

The MUZZLEBLAST

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SWAP-MEET, GENERAL MEETING and CLUB LUNCH, Saturday, May 12th, 2012

The annual Swap Meet, General Meeting and a Club lunch will take place on Saturday, May 12th, 2012, at our Club, so be sure to mark your calendars. Range gates will be open about 7:00 AM (although any shooting cannot be done until 8:00 AM) to set up for the swap meet. This is a perfect opportunity to have a "garage sale" for your shooting items and unneeded firearms and an opportunity to buy other people's unwanted treasures. Firearms dealers are not authorized to set up shop but may offer their personally owned guns for sale. The North Florida Collector's Association is again invited this year to join us for swapping and eating.

There will also be a general meeting that morning. On the agenda will be a vote for two changes in the Club's bylaws. These proposed changes are listed in this Muzzleblast issue in addition to a letter being sent to all members.

Bill Craig, GRPC Secretary

WARNING AGAIN TO ALL MEMBERS

A few, just a few, members are still shooting high power rifles on the all purpose ranges. This is a major safety violation and is against the posted Club rules on huge signs as you enter that area. Shooting high power cartridges in those areas will jeopardize the rights of all of our Club members.

Let there be NO misunderstanding. If you are caught shooting high power center fire cartridges such as but not limited to the .30 caliber US carbine, .223 Remington (5.56 NATO), .30-06, 7mm, 7.62 x 39 mm Soviet, .308 Winchester in these all purpose range areas, you will face legal action and/or loss of Club membership. If in doubt as to what or where you can shoot, contact a Range Safety Officer before firing.

Loss of Membership

Recently, we had another incident where one of our members was caught by one of our Range Safety Officers shooting a high power rifle on Range 5.

For those of you not familiar with the location of range 5, these are also known as the action ranges, located near the shotgun range.

In this incident, the member admitted shooting a .223 rifle, and also admitted to the RSO he had read the posted signs (two of them), yet thought he was okay in discharging a .223. These two large signs clearly state if you have a question regarding the type of gun you want to shoot in that area, to check with a Range Officer. The signs also clearly state that loss of club membership is a result of shooting high power weapons in that area.

This incident was discussed at a Board meeting, and the decision was made to permanently revoke the membership of this person.

Dan Fox, GRPC Board Member

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Hallie Trickler, 13, with Colt 45 in hand at GRPC
Photo by Brenda Trickler

Concealed Weapon and Firearm License Class Offered at GRPC

This class is offered the first Saturday of each month (holidays permitting) and begins at 0830. The cost is \$35 per person for GRPC members, \$40 per person for non members.

The course meets the State of Florida's requirements for application to obtain a CWFL. It is taught by certified NRA Instructors, and takes about three and a half hours. Notary and photograph are available.

Live fire at seven yards is required. You will need a handgun and 15 rounds of appropriate ammunition, plus vision and hearing protection. Limited coaching/instruction provided as needed on the firing line. The course emphasizes gun safety and familiarization. If you plan on carrying, you have the obligation to be competent in use. Stress fire reduces the operator to the lowest level of their training. The firing line procedures and class instruction operate on the assumption nobody has held a handgun before, don't get your feelings hurt. No gun? If possible, note that when preregistering, we can supply a limited number.

The financial proceeds go to our Junior Club's operation.

You may pre-register at the club office, or be a walk-in. Cash or check only.

Thanks, Marion Estes

UPDATE FROM THE PRESIDENT

At the last Board meeting another member was removed from the club for firing a high power rifle on the General Purpose range. It is unfortunate that a very small percentage of our club members continue to put the club at risk and we simply cannot tolerate this.

On the range improvement project we have done the necessary prep work to enable a survey and drainage plan for the bays north of the General Purpose range. Next we will be leveling that area and finishing the berm work. We are also getting quotes on engineering drawings for the walls, eyebrows, and pavilions to allow us to get competitive quotes and for permitting.

For maintenance activities, we have installed drop down screens on the “new” 100 yard rifle line very similar to those in place on the “old” 100 yard rifle line. We also just applied 12 tons of lime to our impact berms in accordance with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection Range Best Management Practices. The shed on the silhouette range received some much needed maintenance with new garage doors and water damaged siding was replaced.

Randy Erickson ~ GRPC President 2012



On Saturday, May 12th, 2012, the Club will have its annual swap meet (beginning at 7:00 AM) and general club meeting (beginning at 11:00 AM) and lunch.

One item on the agenda is listed below as recommended by vote of the Board of Directors at its March meeting. All members of record and present at that date and time of the Club general meeting will be eligible to approve or disapprove the two changes to the Club’s bylaws.

PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE CLUB’S BYLAWS

Proposed changes are in bold print below.

Paragraph 11

Any proposed amendments to these by-laws may be introduced by any member of the corporation who is good standing and entitled to vote at any regular meeting or special meeting called for that purpose. Notice of the time, place, and object of any special meeting or regular meeting for the entire membership shall be given to all officers and members in good standing in writing by the US mail **or electronic mail (email)** not less than fifteen days prior to the date fixed for the holding of the meeting. A two-thirds vote of the membership present and entitled to vote will be necessary to pass the proposed amendment(s).

Reason for change? When the Bylaws were originally written, all members received by US mail a copy of the Club’s newspaper, The Muzzleblast. Since then, almost a thousand members receive the Muzzleblast by electronic mail on the Club’s web site.

Using electronic mail has saved the Club a lot of money in printing and postage. There is no need to duplicate by US mail what is being sent by electronic mail. This change will save us money plus we have a record of what is being sent.

paragraph 5.d.

For nomination or election to Club officer positions, one year service on the Board of directors is required. No member shall be eligible for nomination or election as President more than ~~two~~**three** terms out of any consecutive six year period.

Reason for change? The office of Club President is elected for a one year term. If a Club President is doing a good job, then he or/she should be able to be reelected twice instead of only once.

William Craig ~ GRPC Secretary

Read and Heed; When Approaching Ranges 5 and 7. We are serious!



Range 7,
Construction photos by Joe Zullo



Interested in a part-time Job?

At this time we are taking applications for a part-time employee at Gateway Rifle & Pistol Club to work in our store.

We are looking for a mature individual who would like a chance to earn some extra spending money. We need someone that lives close by & is VERY DEPENDABLE.

Office Staff:

These people in our office handle membership renewals, sign up new members both daily & yearly, sell items in our Club store, and answer the telephone when they are not busy.

Job Requirements:

- A. Strong People skills
- B. Able to work weekends / anytime we need backup.
- C. Basic familiarity with computers / willing to learn.
- D. Handling cash & credit cards is part of the job, you must be able to pass a background check / drug screening test.

To apply for this position:

- a. Request an employment application from our club office.
- b. Complete the application and submit it to the Club Business Manager.
- c. If selected, have an interview with Club Business Manager.
- d. Agree to a background check and successfully pass a drug screening test.

Brenda Trickler
Business Manager

PART TIME JOB WANTED??

As most of you Club members know, we have Range Safety Officers (RSO's) on duty at our Club. These are part time job paid positions. We are looking for a few more RSO's to hire as the weather gets better and range usage increases. These positions are not security guards or any type of private police force. The primary responsibility of these RSO's is to insure all shooting activity at GRPC is done safely. The secondary responsibility is to check members for up to date membership badges and make sure Club rules are followed. The third is to help fellow shooters as time permits.

We prefer knowledgeable shooters who are retired or semi retired and are looking for a little income doing something that they enjoy doing on a gun ranger. The hours will vary from nine hour days in the winter to almost twelve hours a day in the summer. Weekend work may be required on a steady basis or on a "fill in" basis. People skills are a must as our RSO's are considered more as member helpers than just rule enforcers. Pay is based on experience but \$8.50 an hour is the minimum pay scale.

To apply, you must:

- a. Request an employment application from the Club Office.
- b. Complete the application and submit it to the Club Business Manager.
- c. If selected, have an interview with Club officials after notification.
- d. Agree to a background check by law enforcement and successfully pass a drug usage screening test.

John Whitten
Chief Range Safety Officer, GRPC

**VOLUNTEERS WANTED
FOR CLUB FINANCIAL AUDIT!**

Our Club Bylaws require that each year, an internal audit of the previous year's financial records be examined by a committee of Club members. You do not have to be an accountant or math wizard to participate. Just common sense, a desire to participate and an inquisitive nature are desirable. You can actively participate or just observe the proceedings. Ideally, at least five people (not including the Treasurer or Business Manager who will be present) but not more than ten or so are ideal. The audit can now be planned as our 2011 federal tax return was recently submitted. In the past, the audit consisted of at least two to three meetings at night although weekend meetings are OK. Contact me or Brenda Trickler, Business Manager, if you are interested. Our phone numbers are in all issues of the Muzzleblast.

Also contact: Andrew Elstein if you are interested by email at andrewandtonya@bellsouth.net or by phone after 6pm at 904-625-7507

Bill Craig
Club Secretary



Tournament Schedule

<u>Match</u>	<u>Range</u>	<u>Time</u>
Club 1800 Pistol	1 1st Sunday	0900-1200
Smallbore Silhouette	4 1st Sunday	1000-1400
22 Rimfire Benchrest	4 1st Sat.	0800-1300
IDPA	5 1st Sat.	0830
High Power XTC	3 2nd Sunday	0800-1100
Black Powder	4 2nd Sat.	0800
High Power Rifle Prone	3 3rd Sat.	0800-1100
NRA 1800 Bullseye	1 3rd Sunday	0900-1200
Cowboy	5 4th Saturday	0900

Discipline Contacts:

IR 50/50 22 Benchrest
Bill Smith 904-276-1008,
work 904-790-6112.

Smallbore Rifle Silhouette
Hugh McCombs 904-309-1988

IDPA
Dan Fox 631-0677
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Club 1800 Bullseye
Randy Erickson 448-3174

High Power Rifle
Marion Estes marion_estes@comcast.net

3x20 Highpower Rifle Prone
Joe Zullo 495-4109

Black Powder Muzzle Loading
Stan Goldy 904-410-1723

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
Marion Estes marion_estes@comcast.net

Range Maintenance Schedule:

- Mondays 8 am-11 am 100 yd. Rifle Range**
- Tuesdays 8 am-11 am all Pistol Ranges**
- Wednesdays 8 am-11 am Silhouette Range**
- Thursdays 8 am-11 am 200 yd. Rifle Range**
- Fridays 8 am-11am all multi purpose ranges
New 100 yard rifle range**

Got Battle Iron? Garand? 1903 Springfield? WWII Issue Rifle? Want to know how to use it better, more accurately?

How about a GSM (Garand, Springfield, Military) Rifle Clinic with a Rifle Match the next day?

Dates: 14 April, Clinic

15 April, Match, using Garand "B" course of fire, 50 rounds for record, all shot at 200 yards on "SR" target.

WATCH THE WEBSITE FOR DEVELOPING INFORMATION AND CONTACT PERSONS.

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### 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 June 20<sup>th</sup>

Maximum 5 items per member.

**Colt Model 1908 Hammerless Pocket Pistol.** .380ACP.

Made in 1913. Same type and model carried by John Dillinger when he was shot to death by FBI July 22, 1934. Good condition. 1 magazine included.

Price - \$400 photo:

[http://s6.postimage.org/61j1sh3o1/IMG\\_4403.jpg](http://s6.postimage.org/61j1sh3o1/IMG_4403.jpg)

**Mauser 98 Rifle:** For the military collector. Spanish M43 8x57mm (8mm Mauser). Manufactured in 1948 at the La Corona arsenal. All markings intact. All matching numbers. Bayonet and scabbard included.

Price - \$300

Contact: Joe Zullo at [webmaster@grpc-jax.com](mailto:webmaster@grpc-jax.com)

**Ruger Super Red Hawk** 7.5 inch bbl. Factory grips, 40 rounds fired. Bushnell Tactical Elite handgun scope sighted at 75 yards. It will cut a clover leaf from a rest. Gun with sock only, no box or papers, with .454 Casull ammo. Great for hogs.

Price - \$900.00. No trades please.

Contact: Terry Lacewell at 904-412-6030 leave message.

**Kahr PM40 Pistol:** .40 S&W, 2 mags, original case, manual, holster. Excellent condition.

Price - \$495

**Glock OEM magazines:** 3 G23 and 3 G22.

Price - \$18 or trade for G17 mags

**Hogue Handall Universal Grip Sleeve # 17000,** NIB. Fits

Glock, S&W, Sig Sauer, Ruger, Beretta, Taurus, CZ, Browning, H&K, etc.

Price - \$6

**Blackhawk Serpa Holster:** RH. Belt loop & paddle. Fits

Glock 19/17/22/23/32.

Price - \$25

**AR-15 Mid Length UTG Quad Rail:** Solid mount.

Price - \$45

Contact: Tim Foreman at [tdfdv@yahoo.com](mailto:tdfdv@yahoo.com)

**Ammo:** 11 boxes of .30-30 rifle ammo: 2 boxes Federal

150 grain soft point FN, 3 boxes Winchester 150 grain Power Point, 1 box Winchester 170 grain Power Point, 5 boxes Hornady Lever Evolution 160 grain FTX.

Price - for all - \$150

Contact: Mike Roy at [mwinsurf@bellsouth.net](mailto:mwinsurf@bellsouth.net)

**Traditions Shenandoah Muzzle loading rifle:** .50 cal.

Accessories include (106) 50gr powder pellets, two lbs Pyrodex RS powder, 100 Remington golden lead balls, Approx 50 Speer lead balls, A period loading flask, adjustable brass powder measure, cleaning jag, ball remover, brass capper, nipple wrench, lubricated wads. pics upon request

Price - \$400.00 or consider trade .357 single action cowboy or .22 magnum/.22lr pistol

Contact: Tom Duell at 904-284-1369 or

[thomas.duell@comcast.net](mailto:thomas.duell@comcast.net)

**Colt Mustang:** Pocketlite with case. .380ACP 1996 mfg. No trades.

Price - \$450.00

Contact: Richard Yates at [gryates1@bellsouth.net](mailto:gryates1@bellsouth.net)

**Champion Medalist Series Gun Safe:** new condition. 60.5" x 22.5" x 24"; 450 lbs. Traditional lock down key lock, combination tumbler, three-arm opening wheel. Storage space for rifles, shelves, cloth-lined throughout.

Price - \$850

**Gun Cleaning Supplies:** Cleaning rods, Hoppes oil and cleaner, barrel brushes, cleaning brushes, patches, target packs, gun lock, and tote bag.

Price - \$25

**Para-Ordinance P13-45:** Black Carbon pistol .45 ACP. Fired 50 rounds. Like new condition. Comes with a soft-lined belt holster (right side) with snap-down strap, plastic gun case, factory information.

Price - \$625

Contact: Bob LaBelle at 733-2489 or [bobby24j@yahoo.com](mailto:bobby24j@yahoo.com)

**Remington XP-100** pistol 6PPC, 16" bbl., Leupold base & rings, 1.5" Hart bbl, McMillan rear V bottom pistol grip stock, Jewell trigger, RCBS electronic scale, 3 lbs of VihtaVuori N133 powder and a Wilson benchrest press and dies.

Price - \$1,800.00 for all

Contact: Mike Hicks at 904 781 8121