appear. If you have a strong interest and will help contact me and I will forward the replies to Ron and let him take it from there.

If you are into sticks and strings then contact:

Terry at terrycullender@yahoo.com
 972-264-7889



Student Classes

July 6, 9 and 11	October 5, 8 and 10
August 3, 6 and 8	November 2, 5 and 7
September 21, 24 and 26	December 7, 10 and 12

Instructor Workshops

May 9 @ 10 AM Hunter Ed Instructors Appreciation
 (Potential Instructors Welcome)
 June 13 - TP&W Instructors Ethics & Game Law
 June 26, 27 & 28 - NRA Muzzle Loading Workshop
 July 18 & 19 - NRA Range Safety Officer Training
 September 11, 12 & 13 - NRA Handgun Workshop

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

Recipe Corner



Apricot Chicken Salad

submitted by Sharon West

Ingredients

3 c. cooked and diced chicken breast
1 cup chopped dried apricots
1 cup chopped celery
1/3 cup chopped green onion
1/4 c. low fat milk
2 Tbsp. lemon juice
1/2 cup low fat mayonnaise
3 tsp. prepared mustard
1 cup low fat sour cream
1 tsp. salt

Combine all ingredients and mix well.
Refrigerate 3-4 hours or overnight.

Note: I substituted the low fat ingredients for this recipe, but I thought it tasted just as good as or better than the full fat recipe! Bonus!

Reclaimed Lead Shot

SOLD OUT! A new shipment has been ordered and price should be \$19 a bag.

Club Skeet Schedule 2009

Brad Fitzgerald, 972-816-0934

May 3 - Prelim .410 bore
June 7 - Prelim 20 ga.
July 5 - Prelim 28 ga.
August 2 - Prelim .410 bore
September 6 - Prelim 20 ga.
October 4 - Prelim 28 ga.
November 1 - Vintage Shoot
November 22 - Turkey Shoot

Lunch is always at noon and the preliminaries start at 1:00 PM.

Main event is 50 round of 12ga.

Something for the Kids

We started the "Youth Shoot" event last summer and have now grown to 6-12 children a month who love to shoot their 22 rifles. I have heard many parents make comments about how nice it is to get back to the range since having children.

We are changing the "Youth Shoot" time to 1:00 p.m on the 4th Saturday of the month. Mark you calendars for this fun event. As we grow, we continually make changes so that the shooting experience is a positive one for everyone.

I look forward to seeing all of you.

Don Yeandle
817-825-2535

.22 Pistol Metallic Silhouette Shoot 2009 Schedule

May 23	Sept. 26
June 27	Oct. 24
July 25	Nov. 28
Aug. 22	No Match in December

All matches start at 9:00AM and should finish before Noon. Cost is \$10.

120 shots will be fired for a full match in strings of 10 shots per 2 minutes. Ranges are 15-yard, 25-yard and 50-yard. We will shoot double rotation so we can accommodate up to 24 shooters per match. One shoots a string while one scores, then reverse. Bring ear and eye protection and your favorite .22 pistol.

Dan Brown, browndan@tx.rr.com



Fire Pit - \$275. Contact Dale Holder at teamriverrat@hotmail.com.

April Skeet League

Wind has been a serious topic of discussion this month since two of the last three shoots have been done under screwy target conditions. Mother Nature had heard the old skeet adage that shooting in the wind makes better skeet shooters and so the test was on. It has made better shooters out of some and talkers out of others. Conditions were such that league was cancelled on 04/02/09 which really caused a stir. Now, we know the only condition we don't shoot is when lightning is in the area.

There have been some notable firsts this April.

1. Jay Phillips on Team 5 (Go Figure) went 50 straight in league competition. What an exciting moment for Jay and his team mates. He was obliged with the hat shoot ceremony and now Jay has another memento to put in his skeet shrine. Plus, he is living proof that shooting in the wind makes better skeet shooters. Good Job Jay and Well Done!



Mystii demonstrates what happens if you don't hit targets hard enough to break them

2. Mystii Neuza on Team 7 (Tinkerbell & The Dirty Old Men) had her first 25 straight in League play on 04/16/09. Good Job Mystii! She is also our safety poster girl this month for wearing safety glasses and a hat. She took a direct hit to the face from a partially broken clay and chances are the safety glasses kept pieces from hitting her in the eye. What did we learn from that adventure? Thanks for shooting with safety in mind, but please hit those clays harder so the gallery doesn't get hit either.

Honorable Mention:

Brandi Todd (Team 2: Lost and Dead) is hanging tough and shooting better with one leg out of commission than most of us do with two legs. She did



Mystii straight 25 cap, 4/16/09.

a good job of training dad, David Todd, to be her gun and crutch bearer. Other team members (Jim Hundley and Mike Rich) helped and made the event

bearable. Way to go Brandi what a good attitude and example of determination.

On The Lighter Side:

Could it be that Gene Stewart is possessed?

Recently he was seen wearing a tie while scoring skeet. No problem, he was well coordinated and looking quite dapper. His shirt, tie and shooting glasses were all in shades



Jay Phillips with his 50 straight holey cap and huge smile. WELL DONE, JAY!



Jay Phillips bringing home the 50 straight in league competition, 4/9/09.

of lavender. WOW Gene!!! I sure hope he is not trend setter enough to cause the wearing of color coordinated shooting attire, especially the tie. Many of us waited many years for the day we did not have to wear a tie.

So there it is folks, don't be afraid of the wind and let's all wear our safety equipment. Take care, shoot well, thanks for the fun and we look forward to the next great shooting adventure with you.

Van Elliott - velliott2105@msn.com

Sporting Clays Shoot

April 19, 2009

Well, the day started off MUDDY for those setting targets but by 10:30 most of the area had sufficiently dried up. We threw 1500 member targets and 650 guest targets. We gave out \$600 in awards (CASH IN FIST). For those of you who have yet to shoot in one of these, don't be afraid to come out and give it a try. Every month someone that just decided to "try it out" with no expectation of winning anything walks away a winner. Awards are paid out according Lewis Class & Modified Lewis Class rules, you don't have to be the best to win the most money. At the end of the day we had a few shootoffs and here's how the results ended up.

Mornin' 50

Members:

LC1-1 Jason Foshea

LC1-2 Dwight Sensabaugh

LC2-1 Brad Burnett

LC2-2 Gus Garcia

Guests:

LC1-1 Bo Powell

LC1-2 Charley Close

Afternoon 50

Members:

LC1-1 Dwight Sensabaugh

LC1-2 Jason Foshea

LC2-1 Jimmy Powell

LC2-2 Brad Burnett

LC3-1 Gerald Evatt

LC3-2 Charles Richerson

Guests:

Bo Powell & Charley Close tied, took the sissy way out and agreed to split the money instead of shoot off, how sweet... (OK, Bo had to leave early, since they're friends they decided to be nice about it and split it, how sweet...)

Combo 100 Modified Lewis Class

Member:

MLC1-1 Gus Garcia

MLC1-2 Gerald Evatt

MLC2-1 Dwight Sensabaugh

MLC2-2 Jason Davidson

Guest:

MLC1-1 Charley Close

MLC1-2 Mike Rogers

BOLDED names denote shootoff winners, nice shootin'.

Looking forward to seeing everyone next month at the shoot, it will be on Sunday May 17, same format, same times, **WE NEED A COOK or someone to provide lunch.**

Sporting Clays League

As of 4-20-09 we have 2 weeks to go, and I have 10 trophy fees collected, still need 10\$ from:

Carl, Ron, and Ben

Jason and Will are the only 2 playing the scratch purse so that race is tight as it sits.

Shooter Name	Wk 3 Avg.	Scratch Rd. 1	Scratch Rd. 2	Scratch Avg.	Hdcp.	Adj Rd. 1	Adj Rd. 2	Total Total	Total Scratch	Total Hdcp.
WILL CHISUM	20.67	20.00	25.00	21.13	3.49	23.49	25.00	48.49	169.00	194.16
BENNY EMMONS-B2	18.00	17.00	20.00	18.13	6.19	23.19	24.75	47.94	145.00	193.59
JASON FOSHEA	21.33	21.00	22.00	21.38	3.26	24.26	24.75	49.01	171.00	193.59
CARL LINK	8.33	13.00	15.00	9.75	13.73	24.75	24.75	49.50	78.00	193.18
DWIGHT SENSABAUGH	14.67	21.00	23.00	16.50	7.65	24.75	24.75	49.50	132.00	192.68
DONNY PENWELL	16.50	15.00	19.00	16.63	7.54	22.54	24.75	47.29	133.00	192.29
BEN BARNETT	16.67	23.00	21.00	18.00	6.30	24.75	24.75	49.50	144.00	189.93
JASON DAVIDSON-B3	15.50	19.00	16.00	16.00	8.10	24.75	24.10	48.85	128.00	189.33
JAMES TEAL-B3	15.83	19.00	19.00	16.63	7.54	24.75	24.75	49.50	133.00	188.78
WAYNE JOHNSTON	15.33	16.00	16.00	15.50	8.55	24.55	24.55	49.10	124.00	188.25
BRAD FITZGERALD	15.17	14.00	18.00	15.38	8.66	22.66	24.75	47.41	123.00	184.54
RON MELTON-B3,A3,A4	7.33	5.33	5.33	6.83	16.35	21.68	21.68	43.36	54.66	179.91
GIL GEORGE-B2,A3,A4	12.83	10.83	10.83	12.33	11.40	22.23	22.23	44.46	98.66	175.34

Buckmark Pistol Raffle



Benny Emmons won April 26, 2009. Proceeds went to pistol range improvements at the GPGC.



Gene Stewart with team. What is with the tie to shoot skeet?



*Kim Sanders
George and Susan
in back*

Dale watching



Hop along Brandi Todd is a dedicated skeet shooter and Dad David is a good gun and crutch bearer

*Terry coaching
Susan with .22
pistol*



OPPORTUNITY

If you have free time on the weekends, are familiar with skeet shooting and wouldn't mind making some extra money, this may be for you.

The Texas Skeet Shooters Association is looking for referees to staff the registered skeet shoots and will conduct a clinic for new personnel to become familiar with the rules and requirements of being a registered referee. If you are interested or have a son or daughter (min. age 18) who may be interested, please contact Allen Cline at allencline@sbcglobal.net. Allen is the Chief Referee for the State of Texas and is a member of the Fort Worth Trap and Skeet Club.

The clinic will be held at one of the area gun clubs and will be determined by Allen. Having local referees will help the local shoots with hotel expenses they incur with bringing in out of town referees. The intent is to bring new people into the game that are local. This notice will go out in all local area Club's publications (Arlington Sportsman Club, Dallas Gun Club, Ellis County Sportsmans Club, Fort Worth Trap & Skeet, Grand Prairie Gun Club and Terrell Rifle & Pistol Club). Please contact Allen Cline if this something you or someone you know may be interested in. Thanks.

Month Two of Beginner's Skeet

As usual the Beginner's Skeet instruction is off to another successful start. The first night was only 10 people with no women or youth shooters but by the third afternoon Debra had 7 students and was almost overwhelmed. The instructor staff is Debra Altenbaumer, Van Elliott, Gene Wills, Bill Schweitzer and Terry Cullender with part time help from Neil Altenbaumer, Charles Richerson, Don Ambrose, Don Yeandle and others that just showup sometimes.

Right now our instructees are averaging about 20 per afternoon and I think most are having fun. We have 4 to 5 ladies and sometimes more and they all seem to be learning and enjoying under Debra's guidance. I am helping a group of five men shooters that have good skills, just need advice and encouragement. Some afternoons they do quite well but they have set a higher bar for themselves so improvement is always the goal.

Come on out any Tuesday afternoon during May for a little instruction.

Terry Cullender
terrycullender@yahoo.com



Ivan Tabor Memorial Open

Grand Prairie, Texas

Shocker! It's April in Texas and the wind blew! On April 4-5, 2009, area skeet shooters converged on Grand Prairie Gun Club to claim their spot on the scoreboard. We did have pleasant temperatures and plenty of shooters, but the winds did make the targets quite challenging. The 12 gauge was won by Pat Byrne with the only 100. Runner up was C class shooter Jeff Myhre with a 99!

Lunch was prepared and served by the greatest volunteers a Club could have. BBQ brisket and all the fixin's were enjoyed by all!

After lunch the shooters took to the fields for the 28 gauge that ended up with Grand Prairie's own Jeff Zwiebel claiming the gun championship with an uncontested 100. Congratulations Jeff, for getting your name on the Grand Prairie Gun Club Wall of Champions!

On Sunday, the wind still blew and the 20 gauge champion was Pat Byrne with a lone 97. This was followed by Doug Toulouse with a 96 for runner up.

Another high point of the day was lunch! Marinated smoked chicken breasts were served for lunch. There were no left overs, so our compliments to the chefs!

Now, on to the 410 event! (Remember, the wind is still a factor.) Brandon Cade won the event with the high score of 96. Runner up was Mike Schmitt with a 94.

The High Over All champion was Pat Byrne with a 385. Pat would probably prefer we not mention that this was a record low winning HOA score for the Club, but we know he needs the attention! The winds were challenging and congratulations to Pat for holding it together to win the shoot! Runner up was Brandon Cade with a 379 and Donnie Harris was 3rd with a 378.

Special thanks go out to all the GPGC volunteers that make these shoots possible. These folks donate their time to cook, load targets, run the computer, work the scoreboard, haul trash and set out water for the shooters. Our shoots are successful because of these people and our great facilities!

Randy Walhood



Howard Huber, Richard Kummer, Joe Miller, Referee Allen Cline & Randy Walhood



Ron Costa, Al Topham, Pete Carcia & Matt Sprague



Ron Costa & Al Topham



Ron Costa



Ron Costa, Pete Garcia, Al Topham, Referee Harold Reichel & Matt Sprague

2009 Ivan Tabor Volunteers

Special thanks to the following Club members who helped with the registered shoot on April 4-5, 2009.

Debra & Neil Altenbaumer	H.L. Owens
Don Ambrose	Donny Penwell
David Anderson	Jay Phillips
Jean Beard	Dwight Sensabaugh
Andy Chilla	Mike Skidmore
Benny Emmons	John Slocum
Brad Fitzgerald	Jim Speer
Steve Gilmore	Gene Stewart
Steve Hambrick	David Todd
Howard Huber	Sharon & Randy Walhood
Ken Hulsey	Roy Walker
Jim Hundley	Karen Wells
Gary Jones	Gene Wills
Mystii Nek`uza	Don Yeandle
Robert Nicholas	Jeff Zwiebel

These people cooked, cleaned, loaded houses, filled water cans, hauled trash and anything else that needed to be done. It makes the shoot very successful when everything goes as it was planned. Our guests also notice and were very vocal with their compliments and praise concerning the shoot and our facilities. Even one of our guests (C.W. Dagnal's friend, Billie) jumped in and helped with kitchen chores! Thanks, Billie, for helping with our shoot!

We also would like to thank Ann Hill for bringing two chocolate cakes to the shoot. Her husband, John, was one of the contestants at the shoot.

Again, thank you to the volunteers and hopefully you had a good time and will consider helping again in September at our other registered skeet shoot.



Jane Davis, Jo Ellen Collin, Elizabeth Hoskins & Referee Rayburn Rash

Elizabeth Hoskins & Glea Davis



Elizabeth Hoskins



Joe Miller, Referee Alan Cline, Randy Walhood, Brandon Cade & Howard Huber



Neil Altenbaumer, David Anderson, Dwight Sensabaugh & Donny Penwell

Youth Shoot - April 28, 2009



Hayden McGhee, Jacob Nevin, Ryann Nicholas, Emily Nevin, Alayna Zabriskie and Alyssa Zabriskie holding up their targets!



Don Yeandle and Scott Nevin helping Emily



Robert Nicholas supervising daughter, Ryann



Scott Nevin helping son Jacob



Brad West supervising granddaughter, Alyssa

Bullseye Pistol



*Charlie Richerson, John Slocum and Dale Holder
fussing at the photographer*



*Terry and Linda Cullender banging away at the bullseye
targets*



*Ed Dotson counting holes in
a target*



*Dale Holder and Hoa Nguyen
super shooters*



*Linda and Terry talking to Dan
Brown about scores*



Kim Sanders George checking out her target



Sharon West with husband, Brad

Board of Directors Race

Jim Wilson

My name is Jim Wilson. Most of you have seen me at the pistol and rifle range. Coming up in a few weeks we will have elections to select our officers for the next term.

I am asking for your vote to represent the pistol range activities. I personally feel the pistol range has been revitalized by hard work from our club members. It is my intent to continue with improvements to keep the pistol range safe clean and a range to be proud of.

My wife and I have four kids, nine grandkids, and one great granddaughter. I attended El Centro Junior College, and enjoyed a 40+ year career in Data Processing, currently called Information Technology.

I appreciate your consideration and vote for the Pistol committee.

Thanks,
Jim



Jason Foshea

I've been a member of GPGC since 2007 and became a range officer as of 2009. I currently run the clubs monthly sporting clays shoots (3rd Sunday of every month) & the Monday night sporting clays/ 5-stand league. My goals are to continue to bring a variety of shotgun sports to the club as well as maintain the integrity of our skeet, trap, rifle & pistol shooting. I believe that GPGC is successful due to the members and the pride they take in ownership of the club. I look forward to the opportunity to serve and help GPGC remain one of the best gun clubs around.

Thanks for the vote of confidence,
Jason Foshea



Jim Hundley

I just wanted to write a couple of paragraphs to introduce myself. My name is Jim Hundley and you probably have seen me around the club or shooting my rifles down at the range.

There will be an election of officers coming up in a few weeks and I am throwing my "hat into the ring" for a spot on the rifle range committee.

I am not going to make you rifle shooters a bunch of promises, because I don't know at this time what you, the shooters, want to do. I can tell you, however, that I am very serious in making and keeping the range SAFE, clean, and well maintained. I would like to get the target brackets in good shape again, provide decent shooting stools, etc. In the near future, hold a few shooting competitions. My

goal for the range is to make it a friendly, neighborly place where every shooter leaves the range a little better than the way he found it. An atmosphere where people can get help or advice if needed.

I guess what I am trying to say is that I would be your representative to the board. I would be open to your ideas and

together we could make things happen.

I was born and raised in Houston, Texas. I received my degree from Stephen F. Austin State University. I work in the workman's compensation department of Argonaut Insurance company. I have lived in Arlington, Texas for seven years and been a member of GPGC for as long. I love to pull the trigger on anything that goes bang and is accurate. I participate in benchrest competition and love to hunt and fish.

I would appreciate your vote.

Thanks,
Jim



Board of Directors Race

Daniel Brown

Dan Brown is running for Pistol Director for GPGC Pistol Director on the GPGC Board of Directors and would appreciate your vote.

He is 73 years old, semi retired Physicist, resides in Grand Prairie about 3/4 mile from the club, and has been a club member since 1970. He has served on the GPGC BOD 1992-1994 and on the GPSDC Board 2001-2003. His hobbies include classical music, hunting, shooting, and fishing.

He wrote the SOP for the pistol & rifle ranges in 1992, shot in and sometimes ran bullseye and silhouette pistol matches 1990-2002. He restarted and ran the bullseye pistol matches since June 2007 and restarted and ran the metallic pistol silhouette matches since June 2008.

Dan serves as Match Director for the Pistol Committee. His plans for GPGC are as follows:

- Refurbish the metal pistol backstop;
- Expand the pistol & rifle ranges to 24 shooting lanes each;
- Get the 25 yard sight-in range set up and operational;
- Explore possibilities of large caliber pistol metallic shooting, and
- Explore future rifle & pistol shooting games.

Thanks,
Dan Brown



Dale Holder

Dale Holder is running for Pistol Director on the GPGC Board of Directors and would appreciate having your vote.

He is 53 years old, resides and owns his own business, 3D Welding of Texas, in Irving. He has 30 years of experience in the construction and welding industries in the DFW Metroplex.

When asked why Dale wanted to run for the Board he stated with his love of shooting and his business experience he could make a significant contribution to the club. He has some unique ideas about how to raise money and complete projects around the club. Many things that happen around the club require leadership and people skills which Dale has. He is accustomed to listening to other people's ideas, making suggestions and making finished products without delay. GPGC is always in need of these skills because of the variety of activities that happen.

Dale is currently Chairman of the Pistol Planning Committee and is probably better known around the club as the man who came up with an idea to rid the club of the wild hog problem. Plus, he has done a marvelous job of helping Debbie, his wife of ten years and a novice shooter, get started shooting by taking the beginning skeet clinic. They plan to make shooting at GPGC a family sport and encourage others to participate in family oriented shooting activities.



Metal Silhouette Pistol Shoot

Another good time was had by the 11 pistol shooters who competed in the Metal Silhouette Pistol Shoot on 04/25/09. It was a beautiful, windy day and perfect for this event.

The two top shooters were:

Scoped Guns: Dale Holder 59 out of 60 targets

Open Sights: Floyd Jester 50 out of 60 targets

Our Match Director for the day, Jim Wilson, became ill and had to leave before the match started. Jim was hospitalized and was held for a couple of days for evaluation at Baylor Hospital in Irving. We pray that Jim will have a full recovery and come back to our shooting family very soon. His presence was sorely missed.

Most of the shooters use semi automatic pistols but Floyd Jester recently started using a Smith/Wesson, model 617, 10 shot revolver and is doing very well with it. He doesn't get a lot of teasing about the only revolver in with semi automatics because he shoots it so well.

Jim Grabbe, an excellent marksman, also does some of the target repair for the group and during one of the repair sessions he decided to give a bit more challenge. He drilled a small hole about where the eye of the chicken is located and has challenged the shooters to hit the "eye of the chicken". Now this chicken silhouette is already small and is placed at the 15 yard line. It would be similar to shooting the tip of a straight pin. Not the head, the pin point. Many of the older shooters can just barely see the chicken much less the eye. Very funny Jim!!!

We are looking for shooters who can't hit the broadside of a barn with a pistol so poor old Van Elliott can get some relief. He seems to place last every time but refuses to quit. So if you know someone that fits this description please bring them out the 4th Saturday in May (05/23/09). We need to give Van a break.

Van Elliott - vellott2105@msn.com



Dale Holder's lady, Debbie, arrived in time to collect his first place money and left with a smile on her face!



Dale Holder - 1st Place Scoped Guns; and Floyd Jester - 1st Place Open Sights. Good Shooting, Men!



Gary Castillo figuring out the best way to hit a metal target!



Jim Grabbe repaired a metal target and put an eye on this one to give us something to shoot at. Nice work, Jim!

Pistol Range Work Day 4/25/09



Don Ambrose running a weedeater to help keep the place looking great



Hoa Nguyen and Van Elliott putting up new baffle boards



Jim Grabbe, Dale Holder, Terry Cullender and John Slocum getting ready to work on the range



Jim Grabbe, Gary Castellino and Floyd Jester leveling dirt on pistol range

The metal silhouette pistol shooters had a great shoot and then got down to some good old elbow grease and get it done labor. Some of the shooters couldn't participate, but others came especially to give a helping hand. Twelve people gave generously of their time, equipment, money and effort to improve the pistol range.



Jeff Zwiebel and Terry Cullender watching the work day project team

Wendell Day came on Friday before the shoot and made the range look good. The grass was mowed, the sidewalks and shooting area edged and blown clean. Thank you Wendell for the many things you do that go unnoticed and probably un-thanked. We know you are out there and appreciate your can do, quiet, get it done attitude.

The main thrust of the work party was to replace ground and overhead baffle boards that were damaged from bullet strikes. The day started with some negative notes but finished on a positive. Dale Holder, recently elected Pistol Planning Committee Chairman, loaded one of his trailers with all of the equipment and tools necessary to perform the work tasks days before the work was scheduled. His landlord let Dale store the loaded trailer in a covered and protected area so he could hook on to it and go straight to the range with no delays on Saturday morning. Someone parked a car directly in front of the door to the shed and kept Dale from getting the trailer out. He and his employees loaded all the equipment off the trailer to Dale's pick up.

Once at the range Dale found out from John Slocum that the big John Deere tractor belonging to GPGC had a flat and could not be used to remove some of the heavier poles and pipe that cluttered up the range. However the group rallied and the work began around 1 PM and complete by 5 PM. Not all the work scheduled for this day was completed however another work day will be scheduled soon and the rest of the tasks will be completed.

If you see the following people, please thank them for their time and efforts on the club's behalf:

Dale Holder
Jim Grabbe
John Slocum
Terry Cullender
Ed Dotson

Hoa Nguyen
Floyd Jester
Wendell Day
Don Ambrose

Van Elliott
Jeff Zwiebel
Bill Schweitzer
Gary Castellino

Van Elliott - velliott2105@msn.com

Rifle Range Improvements 4/24/09



Donny Penwell supervises ground baffle installation at rifle range

And the constant improvement of the gun club continues with the installation of the ground baffle system at the rifle range. This baffle was placed just before the 100 yard target impact area with the goal of reducing ground ricochets. It is a beautiful installation and thanks to the hard work of club members Donny Penwell and Don Yeandle it should be there for many years. The facilities are looking better day by day and these two men are constant contributors to making it a better place for all of us to shoot. When you see them please take time to thank them for their interest and efforts on behalf of the club.

BIG TIME THANKS FROM GPGC MEMBERS
TO DONNY AND DON!!!

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Ground baffle installation at the rifle range



Ground level look at baffle system for rifle range

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

Hours of Operation

Rifle/Pistol
8:30 am until legal sunset

Shotgun
Wed., Sat., Sun. - 1:00 pm until dusk
Mon. - 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm

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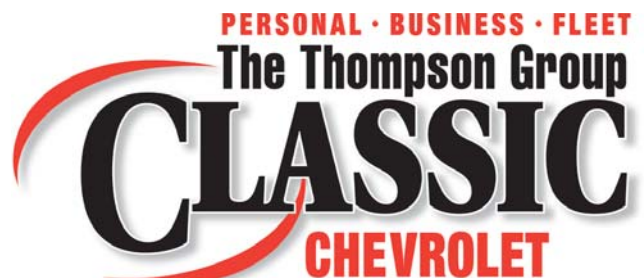
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