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Welcome New Members!



Chad Cowley



Bill & Catherine Edgell



Vic Paladini



Meredith Turney

Club Skeet Results November 1, 2009



12 Ga. Event

HOA Champion:	Brad Fitzgerald - 49
AA Champion:	Gene Stewart - 49
A Champion:	Joe Bettacchi - 46
A 2 Champion:	C. W. Dagnal - 49
B Champion:	Jack Martin - 48
C Champion:	Josh Wells - 46
D Champion:	Charles Richerson - 40

Vintage Gun

Class I Champion:	Richard Kummer - 48
Class II Champion:	Randy Walhood - 47
Class III Champion:	Joe Bettacchi - 45
Class IV Champion:	Robert Nicholas - 40

Doubles - Pump Gun Only

Champion:	Howard Huber - 47 = \$114
Runner up:	Gene Stewart - 44 = \$76

**NOTICE: THE RIFLE RANGE IS
CLOSED WHEN STANDING WATER
IS PRESENT!!**

Club Skeet Schedule 2009

Brad Fitzgerald, 972-816-0934

No shoots in December or January.

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

Main event is 50 round of 12ga.

Grand Prairie Sportsman's Development Corporation General Meeting for 2010

January 14 - 7:30 PM

Hunter Education Building

EVERYONE INVITED

- The meeting will conduct the normal business of yearly reports and hold the election of board members.
- Incumbent – Terry Cullender
- Potential new member – Brad Ambrose
- We will have reports on accomplishments for 2009 with an overview of the Gun Club by Randy Walhood.
- Bill Schweitzer will give a report on where we are with our gas/mineral lease
- Terry Cullender will outline goals for 2010 and then field questions from the floor.

Range Officer Duty

Wed.	Dec. 2	Keith Hill
Sat.	Dec. 5	Ed Kilgore
Sun.	Dec. 6	Jeff Zwiebel
Mon.	Dec. 7	Terry Cullender
Wed.	Dec. 9	Kerry Williams
Sat.	Dec. 12	Howard Huber
Sun.	Dec. 13	David Anderson
Mon.	Dec. 14	Gene Wills
Wed.	Dec. 16	Al Barsh
Sat.	Dec. 19	Joe Bettacchi Pistol Range Officer Jim Wilson
Sun.	Dec. 20	Jason Foshea
Mon.	Dec. 21	Gil George
Wed.	Dec. 23	Bill Weatherby
Sat.	Dec. 26	Donny Penwell
Sun.	Dec. 27	Will Chisum
Mon.	Dec. 28	Bill Schweitzer
Wed.	Dec. 30	Andy Chilla
Fri.	Jan. 1	Call a Keyholder

Reclaimed Lead Shot

GPGC members we have the re-claimed lead shot for sale again. The first order sold out fairly quickly so we doubled our order this time. Response from reloaders has been positive. They increased our cost 1.25 a bag for shipping so we raised the price a dollar to \$19 a bag.

Please contact Bill Schweitzer, Randy Walhood or Jeff Zwiebel to purchase shot.



Education Classes for 2009

Student Classes

December 7, 10 and 12



Instructor Workshops

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



Dean & John

Dec. 3 - 7:30 PM GPGC Board of Directors Meeting
 Dec. 7 - 7:00 PM Hunter Ed Class
 Dec. 10 - 7:00 PM Hunter Ed Class
 Dec. 12 - 8:00 AM Hunter Ed Class
 Dec. 19 - 9:00 AM Bullseye Pistol Match
 Dec. 25 - Christmas Day
 Dec. 26 - 9:00 AM .22 Pistol Metallic Silhouette Match
 Jan. 1 - New Years Day
 Jan. 7 - 7:30 PM GPGC Board of Directors Meeting
 Jan. 14 - 7:30 PM GPSDC General Meeting
 Jan. 16 - 9:00 AM Bullseye Pistol Match
 Jan. 16 - 1:00 PM Public Day
 Jan. 23 - 9:00 AM .22 Pistol Metallic Silhouette Match



Opening day success, again! Liz Watkins

GPGC Iron Man League

CANCELLED!

Recipe Corner



Deb's Dessert

Contributed by Debra Altenbaumer

- 2 – 8oz crescent rolls
- 2 – 8oz cream cheese
- 1 – cup sugar
- 1 – tsp vanilla or almond extract
- 1 – stick melted butter
- ½ cup cinnamon sugar

Line 13" x 9" x 2" deep pan with 1 package of crescent rolls

(I use "Big and Buttery Rolls") Mix cream cheese, sugar and vanilla extract. Spread over crescent rolls. Top with the rest of the crescent rolls. Pour melted butter over rolls and sprinkle with the cinnamon sugar. Bake @ 350 degrees for 30 minutes.

Oyster Corn

Contributed by Cindy Tarrant

- 1 can cream style corn
- 1 can regular corn, drained
- 1 well beaten egg
- 1-1/2 cup cracker crumbs (reserved 1/2 cup crumbs for topping)
- 1 cup milk (go easy on the milk)
- 1 small can oysters, drained and chopped
- 1/4 cup onion, chopped
- 2 Tablespoons butter or margarine, melted
- Salt and pepper to taste

Combine all ingredients and put into a well-greased baking dish.

Sprinkle crumbs on top. Bake at 350 for approx. 45 minutes.



Fall Handicap Trap League

NO TRAP LEAGUE THIS DECEMBER



Charles Richerson with an 8 1/2 yr. old Mason Mountain Management Area buck he killed last week. There were only two people drawn for the hunt. Congratulations Charles!



I got the deer on the hunt I drew at Mason Mountain Wildlife Management Area about 6 miles from Mason, Texas. This was the guided hunt including, lodging, food and guide service. My guide was the head biologist on the area. I found out I don't really like hunting with a guide at my side telling me which animal I can shoot. But he did know his area and the first name and main hobbies of all the deer. He didn't want me to shoot this one saying wait and you will get a better one. He offered to let me hunt a day or so longer if it rained Sunday morning and I didn't get a better deer. He was an old deer and had a smaller but good looking rack. It was time to get back so I popped him. It was a shot even I could make. He was broad side in the open at about 40 yards.

I didn't see the numbers of deer I expected as they keep the numbers low by hill country standards. They have mix of whitetails and exotics. I am guessing there are more exotics than deer on the 5,500+ acres. I declined to shoot a management buck (probably a spike) and told them to let the other winner have it if he wanted it. They had caught three small hogs in a trap and had me shoot them with my .50 DAQ that I had taken to demo for them. The other guy wanted all three hogs.

The lodging was great and the food super. The property was a rich man's private lodge that he gave to the state with the restriction that it be used for research and hunting. We stayed in his lodge that was built in an unbelievable pretty setting.

Charles

Bullseye Pistol November 21, 2009

We had 8 shooters with one new member / participant, **Bill Edgell**. Welcome aboard, Bill.

Donny Penwell won the match with a 275, 6x, shooting with his red dot optical sight.

Ed Dotson was high iron sight user with 262, 7x, shooting with ONE HAND. Congrats, Ed.

Dan Brown was 3rd, with 261, 5x, shooting with iron sights.

Terry Cullender brought the low score with a 201. He shot his Python with .38's .

The day was beautiful and was great in that it wasn't hot and we didn't need a fan!

Jim Wilson still had a gimpy left arm and didn't shoot. He called the match for us. Thanks, Jim.

We'll do this again next month, to continue on a 3rd Saturday basis until daylight savings time returns in late March.

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Debra Altenbaumer with her special James Avery turkey pin



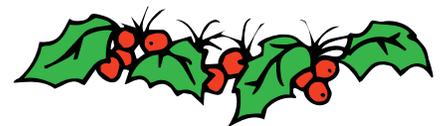
Donny & Nancy Penwell practicing for the pistol shoot



Benny Emmons & Dan Brown and other shooters working on poker pistol style



Terry Cullender, Stephanie, Marshall & Linda Cullender show up to shoot pistols late in the day



2009 Schedule

Dec. 26

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.

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Hoa Nguyen, Clint Freeman & Ken Hulsey at the pistol poker shoot

The McGlone Family...a family tradition

One day we were shooting on the GPGC pistol range and Dan Brown remarked, "Look there are 3 generations of shooters from one family. Wouldn't that make a neat human interest story?" And thus the idea was launched.

John McGlone is 84 years old and has been a member at GPGC since 09-04-08. The motivation to join GPGC came from sons-in-law Jim Grabbe and Jim Wilson who were active pistol shooters. Jim Wilson joined first, then Jim Grabbe and then John. GPGC was chosen because it was close to everyone's house.

John likes shooting rifles for a hobby and when asked why, he said he was "too old to chase girls anymore and needed something to do." When asked why he chose rifle shooting rather than pistol, like the other family members, he said with a grin, because he "could hit something with a rifle." His wit is quick, the smile large and he makes others feel welcome around the club. Plus rumor has it he is a decent rifle shot, when his granddaughter Jana Whaley is not around. Someone alluded that Jana may be better with a rifle than him. However it doesn't appear to upset John that much.

John retired from American Airlines Operations 22 years ago. He has 10 children, 20 grandchildren, 24 great grand children and one great, great grandchild. All but 8 members of the family live in the GP area. They are close knit and try to have monthly and holiday dinners together. Their dinners are so big now they refer to them as EVENTS because the family is so large a school in Irving must be used for a gathering place for holiday dinners. Around 74 people show up for the event. AWESOME!

Besides rifle shooting, John's other duties include being a cheerleader / coach for two generations of pistol shooters. During pistol shoots

he can be seen sitting on a bench behind the clan encouraging them. The generation lineup looks like this. Jim Wilson – son-in-law, married to daughter #1, Marcie. Jim Grabbe, son-in-law, married to daughter #4 Patricia. Kent Leveritt, son-in-law, married to daughter #6 Marla. Next come pistol shooters Tammy

Wilson, Jim Wilson's daughter, Meredith Turney and Jana Whaley, daughters of Jim Grabbe.

The McGlone family has done much for the club. Jim Wilson and Jim Grabbe are regular shooters and make large contributions in the sweat equity and maintenance department for GPGC. Jim Wilson is retired and does everything from rebuilding shot up target frames to range maintenance. Jim Grabbe still works, but finds time to help with maintenance projects and ideas for improvements. Both men are active on the

pistol planning committee and can be counted on when needed. Recently, Meredith (a Grabbe girl) joined the club because she wanted to shoot at times that dad could not. She is an awesome pistol

shot and has volunteered to help with administrative duties on the pistol range.

Thanks to the McGlone descendants for all you do, including giving us a good story for the newsletter. A special thank you to Meredith, Jana and Tammy for helping put the story together and arranging a photo opportunity.

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John McGlone, center: left to rt., Jana Whaley, Jim Grabbe, Meredith Turney, Kent Leveritt, Jim Wilson & Tammy Wilson



3 Generations of McGlone shooters in action

Pheasant Hunt

Nov. 9th. had finally arrived. Terry Cullender, Jay Phillips, Don Ambrose and Dick Coupe had been waiting two months for this day. It was the day they packed up and started for Young's Hunting Service in Hamill, South Dakota to hunt wild pheasants, not the pen raised and released birds that most hunters now find when hunting. They arrived in Hamill on Nov. 11th for a two-day hunt. This was the first stop on a six-day hunt in South Dakota and Kansas.

The Young's are a family hunting operation. They provide room, meals, and guide service for their hunters. Jan, the person that does most of the guiding has a pair of excellent German Wirehair pointers that found all of our birds for us. It was great dog work. This operation is outstanding and is much more relaxed and enjoyable than the commercial operations in South Dakota. The Young's make you feel at home and a part of the family. The view from their home is fantastic with mule deer up the mountain on the North side and pheasants running in and out of cover on the flat to the south.

Hunting started at 10:00 AM on Wednesday. Our first walk was in a big CRP patch that had not been hunted for a couple of days. Cornfields were within two hundred yards of this grass patch. As the walkers got near the end of the field, the pheasants started boiling out of the grass. Shots rang out, it sounded like GPGC on skeet night, and when the firing was over six birds lay on the ground. The limit in South Dakota per person is three birds per day, so we picked up and went to the milo food plots that Boyt Young planted to attract, feed and keep birds on his property.

As we walked these food plots, pheasants kept getting up and the shooting continued. We would get one or two birds every time we walked one of the plots. By 1: 00 PM, we had our limit. We saw a great number of birds. Hunters in a field close by flushed many, many birds from the

cornfields. Dick Coupe, who has been hunting pheasants for many years, stated that he had never seen as many birds in one day as we saw on this day's hunt.

On the second day, we hunted a different part of Boyt's farm. The cover consisted of milo plots, grass patches and big weed patches

along fences and ditches. The day was very warm and the birds did not hold very well. A lot of the birds were in the unharvested cornfields where we could not get to them. Most of the birds that we did get up flushed well ahead of us so we had a lot of walking to do to get our birds. All came through with great shots at long distance or on crossing birds. It did take us longer on the second day to get out limit. We had to hunt until 2:30 PM to limit out. It was a great hunt.

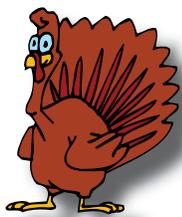
The South Dakota season ends on December 31st. Boyt has a number of open days left for this season if anyone is interested in a great hunt. Believe me, there are a lot of birds left for those that want to hunt.

Boyt and Theresa may be reached at 605-842-0308.

We left for Kansas on Friday the 13th. The date left us with a feeling of foreboding about the hunting in Kansas. We were right; the hunting and the weather were not as good as in South Dakota. But that story is for another day.



Young's Lodge in South Dakota: Terry Cullender, Don Ambrose, Dick Coupe & Jay Phillips



Turkey Shoot 2009

Since most of our articles start with a weather report this one will too. Sunday, November 22, 2009 was a gorgeous day to have the club annual shoot. The Shoot and Turkey Gods smiled on us big time.

Once again, many thanks to following people for making it a special day:

Turkey Cooks:	Benny Emmons, Steve Gilmore and their helpers
Kitchen and Servers:	Bill Schweitzer, Sharon Walhood, Tammie Cervenka and several runners
Sporting Clays Set Up:	Jason Foshea, Benny and others who helped
Wolf Chase Hosts:	Randy Walhood, John Slocum and Gene Stewart
Pistol Range Set Up:	Dan Brown, Ed Dotson, Dale Holder and Van Elliott
Newsletter Photographers:	Bill Schweitzer, Van Elliott & Terry Cullender
Any others:	Who pitched in and we failed to get your name

60 turkeys were purchased. 25-27 were smoked with 6 of those served at the shoot and the remaining sold prior to the shoot. 5 turkeys were given away at the pistol shoots and the rest went to the shotgun crowd. Approximately 33 turkeys were given away.

The dinner was a traditional Thanksgiving dinner with turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, cranberry sauce and many wonderful yum, yum desserts.

This year brought an addition to the shooting festivities. The Pistoleros set up shop and provided some good fun for those who wanted to play pistol games in addition to the shotgun games. What a nice way to spend a day. Some stayed until the sun went down and it got cold.

One of last year's Wolf Chase winners, Debra Altenbaumer, was hoping to start a pass "the silver turkey pin tradition". She wore her special James Avery Silver Turkey pin and had hoped she would win again. No such luck! I shot beside her and was shooting the second slot and she the 3rd. Will Chism was shooting #1. Will called for the bird. Bang, Will missed I made a lucky shot and broke the bird. Before the shell ejected from my auto loader I heard bang and Debra fussing about her mistake. She shot too soon and eliminated herself. I don't remember seeing the turkey pin pass to Terry Cullender or Bill Schwietzer for their winning shots. However, the pin looks much better on Debra than it would on one of the men. May be best she keep it and wear it next year?

Donny and Nancy Penwell were seen practicing at the pistol range before lunch. Donny had a Browning Buckmark with an optical sight for Nancy to use. He was trying to convince her it was the best thing since a pocket on a man's shirt. However, the pistol would not cycle and the red dot was more like a pink floating speck of dust. After they were finished practicing I had a go at it with the same results. I looked at the sight and saw made in China. Maybe we know why the dot was so hard to see. Dale Holder was teasing Donny about buying a cheap optic. The real deal is Donny didn't want Nancy to show him up. He did win a turkey using his Ruger Challenger, but it was a questionable win since Terry Cullender's target was not counted.

This article could go on for several pages with more fun stories from the shoot but we didn't want to strain our reader's eyes. So until next year take care, shoot well and Happy Holiday Season.

Article and some photos by Van Elliott – velllott2105@msn.com



Eating at the Turkey Shoot



Looking down the Wolf Chase line



Josh, Richard & Terry



Turkey Shoot 2009



The Last Four



Gene Stewart & Dale Holder at the line



Ryann & Robert Nicholas



Debra, Benny & Don in the foreground



Luke & Kyle Krawietz



Wolf Chase audience



Parker & Vic Marshall



Bobby with daughter Terri Jones, and granddaughter Mackinze



Turkey Shoot 2009



Van, Craig, Chris & Cameron



Sharon and the kitchen crew



*Carter & Tony Dirker
(after being eliminated by his son again this year)*



Jim Grabbe



Richard Kummer & Don Yeandle



Cameron, Chris & Carter



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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!**

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

Classified Ads??

In the past we have had a classified section. Would you like to have it again?

Send in an ad to:
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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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