

# The MUZZLEBLAST

One of Florida's Largest Gun Clubs with well over 4,000 members

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## Save the Date!

### GRPC Annual Meeting and Election

By Walt Gallahan

GRPC's Annual Meeting and Election will be held on Saturday November 5, 2022, continuing with the GRPC's Board of Directors decision to schedule it on the first Saturday of November each year. The Annual Meeting and Election will be held in the Bill Craig facility as it was last year.

The agenda for the day will start out with the Swap Meet\* starting at 7:30 a.m. held in our pavilion area, followed by the business meeting and election of officers starting at 11:00 a.m.

Following the Business Meeting and Election lunch will be provided and a Raffle will be held!

2022 has been a difficult year in many ways for all concerned, with supply chain issues, rising costs, lack of supply, etc. However, the GRPC continues to offer a safe and fun environment for all shooters to come and enjoy with their families and friends.

During the Annual meeting you will hear a report from our Treasurer on our financial status and the overall view from the Club President. In addition, we will have a guest speaker, Brian Davis, Federal Judge for the United States District Court.

Our membership numbers remain strong and have had over 500 new members join in 2022.

Please mark the date on your calendar and plan on coming out early to the range for the swap meet, a day of shooting, good fellowship and meet the members of the board who will be on hand to answer questions or listen to suggestions you may have! See pages 10 and 11 of this newsletter for an absentee ballot if you are not able to attend.

We look forward to seeing you at the Range!

*\*Note: The Swap Meet is for GRPC members only. All firearms will be zip-tied (we will have them) for safety of all concerned.*

### CONCEALED CARRY CLASSES AT GATEWAY

Did you know you can take your FL Concealed Carry class right at Gateway? Sue Carter offers the class monthly, using the USCCA curriculum. It is a comprehensive course lasting 6 hours, including range time and covering firearms safety, defensive shooting fundamentals, the laws governing using a firearm in self-defense, and what specific Florida laws you need to be aware of. The cost is \$60 and pre-registration is required. Please contact Sue for more information, [suzcarter@reagan.com](mailto:suzcarter@reagan.com).

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# 2022 DIXIE NRA REGIONAL PISTOL CHAMPIONSHIP

## With Civilian Marksmanship Program Service Pistol & .22 Rimfire E.I.C. Match and National Rifle Association Distinguished Revolver Match

By Ted Carter

The 2022 Dixie Matches were held at Gateway Rifle and Pistol Club, Jacksonville, FL on April 8-10. This annual National Rifle Association (NRA) Regional Precision Pistol Championship continues to be a highlight for many Florida Bullseye shooters and was also attended by military and civilian competitors from 10 other states. There were 52 shooters competing. Despite heavy rain showers on practice day, sunshine, cooler temperatures, and some breezy conditions prevailed over the three-day match. Jon Shue (Liberty, NC), fired a 2648-139X to take "Top Gun" honors, winning the NRA Regional championship, and being named Dixie Match Champion. Coming in second, from the Army Marksmanship Unit (AMU), and was Carl Clegg, firing a 2639-144X. Joshua Kingery, also from the AMU, finished third with a 2610-98X. Top shots in the High Master Class (Civilian) were Daniel Kubar (Whitehall, PA), with a 2605-107X and High Master (Service) AMU's Walker Buckman with a 2589-77X. Top shot in the Master Class was Douglas Roe (The Villages, FL) with a 2542-68X. Expert Class (Police) winner was Chris Liming (Tampa, FL) with a 2549-67X, and Expert Class (Civilian) winner was Shelly Liu (Cary, NC) with a 2481-60X. The high Sharpshooter/Marksman Class combined was GRPC member Harrison "Buck" Johnston (Fernandina, FL) with a 2333-31X. Winning the .22 Caliber Only Aggregate was Lake Yoke (Naples, FL) with a 2422-44X.

Special Category Awards for High Civilian, High Veteran and Open Division winner went to Jon Shue (Liberty, NC), High Service shooter was won by Carl Clegg (Columbus, GA). Winning the Metallic Division was Mate Standard (Waverly Hill, GA). High Senior was won by Daniel Kubar (Whitehall, PA), High Women went to Julie Latzgo (Birdsboro, PA), and High Grand Senior was won by Ed Grove (Pasadena, MD).

The AMU won the overall 4-man team match (a combination of scores from the .22, Centerfire and .45 team matches) with a total of 3449-113X. Winning the 2-man team match was Team Fleming firing a score of 1636-42X. Winning the .22 Only team (2-person) was Queen's Lead firing a score of 1640-26X. The Florida Sport Shooting Association 2-man team fired a score of 1526-28X.

The NRA Distinguished Revolver Match had 12 shooters competing. Winning the match was AMU's Jason Gregoire (Columbus, GA) firing a 269-6X, followed by GRPC member and club President Randy Erickson (Jacksonville, FL) a 267-4X and finishing third was Chris Liming (Tampa, FL) with a 255-4X. The CMP Service Pistol EIC Match had 26 competitors and was won by Carl Clegg with a 288-11X, followed by Jason Gregoire firing a 288-8X and Randy Erickson finishing third with a 282-13X. The CMP's .22 Rimfire EIC Match had 32 shooters competing. Winning the match was Jason Gregoire with a 293-14X, followed by Tony Silva (Snowflake, AZ) firing a 276-6X and Tom Davis (Evans, GA) with a 275-6X.

Now in its fourth year, air pistol was offered as an additional event for the competitors. The 20-shot air pistol "fun" match and a "closest to the center shot" competition both had good participation.

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The air pistol events were fired in the Bill Craig facility. Proceeds from the match were divided between top scoring competitors and the Florida Sport Shooting Association, to assist its junior programs.

The annual Dixie Match remains one of the best attended Bullseye matches in the southeast and continues to attract more shooters. There were several first-time Dixie shooters coming to Florida from PA, NC, and other states. Match Director was Ted Carter. Calling a superb line for all three days was Chief Range Officer Larry Watkins. Assisting Larry to ensure a well-run and safe line were Range Officers David Poole, Marion Estes, Dennis Faye, Robert Fanucci and Buck Johnston. Dennis and Buck also helped with the air pistol competition. Randy Erickson assisted as Jury Chairman. Recording and posting all scores was Chief Statistical Officer Sue Carter, assisted by Karen Davis. There were plenty of compliments from the competitors on the excellent Bullseye range facility at Gateway and the friendly, professional and safety conscious staff.

Many thanks to all the competitors for their support, some driving hundreds of miles to attend the match. A special Thank You to our many sponsors: Magpul, Swab-its, Hornady, Black Rifle Coffee Company, Pyramyd Air, Ransom International, Mission BBQ, Starline Brass, Midway USA, Precision Target Pistol Grips, Florida Sport Shooting Association, Clenzoil, Esca Tech Inc., Pardini USA, and Visit Jacksonville for their generous support of our match. Finally, well-earned thanks goes out to the Dixie match staff, the Gateway range officers, office staff and the range maintenance folks who made this another great shooting event. Planning has already begun on the 2023 Dixie Match, and we are looking forward to another exciting competition.

For a complete listing of scores and plenty of match photos, please go to: [http://grpc-jax.com/disciplines/outdoor\\_pistol.html](http://grpc-jax.com/disciplines/outdoor_pistol.html).



Bullseye shooters take careful aim



Competitor's Dinner at Mission BBQ

Sue & Karen review scorecards



Despite a cooler day, great scores were shot



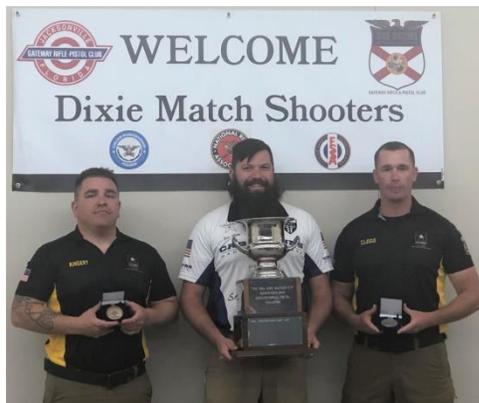
Air Pistol fun matches in the Bill Craig facility



Winning Team - US Army Marksmanship Unit



Winning State Association  
Team: Florida Sports Shooting  
Association



NRA Regional Championship  
Left: 3<sup>rd</sup> – Joshua Kingery Center: Winner –  
Jon Shue, Right: 2<sup>nd</sup> - Carl Clegg

## Why Shoot in Competitions?

**By Randy Erickson, President**

In case no one noticed it, competitive shooting is on the decline both at Gateway and the rest of the country. In the 90's we routinely filled the line with 40 shooters at the local monthly NRA "Bullseye" pistol matches, now days we are lucky to have 12 people show up. In the early 2000's we filled the 200 yard rifle line for NRA "Across the Course" High Power Matches and same for the High Power 3X20 Prone matches just a few years ago. Too often in the last year we didn't even have enough people show up (i.e. 3) to hold either match. High Power Rifle and Handgun Silhouette have been gone for a long time.

Lack of reloading components, at least at reasonably affordable prices, is certainly a factor, but this trend started long before COVID, political unrest, inflation, etc. When I'm out at Gateway talking to our members, I try to spark an interest in getting new folks to come out for a match and I can see that folks don't really understand competitive shooting. Usually folks are concerned that they or their equipment aren't good enough to win. Their perception is that competitive shooting is all about winning, which it isn't. If competitive shooting were only about winning, the only person who would enjoy it would be the winner. So, here are some of the top reasons I share with them on why they should compete in matches:

1. Matches are a social event. That's right; most of us go to matches knowing that we are not going to be the top competitor. We go because they are an excuse to hang out with the guys (and gals), tell stupid stories and jokes, catch up with

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old friends, and have a good time (like by putting a plastic cockroach in Sue Carter's gun box and seeing her response). Matches are a great place to meet really interesting people from all walks of life. I know people from all over the country that I met at the National Matches 30 years ago and one of the best parts of going to the Nationals and Regionals was seeing them and catching up.

2. You learn from the best at matches. YouTube and the internet put a lot of material at our fingertips, some of it pretty good and some not, but there is no faster way to progress than by hanging out with the top shooters at matches. You will find the vast majority of fellow competitors will be thrilled to see new participants and will be willing to help out, sometimes even offering to loan out equipment, guns, ammo, etc. in addition to providing helpful tips. They can provide first hand advice and tips for your particular situation and you can see them put their own advice to the test.
3. Matches are a good way to gage your progress. Most matches have a set course and scoring method. This allows you to track your progress over time and seeing yourself (or your kids, spouse, buddies) improve over time is very satisfying. Most shooting disciplines also have "classifications" so that folks of the same skill level are grouped together. As you improve, your classification will get bumped up which is again, very satisfying.
4. Matches teach discipline under pressure. Even though matches are fun, there is this thing called

"match pressure". When you first start shooting matches, things will happen in the match that don't happen in practice or while plinking. Your hands and hold get shakier, your trigger squeeze is not as controlled and you tend to jerk or flinch more, and your brain can turn to mush so you do silly things like load an empty magazine into the gun, turn the elevation knob the wrong way, etc. It's a lot like "buck fever", the trophy buck is in your sights and the pressure causes you to miss an easy shot. Once you get some matches under your belt, you get accustomed to the pressure and will find you can deal with it. Back in the day, the military and police used to actively promote competitive shooting for a reason. A study found that people who participated in competitive shooting did much better in real life encounters than those who didn't compete because competitors were used to shooting under pressure. Now I'm not saying that competing in NRA Bullseye Pistol will make you an expert in defensive shooting technique but it will help you keep your wits about you in a high stress situation.

5. Matches are an excuse to shoot more. Now as much as what I wrote above about winning not being the reason to compete in matches is true, everyone wants to see themselves improve and that is simply going to require some practice. Now, this is not a bad thing as most of us really enjoy shooting or you wouldn't be reading this. Here's the best part though, you can use this as an excuse with your wife or significant other to go to the range more: "Honey, there's a match coming up next week. I need to go to the range

to practice so I don't get beat by Sue again".  
Now, what caring wife wouldn't sympathize with you and let you go practice with that excuse?

And there you have it, Randy's top 5 reasons to enjoy competitive shooting. Hope to see you at the next match.

## There's a new Rimfire Rifle competition at Gateway!!!

Looking for a new discipline to shoot? Always loved shooting your .22? Want to shoot and spend time with like-minded shooters? So do we!

So, here is some good news! A new .22 competition is coming to Gateway! It is an American Rimfire Association (ARA) sanctioned match that will happen on the third Friday of each month!

A little history about these matches... Several shooters from Gateway decided to join this discipline earlier this year. Unfortunately, the only sanctioned matches are at least 2 hours away! After driving to Ocala or Eustis Florida at least twice a month to participate, we decided to approach our club and request permission to hold a "fun match" here to gauge interest. It was a success! Over a dozen shooters showed up for a morning of shooting and to have a good time talking to friends. After this initial success, we approached the GRPC Board and asked for permission to hold sanctioned ARA matches and they gave us permission to proceed.

A little bit about the matches...there will be a Factory class and Unlimited class at each event. Basically, the differences are the size of the bullseye (bull) and the price of the rifle (Factory Class rifles are less than \$1,000.00 MSRP with very few exceptions and there is not a price maximum for Unlimited). All targets have 25 bulls. (By the way...Factory bulls are a little larger than Unlimited and the rifles are a lot cheaper!)

All shooters must have an ARA membership number Although mandatory; membership is free and takes about 5 minutes to register available from [www.americanrimfire.com](http://www.americanrimfire.com). All scores are submitted to ARA and your membership number ensures your scores are recorded for the correct shooter.

The Factory Class is a BLAST, and I really enjoy participating in it. But, there is also the Unlimited Class. This is an excellent venue to showcase your trigger and marksmanship skills with that beautiful custom .22 that you keep in your gun safe and only pull out when you want to really hit some small targets at 50 yards and show up all your friends at the shooting line. The bulls may be a little smaller than Factory Class, but the fun is just as great!

Additionally, all the rules are listed on the [www.americanrimfire.com](http://www.americanrimfire.com) site for the Factory and Unlimited class. The rules explain the requirements for the two classes in a clear and concise manner. All shooters are encouraged to review the rules and determine which class your particular rifle will be able to compete.

Cost is minimal and fun is included at no cost! So, go online, register, and look for the flyers at the club announcing the date/time for the next match!

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Robert Atkinson

Mike Roy

John O'Brien



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## 2022 at the Range

**By Bill King**

This has certainly been an interesting year. On the good side, our budgeting has been a success as we were in the black at the end of August. Most years summer is a financial struggle. We stayed in the black this year even though we purchased two new carts for the range officers, something that was deferred in past budgets.

Relative to summer range maintenance, Range 4-A, the 100-yard in between the 200-yard and the silhouette line, was overhauled. A new 50-yard trap was installed so that sighting in would be easier, and improvements to keep everything inside the range were added. Ground baffles were installed to keep bullets from skipping over the baffles and the side wall was raised to make it virtually impossible for a ricochet to go over. This was noticed from some odd bullet impacts on the walls and the backboards. This is all the more important as development has found its way to Zambito Rd. Several developments are planned as well as an eastward extension and widening of the road. How long it will take is anyone's guess, but we need to be good neighbors. As it is, we still have to report shooting heard from off the range, a too common occurrence. Several ranges have been closed because "fliers" escaped. We need to keep the ranges up to prevent this.

Along with range improvements, we also need to be sure to use firearms that the range is designed to accommodate. This lowers damage to the range as well as preventing "fliers". Several times we have had incident reports of people shooting the wrong gun or cartridge and even though signs are posted, some folks can't see them. Remember, safety is paramount.

We had a lightning strike this summer that really did a job on the facility. Phones, the motor on the gate arm, cameras and other stuff were killed. Repairs have been done and we are checking to see if our insurance will help out.

In other news, membership is keeping up with the last couple of years, but isn't approaching 'normal times'... of course normal has a new meaning these days. We have had good numbers of new members but renewals have lagged. Not sure why, maybe some of the new shooters have moved to other things during the ammo shortage. Anyway, other ranges that folks I know are familiar with are experiencing a steeper decline than us.

We are able to get ammunition for the store but have to restrict sales to daily use. Prices have come down some and there is better availability but some things are in short supply. I have heard anecdotal reports of primers in stores, but not locally. Gun sales are reported down from the record highs, so maybe the manufacturers can get a handle on demand.

In other continuing efforts to keep up with the needs of our shooters, it has come to our attention that for many, a trip to the range need not include wearing waders! LOL The exceptional, even for Florida, rains we have had have shown our drainage system needs help. Several modifications to drain fields are underway and will require some places to be closed from time to time. This is, you probably all aware, a continuing issue. One thing constraining our plans is that we have to keep all the water on the property. The manner of our roads, the drainage pond next to the William Craig building and other discrete features are all part of this. We have to continue to manage our range so we meet the needs of shooters.

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Our staff, especially Brenda and John, has managed well in challenging times. I know all of us want to have a club our grandchildren will enjoy as much as we have.

Ending on a sad note George Jenks has passed. Most may not be familiar with the name, but he had a lot to do with developing the range we have today. Some years ago, when our club was outgrowing the facility and with the mortgage and main offices paid off, we embarked on a plan to make the most of the land we had by installing new ranges. Most of these are the rear ranges. To say it was a success would be a major understatement. Most contractors, frankly, aren't interested in doing business with us because a shooting range has requirements that are, shall we say not standard. Also, we have to compete with all the other construction going on. Well George worked with us; had good ideas on ways to do the job well and helped lay out what you see now. When you come out on Saturday or a holiday to shoot, there is room for most everyone. He was an important factor and will be missed.

Thanks for reading. See you at the range.

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## **Gun Writer Myths (or Stupidity) #1**

**by Randy Erickson, President**

As I get older I've found I'm becoming less and less tolerant of stupidity. Big part of why I took an early retirement package. That said, over the years I see a downward trend in the technical competence of writers for gun magazines to the point it makes my head hurt. If you ever happen to find some American Rifleman magazines from the 1950's, you will see what I mean.

Those publications had technical depth and featured articles written by the great Julian S. Hatcher. (His series of articles were consolidated into the book "Hatchers Notebook", which is still a great read and available from Midway last time I checked.) In the meantime, most of today's magazine articles are little more than glorified advertisements at best and in too many cases, they say things which are blatantly wrong. So, from time to time when I feel motivated, I plan to write an article presenting the real engineering behind some of these subjects. FYI, I always have a basis for my opinions and I have 37 years of engineering experience in design and development of components used on gas turbine engines.

### **Myth Number 1: Adding flutes to a rifle barrel makes it stiffer.**

This is just plain wrong and proven with a simple analogy. A rifle barrel is basically a beam, very much like a diving board. If you walked out to the end of a diving board and started jumping on it while your buddy took a saw and started removing material from anywhere on the diving board, do you think it would get stiffer? Absolutely not! The board would get flimsier not stiffer.

So here's the deal with flutes. If you compare a fluted barrel to a round barrel with both of them being the same weight and length, the fluted fat barrel will actually be a bit stiffer than the same weight skinny round barrel. So you ask, who cares about stiffness if you don't have a bayonet on the end of your barrel or are not using your barrel as a crowbar? I'll spare you the math, but in theory a stiffer barrel for the same weight has a higher "natural frequency", which in turn means that its natural vibrations (i.e. displacement or movement at the end)

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will be smaller when the rifle is fired and hence the barrel will be more accurate. That's the over simplified version but good enough for a basic discussion. So, if you are a hunter and you want a rifle optimized for both weight and accuracy, fluting might be right for you.

So does fluting a regular bull barrel make it more accurate? Heck no! Just look at the serious bench rest shooters or long range High Power shooters and see what they are using: round bull barrels, no flutes. Note the long range guys use longer barrels so they can eek out every bit of velocity possible but the bench rest guys use short barrels because shorter barrels are...stiffer, and hence more accurate!

In summary, my take on fluted barrels is they are largely a marketing ploy to make the product look more sexy and high tech and there's nothing wrong with that. The bull barrel I put on the tricked out Ruger 10/22 I used in the Chevy Truck Challenge back in the 90's has flutes as I thought painting the flutes black to match the stock would make it look cool. My LSP bull barrel for my High Standard Citation was way too heavy for my taste so rather than just flattening the sides, I just had to have something different so I fluted it for cool looks. I'll never do that again as it took me over a week of nerve wracking evenings to complete as one wrong turn with my manual milling machine and I would have had a junk barrel.

## NOTICE

Gateway will be sending newsletters to all club members with current email addresses on file. If you would like to receive an email with the newsletter please ensure your email is correct by checking with the staff at the desk next time you visit the club or the next time you call the club.

## Lots to do at Gateway!

Please check out the various shooting disciplines active at GRPC. Each of these disciplines offers opportunities to meet new people and learn new skills. The list of programs and disciplines includes:

### Disciplines:

IR 50/50 22 Benchrest  
Smallbore Rifle Silhouette  
Club 1800 Bullseye  
High Power Rifle  
3x20 High Power Rifle  
Black Powder Muzzle Loading  
NRA/1800 Bullseye  
NRA/2700 Bullseye  
Cowboy Action  
Smallbore F Class  
ARA Rimfire

### Programs:

Junior Shooters  
Women's Programs

**2022 ABSENTEE BALLOT FOR ELECTIONS  
GATEWAY RIFLE & PISTOL CLUB**

**OFFICER POSITIONS**

Vote for ONLY ONE (1) candidate per position. Indicate your vote by **CIRCLING the name of the candidate or CLEARLY PRINTING the name of write-in candidate.** Write in votes will only be counted if their availability is declared to the Club Secretary or Business Manager prior to the election. Eligibility for officer positions requires one year service on the Board of Directors prior to the election.

<b>President Bill King</b>	Write In: _____
<b>Vice President William Edwards</b>	Write In: _____
<b>Secretary Randy Erickson</b>	Write In: _____
<b>Treasurer Sue Carter</b>	Write In: _____
<b>Public Relations Officer Charles "Grit" Preston</b>	Write In: _____

**DIRECTOR POSITIONS**

Circle the name of the candidate **or** clearly print the name of the write-in candidate. Write in votes will only be counted if the person has declared his/her availability to the Club Secretary or Business Manager prior to the vote in the election. This election, there are three 3 year Board of Directors (BOD) positions open and likely one 2 year position. The top three persons with the most votes get the three-year positions on the BOD.

**VOTE FOR ONLY FOUR (4) DIRECTOR POSITIONS**

- Tim Hardy Write In \_\_\_\_\_
- Doug Havens Write In \_\_\_\_\_
- Russ Misner\* Write In \_\_\_\_\_
- Alan Rosner \* Write In \_\_\_\_\_
- Willy "Whiskers" Todorsky\* Write In \_\_\_\_\_

*\* indicates incumbent candidates*

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Clearly print name of Club Member

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Club Member

NOTARY SEAL AND SIGNATURE, IF MAILED IN:

Detailed instructions are printed on next page

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## ABSENTEE BALLOT INSTRUCTIONS

1. **Absentee ballots may be completed at the Club office.** Club members will write or mark their choices on the ballot, including possible write in candidates. The ballot will be folded to insure privacy and placed in a plain white envelope supplied by Club office personnel. The Club office person receiving the sealed ballot will verify the Club member active status. The words “Absentee Ballot” will be written on the front of the envelope. On the backside of the envelope will be written the printed name and signature of the Club member on one side of the flap and the printed name and signature of the Club employee or Club official receiving the ballot will be on the opposite side of the sealed flap. These ballots will be placed in the ballot box and secured until the elections.
2. **Absentee ballots may be mailed to the Club.**
  - a. Blank ballots are printed in the Muzzleblast and are online at our web site.
  - b. Blank ballots are available in the Club Office.
  - c. Blank ballots may be mailed to Club members upon request to Club office personnel.

The Club member will write or mark his/her choices as well as possible write-in candidates on the ballot. The club member will print his/her name and sign his/her signature on the ballot. The signature however, must be verified by a Public Notary with the Notary’s name and seal on the ballot. The Club member will mail the ballot to the Club to the attention of the Club’s Secretary with the words “ABSENTEE BALLOT” plainly written on the face of the mailed envelope.

Gateway Rifle and Pistol Club  
ATTN: Absentee Ballot  
9301 Zambito Avenue North  
Jacksonville, FL 32210

3. **Regular printed ballots will be on hand at the annual election on 5 November, 2022. Any qualified person who announces his/her availability after 13 September will be on the regular printed ballot.**
4. **The BOD terms for Alan Rosner, Russ Misner, and William Todorsky (Willy Whiskers) end on 31, December 2022. The BOD terms for Carl Berg, Walt Gallahan and Wade Olyer end on 31 December 2023. The BOD terms for Tim Allen, Gary Kight, and Bill King end on 31 December 2024.**
5. **This election: there are three 3-year BOD positions open. NOTE: If Bill King is elected president, the remaining 2 years of his Director position will be filled by the 4th highest vote candidate.**

# CLUB INFORMATION

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## Where to Shoot

### Day Members or Annual and Life Members

Ranges 1 A-B-C-D: Pistols only with pistol calibers. Location: Far left (West) as you leave front office, 53 positions at 7/15 yards

Range 2: Rifles at 25-50 and 100 yards and shotguns on select positions

### Annual and Life Members Only

Both of above two ranges, #1 and #2

Range 3: Rifle 50- and 200-yards and Pistols with 10 inch Barrels or longer chambered for rifle cartridges

Range 4A: Same as Range 3 except 100-yards only

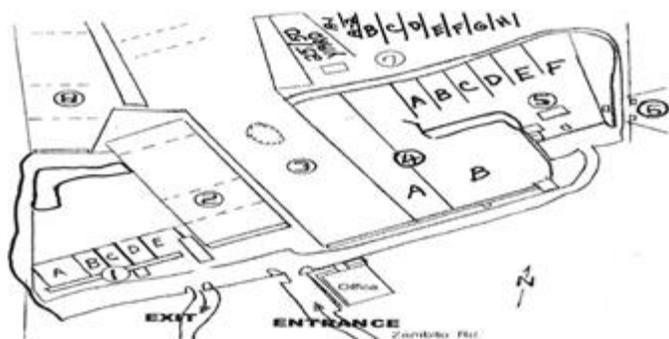
Range 4B: Rifles in rim fire .22 cal, .17 cal plus black powder rifles

Range 5 A-B-C-D-E-F: All-purpose ranges for Pistols and Rifles with Pistol Calibers

Range 6: Shotgun Skeet Range with only #6 to #9 Shot

Range 7 A-B-C-D-E-F -G-H: All Purpose ranges for Pistols and Rifles with Pistol Calibers, 25-/50-Yard Pistol Match Range, Pistols and Rifles with Pistol Calibers

Range 8: Rifle, 25-, 50- and 100-yard Rifle targets



### ID BADGES

#### All Shooters:

Annual, Life, and Day Members must wear ID badges at all times when on the Club property.

### Slate of Officers

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President	Randy Erickson	pres@grpc-jax.com
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William Todorsky	904.683.5624	willywhiskers@yahoo.com

### Range Maintenance Schedule

Day	Time	Range
Monday	0800-1100	100-yard Rifle Range
Tuesday	0800-1100	All Pistol Ranges
Wednesday	0800-1100	Silhouette Range
Thursday	0800-1100	200-yard Rifle Range
Friday	0800-1100	All Multi-Purpose Ranges and New 100-yard Rifle Range

*Note: Subject to change based on maintenance need*

### Gateway Rifle & Pistol Club, Inc.

A private Club operated since 1965, providing a safe environment for the sport of shooting. We offer annual memberships allowing unlimited use of the shooting ranges and daily memberships for the occasional shooter limited to certain ranges. The Club is open 7 days a week from 8:00 am until near dusk except Easter, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. There are numerous pistol ranges at various distances for shooting paper targets and steel plates. The rifle ranges provide 25, 50, 100, and 200 yard shooting positions. For those interested in competition there are monthly matches for small bore, black powder, .22 50/50 Benchrest, bullseye pistol, 3x20 prone, NMC and Cowboy, etc.

There is an active junior program and women's program. The facilities include the rifle and pistol shooting positions, a large club house, meeting rooms, and a store selling those items you may need at the range including targets, ammunition, and eye and ear protection. There is a Range Safety Officer on duty at all times.

<b>Tournament Schedule:</b>			
<b>Match</b>	<b>Range</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>
ARA Rimfire	4B	3 <sup>rd</sup> Friday	Call range
Smallbore F-class	4A	1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday	0800-1100
22 Rimfire Benchrest	4B	1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday	1000-1400
Club 1800 Pistol	7	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	0900-1200
High Power Rifle Prone	3	2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday	0800-1100
Black Powder	4	2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday	0800-1100
High Power Rifle XTC	3	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	0800-1100
NRA 1800 Bullseye	7	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	0900-1200
Concealed Pistol/Home Defense Shotgun Match	5	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	0900-
Smallbore Silhouette	4	4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday	0800-1400
Cowboy	5	4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday	0900-

*Note: The above schedule is provided for informational purposes only and is subject to change. Please check the website for the most current information.*

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