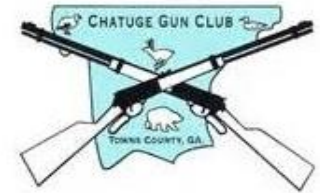




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**The next meeting of the Chatuge Gun Club will be on January 19th, 2021 at 7:00 pm.**

Location: The Towns County Civic Center, 67 Lakeview Circle (upper level), next to the Court House in Hiawassee. [Google Map](#)

Meetings are held 4 times a year, on the third Tuesday of meeting months, January, April (Annual Meeting), July and October.

Have a question or idea, come to a meeting!

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## >>>>>> Coming Events <<<<<<

**Always check the [website](#) before you head out to the range, as events or weather can change things quickly.**

**TRAP:** The Shotgun Group shoots Trap EVERY WEDNESDAY beginning at 9 am until Noon, or until all have shot the rounds paid for. Trap shooters should be there by 9 am to help with setup. For more information call or text Jerome Schreiber at 828.361.0684

**NOTE:** There is *OPEN RANGE DAY* for non-members on the second Sunday of the month from 1:30p to 3:30p. Members are welcome on open range day. **Non club members need to be at the range by 1 pm for a short orientation on open range day.** (Weather permitting, may be canceled in cold weather).

Have a firearm for sale or looking for one, check out the [Tradin' Table](#) always on the website.

Before you head out to a match, please check out the [Disclaimer & Range Entry Procedures](#).



## RANGE WORK DAY – NOVEMBER 14, AROUND 10AM UNTIL??



Hope you will plan on being there on November 14th, around 10am, to help. We need to work on the 100 yard berm. As you know we did not have our regular annual work day in the spring, due to Covid19, and the results are clear to see. So if you have a few hours, we can sure use the help. If you have questions, give Keith a call at 828.557.2160.



Now, thanks to Josh, we have a safe place to put the items folks have forgotten at the range. No more hanging them on the hook or putting them on the bench. Thanks Josh, great job!



### [Air Gun Matches start Sunday November 1st](#)

12:30 PM - Setup (come and help) & Registration ~~ 1:00 PM - Practice, then start of match.  
(Times subject to change)

**Call Marie Green for information at 386-562-7011**





## October 3, 2020 – Match Director, Dave Ochs



[See all the results and more photos here.](#)

First Place-Dave Ochs ~~ Second Place-Jerome Schreiber ~~ Third Place-Mike Clair

Saturday Oct 3 brought a fall chill in the air at 36 degrees.

The cool temperature was welcome as there is a good deal of setup required for 3gun.

Special thanks to Dave Hickerson, Keith MacMahan and Josh Warman who always show up early for the work detail.

It warmed up nicely into the high 50's as eleven shooters engaged zombies, falling steel plates, flying clay birds and silhouettes out to 90 yards and a bonus plate at 100 yards, thanks to the mystery donation of a steel plate noted in the last newsletter which no one has claimed.

The reduced round count due to ammunition price and availability seemed to effect very few as our group blasted away as if it were someone's birthday. Everyone knew where to hit the zombie targets (head shot only) and not a single walker made it back to the woods to safety. Early Halloween is always fun at Chatuge Gun Club.

### **Notice about 3 Gun on Dec. 5th**

Due to the recent rise in cost and limited availability of ammunition, the Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> - 3gun match will have a reduced round count requirement. The round count for both morning and afternoon matches will be approximately: Pistol-40rds Rifle-40rds Shotgun-25rds

There will be no slug or buckshot needed for shotgun.



## BOWLING PIN MATCH

October 10, 2020 ~ Match Director, Keith McMahan



[More photos here.](#)

Saturday 10/10 brought a very wet and rainy day to our club Bowling Pin match. With seven hearty souls ready to shoot, they would not be denied their chance to compete for the coveted club match pin.

A simple course adjustment was made with the staging tables placed under the roof and out of the rain.

Defending rimfire champion and match loser Johnny Crestview found out that it takes a functioning rimfire pistol to save you from last place.

Congratulations to Barry Dean for taking home honors in rimfire and centerfire. This was Barry's first club match ever.

The next Bowling Pin match is scheduled for November 28. It may be cold but with this bunch of hard cores around, I'm sure we'll shoot.



The muzzle loading rifle and pistol match was a big disappointment. It was a virtually perfect day for shooting, but not much of a turnout. Keith McMahan showed up for the match. Tom Allen came to help, but no one else showed up. We started to leave, but the three of us decided to have our own little match. Tom Allen borrowed Gary Caines' Thompson Center Seneca .36 caliber rifle. We were plagued by equipment issues. The TC Seneca I loaned to Tom had the short starter break off in the barrel with a load of powder and ball under the short starter. We couldn't remove it and had no alternative but to drive it down with a hammer and rod and then shoot it out. We never found the short starter shaft. Tom then borrowed Gary Caines' original .40 caliber Pennsylvania rifle and completed the match with that. For a rifle approximately ~ 150 years old, it shot pretty good. We had another short starter break as well, but fortunately we had a spare .50 caliber short starter. We shot bullseye targets at 50 yards, the gong at 100 and at 50 yards, bottle and nightmare targets at 25 yards. We shot perhaps 50% of what was intended to be the match. We didn't bother shooting pistols. Keith McMahan came in 1st with a score of 73, Tom Allen came in 2nd with a score of 43, followed by Gary Caines with a score of 33.



# Cowboy Action




## Old West Shooting!

Since our October match “*bit the dust*” due to the weather, we will be holding our last match of the year on Saturday, December 12<sup>th</sup>. Come out and take a look at this fast and furious sport. Shooters you may see some stages written for our cowboy pistols, rifle and shotgun with a Christmas twist.

Cowboy Action Shooting involves the use of single action firearms used during the Old West. Come enjoy the smell of gunpowder and the excitement of a western shootout right here at Chatuge Gun Club! You are invited to join a great group of folks who adorn the Old West lifestyle with their beloved single action pistols and rifle and a shotgun.

We are always willing to help those who may be interested in getting started by loaning some of the firearms needed for you to try out this sport.

Should you have questions, **contact Greg Boggs aka Rattlesnake Blake at 985-788-5623.**



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