

# The MUZZLEBLAST



Florida's Largest Gun Club, over 3,600 and growing...

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## MONETARY GRANT from THE FLORIDA SPORT SHOOTING ASSOCIATION (FSSA)

25 July, 2009

TO: The Florida Sport Shooting Association, Inc (FSSA)  
ATTN: Thomas Brusherd, President  
P.O. Box 14024  
Jacksonville, FL 32210

FROM: Gateway Rifle & Pistol Club, Inc (GRPC)  
9301 Zambito Road  
Jacksonville, Florida 32210

RE: Monetary Grant

1. Thank you for your letter of 24 June, 2009, in which you indicated that FSSA is giving a grant of \$2,750 to GRPC to help on its baffle project for the Club's rifle ranges. We accept your four listed conditions.
2. The Baffle project was begun in late fall of 2008. It was just recently completed the last week of June, 2009, when the new target stands were rebuilt to complement the baffles on the 200 yard rifle range. The two (2) one hundred yard rifle ranges were completed earlier this year. To date, this project cost over \$75,000 but safety at and for GRPC is well worth the money spent.
3. An article, see attached, will appear in the Club newspaper, The Muzzleblast, in the next published issue.
4. We look forward to receiving your check.

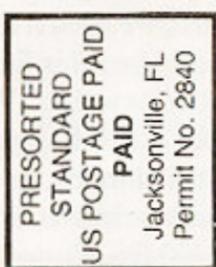
William A. Craig

GRPC Secretary for 2009

Our Club received a grant for \$2,750 from the FSSA to help pay for the extensive baffle system recently completed on our rifle ranges. The FSSA was formed some years ago by combining all the different NRA shooting associations in the State of Florida. This allows the programs to be better managed by the NRA and form a more powerful political clout to promote and defend our shooting interests. Membership in the FSSA is a nominal yearly fee. I strongly support all GRPC members who can to join both the NRA and the FSSA.

Frankly, I grow weary of hearing complaints about more and more restrictive gun laws taking away our second amendment rights from people who neither belong to the NRA or FSSA. Either we support these organizations or risk the consequences that may result without their being large powerful organizations to defend us.

Bill Craig  
GRPC Secretary for 2009



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photo by Joan Zullo

### Range Maintenance Schedule as follows:

Mondays	8 AM-11AM	100 yard Rifle Range
Tuesdays	8 AM-11AM	All Pistol Ranges
Wednesdays	8 AM-11AM	Silhouette Range
Thursdays	8 AM-11AM	200 yard Rifle Range
Fridays	8 AM-11AM	All Multi Purpose Ranges New 100 yard Rifle Range

### Tournament Schedule

Match	Range	Time
Club 1800 Pistol	1	1st Sunday 0900-1200
Smallbore Silhouette	4	1st Sunday 1000-1400
22 Rimfire Benchrest	4	1st Sat. 0800-1300
Hipower Rifle Silhouette	3	1st Sat. 0900
IDPA	5	1st Sat.
High Power XTC	3	2nd Sunday 0800-1100
Black Powder	4	2nd Sat.
High Power Rifle Prone	3	3rd Sat. 0800-1100
NRA 1800 Bullseye	1	3rd Sunday 0900-1200
Cowboy	5	4th Saturday 0900
BP Rifle Silhouette	3	4th Sat.

**\*\* Pistol Instructor needed \*\***  
for  
**4-H Junior Shooters**  
contact: **Gerald Vaughan**  
at **725-4317**

### Discipline Contacts:

**IR 50/50 22 Benchrest**  
Bill Smith 904-276-1008,  
work 904-542-2157.

**Smallbore Rifle Silhouette**  
Chuck Deason 945-8268 or  
759-8779

#### IDPA

Ed Sevetz 272-8484  
(office callback)

**Club 1800 Bullseye**  
Randy Erickson 448-3174

**High Power Rifle**  
Tom Inman 292-0063

**3x20 Highpower Rifle Prone**  
Joe Zullo 230-1894

**Black Powder Muzzle Loading**  
Stan Goldy 904-410-1723.

**Black Powder Cartridge  
Rifle Silhouette**  
Lloyd Watkins 733-1513

**NRA/1800 Bullseye**  
Randy Erickson 448-3174

**NRA/2700 Bullseye**  
Randy Erickson 448-3174

**Cowboy Action/SASS**  
Jay Ault 778-4184

**4-H Junior Shooters**  
Gerald Vaughan 725-4317

**Gateway Rifle & Pistol Club**  
9301 Zambito Road  
Jacksonville, FL 32210  
904-771-2937  
**Business Manager**  
Business-mgr@grpc-jax.com

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### Officers

<b>President</b>	Lloyd Watkins 733-1513
<b>Vice President</b>	Sam Grimes 207-3587
<b>Secretary</b>	Bill Craig 737-5252
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## DRAFT COPY of the PROPOSED CHANGES in CLUB BYLAWS as APPROVED by the BYLAW COMMITTEE and BOARD OF DIRECTORS

These changes will be submitted to the membership for approval in the November 2009 general meeting. However, they must be sent out to all members by US mail (The Muzzleblast) at least 15 days prior to the meeting and approved by a two thirds majority that that meeting.

1. New wording or changes are in ***bold Italics***.
2. Items or words to be removed have strikethroughs like this: ~~To be or not to be.~~
3. Paragraph 10 is deleted because its meaning is not understandable.
3. Paragraph 11. (c) (5) was moved to paragraph 2. (e) and simplified.
4. Access to our present Bylaws is available on our Internet Web Site to 2009 Club members that are verified by our Web Master. A copy is also available for 2009 members to be read at our Club Office.

### By-Laws of Gateway Rifle & Pistol Club, Inc.

#### 2. Membership

(e) *Each new annual member shall receive a copy of the Club Handbook.*

#### 4. Meetings

(b) The regular business meeting of the corporation for the transaction of ordinary business shall be held on the second Monday of each month at such a time and place as may be affixed by BOD. *The meetings will be conducted with parliamentary procedures as found in the published book, Robert's Rules of Order.*

#### 6. Duties of Officers

~~(e) Secretary. The Secretary shall conduct official correspondence pertaining to the proper preparation and forwarding of all reports. He shall notify the members of the Board of Directors of all meetings as required by these by laws. He shall keep a true record of all meetings of the Board of Directors and of the meetings of the membership of the corporation and shall be the official custodian of the books and papers of the corporation, except the Treasurer's books of the account. An up-to-date copy of the BOD and General Membership minutes will be kept in the Club Office for review by all members. He shall also keep a master copy of all old, new and revised policies. The Secretary shall be responsible for reaffiliating this corporation annually with the National Rifle Association.~~

*(c) Secretary: Shall conduct official Club Correspondence. Shall keep a true record of all meetings of the BOD and of the Membership and shall be the official custodian of all (except treasurer's financial records) Club records and papers. An up-to-date copy of the BOD and General Membership minutes will be kept in the Club office for review by all Club Members. Shall also keep a master copy of all old, new and revised policies. Shall be responsible for reaffiliating the Club annually with the National Rifle Association, Inc. Shall maintain accurate corporate relationship with the state of Florida.*

#### 7. Board of Directors

(a) The BOD shall have general supervision and control of all the activities of the corporation. *Specifically, the BOD will be in charge of club policy and approval of expenditures.*

(d) At any annual meeting of the membership of this corporation or at any special meeting of the membership, persons in addition to the officers of the corporation may be elected to the membership on the BOD. The number of directors will never be less than five (5) *nor more than nine (9).*

#### 10. Waiver of Notice

~~Whenever, under the provisions of any law or under the provisions of the Certificate of Incorporation or By-laws of this corporation, the corporation or the Board of Directors or any committee thereof is authorized to take any action after notice to the members of the corporation or after the lapse of a prescribed period of time, such action may be taken without notice and without the lapse of any period, if at any time before or after such action is completed, such requirements be waived in writing by the person or persons entitled to said notice or entitled to participate in the action to be taken.~~

#### 11. Range Rules and Regulations

~~(5) Each new member at the completion of the orientation and safety video and test shall receive a current copy of the range rules, membership handbook and by-laws.~~



Parental attendance is encouraged.



Gerald Vaughan gives a safety lesson



Youths develop moral character, discipline and a strong sense of self confidence.



**“Safety is our Priority”**  
**Gateway**  
**4-H Junior Shooters**  
 open to all youths 8-18 years

contact:  
**Gerald Vaughn 725-4317**  
 new members must call in advance  
 for a safety lesson

**Practice and meetings:**  
**Tues. + Thurs. 6:30-8:30PM**

**We shoot:**  
**Air rifles + air pistols**  
**22 rifles + 22 pistols**

Photos by Joe Zullo



**LADIES FIELD DAY**

**Saturday September 12, 2009**  
**Full Day of Learning and Firearm Safety**

**Registration: 8:00AM - 8:30 am**  
**Shooting: 9:00AM - 12:00 noon**  
**Lunch: 12:00noon - 1:30 pm**  
**Shooting: 1:30PM - 4:30 pm**

**Cost: \$25**  
**includes registration & lunch**

**Early registration + information**  
**contact: Gateway Rifle and Pistol Club**  
**904-771-2937**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**  
**ANNUAL MEETING and ELECTIONS**

The annual meeting and elections of Gateway Rifle & Pistol Club will be on Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 11:00 AM. As usual, a swap meet will precede the meeting and food will be served after the meeting while votes are being counted. For those of you who are interested in running for Board positions, you may submit an article indicating your interest and qualifications (shooting interests, business experience) for an Officer position or Board member to the Muzzleblast Editor at editor@grpc-jax.com. Officer positions require a year’s service on the Board prior to being elected.

Note from the Muzzleblast editor: you may include a head photo of yourself when submitting your campaign text by October 20<sup>th</sup>.

**REMINDER**

from Bill Craig, Club Secretary

At a later date, the “Muzzleblast” Club newspaper will become primarily an online newspaper which can be viewed through our website at grpc-jax.com on the internet. If you wish to continue getting the Club newspaper at home, you must notify our Club office in writing to include your mailing address. This may be done at our Club office or by mailing to our address: Business Manager c/o Brenda, 9301 Zambito Road, Jacksonville, FL 32210.

The main advantage of going on line with the newspaper is money savings to the Club to the tune of several thousand dollars. There is also a suspicion that in our busy world of limited time, many members simply discard the printed newspaper without really reading it. Anyone can access our website for general information. However, for access to the Club newspaper, Club policies or Bylaws, you will see this notice:

**Note: Entry to the protected area requires registration and approval by the webmaster.**

**Clicking on the ENTER button above will re-direct you to a Proboards Forum where you must register using your real first and last name with no space between them (i.e. JohnDoe) and your personal password. Only then can your registration be approved**

**From the Gateway Office:**

- 1. Lost an Item at the Range?**  
Check the **“LOST and FOUND BOX”** next time you visit the Club.
- 2. All Members, Annual and Life, Visitors, Guests, and Day Shooters must wear ID badges at all times when on the club property.**
- 3. Your membership Card must be shown at time of purchasing reloading components in the club store.**

**Check Gateway webpage at: <http://WWW.GRPC-JAX.com>**

## FOR SALE

Only Current Members may list their firearm related items.  
Send your ad to: [Editor@grpc-jax.com](mailto:Editor@grpc-jax.com) by October 20th

**Parker-Hale Midland 2100 Rifle** Cal. 30-06. 2-7 power Redfield Wideview scope/PH rings. Iron sights on barrel. Sling swivels and sling included. Low rounds count. Excellent condition.  
for photos, view: <http://tinyURL.com/LLop88> Price- \$400

Contact: Joe Zullo at (904) 230-1894 or [Webmaster@grpc-jax.com](mailto:Webmaster@grpc-jax.com)

**Luger P08 made by Mauser**, 9mm, 6" barrel, checkered wooden grips, leather holster with cleaning rod. Everything in excellent condition  
Price- \$1,050

Contact: Bob Babcock Cell (904)445-8316 E-Mail [rwbabcock@comcast.net](mailto:rwbabcock@comcast.net)

**Ruger Mini 14**, with Simmons scope, multiple magazines, case and over 500 rounds of new ammo, great condition.  
Price- \$1000.00

Contact: Brian Ricks at 272-2649 after 5 p.m.

**Yugoslavian M59/66 SKS**, with 6x32 scope. Functions flawlessly (no stove piping). Shiny bore & sharp rifling. Shoots 3-4 inch groups at 100 yards with Wolf ammo. See through mount. Stock is good condition with typical handling wear for a surplus rifle, with a Serbian word carved into it, about 2"x 3/4". Includes: Leapers 6x32 Mini Mil-Dot Scope with Flip-Open Lens covers, 1" Tactical Rings, UTG See-Thru tactical rail mount, UTG front end sight tool, Original receiver cover, and 20 Stripper Clips.  
Price- \$200

Pictures at: <http://picasaweb.google.com/cgborkgb/SKS>

**1968 Finnish M39 Mosin Nagant** \$240 Purchased in unissued condition. The barrel & bolt have matching serial numbers. Less than 500 rounds through it. Bore and rifling in excellent condition. Very nice trigger. Stock is in very good condition with the exception of a repaired crack. With 5 Stripper Clips, leather strap, and two front end sights (original & tall). Tall sight is used to lower the point of impact when shooting 150 grain bullets. Original sight is used for heavier bullets (180 - 200 grains).  
Price- \$240

Pictures at: <http://picasaweb.google.com/cgborkgb/M39>

**7.62x54R Ammo:** 554 rounds of 1978 Romanian 148gr Corrosively Primed. Headstamped "21" at twelve o'clock and "78" at six o'clock. 440 rounds in a sealed can (opener included) with 114 rounds wrapped in packs of 20  
Price- \$110

**7.62x39 Ammo:** 320 rounds of Wolf 122gr FMJ, Polymer Coated Steel Cases (not lacquered). Manufactured in 2007. 16 Boxes of 20 rounds.  
Price- \$92

**.223 Rem/5.56x45 Ammo:** 100 rounds of Silver Bear 62gr HP, Zinc Plated Steel Cases. Manufactured in 2008. 5 Boxes of 20 rounds  
Price- \$30

**.223 Rem Ammo:** 60 rounds of Wolf 75gr HP, Polymer Coated Steel Cases (not lacquered). Bought in 2008. 3 Boxes of 20 rounds  
Price- \$18

Contact: Christian Bowers 352-281-9495 and [cgborkgb@gmail.com](mailto:cgborkgb@gmail.com)

**(2) 30-30 Rifles** with scopes on both, one is a Montgomery Ward brand **Western Field 740-A**. The other is a **Marlin 336** with micro groove barrel. Price is \$350 for the Marlin. \$250 for Western Field or trade.

Contact: James Mizelle at 705-5777

**Kel-Tec 32 ACP**, has less than 2 boxes thru it - owned it since Feb. Works perfectly. Comes with a neat (and legal) flat wallet holster so you can wear it as a wallet in either front or back pocket. IMO, best conceal carry option. Has 7 round factory mag and 2 - 10 round factory pinky extension mags. I have about \$450 into everything. Original box and papers.  
Price- \$325

**FEG PA-63 9x18 Makarov**. Excellent condition with 250 rounds (5 - 50 rd boxes) of factory Brown Bear ammo.  
Price- \$165 for both

**Ruger SP101** New .327 Federal Mag, 3 inch barrel, has very low rounds thru it. Looks and performs like new. Shoots 4 different types of ammo: 32 short, 32 long, 32 H&R mag and 327 Federal mag. One of 2 guns on market that do this.  
Price- \$395

Contact: Brad Polhemus (904) 742-3859

## Our Hobby

Having an interest in firearms is quite different than other hobbies or interests. Looking back, in the last ten years or so I bought: a tennis racket, a yard edger, a baseball mitt, a VCR, an expensive refrigerator and an electric toaster and an \$800 desk top computer with warranty. In those same years, I bought a Dillon reloading press, a set of RCBC 8 mm reloading dies, Lee reloading dies in 7mm, a Forester case trimmer, a Keltec automatic pistol, a Ruger revolver, a \$3,600 rifle and Nikon binoculars.

I had some bad luck and problems resulted with each of the following items.

1. My wife's tennis racket broke its strings. She had to pay to restring the racket.
2. We wore out the blades on the edger and it stopped working. We had to buy more blades and pay to have the edger fixed.
3. The baseball leather mitt ripped. Factory repair estimate was not worth the value of the mitt.
4. The VCR stopped working but the model is now obsolete and parts are not available. We had to buy another VCR.
5. Our expensive fairly new refrigerator had a problem but was repaired after an expensive repair visit.
6. The electric toaster died but could not be repaired. We bought another.
7. The expensive desk top computer's warranty did not cover the labor cost to reset our computer back to normal after the hard drive was replaced.

## NOW, THE CONTRAST!

- A. My Dillon 550B reloading press stopped feeding primers. Dillon sent replacement parts but it still did not work. I shipped the press to the Dillon factory. It was rebuilt and returned at no charge. It now works great.
- B. The RCBS sizing, decapping die rod got bent (my fault). A phone call to RCBS got by return mail at no charge the replacement parts.
- C. The seater rod and plug wore out in my Lee 7mm reloading die, a phone call got replacement parts at no charge.
- D. The Forster case trimmer did not work very well on 50 BMG cases, a phone call found that the model was upgraded and its replacement was sent free by just sending back the older model.
- E. I lost the front sight on my well worn Ruger revolver. At first they said just sent it to us and they would repair at no cost. I sent it. However, instead, Ruger sent me a completely new gun at no charge.
- F. My Keltec was damaged when an overloaded factory round was fired. Even though the fault was not Keltec's, their repair and shipping to me was done at no charge.
- G. A very expensive rifle did not work as well as expected. Ohio Ordnance did not "fix it." Instead, they shipped me another completely new gun that works flawlessly.
- H. My Nikon spotting binoculars fogged up on a recent trip to a warm humid country. I sent them in for repair and got a completely new set back at no charge.

My point is that within our hobby, we are very fortunate to have suppliers that back up their products with deeds and not just words. I know of no other hobby or even industry that has the consumer support that we have.

Bill Craig -Club Secretary

## EDITOR'S NOTE

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