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# Notice

Grand Prairie Sportsman's Development Corporation General Meeting 2009

Jan. 15, 7:30PM Hunter Education Building EVERYONE INVITED

The meeting will conduct the normal business of yearly reports and hold the election of board members.

We will have reports on accomplishments for 2008 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.

Randy Walhood will give an update on the TRA construction.

Terry Cullender will outline goals for 2009, and then field questions from the floor.



# **Club Skeet Results**



No Skeet shoot in December and January!



#### Randy Walhood and Jason Davidson

emptied the trash containers on the shotgun fields Saturday the 6th. That is 3 - 55 gallon containers per field or 15 plus 2 at the building. We do not have trash pickup at the range.

**John McGlone** brought his leaf blower and cleaned off the rifle firing line after everyone had shot Saturday. Thoughtful things like that keep our club looking nice.

**Don Yeandle** and **Donny Penwell** are going above and beyond helping with the pistol range. Big projects with big equipment.

**Benny Emmons** loaded all the shotgun houses with targets Dec. 13th.



The number of shares left as of the December meeting! Have you bought yours yet?

# Range Officer Duty

Sat.	Jan. 3	Randy Walhood
Sun.	Jan. 4	Will Chisum
Mon.	Jan. 5	Benny Emmons
Wed.	Jan. 7	Kerry Williams
Sat.	Jan. 10	Don Kovatch
Sun.	Jan. 11	Joe Bettacchi
Mon.	Jan. 12	Kerry Williams
Wed.	Jan. 14	Al Barsh
Sat.	Jan. 17	David Anderson

Pistol Range Office Joe Pisecco

Sun. Jan. 18 Donny Penwell

Mon. Jan. 19 Keith Hill

Wed. Jan. 21 Bill Weatherby

Sat. Jan. 24 Bobby Sherrill Sun. Jan. 25 Kenneth English

Mon. Jan. 26 Terry Cullender

Wed. Jan. 28 Andy Chilla

Sat. Jan. 31 Don Ambrose



Education Classes Set for 2009

#### Student Classes

March 2, 5 and 7

July 6, 9 and 11

August 3, 6 and 8

September 21, 24 and 26

October 5, 8 and 10

November 2, 5 and 7

December 7, 10 and 12

## Instructor Workshops

January 31 - NRA Range Safety Officer Training February 7 - TP&W Area Chief Meeting March 13, 14 & 15 - NRA Shotgun Workshop May 22, 23 & 24 - NRA Rifle Workshop 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)



Jan. 1 - Happy New Year

Jan. 5 - 5:00 PM Shoot Under the Lights

Jan. 8 - 7:30 PM GPGC Board of Directors Meeting

Jan. 12 - 5:00 PM Shoot Under the Lights

Jan. 15 - 7:30 PM GPSDC Annual General Meeting

Jan. 17 - 1:00 PM Public Day

Jan. 19 - 5:00 PM Shoot Under the Lights

Jan. 24 - 10:00 AM .22 Pistol Silhouette Match

Jan. 26 - 5:00 PM Shoot Under the Lights

Jan. 31 - 8:00 AM NRA Range Safety Officer Training

Feb. 1-11:00 AM Club Skeet Shoot

Feb. 2 - 5:00 PM Shoot Under the Lights

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

Feb. 7 - 8:00 AM TP&W Area Chief Meeting



Will "Youngbuck" - Scotty Oliver's 7 yr. old grandson.

# Recipe Corner

# **Duck or Goose with Apple Dressing**

from 1A Hunting in Texas Guide Service

6 duck breasts filleted (12 pieces)

3 goose breasts filleted (6 pieces) 1 cup water

1/4 cup butter

1 cup apple juice

1/8 tsp. cinnamon

Place duck or goose breast in skillet. Add water and butter. Cover and simmer 20 minutes until tender. Remove lid and cook on low heat until water evaporates. Add apple juice and cinnamon. Simmer an additional 15 minutes. Remove duck or goose and set aside while preparing dressing. Thicken apple juice with cornstarch and set aside to serve over dressing.

# **The Dressing**

1 cornbread mix
2 cups apples, peeled and chopped
1/2 cup onion, chopped
1/2 cup celery, chopped
1/2 tsp. poultry seasoning
1 egg
1/4 cup butter
1 (10-3/4 oz) cream of chicken soup
1 cup milk

Bake cornbread as directed on package. Set aside to cool. Once cool, break into small pieces. In a saucepan, in a small amount of water, cook apples, onion and celery till tender. Drain.

In a large bowl, mix cooked apples, poultry seasoning, egg, butter, soup, milk and cornbread. Place half of the dressing in a small casserole dish.

Add duck or goose breasts. Cover them with remaining dressing. Cover top with aluminum foil, and bake at 375 degrees for 35 minutes. Remove foil. Raise temp to 450. Bake an additional 10 minutes or until dressing is nicely browned.

This will feed 6 to 8 adults.

# Who's Up for Airgun Competition?

Charles Richerson is wanting to test the water for some practice airgun shooting to see if there are members interested in doing some field targets at the club. The targets will be ground silhouettes at ranges from 15 yds. to 55 yds. We are thinking about starting in early February and maybe shoot on Saturday mornings every other week.

The calibers need to be small to keep from destroying the targets. Probably .177, .20, ,22 to maybe .25. If we get a few people interested we may take a group to the National Shoots in south Texas in 2009.

Our first meeting will be Saturday morning, Feb. 7 at 9:00am.

If you are interested and want to have some input into the planning or just have ideas or questions contact: Charles Richerson

air-rifle@sbcglobal.net

# Monday Night Trap League

Due to harsh weather conditions the completion of the current Doubles Trap League has been postponed until January 12, 2009. At this time the leaders are as follows: 1st Place – Kerry Williams; 2nd Place – Larry Lewis; 3rd Place – Gerald Evatt. Everyone should keep in mind that a lot can change when the final night's shooting is completed. Everyone should also not forget that the prizes in the Monday Night Trap Leagues are not awarded based on your skill, but on how lucky you happen to be at that time. Why even some of our top shooters have never won a prize since we adopted the Modified Lewis Class system of awarding prizes. The only requirement that you need in order to win, besides luck, is a score for all six nights of shooting.

After completion of the current Doubles League, we expect to start a Progressive Handicap League on January 19, 2009. The same Modified Lewis Class system will be employed for this league also, with the only requirement necessary to win a prize being a score for all six night of the league.

SO COME ON OUT AND HAVE FUN!

Kerry L. Williams







# PISTOL SHOOTERS!! WATCH BEHIND YOUR TARGET!!!

I have been spending a lot of time lately helping new shooters prepare for the CHL test. The prime thing is to get comfortable and familiar with your pistol. A gun is a nice tool that will do exactly as you want it to do if you handle it properly. Do not be afraid of it but respect it for its power.

A firm grip, a good sight picture with your front and rear sights lined up with the target placed just above your sights as your finger slowly squeezes the trigger should result in a nice pattern. The other thing that should be thought of before you place your target is what is directly behind your target as you point your pistol. This is especially important when on the 7-yard and 15-yard line. If you are a short person you will need to place your target lower so you don't shoot up the overhead baffle at the 15-yard line. If it is a husband / wife team then each needs their own target. Normally if it fits the wife then the husband is shooting into the ground baffle at 15 or 25 yards. Look at the baffles next time you are down there and see how many times they have been shot. Put up your target frame, then aim your pistol at the metal impact plates and adjust your target center so your shots hit the plate not the baffles.

We have an understaffed committee that rebuilds the wooden target frames, cuts cardboard centers and replaces shot up boards. Please help by being aware of your target placement and also volunteer to help rebuild some if you can.

Remember this is your club. You own a percentage of it and we have no paid employees. Help keep it clean, sweep up after you finish, throw trash into the receptacles and feel free to empty a trash can if it is full. We have no trash pickup so take it to your house to be picked up.

Thanks,

Terry terrycullender@yahoo.com

# ARA Matches to be discontinued...

Mike Pallet has sponsored the ARA Rimfire shoots for many years but can no longer continue. If anyone or group steps up to the plate to run the shoots then the matches can continue. Otherwise, the April to October 2008 season will be the last one at Grand Prairie Gun Club. If anyone is interested contact Bill Schweitzer, try8@verizon.net

Thanks for all your work and time Mike. You did a remarkable job and the club appreciates your efforts.

# .22 Pistol Metallic Silhouette Shoot 2009 Schedule

Jan. 24 July 25 Feb. 28 Aug. 22 Mar. 28 Sep. 26 April 25 Oct. 24

Nov. 28 May 23

June 27 No Match in December

All matches start at 10:00AM. Cost is \$10. 120 shots will be fired for a full match in strings of 10 shots per 2 minutes. Bring ear and eye protection and your favorite .22 pistol.

# .22 Pistol Metallic Silhouette Results

Saturday the 27th the wind and the rain came blowing in just before the Silhouette shoot started and it kept the fairweather shooters away. About 10:10 AM the rain stopped and the sky turned blue so about 8 hardy shooters quickly set up the Silhouette range and the activities began. We had a few observers and the competition was fierce. When the dust cleared Joe Maldonado was standing alone with a score of 41 but **Jim Wilson** was edging in for a second with a 38. The distant third was shared by **Clint Freeman** and **Terry Cullender** with a pair of 28's.

Just as the pistol shooters were finishing **Don** Yeandle with his Kid's Shoot group took over the range to have a few rounds with the infamous little yellow chickens. The morning ended beautiful and the pistol range was kept quite hot and active the fourth Saturday. This is a fun event and everyone is welcome. It is a good event to invite guests. It is just fun with just enough competition to make you bear down a little.

> For questions or info contact: Dan Brown BrownDan@tx.rr.com

# NEW YEAR'S DAY AT THE GUN CLUB....



GPGC Member Clarence Dagnal (CW), Jack Davis, Glea Davis (shot her first straight at GPGC), Jo Ellen Collin (Lady's 2007 World Champion in Doubles) & Gene Stewart



Jack & Glea Davis



CW and his friend, Billye

# Something for the Kids

Don Yeandle will be running a Saturday morning 22. cal. Shoot for youths. It will be held on the 4th Saturday of each month. The shoot will consist of Gun Safety Instruction mixed with lots of fun shooting out on the range. We will meet at 10:00 on the clubhouse porch. The start time is flexible if all can agree.

Girls and boys age 7 to 13 years are welcome to participate. Youths 14 and up can work as assistants in the class room and field. They will also get some shooting time. We will start with 20 to 30 min. of safety, then shoot for an hour. We will take a snack break with some review of the instruction and shoot for 45 min. or until the ammo runs out.

### What to bring??

1) 100 rounds of 22. cal. long rifle ammunition, none of the ammunition will be returned to the youths.

### \*\*\*NOTE\*\*\*

The ammunition is to be given to the instructor or range officer by the parent upon arrival. (NO YOUTH WILL BE ALLOWED TO CARRY AMMUNITION)

- 2) Bring their 22. caliber rifle if they have one, if not there will be extra guns you can use.
- 3) Something to drink and a snack. There are soda machines inside the club house.
- 4) Ear and eye protection
- 5) Hat
- 6) Sunscreen

Experience level kids who have never shot a gun in their life to Billy the Kid. The shooting will be a fun learning experience, and at some point we can set up a friendly competition.

Any Questions feel free to contact me at 817.825.2535.

Look forward to seeing everyone on the rifle range.

If any of our members have good hunting pictures and/or stories you would like to share?

Send a copy to Terry at terrycullender@yahoo.com



Bobcat walking near the gun club



# Club Skeet Schedule 2009

Brad Fitzgerald, 972-816-0934

February 1 - Prelim 20 ga.

March 1- Prelim 28 ga.

April 5 - Prelim .410 bore

May 3 - Prelim 20 ga.

June 7 - Prelim 28 ga.

July 5 - Prelim .410 bore

August 2 - Prelim 20 ga.

September 6 - Prelim 28 ga.

October 4 - Prelim. .410 bore

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.



Brian Bettis coaches Thomas May on his first 25 yd. hit



John Bravati on the line to shoot



Ryann Nicholas gets ready to shoot



Guest Brian Bettis helps Thomas May learn about pistols

# Youth Shoot



Laura May - Bullet Control Mama



Laura May and Robert Nicholas help with bullet control



Hayden McGee preparing to shoot



Sterling May Sr. helps Warren set up



Sterling May Jr. and Sr. get signed in by Van Elliott



Otto Meadors checks out ammo



Warren May being coached

Clint Freeman, wishful thinking

Joe Maldonado gets 1st Place with 42 out of 45 targets



Gene Wills & Terry Cullender talking targets

# Metallic Silhouette Pistol Shoot



Terry Cullender was Range Master since Dan Brown was out with surgery



Paul Stringer & Clint Freeman banging away



Eagle Eye Jim Wilson



Jim Wilson gets 2 Place with 38 out of 45 targets

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Don Stone

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



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

## **GPGC Bullet-tin**

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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.

# Membership share questions?

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