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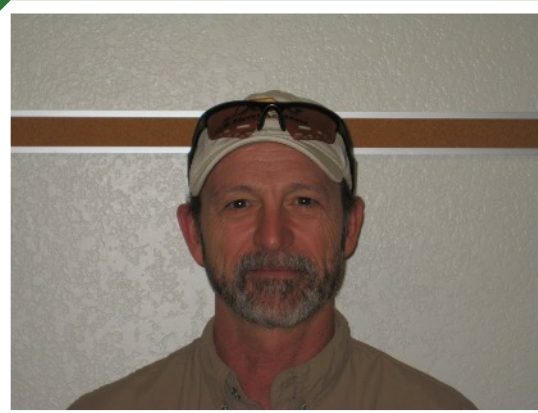
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David Branzell



John Kummer





Education Classes for 2016

July 9
November 12
Grand Prairie Education Committee
972-641-9940 (leave message)

Public Days 2016

April 16	September 17
May 21	October 15
June 18	November 19
July 16	December 17
August 20	

Work Days 2016

Saturday April 9 Saturday July 16

GPGC Board Meetings

April 7	September 1
May 5	October 6
June 2	November 3
July 7	December 1
August 4	



Monthly Club Skeet Shoot 2016

Sunday May 1
Sunday June 12
Sunday July 10
Sunday August 7

Mike Dennis mdennis@yahoo.com

Sporting Clay Matches 2016

None Scheduled
Jason Foshea
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.22 Pistol Metallic Silhouette and Bullseye Matches 2016

Bullseye 300 matches each Thursday
March - May Thursday @ 6:00
June - September Thursday @ 6:30
Bullseye 900 matches 3rd Saturday at 9:00
Silhouette Matches 4th Saturday at 9:00
Match Directors

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Remember that one of GPGC's largest events, the **Warren "Penny" Penwell Memorial Shoot** is coming up on **April 15, 16 and 17**. The club will need assistance in supporting the shoot, cooking, cleaning and maintaining the fields. Volunteer to help by contacting Gene Wills (214-6979424)



Range Officer Duty & Special Events

Day	Date	Range Officer	Special Event
Sat	Apr 2	Roy Walker	
Sun	Apr 3	Howard Huber	Vintage Shoot
Wed	Apr 6	Jay Phillips	
Sat	Apr 9	Jay Warren	Work Day
Sun	Apr 10	Tracy Ragle	
Wed	Apr 13	Rusty Porter	
Sat	Apr 16	Randy Walhood	Penwell Memorial
Sun	Apr 17	Mike Skidmore	Penwell Memorial
Wed	Apr 20	Mike Shuping	
Sat	Apr 23	Bill Schweitzer	
Sun	Apr 24	Jeff Zwiebel	
Wed	Apr 27	Jim Speer	
Sat	Apr 30	Richard Kummer	
Sun	May 1	Jason Davidson	Club Shoot



Bill Schweitzer and Mike Shuping cooking at Interclub

2016 INTERCLUB CHALLENGE

The 2016 Interclub Challenge had a total of six teams of five, so a good turnout. Three teams from GPGC, two from Ellis County and one from Fossil Pointe. This was another win for GPGC, the second year in a row, so this means we get to host the 2017 Interclub. Congratulations to the winners, the team of Devin Barge, Jason Foshea, Darian Mock, Mark Hart, and Jason Davidson. Second place team was from Ellis County, Jimmy Powell, Doug Thomas, David McDaniel, Jake Hinds, and Johnny Deleon. Jason Foshea was also HOA, so congratulations again. Runner up for HOA was Will Roberts from Fossil Pointe, congratulations Will. GPGC had total of three teams, with the other two teams winning fourth and fifth. Also got to say thanks to Ken Flippin, Bill Schweitzer, Mike Shuping and Sharon Walhood for preparing lunch. Mike Dennis did outstanding job in registering and scoring. And where would we have been without out the following folks pulling targets and keeping score; Jay Warren, Jeff Zwiebel, Richard Kummer, Joe Bettacchi, Tammy Cervanka, Dan Spence, Marcie Adame, and Mary Ann Jenkins. Thanks to all, was a great time.



First Place team - Devin Barge, Jason Foshea
Darian Mock, Mark Hart and Jason Davidson



Second Place Team - Jimmy Powell, Doug Thomas,
David McDaniel Jake Hinds and Johnny Deleon



HOA Jason Foshea and
Will Roberts Runner up



Both the South Central Sporting Clays Championship and the North American FITASC Championship were held the weekend of March 18 - 20. The venue for these events was the SideXSide Ranch, a private hunting preserve and corporate retreat located just east of Wynnewood, OK.

As you can imagine, the facilities and grounds were impeccable, despite the considerable effort involved in hosting a shoot for 566 entrants, practically from scratch. Tremendous numbers of hours must have been spent by Scott Robertson (Elm Fork) and his team in clearing land, building roads and trails, constructing new shooting stands, hauling in nearly 300 machines, etc etc etc.

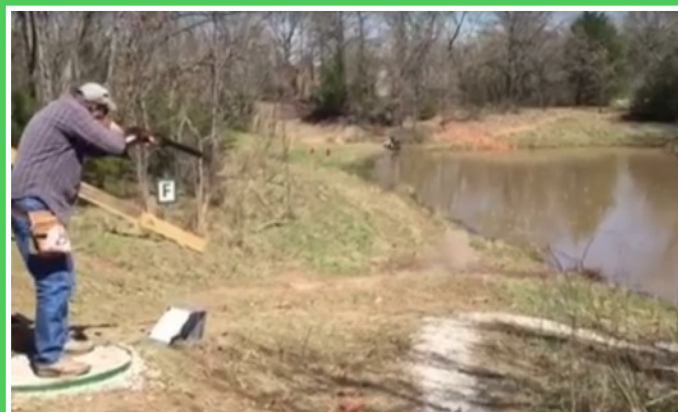
Among the shooters, club members Gerald Evatt (GPGC ambassador to Colorado Springs), Darian Mock and Jason Davidson composed half of one squad for FITASC, along with three other shooters from California, Montana and Colorado (big FITASC shoots draw people from everywhere). The North American FITASC event was a total of 200 targets shot over three days via eight 25 target "layouts" or "parcours." Target quality was excellent (read: difficult) and appropriate for a shoot of that magnitude.

Friday afternoon kicked off for the GPGC guys with the first three layouts, which were all oriented facing south. Since a cold front had just pushed through, the wind was howling from the north and pushing targets faster and further than the Wed/Thurs rotations had experienced - that's just the way it goes sometimes. Darian Mock had a strong performance, despite the difficult targets being made even harder, posting scores of 21, 20 and 20.

Saturday morning, the squad enjoyed some cover from the wind with some pegs (shooting positions) around woods and mostly northern-facing layouts carrying targets in closer. On these layouts, Jason Davidson posted scores of 19, 24 and 24.

Sunday afternoon's completion of the final two layouts included some very creative targets, including a rabbit target that skipped across the top of a pond. Darian Mock and Gerald Evatt had strong performances in these two layouts. Darian Mock posted a very strong total score of 169 for the weekend, leading the GPGC guys.

In addition to the FITASC and sporting events, the weekend hosted the first stop for the Professional Sporting Clays Ass'n tour. You can catch the episodes on TV for the PSCA and they are very good.



Jason Davidson destroying the gravity rabbit



Saturday March 26 was a fine day for the FITASC shoot. We had three parcours set up courtesy of Darian Mock and a total of 63 shooters. Lunch catered by Bartleys and set up by Randy Walhood and Gene Wills. This was a challenging set of parcours, proven by the scores. Winning the event was Ron Mericle with a total score of 69 out of 75, runner up was Will Roberts with a 67. Jason Foshea and Jason Davidson led the Grand Prairie shooters with scores of 61. Other Grand Prairie members shooting were Weaver Branch with a 59, Steve Allen winning Class C with a 54, John Nix with a 48 and Greg Peterson with a 44. Thanks to all who attended and to our referee's Mark Davidson, Dan Spence and Stormy Weatherford.



Runner up Will Roberts about to smash another bird with referee Stormy Weatherford and others.



Jason Davidson setting up with referee Mark Davidson and others



Jason Davidson with sons Travis and William, making sure the grounds are kept clean



Referee Dan Spence with one of the banners he arranged to have for the shoot.

Thanks Dan!

GPGC Spring Skeet League

The Spring Skeet League is well underway, ending the third week on April 5th with, and this won't be a surprise to anyone, its normal very competitive nature. Leading the pack is team 8, 580's with a total of 8 points and an average of 22.47, followed closely by team 5, 3 on 8 and team 2, 7 come 11, both with 7 points. HOA leader is Darian Mock with a 24.50, second is shared by Kerry Williams and Mike Gerschick at 24.00. Most straights is held by Mike Gerschick with 4, following Mike with 3 are Debra Altenbaumer and Darian Mock. Continuing thanks to Glenn Hughes for tabulating scores and Ken Flippin for his cooking and organizing.

Team	1 Clay-Busters	2 7 Come 11	3 Slow Moving Targets	4 Terry's Fun Bunch	5 3 on 8	6 5 of a Kind	7 Go Figure	8 580's	9 Dead 'N Deader	10 5 Guys
Captain	Kerry Williams	Ken Flippin	Robert Nicholas	Bill Schweitzer	Gary Edwards	David Todd	Bill Weatherby	Ken English	John Basilone	Matt Slay
	Gene Wills	Glen Hughes	Colton Seeton	Brad Ambrose	Mike Gerschick	Brandi Todd	Dennis Parkison	Joe Bettacchi	Mike Ferrera	Steve Hambrick
	John Nix	Russell Flippin	Don Illingworth	Scott Lauer	Will Chisum	Walter Kilroy	Jay Phillips	Bobby Sherrill	Chuck Enze	Greg Peterson
	Brad Fitzgerald	James Wilson	Jason Bowden	Don Ambrose	Mike Dennis	Buz Owens	Mike Miller	Richard Simbala	Frank Schneider	Robert Fournier
	Darian Mock	Ken Tomlinson	Don Yeandle	Trent Taylor	Donnie Penwell	Dwain Cottrell	Tony Murr	Debra Altenbaumer	Kevin Schneider	Dana Tally



3 on 8

Gary Edwards, Mike Gerschick, Will Chisum, Donnie Penwell and Mike Dennis

5 of a Kind

Brandi Todd, David Todd, Walter Kilroy, Buz Owen and Dwain Cottrell



GPGC Spring Skeet League



5 Guys

Greg Peterson, Dana Tally, Steve Hambrick, Robert Fournierat and Matt Slay

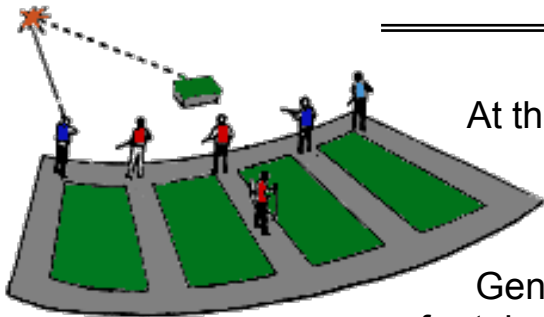
Dead 'N Deader

Frank Schneider, Mike Ferrera, John Basilone, and Kevin Schneider, absent is Chuck Enze



Terry's Fun Bunch

Don Ambrose, Scott Lauer, Trent Taylor and Bill Schweitzer, absent is Brad Ambrose



GPGC Spring Trap League

At the end of week 4, Gene Wills team 3 is leading with 44 points, followed by Benny Emmons Team 2 with 41. Team 1, Brad Fitzgerald is third with 37. Robert Fournierat leads HOA with raw score of 189, second is Jim Green with 187, followed by Gene wills and Benny Emmons with 183. Thanks to Jay Warren for tabulating the scores.

Team	1	2	3	4
Captain	Brad Fitzgerald	Benny Emmons	Gene Wills	Jay Warren
	Jim Green	David McDaniels	Robert Fournierat	Ginny Warren
	Nancy Penwell	Troy Shuping	John Nix	Craig Schmieder
	Darian Mock	Bryan Roberts	Kevin Schmieder	Tab Haley
	Adam Roberts	Kerry Williams	Bob Slusser	Frank Schmieder



Gene Wills and David McDaniel scoring

GPGC Spring Trap league

Team 1

Nancy Penwell, Brad Ftizgerald, Adam Roberts, Darian Mock and Jimmy Green



Team 2

Troy Shuping, Kerry Williams, David McDaniels and Benny Emmons, not shown is Bryan Roberts



Team 3

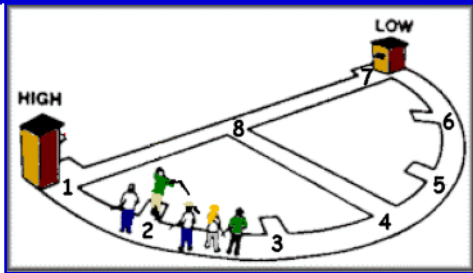
Robert Fournerat
Gene Wills
John Nix
Bob Slusser
Kevin Schneider



GPGC Spring Trap League

Team 4

Jay Warren, Ginny Warren, Frank Schneider, and Craig Schneider, not shown is Tab Haley



Beginners Skeet



Beginners Skeet continues to be a big success, with 15-20 people attending. This will continue for 6 weeks, from 5:30 pm till dark. The goal is to help new shooters learn basics and gain a comfort level with the sport. There is no charge for the shoot except the normal range fees. It is open to members, non-members, guests, and shooters of all ages.

Contact Bill Schweitzer
try8@verizon.net
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Bring your shotgun, 2 boxes of ammo (best is # 8 or # 9 shot), earplugs, glasses and a shooting bag. Any gauge shotgun will work. We have several youth size 20 gauge semi-auto shotguns for use if you need one.

We teach shooting safety and stress enjoyment. Initially we try to work one on one with new shooters, then move them into groups of similar abilities and work with them as needed.

Thanks to Bill Schweitzer, John Basilone, Don Yeandle and John Nix for volunteering

GPGC Bullseye match 3/17/2016

It was cool and pleasant, with no mosquitos bothering us.

We had 6 shooters participating tonight

They were Jim Grabbe, Floyd Jester, David Jones, Jim Wilson, Mike Horton, and Ed Dotson.

The winner was Jim Wilson, scoring 280-8 "X" , shooting a Ruger Mk II

Runner up was Ed Dotson, scoring 275-5 "X" shooting a S&W M 41

Both used a red dot optical sight.



The score sheet for the match is given below, all participants were members and used a optical sight. My Ruger's optical sight base got loose so I didn't participate .

For the GPGC Pistol Committee,
Dan Brown

Shooter	SF	TF	RF	Total	"X"s	Rank	Gun	Hold
Jim Crabbe	86	96	92	274	5	3	Walthers	1 hand
Floyd Jester	80	96	93	269	2	4	S&W M14 32 S&W	2 hands
David Jones	88	92	81	261	5		Not noted - .22LR	2 hands
Jim Wilson	89	96	95	280	8	1	Ruger MI II	2 hands
Mike Horton	75	92	91	258	6		Hi Standard 22	1 hand
Ed Dotson	90	95	90	275	5	2	S&W M 41	1 hand



Owen John Baggett

Legendary for downing a Zero with a 1911



Owen John Baggett (August 29, 1920 – July 27, 2006)^[1] from [Graham, Texas](#) was a second lieutenant in the 7th Bomb Group based at [Pandaveswar, India](#). On March 31, 1943 his [squadron](#) was ordered to destroy a bridge at [Pyinmana, Burma](#). Before reaching their target, the [B-24](#) bombers were intercepted by Japanese fighter planes. Baggett's plane was badly hit, and the crew were ordered to bail out. The Japanese pilots then [attacked U.S. airmen as they parachuted to earth](#). Two of Baggett's crew members were killed. Baggett, though wounded, played dead, hoping the Japanese would ignore him. One Zero approached within several feet of Baggett. The pilot then nosed up, almost stalling, and opened his canopy. Baggett shot at the pilot with his .45 caliber pistol. The plane stalled and plunged to the earth and Baggett became legendary as the only person to down a Japanese airplane with an [M1911 pistol](#). He survived and was captured by the Japanese, remaining a prisoner until the end of the war. After WWII he stayed in the Air Force, eventually retiring as a Colonel.



Silhouette Match 3-23-2016



We had 5 shooters participate this morning. The weather was beautiful. Too bad so few shot with us. Those shooting were Ron McCuller, Jim Grabbe, Ji wilson, Floyd Jester, and myself, Dan Brown, not pictured



The high scorers were Winner, Jim Grabbe, scoring 57/60 with his Walthers GSP 22, and 2nd Floyd Jester scoring 55/60, shooting his S&W 617 22. both used red dot sights. Congratulations guys.

The score sheet is below, all shooters were GPGC members and used red dot type optical sights.

Shooter	Score	Gun
Jim Wilson	53/60	Ruger Mk II
Dan Brown	46/50	Ruger Mk II
Ron McCuller	21/60	Browning Medalist
Jim Grabbe	57/60	Walthers GSP
Floyd Jester	55/60	S&W 617 22

For the GPGC Pistol Committee,
Dan Brown



GPGC Bullseye match 3/31/2016



We had 8 shooters participate this afternoon. We had great weather !

The shooters were: Mike Horton, Ron McCuller, Ed Dotson, Hoa Nguyen, Dan Brown. Floyd Jester, (behind Jim Wilson) and Jim Wilson

The high scorers were Floyd Jester second, scoring 274-3 "X" with a S&W Model 617 .22 revolver, and Jim Wilson, winner, scoring 277 -8 "X" with a Ruger Mk II

Both used red dot sights on their .22's. Floyd also shot his S&W M 60 357 with .38 Special loads. We had 2 relays shooting timed and rapid fire and he shot both sets , 1 with his S&W 617 22 and the 2nd with his S&W M 60 357 that has a 2" barrel.



The score sheet is given below.

Name	Mem	Optics	SF	TF	RF	"X"'s	Total	Rank	Hold
David Jones	Y	RD	68	74	87	2	229	7	2 hands S&W M 22 22
Ron McCuller	Y	RD	43	66	66	2	175	8	2 hands Browning Buckmark 22
Floyd Jester	Y	RD	87	94	93	3	274	2	2 hands S&W M 617 .22
Floyd Jester	Y	N	50	48	44	1	132	9	2 hands S&W M 60 38
Dan Brown	Y	RD	62	88	79	3	229	3	2 hands Ruger Mk II
Jim Wilson	Y	RD	88	97	92	8	277	1	2 hands Ruger Mk II
Mike Horton	Y	RD	71	90	74	2	235	5	1 hand High Std .22
Ed Dotson	Y	RD	88	95	81	6	264	3	1 hand S&W M 41 22
Hoa Nguyen	Y	RD	75	90	88	4	253	4	1 hand M1911 45 ACP

For the GPGC pistol Committee,
Dan Brown



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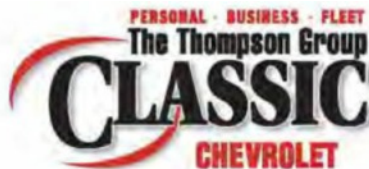
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