



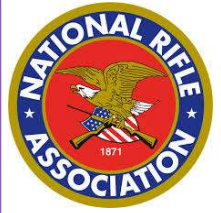
Tallahassee Rifle & Pistol Club

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Second Quarter April to June 2023

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**NEXT GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING WILL BE WEDNESDAY,
April 12, 2023 - 7:00 PM
AT MYERS PARK**

**NEXT WORKDAY IS SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2023, 8:00 AM – 12:00 pm
SWAP MEET & LUNCH TO FOLLOW
TIME TO CLEAN OUT THE GUN ROOM**

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PLEASE REMEMBER
General Membership Meeting
April 12, 2023, at 7:00 P.M.
@ MYERS PARK

NEXT RANGE WORK
DAY & SWAP MEET
April 29, 2023
8:00am – 12:00

SWAP MEET & WORK DAY ITINERARY – APRIL 29

Greeting Members. TRPC will hold a member Work Day on Saturday, April 29 from 0800 till 1100. BBQ lunch will be provided along with a swap meet. TRPC member Curtis Burnham of Arrowhead Survival is donating the food from 4 Rivers BBQ and he will have display items for sale. Members are encouraged to bring any items the wish to sell/trade to other members. Bring a table or other display for your items.

The following list of action items needs to be accomplished. If you want to be a Team Leader please email me at vicepresident@trpc.net.

Kevin Fleming

Range A1

Member materials needed : STRING TRIMMER/LIMB LOPPERS/PITCH FORKS/RAKES/BLOWERS

- Clear brush from area west and south of conex - look for flagged area
- Clear Cowboy Action town of debris and spent shotshell wads
- Empty trash cans
- Backer and frame maintenance

Range A2

Member materials needed : SCREW GUNS, HAMMERS, CIRCULAR SAWS

- Replace plywood in front of movers - paint and rollers will be furnished
- Target backer and frame maintenance
- Empty trash cans

Ranges B and C

Member materials needed : SCREW GUNS, HAMMERS, CIRCULAR SAWS

- Target backer and frame maintenance
- Empty trash cans

Range G

Member materials needed : LEAF BLOWERS, RAKES, PITCHFORKS, WHEEL BARROW

- general cleanup and BMP work
- pick up wads
- empty trash cans
- load house for ATA

General

- Install new sign at Oak Ridge Road
- String trim all ranges, clubhouse, pavilion
- Clean up club house / Latrine duty
- Sweep, blow and clean up around pavilion

Supplies are in the storage shed

Scrap wood and chloroplast go in designated area - DO NOT place in dumpster

223 & 300 BLACKOUT BRASS WAS FOUND ON RANGE A1. RIFLE AMMO IS SPECIFICALLY PROHIBITED ON ALL PISTOL RANGES

2023 FLORIDA STATE TRAPSHOOT

The Florida State Trapshooting Association hosted the annual state championships from March 21, through March 26, 2023, at Silver Dollar Shooters Club in Odessa, Florida. Tallahassee Rifle & Pistol Club was well represented and brought home quite a few of trophies. On the youth program side, Jackson Hunter and Wyatt Gebhart were honored at Saturday nights annual FTA meeting with 1st team selection to the Sub-Junior all state team with beautiful belt buckles. Jackson Hunter and his father Adam won Saturday's parent/child completion beating out all others competitors in the state. Jackson won trophies in 5 events including Saturday's Singles Championship in the Junior category. He also won the High All Around event in the Junior category. Wyatt won the Sub-Junior event on Thursday. Henry Gainer trophied in the Singles event on Tuesday. Kevin Fleming was the biggest winner with 1st place finishes in the handicap events on Wednesday and Friday along with a 4th and a 3rd place finish on Thursday and Sunday. He also won 1st place on Saturday Singles championship for B class along with the High All Around trophy for the 400 championship targets. John Schmidt attended his first state championship at the age of 86 and is already planning for next year's event. A good time was had by all.



Heath & Wyatt Gebhart



Adam & Jackson Hunter



TRPC Gets Controlled Burn

On Thursday February 23, smoke began to gently rise on the north perimeter of our club property. Within 30 minutes large gray puffs could be seen along the east property line as well, and the glow of small flare ups were clearly visible within the wood brush east of Range G.

Two men on 4 wheelers zipped back and forth over the property, dripping lighted kerosene to start back burns, and precisely dousing out fire that might approach signs or had attached itself to a scarred pine tree. The work was a ballet of creating and stopping the small flames all the while keeping a watchful eye on the burn progress.

TRPC has pursued another control burn for a couple of years with the last being in 2011. Conditions were right and Attack One Fire Management Services of Crawfordville executed the burn plan for us. The burn was conducted as part of our property forestry management plan which brings a number of benefits to the Club.

There are many purposes for a controlled burn. Primarily, a controlled burn reduces the available fuel source by eliminating it in a controlled manner. This enhances safety from wildfire for our property as well as our neighbor's. Fire also helps eliminate invasive plants and restores the property to a more natural longleaf pine and wiregrass forest - think native Florida. Wildlife enhancement and an aesthetically more handsome property are also another benefit.

TRPC enrolled in the Florida Forestry Service Forest Stewardship Program in 2019. We have committed to reducing wildfire opportunities, enhancing native forest, and providing a best use plan for land and recreational activity.

The result of the controlled burn was very positive. Attack One did an excellent job and the Club benefitted from a thorough and very low temperature burn. Members can see results appearing very soon. Look for new tender green plants emerging, wiregrass blooms, and longleaf pine begin to 'candle' (put out vigorous new growth).

DESK OF THE SECRETARY

The upcoming workday on April 29, 2023, will be a special one. For the first time in over 3 years, TRPC will be catering a workday lunch. 4 Rivers BBQ will be providing the food and the event is sponsored by Curtis Burnham of Arrowhead Survival. He will have a display of items for sale. All members are encouraged to bring anything clogging up your house or garage to sell. It's time to clean out all of the shooting related items (and any other items you might like to dispose of) you have gathering dust. Feel free to set up a table or booth and display your treasures. Make sure you bring your cash so you can swoop up the great deals. The swap meet is not open to the public. This will be the last workday of the 2022 – 2023 to earn your work credit for the upcoming renewal period. Please plan to attend and get the range ready for the summer.

Renewal time is almost upon us. Renewal notices will go out in early May. Please be kind to your secretary and get those renewals in early. If you do not plan on renewing your membership, drop me an email to secretary@trpc.net and I will remove you from the rolls.

The next General Membership Meeting will be April 12, 2023, @ 7:00pm at Myers Park Pavilion. Please come out and support the club.

Gary Rickard, Secretary

TRPC Sporting Clays Spring Fun Shoot - Winter 2023

TRPC hosted a Sporting Clays Fun Shoot event on Saturday, February 4th. There was an outstanding attendance with 37 shooters. This event raised over \$600 for our junior programs. Participants were blessed with great weather and milder temperatures. Andy Randall set a fun and challenging course, including the (in)famous Duck Pond and pink flamingos. Overall, the scores were very good with many shooters in the 60% category. Member Robert Stanton was the top score High Gun with a score of 37/50.

Sporting Clays at TRPC re-emerged in 2015. Since then, over 250 individual members and guests have come out and participated. The event continues to attract new shooters, including juniors. We continue to have new attendees at this event, many of which have never tried sporting clays. Thank you to our members who promote the clay sports and TRPC by bringing new guests and introducing them to our fine Club. Sporting Clays also has a devoted core of regulars, some of whom have rarely missed an event in the seven years we've held it! The program is always a great time!

The course consisted of 10 stations, or shooting locations. Five targets were thrown from each in the following order: a single target, a report pair of targets where a single target is thrown and a second follows upon the report of the gun, and finally a true pair, or two targets thrown simultaneously. Targets varied in size, speed and direction. Shooters are given some challenging presentations by using remote target throwers. These can be placed several hundred feet from the shooter and brings additional challenges and fun to the event.

Only 2 squads can be on the course simultaneously, so squadding is imperative for the event to function. Participants can "pre-squad" by notifying the match director, and are given a reporting time. Shooting the course takes about an hour per squad. Our policy is that participants can shoot as many times as they wish, and some shooters enjoy trying the course again.

Our warmest thanks to the TRPC members who contributed to making the event so successful; Rob Aguilera, Robert Stanton, Jim Hines, Don Hines, Donna Hines, Henry Gainer, Jeff Snyder, Andy Randall, the Gebhart Crew, the Allen Crew, the Hunters, Gary Rickard, John Schmidt, Mark Busch, Hughston Salter and Matthew Salter! Apologies to anyone I've missed. We literally could not do this event without our hardworking Sporting Clays Gang.

Our next Sporting Clays event will be Saturday, April 1. Look for more information on the website and across the range.



New shooter Jordyn, Erskine and Mark



Squad 2 posing for the camera



Focusing on a high crosser

January 11, 2023 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

- Quorum reached – 32 members present
 - President thanked the members present at the last workday.
 - VP – Workday had a nice turnout.
 - New signage has been ordered and will be installed
 - Thanks to Heath Gebhart for the tractor work
 - Gravel/rock purchases to begin to fill in the low spots
 - The kiosk on many of the ranges will need to be repaired/replaced
 - Treasurer’s Report – Club is in solid financial condition. Treasurer’s report approved by membership
 - Secretary – club currently has 406 members.
 - New memberships applications continue to come in
 - NRA – update on the turning target project. Waiting on a design to be approved
 - Special thanks to Gulf Coast Lumber for delivering targets to the club
 - Youth Program – 8 shooters last month. Sea Cadets want to schedule a shoot possibly in December
 - ELECTION OF OFFICERS – all offices filled without opposition
 - President - Aaron Cohen
 - VP – Kevin Fleming
 - Treasurer – Michael Tentnowski
 - Secretary – Gary Rickard
 - Board Members at large – Huey Salter; Billy Hartsfield; Rob Aguilera
 - April 29, 2023, workday will be catered and a swap meet held. More information to follow
 - Motion to amend Range Safety Rules #22 Approved Targets adding the following:
 - 6) Dueling Tree, Texas Star, and reactive steel targets in the designated area for Cowboy Action matches on A1
 - 7) Steel targets constructed of a minimum thickness of 3/8” AR500 or superior quality steel no less than 12” diameter hanging in the “steelhouse” on Range D
 - 8) Steel targets constructed of a minimum thickness of 3/8” AR500 or superior quality steel placed on a TRPC-owned appropriately constructed swinging target hanger (for rifle targets) and TRPC-owned appropriately constructed fixed target hanger (for pistol targets) placed as close to the base of the berm as practicable on Ranges E & F.
- After discussion – motion passed by majority – Range Safety Rules will be amended
- October 2023 Boy Scout Fun Shoot will be a Camporee. All ranges will close at 4:00pm on Friday, October 6, 2023, and will reopen for regular shooting at 9:00am on Sunday, October 8, 2023.
 - Motion to adjourn

SECOND QUARTER 2023 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

EVENT	RANGE	DATES	TIME	CONTACT
General Membership Meeting MYERS PARK PAVILION	N/A	April 12, July 12, October 11, 2023, January 10, 2024	7:00pm	Aaron Cohen, President (850) 766-9349 president@trpc.net
Range & Environmental Best Management Practices WORKDAY /ALL RANGES CLOSED UNTIL 10:30am	ALL RANGES	5 th Saturday, April 29, July 29, September 30, December 30, 2023	8:00am to 10:00am	Kevin Fleming 850 509-9569 vicepresident@trpc.net
New Member Orientation		BY APPOINTMENT ONLY		Gary Rickard, secretary@trpc.net 850 212-6445
ATA Trap	TRAP	1 st Sunday - April 2, May 7, June 4, July 2, 2023	9:00am	Gary Rickard atatrap@trpc.net 850 212-6445
Boy Scout Fun Shoot & Camporee (Volunteer help needed)	ALL RANGES	Friday, October 6, through Sunday, October 8, 2023	7:00 am	Aaron Cohen 850-766-9349 youth@trpc.net
Cowboy Action Shoot (SASS)	A1	3 rd Saturday - April 15, May 20, June 17, July 22, 2023	9:00am	Doug Boline - 850 510-7044 SASS@trpc.net
High Power Rifle	E & F	3 rd Saturday - April 15, May 20, June 17, July 22, 2023	9:00am	George Klisiewicz 850 528-9559 highpower@trpc.net
NRA Action Pistol	A1, A2, & B	4 th Saturday, April 22, May 27, June 24, July 22, 2023	9:00am	Mike DeGuire 850 694-6930 nraactionpistol@trpc.net
.22 Rimfire Silhouette	C	1 st Saturday - April 1, May 6, June 3, July 1, 2023	9am Rifle 11am Pistol	Andy Randall 850 320-0524 silhouette@trpc.net
Trap & Wobble Trap	TRAP	Saturdays & Sundays (1 st Sunday is ATA registered targets)	9:00am	Gary Rickard 850 212-6445 atatrap@trpc.net
Youth Program Rifle/Shotgun (All Youth Under 18 Welcome)	A1 & A2 TRAP	2 nd Saturday - April 8, 13, June 10, July 8, 2023	8:30am	Aaron Cohen 850-766-9349 youth@trpc.net
Black Powder Muzzleloaders (Flint, Percussion – Rifle & Revolver/Pistol)	A2	3 rd Sunday – April 16, May 21, June 18, July 16, 2023	12:00pm	Ron Gablehouse (850) 591-1577 nmlra@trpc.net
Steel Challenge Scholastic Steel Challenge	E & F	2 nd Saturday - April 8, 13, June 10, July 8, 2023	9:00am	John Burns - steelchallenge@trpc.net 850 274-5347
Steel Challenge Practice	E & F	1 st Friday – April 7, May 5, June 2, July 7, 2023	9:30am	John Burns steelchallenge@trpc.net 850 274-5347
Sporting Clays	E & F	April 1, 2023	9:00am	Kevin Fleming 850 509-9569

SCHEDULED EVENTS TAKE PRECEDENCE OVER ALL OTHER SHOOTING ACTIVITIES