

# Chatuge Gun Club, Inc.

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SHOOTING
TODAY

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# 2021 MATCH SCHEDULE

# Match dates and times are subject to change, so check back here before you go to the range

Always arrive ahead of the start time to check in with the match director or check your firearm.

\*On Open Range Days, members can still go to the range during that time. The full day is open to members

Date	Match Title	Start Time	Range Closed	Match Director	Phone #
Jan. 3	Air Gun - Rifle & Pistol	12:30 PM	Details on web	Marie Green	386.562.7011
Jan. 10	*Open Range Day	1:30 PM	1:30 PM - 3:30 PM	Carol Rosenqvist	706.781.4392
Jan. 17	Air Gun - Rifle & Pistol	12:30 PM	Details on web	Marie Green	386.562.7011
Jan. 19	Club Meeting	CANCELLED	DUE TO	COVID	
Jan. 23	Steel Plate Duel	10:30 AM	9:00 AM-4:00 PM	Thad Bynum	706.490.0523
Jan. 30	Bowling Pin	10:00 AM	9:00 AM-4:00 PM	Keith McMahan	828.557.2160
Feb. 7	Air Gun - Rifle & Pistol	12:30 PM	Details on web	Marie Green	386.562.7011
Feb. 13	3-Gun	10:00 AM	9:00 AM-5:00 PM	Dave Ochs	850.264.2326
Feb. 14	*Open Range Day	1:30 PM	1:30 PM - 3:30 PM	Carol Rosenqvist	706.781.4392
Feb. 20	Cowboy Action	10:00 AM	9:00 AM-5:00 PM	Greg Boggs	985.788.5623
Feb. 21	Air Gun - Rifle & Pistol	12:30 PM	Details on web	Marie Green	386.562.7011
Feb. 27	Hunter's Pistol	10:00 AM	9:00 AM-5:00 PM	Josh Warman	706.994.4349
Mar. 7	Steel Plate Challenge	10:00 AM	9:00 AM-5:00 PM	Steve Boatright	828.342.6217
Mar. 7	Air Gun - Rifle & Pistol	12:30 PM	Details on web	Marie Green	386.562.7011
Mar. 13	Defensive Pistol Class & Match	9:00 AM	8:30 AM-5:00 PM	Rick Klopp	706.781.4526
Mar.14	*Open Range Day	1:30 PM	1:30 PM - 3:30 PM	Carol Rosenqvist	706.781.4392
Mar. 20	Bench Rest	10:00 AM	9:00 AM-4:00 PM	William Parker	860.798.8646
Mar. 21	Air Gun - Rifle & Pistol	12:30 PM	Details on web	Marie Green	386.562.7011
Mar. 27	Hunter's Pistol	10:00 AM	9:00 AM-5:00 PM	Josh Warman	706.994.4349
Apr. 3	Bowling Pin	10:00 AM	9:00 AM-4:00 PM	Keith McMahan	828.557.2160
Apr. 4	Air Gun - Rifle & Pistol	12:30 PM	Details on web	Marie Green	386.562.7011
Apr. 10	Lever Action Silhouette	11:00 AM	9:00 AM-5:00 PM	Joan Moody	706.747.1226

### **Check out the Chatuge Gun Club website:**

http://www.chatugegunclub.com/index.html

It has schedules, match descriptions, directions, range rules, photos, club contacts, newsletters, shooting related links and a complete calendar of ALL club events and activities.

# HERE'S SOME STUFF YOU NEED TO READ & HEED

- 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 10 am until Noon, or until all have shot the rounds paid for. Trap shooters should be there by 10 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.

# **A CHANGING OF THE GUARD!**

After many years of serving as Executive Officer of the Chatuge Gun Club and for personal reasons, Gene Blackburn resigned his position as Executive Officer and per the bylaws of the club Gene's resignation has been accepted by the Board of Directors. Gene's position has been filled by appointment of Joan Moody, to be approved by the Membership at the next business meeting of the club.

Art Douville has stepped down as Past President due to the difficulty for him to attend Board Meetings but wishes to be kept in the loop via email concerning activities of the club.

Newsletters will again be provided as "hard copy" by mail four times a year in the months of January, April, July and October. If you wish

to continue to read them online and save the club the cost of printing and mailing, please email your choice to

<u>chatugememberships@brmemc.net</u> if you have not already done so.

I think it's safe to say at this point that there will not be a monthly meeting in January and the status of the annual meeting in April is still to be determined based on what happens with this Cova stuff.

Dues for 2021 may be paid beginning now and will become past due after the third Tuesday in April. The amount due is \$35 per year. Please make checks payable to the Chatuge Gun Club and mail them to PO Box 86 Hiawassee Georgia 30546.

#### NOTICE: SMITH & WESSON RECALL

With the recent surge of firearms sales, a favorite pistol for self-defense is the Smith and Wesson 9 and 380 EZ models. Unfortunately, S&W has issued a safety recall on these models. If you own either of these, information may be obtained with respect to this at smith-wesson.com. A banner at the top of the webpage will access the recall info and provide a place to enter your firearm serial number to see if it is included in the recall. Pass the word to others and be safe, do not ignore this.



#### BOWLING PIN - NOVEMBER 28, 2020 MATCH DIRECTOR, KEITH MCMAHAN

What a nice day to be outside shooting. We had 14 shooters sign up. Six of them got there 20 minutes before the match. Well, Thad is going to learn to leave Lucas at home if he wants to win any more.

Thanks to Josh and Thad for helping timing shooters. Also thank you to everyone who helped with the range. Remember we will have matches for a few more weeks. Hope to see everyone next year. Have a safe Christmas and New Year!





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	r Y/N		CHECK	SCORE	PLACE	CHECK	SCORE	PLACE		
1	N	LUCAS BYNUM	Х	70.99	1st	Х	61.34			
2	Υ	JOSH WARMAN	Х	71.02	2nd	Х	55.23			
3	Υ	JOAN MOODY	Х	78.04	3rd	Х	114.16			
4	Υ	AUDYJAMES	Х	78.7		Х	102.94			
5	Υ	FRANK OHARA	Х	81.84		Х	105.22			
6	Υ	DAVE OCHS	Х	95.65		Х	30.69	1st		
7	Υ	THAD BYNUM	Х	89.52		Х	30.69	2nd		
8	Υ	KEITH McMAHAN	Х	95.12		X	60.66			
9	Υ	BILL CHRISTINE	Х	86.27		Х	105.9			
10	Υ	GENE BLACKBURN	Х	78.88		Х	111.06			
11	Υ	MARK MAGLOTHIN				X	42.72	3rd		
12	Υ	WAYNE CHAPMAN				X	84.14			
13	N	KAREN JONES				Х	120			
14	N	BARRY OSTEEN				Х	67.37			



COWBOY ACTION - DECEMBER 12, 2020
MATCH DIRECTOR - GREG BOGGS

### MATCH CANCELLED

HUNTER'S PISTOL SILHOUETTE - DECEMBER 19, 2020 MATCH DIRECTOR - ED JONES

# MATCH CANCELLED



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#### 3-GUN - DECEMBER 5, 2020 - MATCH DIRECTOR - DAVE OCHS

Another cold morning in the North Georgia mountains brought out 9 shooters for the clubs last 3Gun match of 2020. As the weather tried to warm up, the wind blew target frames down and kept our shooters busy resetting silhouettes.

The reduced round count for the match was a blessing to some but others didn't seem to mind sending the valuable projectiles downrange with abandon. Shooters are warming up to changes in the courses of fire, which offer flexibility in weapon choice for steel

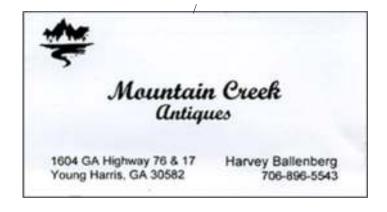


targets. After all, why can't we shoot steel targets with a shotgun instead of a pistol in the moment.

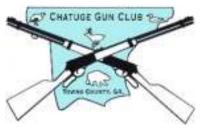
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Again, special thanks to all who helped setup and tear down. Josh Warman gets my nomination for the hard worker and always present award for 2020. Everyone who shows up makes this possible.

Place	Shooter Name		Rifle Penalty Stage 1	Pistol Penalty Stage 2	Shotgun Penalty Stage 3	Raw Time	Total Penalty	Bonus	Final Time	Total Time	Shootist Points
3	Mike Clare		5	5	3	95.22	13		108.22		2
			3		3	94.3	6		100.3	208.52	
	Jerome Schreiber		7			122.71	7		129.71		1
			6	6	3	116.82	15	5	126.82	256.53	
	Early Garner		13	2		272.68	15		287.68		1
			14	1	3	251.19	18	5	264.19	551.87	
1	Johnny Crestview		9	3	6	68.58	18	5	81.58		4
	D. 10 10	D Ochs	1	3		80,51	7	5	82.51	164.09	
	Audey James		12		6	150.47	18	5	163.47		1
	CARL TANK IN THE PARTY.		6		3	171.79	9	5	175.79	339.26	
	Josh Warman		12	1	6	94.4	19	5	108.4		1
			6	7	3	97.85	16		113.85	222.25	
	Shaun Sullivan		14			129.02	14	10	133.02		1
			11	5		131.24	16	5	142.24	275.26	
	Keith McMahan		10	6	3	126.34	19		145.34		1
			13	6	15	143.99	34	5	172.99	318.33	
2	Dave Hickerson		12	4		89.18	16	5	100.18		3
(2)			10			96.4	10		106.4	206,58	0.500







#### HAVE YOU EVER LOOKED AT THE CHATUGE GUN CLUB LOGO AND WONDER WHAT IT IS ALL ABOUT AND WHERE DID IT COME FROM?

Article by: Verlee Jones

If you are a member of the Chatuge Gun Club, you have seen this logo on our website, hats, shirts, jackets, labels, etc. It was designed by our own smallbore rifle silhouette competitor, member and decorative artist Judy Guttery of Hayesville, NC.

Judy became aware of the CGC during the 1990's after she had retired from her job as a Licensed Optician in Florida. When she moved to Georgia, she taught decorative art classes at Tri-County Community College and was an active

member of the Cherokee Trail Decorative Painters.

There had been no logo for the club prior to the mid 90's. Membership had been increasing to the point that it seemed like the CGC needed more identity. A contest was held, and several entries were made. There were women members of the CGC who took Judy's art classes and encouraged her to enter the contest.

Decorative Artist Judy's logo was chosen, and she received a one-year membership to the CGC. Her entry represented the club as being family-huntersportsman-friendly within a Towns County design.



Wanting to know more about the shooting sports, this talented lady attended Carol Rosenqvist's "Women on Target" and enjoyed the experience. Carol and other silhouette shooters spent more time training her in the use of a rifle. She attended a Smallbore Rifle Silhouette Match and found out she really liked shooting down metal targets. Judy and her spotter husband, Mike, enjoyed the sport so much that they competed in these matches in FL, GA, NC, SC, Louisiana (Southern Nationals), and Tennessee throughout the 2000's. She has

walls in her house full of plaques she had won in competition.

Judy's health has hindered her participation in shooting in the last few years. But, as she said, "When I feel better, I would like to go to the range and watch even if it is in a wheelchair!" She not only enjoyed rifle shooting; she also enjoyed the camaraderie and friendships found in the shooting sports.

There are so many stories of members who have found the shooting sports to be an important facet of their lives. Do you have a story to tell?

# **Q&A ON RULES & ETIQUETTE**

#### From the CGC BOD

Over the years, it seems that many, if not most, of the issues at the range involve guests. This month's discussion bears on those situations.

Q: I was at the range recently when another member objected to my guest adjusting his sights at the bench while others were downrange setting targets. Both my guest and I were embarrassed by this member's inappropriate action. There clearly was no safety risk presented as my guest's rifle was unloaded and the bolt was open. Also, at my guest's range (where I previously was a member) adjusting sights under these circumstances is allowed. What can I do about this member of our Club who, even though polite, was quite rude in raising this issue?

A. The Club member, who you acknowledge was polite, acted appropriately. As applicable here, our rules provide that, while anyone is downrange, (i) all firearms must have been Rendered Safe, (ii) all rifles must either be in a rack or have an Empty Chamber Indicator (ECI) in place, (iii) all persons not going downrange must be behind the yellow safety line and (iv) no firearm may be touched for any reason. The fact that your guest's rifle was unloaded with

the bolt open shows partial compliance with our rules, but at least two (2) and, depending on whether an ECI was in place, maybe three (3) other rules were violated. Our rules were designed to provide multiple layers of safety protection so that if one rule were to be inadvertently violated, compliance with other specified range procedures will prevent harm from occurring.

You should have apologized for your guest's actions and assured the member that it would not happen again. In this regard, it was incumbent upon you to have gone over the safety rules with your guest before arriving at the range. Further, you should have supervised your guest's activities, ensured that the rifle was in a rack or that an ECI was in place, required him to move behind the safety line, stopped the sight adjustment as soon as it began and explained the rules again. The fact that your guest's range may have different rules is irrelevant. You are responsible for supervising your guest's actions and by failing to adequately do so; you place your Club membership in jeopardy.

One possible suggestion in this case in the future, take your guest down range with you when leaving the firing line.

# SAFETY THE FINAL DECISION IS YOURS

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#### NOTICE:

If the number in the top left of the mail label is 2020, your dues are due for 2021.

#### CAST BULLET MATCHES ARE BACK

The Cast Bullet BR matches will start at 1pm after the Center fire BR matches are concluded.

**Firearms and Ammunition**: Cast Bullet Match: This match is open to any center fire rifle shooting cast lead bullets with iron sights. The course of fire will be 2 targets with 10 rounds on each target fired in 2 relays across the bench using the standard NRA 100 yd target. This has been a very popular match. Old lever actions, trapdoor Springfields shooting .45-70, et al, are some of the rifles seen during this match. No modern copper jacketed bullets are permitted.

**Accessories**: A. Spotting scopes are permitted but must be placed so that they don't interfere with other shooters. B. Shooting glasses are mandatory. No one will be permitted to participate without acceptable safety or shooting glasses.





