

Chatuge Gun Club, Inc.

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APRIL (ANNUAL) MEETING

The next meeting of the Chatuge Gun Club will be Tuesday, 20 April 2021 at 7:00 PM at the Georgia Mountain Fairgrounds Anderson Music Hall in Hiawassee, Georgia.

DON'T FORGET...

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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.

2021 MATCH SCHEDULE

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

| DATE | MATCH TITLE | START TIME | RANGE CLOSED | MATCH DIRECTOR | PHONE NUMBER |
|--------|---|---------------|---------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| 3-Apr | Bowling Pin | 10:00 AM | 9:00 AM-5:00 PM | Keith McMahan | 828.557.2160 |
| 4-Apr | Air Gun - Rifle & Pistol | 12:30 PM | Click for Details | Marie Green | 386.562.7011 |
| 10-Apr | Lever Action Silhouette | 11:00 AM | 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM | Joan Moody | 706.747.1220 |
| 11-Apr | *Open Range Day | 1:30 PM | 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM | Carol Rosenqvist | 706.781.4392 |
| 17-Apr | <u>3-Gun</u> | 10:00 AM | 9:00 AM-5:00 PM | Dave Ochs | 850.264.2320 |
| 18-Apr | Air Gun - Rifle & Pistol | 12:30 PM | Click for Details | Marie Green | 386.562.701 |
| 20-Apr | Annual Club Meeting | 7:00 PM | Anderson Music Hall | Towns County | Fairgrounds |
| 24-Apr | Smallbore Rifle Silhouette | 12:00 PM | 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM | Carol Rosenqvist | 706.781.4392 |
| 1-May | Defensive Pistol Class & Match | 9:00 AM | 8:30 AM-5:00 PM | Rick Klopp | 706.781.452 |
| 8-May | Lever Action Silhouette | 11:00 AM | 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM | Joan Moody | 706.747.1220 |
| 9-May | *Open Range Day | 1:30 PM | 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM | Carol Rosenqvist | 706.781.4392 |
| 15-May | Hunter's Pistol | 11:00 AM | 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM | Josh Warman | 706.994.4349 |
| 22-May | Smallbore Rifle Silhouette | 12:00 PM | 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM | Carol Rosenqvist | 706.781.4392 |
| 29-May | Steel Plate Duel | 10:00 AM | 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM | Thad Bynum | 706.490.052 |

FINALLY, AN ANNUAL MEETING

The Chatuge Gun Club annual meeting will be held in **Anderson Music Hall** at the Towns County Fairgrounds, beginning at **7pm**, **on April 20,2021**.

We will be giving away a Henry Golden Boy .22 rifle. Don't miss your chance to win.

The Annual Meeting is where the Board of Directors are elected to run

your club for the next year. If you are interested or would like to nominate someone for a position on the Board, please contact Chairman of the nominating committee, Gene Blackburn to enter your choices.

Gene's phone and email is: (706) 379-1707.

Email: blkbrn@windstream.net



Benchrest Match Results March 20, 2021 Match Director: William Parker

1st place Don Perkins 249 7S 2nd place Keith McMahan 242 4X 3rd place William Parker 239 3X 4th place Josh Warman 237 1X

Irons .22lr 1st place William Parker 242 7X 2nd place Bill Christine 186 0X

Hunter Class .22lr 1st place Jerome Schreiber 237 4X 2nd place Bill Christine 182 1X Center Fire under 6.5 MM 1st place Jerome Schreiber 237 4X 2nd place Keith McMahan 227 2x Frank O'Hara - withdrew







Hunter Pistol Results February 27, 2021 Match Director: Josh Warman

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February 27, 2021

HUNTER PISTOL RESULTS

| | RIMFIRE | | | CENTERFIRE | | |
|----------------|---------|-------|--------------|------------|-------|--------------|
| NAME | SCORE | CLASS | POSITION | SCORE | CLASS | POSITION |
| Joan Mondy | 3 | A | | 9 | Α. | |
| Josh Warman | 8 | A | 1st AA | 15 | A | Match Winner |
| Frank Ledford | 21 | А | Match Winner | 14 | А | 15t A |
| Keith McMahan | 7 | 8 | | 8 | В | |
| Bill Christine | - 5 | 0. | | | 0. | |
| Dave Hickerson | 12 | | 15t B | - 8 | - 8 | 14.6 |



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| | | RIMFIRE | | CENTERFIRE | | |
|----------------|-------|---------|--------------|--------------|-------|--------------|
| NAME | SCORE | CLASS | POSITION | SCORE | CLASS | POSITION |
| Josh Warman | 14 | AA | 1st AA | 15 | A | 1st A |
| Joan Moody | 13 | Α | | 8 | A | |
| Frank Ledford | 14 | A, | Match Winner | 19 | A | Match Winner |
| Dave Hickerson | 9 | A | -007/02/02/ | 8 | 8 | 1100.0001 |
| Keith McMahan | | - 6 | 1st B | 7 | 0 | |
| Bill Christine | 7 | 8 | | 6 | 8 | 1 |
| Wayne Chapman | | 8 | | 14 | В | 1st B |
| Gene Blackburn | 4 | 8 | | - 4 | 9 | |





Below are excerpts from a letter received from Ellie Morris, Daughter of recently deceased club member Don Morris. This assistance was the first given by the Chatuge Gun Club to help our youth, not necessarily club members but still shooters, gain additional education or vocational training.

"I just wanted to say how grateful I am for the \$1000 scholarship I received from the Chatuge Gun Club in 2019. Between a complicated pregnancy and COVID-19 I was set back about a year, but I was able to find a placement at Union General Hospital in Blairsville last fall to finish my fieldwork rotation and finally graduated in December.

I just used this scholarship money to pay for my national board exam which I am scheduled to take in April! At that point I will be a Nationally Certified Licensed Occupational Therapy Assistant. I wanted to share with the Chatuge Gun Club what the money was used for and extend a great thank you for the generosity in helping me achieve my goals!"

Q: WHAT DO YOU DO WHEN THE FRONT SIGHT GETS BLURRY?

By: Gilles Fireagle

Join the human race! This problem usually raises its ugly head between the ages of forty and fifty for most people. The eye begins to lose its ability to accommodate. Early on, you could probably get along with taking deep breaths before lining up on the target. This gets oxygen into your system and helps your eyeballs at its job of accommodation. Eventually, you may have to face the inevitable: panting like an elephant (do elephants pant?) just does not get the job done anymore.

There are several solutions; pay your money and take your choice. You could abandon the service rifle and go to the match rifle and aperture sights. In NRA competition, you can use an auxiliary lens on both the front and rear sights. The front lens magnifies the target. The rear lens, usually diopter adjustable can be tweaked to bring the front aperture into focus. The procedure is a bit convoluted.

If you want to stay with the service rifle, you can wear a corrective lens, usually a plus diopter as in reading glasses. This can sharpen that front blade at the cost of blurring the target, sometimes to oblivion. Again, call me and bring the service rifle you shoot. I have shooting glasses with different corrective strengths one of which may work out. We try this at

the longest distance, 600 yards. If you are unable to identify the target black at all, although a blurry blob can still give you a ten, then time for solution three.

You can shoot at reduced matches and shoot well. The bull can look pretty nice at 100 yards. You can get up to the highest NRA high power classification of High Master shooting at nothing but 100-yard reduced targets! A bit of an onus to this, but beggars can't be choosers.

Or you can abandon "over the course" shooting altogether, get down to belly shooting using a scope or aperture sights. One year, the UK National Champion was 86 years old! During those days, scopes were not allowed, and the longest distance at the Bisley Range was 1200 meters! When asked how he did it, the terse remark was "when the gray blob was lined up, I pulled the trigger"!!!

Editor's Note: Gilles Fireagle is a rediscovered acquaintance from the Port Malabar Rifle & Pistol Club in Palm Bay Florida. In the past, in addition to being a Shootin' Buddy, I found Gilles to be an unbounded source of information, a vigorous competitor, a Gentleman and a Friend.

This article is re-printed with Gilles' permission.





