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Welcome New Members

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Andy Gabehart



Cindy and Tony DiMaggio



Mark Holman



Samuel Farhat



Sewer Problems

As most are aware, we have a major repair action going on at the club. Randy Walhood, while mowing on Friday April 6, discovered a huge sinkhole (bigger than the John Deere tractor). Randy contacted The Trinity River Authority who responded that day and discovered a break in the 8 foot pipe that runs thru the property. This line is a major component in the sewer system serving Fort Worth and the mid cities, terminating at the TRA plant on Singleton in west Dallas. Randy thinks this repair action may continue thru next week. Their work will stop at 5 pm so the shotgun leagues can continue. Work will also stop on the weekends so the fields can be used. Other than those times the shotgun fields are closed.





This picture is taken looking down at the break, note that this is an eight foot diameter pipe.



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

Public Days 2016

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

Work Days 2016

Saturday July 16

GPGC Board Meetings

June 2 August 4 October 6

July 7 October 6 November 3 December 1





Monthly Club Skeet Shoot 2016

Sunday June 12 Sunday July 10 Sunday August 7 Mike Dennis mdennis@yahoo.com

Sporting Clay Matches 2016

None Scheduled Jason Foshea fosheajason@hotmail.com

.22 Pistol Metallic Silhouette and Bullseye Matches 2016

300 Bullseye matches each Thursday6:00 pm until May 316:30 pm June July August6:00 pm Sep thru end of daylight savings

900 Bullseye matches 3rd Saturday at 9:00

.22 Silhouette matches 4th Saturday at 9:00

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Interview Interview

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Range Officer Duty & Special Events

Day	Date	Range Officer	Special Event
Wed	May 18	Jim Wilson	
Sat	May 21	Bobby Sherrill	Public Day
Sun	May 22	Chris Collinvitti	
Wed	May 25	Don Yeandle	
Sat	May 28	Marc Hart	
Sun	May 29	Robert Nicholas	
Wed	June 1	Joe Bettacchi	

The 2016 Warren "Mr. Penny" Penwell Skeet Tournament

The tournament was hosted by the Grand Prairie Gun Club April 15 - 17. This year's event was the third tournament honoring the memory of Mr. Penwell and boasted the largest number



of shooters to date along with a waiting list of hopeful entrants. Preparation for this event began in January culminating in a stellar club manned with an experienced staff; the only variable shoot management could not control was the impending bad weather.

When competition began on Friday, the temperatures were mild and occasional wind gusts made for some interesting targets. The first event was DBLS and the sponsor was The Thompson Group at Classic Chevrolet. Three rotations were completed with Brandon Cade emerging as CH with a 99. Richard Funk was named RU with a 98 and Will Chisum took third with a 97. Lady CH was Jo Ellen Collin and AAA winners were Don Snyder (95) and Clay Baldwin (93). Local gentlemen, Austin Rieth and Jason Foshea were AA1 and 2.

Saturday's Gun sponsors were Mike Gershick and 3 on 8 Reloading Supplies (12g) and the Thompson Group at Classic Chevrolet generously sponsored a second gun (20g).

Twelve gauge saw three 100s from Jason Foshea, Austin Rieth and James Howey. The shoot-off for CH saw Rieth drop the first bird leaving Howey and Foshea to continue. Foshea quickly emerged as CH giving Howey RU and Rieth 3rd.

Tops in the AAA bracket were Brandon Cade (99), Billy Willams (99) and Clay Baldwin (98). Jo Ellen Collin continued her winning streak and took LY CH once again. Twenty gauge was won outright by Andrew Benson with the lone 100. Clay Baldwin's 99 placed him as RU and third went to Will Chisum(98).

With the day's competition concluded and the weather remaining mild, it was time for shooter's to enjoy a complimentary shrimp boil prepared by Gene Wills, Sheldon Lovelace, Mike Johnson and Seth Fogelson. These gentlemen perpetuated Grand Prairie's policy for always feeding shooters well and provided enough food to leave no one wanting. Good food, good targets and good friends – what could have made the evening better? Free merchandise! Door prizes valued at more than \$3000 were given away during dinner. Plano Synergy donated game blinds, trail cameras, gun mufflers and large and small ammo boxes. Kolar donated shooting apparel and Billy Williams donated shirts from his home state.

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Penwell Continued

Unfortunately, the radar was accurate and the deluge hit early Sunday morning, complete with torrential rain and lightning. Competition was placed on hold in hopes that a break would allow at least one event. When there was no substantial break forecast, cancellation was inevitable.

To wait out the storm, shooters took advantage of the time by napping, playing cards and visiting. During one of the card games, someone asked "Who was Mr. Penny?" The reply described him as a man's man; hunter/fisherman, a semi-pro baseball player, a WWII Navy vet, a welder, a competition shooter and a Father. Mr. Penny is credited with setting many unbroken skeet records and in the 1990's three generations of Penwell men were named All American, Mr. Penny, his sons and grandsons. The description also included his desire to promote the shooting sports to future generations. It seems, his goal has been accomplished at this tournament because the top contenders for HOA are still in High School.



Guns sponsors for Sunday were Jeff Nekuza for the 28 g, Gary Edwards backed the 410 and Elizabeth Hoskins was the HOA benefactor. Other sponsors of note were LP Giambrone and Jeff Myhre, two individuals who insured there would be a reward for class winners and donated money specified for that purpose.

Randy Penwell, Donny Penwell, Brandon Cade (Doubles CH), Andrew Benson (HOA and 20 ga CH), and Jason Foshea (12 ga CH)

The 2016 HOA champ with a score of 199 was Andrew Benson(JR), RU with a score of 198 was Austin Reith(JR) and third Jason Foshea with a 197. AAA 1-3 was Clay Baldwin (197), Brandon Cade(195) and Don Snyder(191). AA1 Billy Williams (196), A1 James Howe (197) and Lady CH Jo Ellen Collin (188).

Sons of the Honoree, Randy and Donny Penwell, wanted each Gun CH and the tournament HOA to have a tangible tribute to their Father and provided custom made hunting knives for the winners. These knives were locally made and featured Damascus steel and engraved blades, a prize Mr. Penny would find appropriate.

Acknowledgements have been given to the Penwell family, event sponsors and winners, leaving a very important recognition to be made. The volunteers who provided the manpower to run the event are deserving of the highest accolades. Shoot administration would like to thank the trap help that efficiently managed the fields, the kitchen team who served delicious meals with the finesse of a professional staff and registrars Mike Skidmore and Jim Speer who are unequaled in their field. The final thank-you is to the Referee staff for proficient field management.

The Warren "Mr. Penny" Penwell Skeet Tournament is dedicated to providing an environment that will encourage the growth of the sport through participation from youth to veterans.

Careful Where You Step !!!



With spring in Texas we are all obliged to keep a watch out for the creepy crawlers. Bill Schweitzer and John Nix ran into a nice water moccasin on the roadway in front of the main building. So a caution to all of us, watch out.

.....And no you do not have to worry about this particular snake.



Sheldon Lovelace Breaking his first 25 Straight Congrats Sheldon









Ken Flippen joined the Marine Corps in June 1960, and trained at Camp Pendleton.as a Radio Telegraph Operator, MOS 2533. He then served with the 11th Marines in mobile artillery.



Mobile artillery then meant the M55 howitzer, an 8 inch cannon with a range of about 10 miles.

Communication was via AN/PRC10 backpack radio or the AN/MRC83 radio mounted in M38A Jeep. Both were a handful compared with modern radio's.



Ken spent time in Okinawa before his enlistment ended in June 1964.

So if you need to brush up on radio protocols or mobile artillery, see Ken and be sure to thank him for his service.

GPGC Spring Skeet League

The Spring Skeet League is well underway, ending the fifth week on April 19th with, and this won't be a surprise to anyone, its normal very competitive nature. Leading the pack is team 5, 3 on 8 with a total of 13 points and an average of 23.4, followed closely by team 8, 580's with 12, team 2, 7 come 11, takes third place with 10 points. HOA leader is Darian Mock with a 24.40, Gary Edwards is second with a 24.10. Most straights is held by Gary Edwards with 6, following Gary with 5 are Debra Altenbaumer, Mike Gerschick and Darian Mock. We should continue our thanks to Glenn Hughes for tabulating scores and Ken Flippin for his cooking and organizing.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Team	Clay- Busters	7 Come 11	Slow Moving Targets	Terry's Fun Bunch	3 on 8	5 of a Kind	Go Figure	580's	Dead 'N Deader	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 Schmeider	Robert Fournerat
	Darian Mock	Ken Tomlinson	Don Yeandle	Trent Taylor	Donnie Penwell	Dwain Cottrell	Tony Murr	Debra Altenbaumer	Kevin Schmeider	Dana Tally



7 come 11

Ken Flippin, Ken Tomlinson, Glenn Hughes, James Wilson not pictured is Russ Flippin

580's

Richard Simbala, Ken English, Joe Bettacchi, Bobby Sherrill, Debra Altenbaumer



GPGC Spring Skeet League



Slow Moving Targets

Colton Seeton, Robert Nicholas, Don Illingworth, Don Yeandle, Jason Bowden

Go Figure Mike Miller, Tony Murr, Jay Phillips, Dennis Parkison, Bill Weatherby





Claybusters

Brad Fitzgerald, John Nix, Gene Wills, Darian Mock, Kerry Williams GPGC Spring Trap League The Monday night league ended with Captain Benny Emmons leading his team to a clear victory over the other four teams. Benny, Kerry Williams, Bryan Roberts, David McDaniel and Troy Schuping took 15 points on the final night to win by 10 over General Gene Wills team, John Nix, Kevin Schmieder, Robert Fournerat, & Bob Slusser.

Most straights were by Robert Fournerat with six others 1 behind. Jim Green broke the most birds, 282, with Robert Fournerat with 281 and Benny Emmons with 277. Adam Roberts was the most improved shooter, followed by John Nix and Bryan Roberts. Top Handicap shooter was Greg Peterson followed by Kerry Williams and David McDaniel.

Prizes were awarded at the dinner following the final night of shooting. Jay & Ginny would like to thank everyone for their participation & hope to see you back at the next trap league.



Troy Shuping, Benny Emmons, Kerry Williams, David McDaniel, Bryan Roberts

and Sissy - team mascot



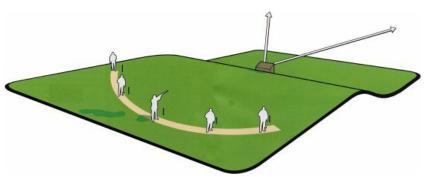


Enjoying dinner on last night of the Trap League

Nancy Penwell, Benny Emmons, Brad Fitzgerald, Darian Mock, Troy Shuping, Greg Peterson, and Matt Burke

GPGC Spring Trap Doubles

The league got off to a windy start Monday the 25th with 17 shooters signed up. Currently Darian Mock is the leader with 85 followed by Benny Emmons with 80.



We shoot 50 pairs each Monday continuing thru June 6th.

Thanks to Ginny and Jay for organizing this.

Scores are shown below

Shooter	1	2	Т	HC score	Bank
Darian Mock	42	43	85	95.5	81
Benny Emmons	38	42	80	94	77
Robert Fournerat	39	39	78	93.4	56
Gene Wills	37	36	73	91.9	72
David McDaniel	35	37	72	91.6	
Ted Preston	35	37	72	91.6	70
Brad Fitzgerald	38	33	71	91.3	71
Kerry Williams	31	40	71	91.3	70
Bob Slusser	33	36	69	90.7	
Ginny Warren	35	33	68	90.4	66
Greg Peterson	30	34	64	89.2	
Bryan Roberts	33	29	62	88.6	48
Adam Roberts	27	34	61	88.3	57
John Nix	22	34	56	86.8	50
Jay Warren	25	27	52	85.6	54
Lynn Jones	22	22	44	83.2	44
Matt Burke					

GPGC's Lady Trap Shooter

Ginny Warren shot the Southwest Grand Trap shoot held April 5th thru the 10th and continued her winning streak in the Lady II division.



On the first day she won Singles with a 98 & Handicap with a 93. She won the Handicap events for the next 3 days & was twice runner up & a third in singles. After 1600 targets she was second in Lady II HOA. She was also second in the championship 400 HAA. Ginny is continuing her quest to make the ATA All American Lady Team & is currently number 3 in the country.

In the picture she is holding the silver platter she won at the Southwestern Grand held in San Antonio April 5-10. The five medallions next to her were for 4 Handicap wins & a 16 yard single win. She was runner up in Lady II High All Around after 1400 targets she lost by a single bird. She was also second in the championship High Over All Lady II category, 2 targets behind. Best of luck to Ginny !!!

Beginners Skeet

Beginners skeet came to a successful end on April 25th and everyone involved agreed it was a success. We had a total of 22 come out. Thanks to Bill Schweitzer, John Basilone, Don Yeandle and John Nix for volunteering their time.



Seth Fogelson, John Basilone, Lai Jung, Steve Jung and Travis Jung

Bill Schweitzer coaching Hope Humphreys

GPGC Bullseye match 4/7/2016

We had 10 shooters participating in the match last evening. We had beautiful weather, the probable reasons we had as many participating. Those participating were :



David Jones, Floyd Jester, Ed Dotson, Mike Horton, Gary Ledbetter, Jim Wilson, Hoa Nguyen, Ron McCuller, Jim Grabbe, and Dan Brown

The highscorers were :

Mike Horton, 2nd, scoring 260- 5 "X"'s, with his HighStandard .22 Winner, Jim Grabbe, scoring 269-5 "X"'s, shooting with his Walthers GSP. Both use red dot sights and shot one-handed. Congratulations, guys! The score sheet us given below. For the GPGC Pistol Committee, Dan Brown



Match Director

GPGC Bullseye Match 4/7/2016

	A	B	С	D	E	F	G	н	I	J	К
1	Dan Brown										4/7/16
2	Name	Memb	Optic	SF	TF	RF	"X"'s	Total	Rank	Hold	Gun Type
3											
4	1A Ron McCuller	Y	`Iron	54	51	21		126	10	2 hand	ls
5	1B							L		<u> </u>	
6	2A Jim Grabbe	Y	RD	82	93	96	5	269	1	1 hand	Walthers GSP
7	2B										
8	3A Gary Ledbetter	Y	RD	82	97	51	3	230	7	2 hand	Ruger Mk II
9	3B							-			
10	4A Floyd Jester	\Y	RD	58	89	45	1	191	8	2 hand	.45 S&W revolver
11	4B			[
12	5A David Jones	Y	RD	68	95	90	2	253	3	2 hand	S&W M22 auto
13	5B										
14	6A Dan Brown	Y	RD	85	77	74		236	5	2 hand	Ruger Mk II
15	6B					I		!		i	
16	7A Jim Wilson	Y	RD	67	71	96	6	234	6	1 hand	Ruger Mk II
17	7B										
18	8a Mike Horton	Y	RD	87	86	87	5	260	2	1 hand	Hi Standaard .22
19	8B										
20	9A Ed Dotson	Y	RD	72	69	49	1	190	9	1 hand	M1911.45
21	9B										
22	10A Hoa Nguyen	Y	RD	67	91	81	2	239	4	1 hand	M1911 45
					T						
24	11A	RD = Re	ed Dot s	iaht							



GPGC Bullseye match 4/14/2016

We had 9 shooters participating in the match this afternoon. It was pleasant weather, not too hot and not windy.



Those participating were : David Jones, Floyd Jester, Jana Whaley, Jim Wilson, Jim Grabbe (Jana's Dad), Ed Dotson, Hoa Nguyen, Mike Horton, and myself.. We welcome back Jana who took off for a while to have her 3rd child...



The high scorers were : Floyd Jester, winner , scoring 278-4 "X"'s , shooting a S&W M 617 .22 REVOLVER, using a 2 hand hold Second, Jim Grabbe, scoring 277-5 "X"'s , shooting a Walthers GSP 22 auto, with ONE hand hold. Both used some type of red dot optical sight.

Congratulations, guys. The score sheet is given below. For the GPGC Pistol committee, Dan Brown



Match Director

GPGC Bullseye Match 4/14/2016

4/14/'16 Date

	A	В	С	D	E	F	G	Н	I	J	K
1	Dan Brown	Memb	Optic	SF	TF	RF	"X"'s	Total	Rank	Hold	Gun
2	Jana Whaley	N	iron	67	90	90	2	247	4	1 hand	Browning Medalist
3	Jim Grabbe	Y	RD	87	98	90	5	277	2	1 hand	Walther GSP
4	Floyd Jester	Y	RD	90	96	92	3	278	1	2 hands	S&W M617 .22
5	David Jones	Y	iron	73	30	52	1	155	9	2 hands	S&W M22 auto
6	Dan Brown	Y	RD	70	90	70	0	231	6	2 hands	Ruger Mk II
7	Jim Wilson	Y	RD	82	92	84	5	258	3	1 hand	Ruger Mk Ii
8	Mike Horton	Y	RD	65	87	62	2	215	8	1 hand	High Standard .22
9	Ed Dotson	Y	RD	84	78	55	1	219	7	1 hand	M1911 45
10	Hoa Nguyen	Y	RD	77	91	76	2	234	5	1 hand	M1911 45

GPGC 900 Bullseye match 4/16/2016



We had four shooters at the match. Ed Dotson, Hoa Nguyen, Jim Grabbe and Jim Wilson (not pictured)

High score was recorded by Ed Dotson with 815/900 and 12 x's. Jim Grabbe came in 2nd with 793/900 and 17 x's. great shooting guys.

Jim Wilson



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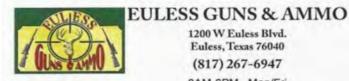
Reload the houses when you finish shooting

Pick up your hulls

Clean up the area a little

Use trash cans





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