

# G.P.G.C./G.P.S.D.C. **THE BULLET-TIN**

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## Turkey Shout - Nov. 19th

Just a reminder for those who look forward to a day of fun and games at GPGC at the Annual Turkey Shoot. *Club members only, please.* 

Make sure to put this on your calendar. Smoked turkey will be served from noon until 1:00 followed by shooting games and a chance to win a turkey (frozen).

Like last year Benny will be smoking extra turkeys as a fundraiser. Order early. The birds will be ready to pick up Sunday the 19th. If interested in a savory bird - ready to heat and serve on Thanksgiving - please contact **Bill Schweitzer** at <a href="mailto:try8@verizon.net">try8@verizon.net</a> or **Benny Emmons** at <a href="mailto:supreme@flash.net">supreme@flash.net</a>. We will also post a separate signup sheet in the office. We ask that you prepay to guarantee your reservation. Please mark paid on the signup sheet and leave the money with the range officer. The turkeys will be approximately 12 lbs. and the total cost will be \$25.00. All money goes to the GPGC building fund.

Several members have already reserved birds. We are limited to about 30 birds and it is first come - first served.

# 2006 ARA Match Schedule for GPGC (American Rimfire Association)

Final ARA Shoot - October 7 & 8 (Tournament)

October Tournament starts at 11:00 AM the 7th and 8:30 AM the 8th.

Sponsors Mike Pallett, mwpallett@yahoo.com George Lavender, gilavender@sbcglobal.net

## September 3, 2006

**Club Skeet Results** 

12 ga. Event **HOA Champion: Ieff Zwiebel - 50** AA Champion: Bobby Sherrill - 50 Rick Stockstill - 49 AA2 Champion: Roy Walker - 49 A Champion: Al Barsh - 49 A2 Champion: Sharon Walhood - 50 B Champion: B2 Champion: Buz Owens - 48 C Champion: Gene Wills - 47

C2 Champion: Tammy Cervenka - 41
D Champion: Jim Boyd - 41
D2 Champion: John Slocum - 39

28 ga. Lewis Class Event

Class I Champ: Rick Stockstill
Class II Champ: Jim Cervenka
Class III Champ: Joe Miller
Class IV Champ: Gene Wills
Class V Champ: Kerry Williams

**Doubles Event:** 

 Champion:
 Rick Stockstill - 50 = \$120

 Runner-up:
 Bobby Sherrill - 49 = \$72

 3rd Place:
 C. W. Dagnal - 48 = \$48



#### Range Officer Duty

Richard Simbala Sun. Oct. 1 Wed. Oct. 4 Bill Weatherby Oct. 7 Sat. **Bobby Sherrill** Sun. Oct. 8 Don Kovatch Wed. Oct. 11 Andy Chilla Sat. Oct. 14 Ted Preston Sun. Oct. 15 Rich Reynolds Wed. Oct. 18 John Slocum

Sat. Oct. 21 Buz Owens
Sun. Oct. 22 Kent Megarity

Wed. Oct. 25 Joe Miller
Sat. Oct. 28 Ed Kilgore

Sun. Oct. 29 Richard Kummer

Wed. Nov. 1 Jack Martin Sat. Nov. 4 Keith Hill

Sun. Nov. 5 Steve Gilmore

Wed. Nov. 8 Ken Hulsey

Sat. Nov. 11 Gil George Sun. Nov. 12 Jack Foster

Wed. Nov. 15 Kerry Williams

Sat. Nov. 18 Ken English

Sun. Nov. 19 Randy Walhood

Wed. Nov. 22 Herb Gundelfinger

Sat. Nov. 25 Benny Emmons



#### **Student Classes**

October 16, 19 and 21 November 13, 16 and 18 December 4, 7 and 9 **Hunter Ed now costs \$15.00.** 

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



Oct. 1 - Noon Club Skeet Shoot

Oct. 5 - 7:30 PM GPGC Board of Directors Meeting

Oct. 7 - 11:00 AM ARA Rifle Tournament

Oct. 7 - 8:00 AM TP&W Responsible Shootgunning

Oct. 8 - 8:30 AM ARA Rifle Tournament

Oct. 15 - Noon Club Trap Shoot Oct. 16 - 7:00 PM Hunter Ed Class

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Oct. 19 - 7:00 PM Hunter Ed Class

Oct. 21 - 8:00 AM Hunter Ed Class Oct. 21 - 1:00 PM Open to the Public

Oct. 29 - Daylight Savings Time Ends

Oct. 31 - Halloween

Nov. 2 - 7:30 PM GPGTC Board of Directors Meeting

Nov. 5 - Noon Club Skeet Shoot

Nov. 7 - Election Day

Nov. 13 - 7:00 PM Hunter Ed Class

Nov. 16 - 7:00 PM Hunter Ed Class

Nov. 18 - 8:00 AM Hunter Ed Class

Nov. 18 - 1:00 PM Open to the Public

Nov. 19 - 11:00 AM Club Turkey Shoot

Nov. 23 - Thanksgiving

#### Club Trap Schedule 2006

Sun., Oct. 15

Sun., Nov. 19 (Turkey Shoot)

Sun. Dec. 17

Lunch at 11:30 - shooting starts at 1:00 PM.

John Slocum, 972-602-1600

#### Club Skeet Schedule 2006

Brad Fitzgerald, 972-816-0934

The main events will be 50 targets of 12 ga. unless otherwise noted. All shoots are on Sunday with lunch at noon and shooting starts at 1:00 PM.

Oct. 1 - .410 bore Preliminary

Nov. 5 - 20 ga. Preliminary

Dec. 3 - 28 ga. Preliminary

### Recipe Corne

#### Beef Barley Bake

- 2 ounces dried mushrooms
- 1-1/2 cups warm water
- 2 lbs. sirloin, cut into 1-inch cubes
- 1 cup chopped onion
- Tbsp. olive oil
- 1/2 lb. fresh mushrooms, sliced
- 1-1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/2 tsp. black pepper
- 2 cups beef broth
- 1/4 cup lemon juice
- 3/4 cup pearl barley
- 1/3 cup chopped parsley

Cover dried mushrooms with warm water; let stand 30 minutes. Drain, reserving water. Cut mushrooms into strips.

Brown meat and onion in olive oil in a large skillet. Add fresh and rehydrated mushrooms; cook 3 minutes. Add salt and pepper. Put into a 2-1/2 or 3-quart casserole or Dutch oven.

Stir reserved mushroom water, broth and lemon juice into drippings in skillet; bring to a boil. Stir in barley and parsley. Pour over meat. Cover and bake in a 350 degree oven for 1 hour. Stir, adding broth or water if needed. Cover and bake 20 minutes more.

Makes 6 servings.

# NSSA awards GPGC 2006 Club of the Year

Recently, the National Skeet Shooting Association (NSSA), voted the Grand Prairie Gun Club to the honor of 2006 Club of the Year. This was an award that applied for and competed against other clubs across the nation. This is great recognition for the club and a tribute to the many hours the members put into building and maintaining our facility. Randy Walhood will accept this award on behalf of the Club at the World Skeet Shoot Banquet in San Antonio on October 9, 2006. The following is the article that was sent in with the application:

The Grand Prairie Gun Club was formed in 1962, on leased land, by a group of sportsmen looking for a place to sharpen their shooting skills and enjoy the pleasure of each others company. The club was successful in the original location for approximately 30

years. In 1981 the Grand Prairie Sportsman's Development Corporation was formed to procure land and develop a new facility. Stock was sold in a corporation that only had a plan. Many members dropped out thinking this was only a pipe dream. In 1987 a 37 acre site directly north and adjacent to our leased site was purchased. Construction began on the new site and two skeet fields were opened in July 1992. This was the beginning of what the Grand Prairie Gun Club has become today. Additional acreage has been purchased to increase our site to 65 acres. The facilities include five skeet fields, two trap fields, a twelve station 50 yard pistol range, a twelve station 200 yard rifle range and a 4800 square foot education/clubhouse building.

The club has turned an old abandoned sewage treatment plant into one of the premier shooting clubs in the state of Texas. The rifle/pistol range located below grade in what was once a lagoon. The last skeet field was completed in 2005 with assistance from NSSA and TSSA grant funding.

All of GPGC's facilities were constructed by members in accordance with a master plan so that all pieces of the puzzle fit. This helped minimize any potential misdirected efforts by volunteers and contributed to the overall success of the construction. Funding for development was provided by the sale of stock in the Grand Prairie Sportsman's Development Corporation, grant funding through the Pittman-Robinson Act, raffles, and private donations. We also have a partnership with the Grand Prairie Police Department in the term of a long term lease for a portion of our property on which the City constructed a pistol range for the exclusive use of their officers. Another of our partners is Texas Parks & Wildlife. Our education committee, in conjuction with TP&W, has many classes throughout each year in Hunter Education and NRA Instructor Workshops.

We have two registered skeet shoots each year and have placed our September shoot in NSSA's top 100 shoots in the past.

The challenges of buying land, zoning land for a gun range (in the middle of the Dallas/Ft. Worth region), constructing facilities and running a successful club (385 members) can be accomplished with a great plan and the perserverance of a dedicated team with the ability to look past the present. A successful club is always evolving/changing to meet the needs of your membership. Many thanks go to those individuals in our club that make this happen every day. If you are in the Dallas/Ft. Worth area, stop by to see us or check out our website at www.gpgc.net.



Gene Wills, Kerry Williams, Larry Lewis & Brad Fitzgerald



Joe Miller first in line with Kerry Williams, Katie and Brad Fitzgerald behind



Gene Wills bearing down



Full house at the registered shoot



Member Forrest Weaver opening day in Breckenridge. What is the limit in Breckenridge??



Planning session

#### Club Trap Shoot Results September 17, 2006

On a day we were blessed with over an inch of rain, 8 die-hards made it out to compete for bragging rights and sample John Slocum's excellent, world famous Mexican food.

Neal Altenbaumer took top honors with an amazing 49 on the 16-yard line and bested the group in doubles as well. Trying to keep the rain off my glasses and having to shoot between the downpours were the excuses most of us used. For the most part we enjoyed the conversation and watching the rain. For those of you who haven't experienced John's cooking I recommend trying the next club trap shoot!

Bill Schweitzer



Registered Pre World Warmup



"Nothing up my sleeves..."



Pistol range instruction



Game Warden, Joe Cawthon



Will Stilley teaching

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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!



#### Newsletter information

The newsletter is no longer being mailed. Some copies will be in the building and a copy will be posted on the outside bulletin board.

Pull up the website www.gpgc.net for a current newsletter.

#### **ATF Website for Info**

The following ATF page covers shipping and mailing of firearms through the US Post Office and general questions of interest.

#### www.atf.gov/firearms/faq/index.htm



Hunter Ed at the pistol range



Hunter Ed



Shade and water stop

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