



Chatuge Gun Club, Inc.

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May 2023

16 MAY MEETING

The next meeting of the Chatuge Gun Club will be on Tuesday,
MAY 16, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

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

Meetings this year will be held monthly, on the third Tuesday..

*If you come, you may be the winner of a door prize. Need a bit of
ammo, a club shirt a gift certificate to one of the great local gun
shops or something? Then again you may not be the winner.*

BE THERE!! COME AND BRING A FRIEND!

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

chatugegunclub.com

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.

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Past President..... Vacant

**Chatuge Gun Club had
924 Members on
1 April 2023**

2023 MATCH SCHEDULE

The SHOTGUN GROUP Shoots TRAP Every 1st & 3rd WEDNESDAY at 9:30am until Noon.

For Trap details call or text Jerome Schreiber at 828.361.0684

Match dates and times are subject to change. Check the website before you go to the range.

https://chatugegc.com/2022_Schedule_full_year.pdf

To see the description of any match, go to the Descriptions of Matches Page

May 6	Bench Rest	10:00 AM	9:00 AM-4:00 PM	William Parker	860.798.8646
May 13	Lever Action Silhouette	11:00 AM	8:00 AM-5:00 PM	Joan Moody	706.747.1226
May 14	*Open Range Day	1:30 PM	3:30 PM - still open to members	Carol Rosenqvist	706.781.4392
May 16	Club Meeting	7:00 PM	Towns County Civic Center	Ed Jones	706.897.2306
May 20	Steel Plate Duel	9:30 AM	8:30 AM-4:00 PM	Thad Bynum	706.490.0523
May 27	Smallbore Rifle Silhouette	12:00 PM	8:00 AM-5:00 PM	Carol Rosenqvist	706.781.4392
May 28	Range Time For Basic Pistol Class		Range Closed 10:00 AM - 4:30	Ed Jones	706.897.2306
JUNE 2	Fire Dept. Benefit Setup	Range	Closed for setup at 4 PM	Ed Jones	706.897.2306
JUNE 3	Fire Dept. Benefit S P	8:00 AM	Fri. 4 PM - dark Sat.	Ed Jones	706.897.2306
June 10	Lever Action Silhouette	11:00 AM	8:00 AM-5:00 PM	Joan Moody	706.747.1226
June 11	*Open Range Day	1:30 PM	3:30 PM - still open to members	Carol Rosenqvist	706.781.4392
June 17	Black Powder Rifle	10:00AM	9:00 AM-2:00 PM	Gary Caines	706.994.5704
June 20	Club Meeting	7:00 PM	Towns County Civic Center	Ed Jones	706.897.2306
June 24	Smallbore Rifle Silhouette	12:00 PM	8:00 AM-5:00 PM	Carol Rosenqvist	706.781.4392



**TOWNS COUNTY
VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT**
FIRE CHIEF HAROLD COPELAND

1st Annual Steel Plate Pistol Shoot

June 3, 2023

*All Proceeds Benefit
Towns County Fire Rescue*

To sponsor a team for the event or for more information, please contact:
Ed Jones at 706-897-2306 or Thad Bynum at 706 490-0523

No Entry fee but donations to be accepted for the
Towns County Fire and Rescue

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Winning Team will be
presented a Perpetual,
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**Tournament
Trophy**



Individual Trophies will
be presented to top 3
individual shooters.

**5-Member
Team
Competition**

“Timed Event”

**EYE PROTECTION IS MANDATORY
FOR BOTH COMPETITORS AND SPECTATORS
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Copy the link below to get an entry form!

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PISTOL STEEL PLATE MATCH



1 APRIL 2023
(APRIL FOOL'S DAY)

MATCH DIRECTOR – JEROME SCHREIBER

The day started with a bang. A large rainstorm moved through with heavy lighting. It moved out just before 10am so the shooting moved forward in full sun with high winds by mid-day.

A total of 15 shooters came out for the 1st Pistol Steel Plate match of the year. We started off shooting Rimfire pistols, with two stages. Rimfire distance to targets is 15 yards. Stage 1 consisted of 14 steel knock down targets with one shoot through that required the shooter to hit the target behind the square cutout of the shoot through. Stage 2 consisted of 12 steel knock down targets and the spinner challenge target. Each shooter had two 10 round magazines. Any target left standing was a 5 second penalty, and not spinning the spinner was a 5 second penalty, or 10 seconds for not shooting at the spinner. There was a 5 second penalty for hitting the shoot through target.

Centerfire also had two stages. Centerfire distance to targets is 20 yards. Stage 1 consisted of 12 steel knock down targets with one shoot through that required the shooter to hit the target behind the square cutout of the shoot through. Stage one also

contained a single knock over target that exposed a steel knock down target behind it. Stage 2 consisted of 10 steel knock down targets and the spinner challenge target. Each shooter had two 10 round magazines. Any target left standing was a 5 second penalty, and not spinning the spinner was a 5 second penalty, or 10 seconds for not shooting at the spinner. There was a 5 second penalty for hitting the shoot through target.

At the end of the day we had 5 competitors in the Pistol Carbine Cartridge (PCC) competition. For this the shooting table was set up centered between Stage 1 and Stage 2 of the target rails, with the spinner move to the center of the field. The distance to the targets was approx. 23 yards. There were 23 knock down targets and the spinner target. Each shooter had two 15 round magazines.

If you missed this match, you have time to practice and be ready for the next match scheduled for September 2nd 2023.

Thanks to all who came out for the match. Special thanks to all who help with setting up and tear down of the stages.

PISTOL STEEL PLATE MATCH RESULTS 04/01/2023							
Name	Member	Pistol Type	Class	Stage 1	Stage 2	Grand Total	Place
Mike Clare	Y	Semi-Auto	RF Stock	22.95	37.35	60.30	1
Gene Cooley	Y	Semi-Auto	RF Stock	34.98	46.98	81.96	2
Matt Brewer	Y	Semi-Auto	RF Stock	53.21	28.99	82.20	3
Audy James	Y	Semi-Auto	RF Stock	45.74	46.15	91.89	4
Robert Collins	Y	Semi-Auto	RF Stock	26.02	70.25	96.27	5
Shaun Sullivan	Y	Semi-Auto	RF Stock	38.54	63.90	102.44	6
Erlly Garner	Y	Semi-Auto	RF Stock	48.61	58.34	106.95	7
Jerome Schreiber	Y	Semi-Auto	RF Stock	60.35	66.14	126.49	8
Alan Yuen	Y	Semi-Auto	RF Stock	172.49	95.08	267.57	9
Shandale Brewer	N	Semi-Auto	RF Stock	148.90	125.76	274.66	10

Name	Member	Pistol Type	Class	Stage 1	Stage 2	Grand Total	Place
Matt Brewer	Y	Semi-Auto	RF Open	23.91	23.07	46.98	1
Mike Clare	Y	Semi-Auto	RF Open	33.99	23.03	57.02	2
Jerome Schreiber	Y	Semi-Auto	RF Open	20.86	41.79	62.65	3
John Kremiski	Y	Semi-Auto	RF Open	31.08	42.03	73.11	4
Dave Hickerson	Y	Semi-Auto	RF Open	39.50	36.26	75.76	5
Shaun Sullivan	Y	Semi-Auto	RF Open	37.54	38.31	75.85	6
Robert Collins	Y	Semi-Auto	RF Open	36.30	41.13	77.43	7
Gene Cooley	Y	Semi-Auto	RF Open	43.07	41.48	84.55	8
Roman Brewer	Y	Semi-Auto	RF Open	34.38	56.39	90.77	9
Audy James	Y	Semi-Auto	RF Open	36.77	54.08	90.85	10
Keith McMahan	Y	Semi-Auto	RF Open	40.33	57.17	97.50	11
Erlly Garner	Y	Semi-Auto	RF Open	51.92	55.87	107.79	12
Shandal Brewer	Y	Semi-Auto	RF Open	46.11	96.59	142.70	13
Alan Yuen	Y	Semi-Auto	RF Open	118.06	80.89	198.95	14

Name	Member	Pistol Type	Class	Stage 1	Stage 2	Grand Total	Place
Dave Hickerson	y	PCC		40.95	0.00	40.95	1
Mike Clare	y	PCC		48.71	0.00	48.71	2
Jerome Schreiber	y	PCC		71.08	0.00	71.08	3
Shaun Sullivan	y	PCC		76.51	0.00	76.51	4
Erlly Garner	y	PCC		76.65	0.00	76.65	5

PISTOL STEEL PLATE MATCH RESULTS 04/01/2023							
Name	Member	Pistol Type	Class	Stage 1	Stage 2	Grand Total	Place
Mike Clare	Y	Semi-Auto	CF Open	21.21	27.63	48.84	1
Dave Hickerson	Y	Semi-Auto	CF Open	35.62	34.96	70.58	2
Matt Brewer	Y	Semi-Auto	CF Open	37.76	46.82	84.58	3
Jerome Schreiber	Y	Semi-Auto	CF Open	21.79	69.65	91.44	4
Keith McMahan	Y	Semi-Auto	CF Open	57.02	55.31	112.33	5
Gene Cooley	Y	Semi-Auto	CF Open	81.27	39.80	121.07	6
Shaun Sullivan	Y	Semi-Auto	CF Open	56.90	69.55	126.45	7
John Kremiski	y	Semi-Auto	CF Open	74.02	69.76	143.78	8
Robert Collins	Y	Semi-Auto	CF Open	65.65	79.10	144.75	9
Audy James	Y	Semi-Auto	CF Open	82.89	82.13	165.02	10
Erlly Garner	Y	Semi-Auto	CF Open	104.85	122.04	226.89	11
Alan Yuen	Y	Semi-Auto	CF Open	114.80	116.07	230.87	12
Shandale Brewer	N	Semi-Auto	CF Open	128.20	130.40	258.60	13

Name	Member	Pistol Type	Class	Stage 1	Stage 2	Grand Total	Place
Dave Hickerson	Y	Semi-Auto	CF Stock	37.95	44.63	82.58	1
Jerome Schreiber	Y	Semi-Auto	CF Stock	56.71	49.16	105.87	2
Mike Clare	Y	Semi-Auto	CF Stock	40.93	66.88	107.81	3
Gene Cooley	Y	Semi-Auto	CF Stock	73.07	57.40	130.47	4
Robert Collins	Y	Semi-Auto	CF Stock	71.48	63.37	134.85	5
Audy James	Y	Semi-Auto	CF Stock	79.40	69.42	148.82	6
Erlly Garner	Y	Semi-Auto	CF Stock	111.57	123.79	235.36	7
Shaun Sullivan	Y	Semi-Auto	CF Stock	119.97	131.73	251.70	8
Dan Vera	Y	Semi-Auto	CF Stock	133.67	137.82	271.49	9
Matt Brewer	Y	Semi-Auto	CF Stock	170.72	135.01	305.73	10
Keith McMahan	Y	Semi-Auto	CF Stock	79.59	300.00	379.59	11
Keith Dropped Stage 2			CF Stock	0.00	0.00	0.00	

Name	Member	Pistol Type	Class	Stage 1	Stage 2	Grand Total	Place
Keith McMahan	Y	Revolver	RF Open	50.46	64.28	114.74	1
John Kremiski	Y	Revolver	RF Open	62.39	73.36	135.75	2
Roman Brewer	N	Revolver	RF Open	128.60	123.50	252.10	3



BOWLING PIN

8 APRIL 2023

MATCH DIRECTOR – ROBERT COLLINS



Let me start by thanking the 13 other gluttons for punishment that came out to participate in the "Monsoon" Bowling Pin Match on Saturday. It rained steadily all day long and though we were waterlogged and tired at the end there were still some smiles and laughs.

This was my second match as Director and it went better than last time but there is always room for improvement and having input from several people the next match will be run similar to today but with a couple of small changes which will be briefed before the start of the match.

The match results were as follows:

Rimfire

- 1st Place Robert Collins
- 2nd Place Joan Moody (after a grueling flip-off with Thad)
- 3rd Place Thad Bynum

Centerfire

- 1st Place Thad Bynum
- 2nd Place Barry Dean
- 3rd Place Joan Moody

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COWBOY ACTION

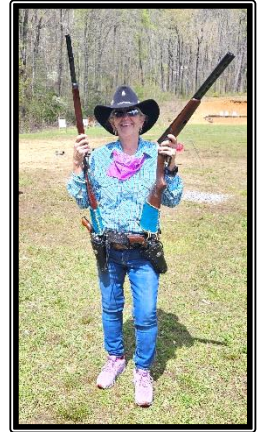
15 APRIL 2023

KEN & PEGGY SUE SAMPSON – MATCH DIRECTORS



The sun rose over the mountains on a beautiful and warm North Georgia morning. The excitement started to build around the Coral as metal was moving, shooting tables were filling up and the smell of gunpowder was anticipated. The first Cowboy Action Shooting match of the year was under way at our range with eleven Cowboys and even some Cowgirls on hand the demonstrate their skills with single action

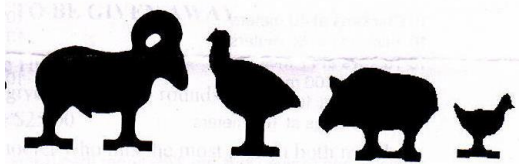
firearms. The targets were set up, the shooters were ready, and the stages were discussed. The anticipation grew as we started because of the 3 new shooters showing up to see what our sport was all about. Excitement grew further as the results were well played by all there, resulting in a large group of smiling faces by day's end. We welcome all shooters whether new or seasoned and look forward to our next match so stay tuned.



SMALLBORE RIFLE SILHOUETTE

22 APRIL 2023

CAROL ROSENQVIST – MATCH DIRECTOR



Standard Rifle Class		Hunting Rifle Class	
Match Winner + 5 chickens	Josh Warman	Match Winner	Josh Warman
1st AA	John Kremski	1st AA	John Kremski

Saturday, April 22 was the first of the Smallbore Silhouette matches to be held each month through September. We had a much smaller number of shooters at this match, but the ones that were there had a good time. The day started out chilly but sunny. We were finished

sooner than normal but it was another great day of shooting.

In the Standard match the winner was Josh Warman and 1st AA was John Kremski. In the Hunter match they left the rest of us behind and repeated their wins. The next Smallbore Silhouette match will be on May 27.

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AS SEEN AT THE 2023 CHATUGE GUN CLUB ANNUAL MEETING



Mack Mason
Union County Sheriff



Harold Copeland
Towns County Fire Chief



Cliff Bradshaw
Towns County Sole Commissioner



Bill Christy
Hayesville American Legion Air Rifle Coach



Some of Jeremy's Toys



More of Jeremy's Toys

Gun Safety Is NO Accident

DEFENSIVE PISTOL MATCH

29 APRIL 2023

MATCH DIRECTOR – RICK KLOPP

This was the second Defensive Pistol Match of the year. The weather was perfect, and we had 19 participants and conducted three stages.

Stage 1 consisted of a version of “El Presidente” where you started facing up range with three loaded magazines. Upon the beep, you turned down range and engaged three targets. This was followed by two more iterations of engagement and reloading. Fairly simple stage, only complicated by magazine changes and “boarding house rules.”

In Stage 2 you found yourself in an underground parking garage with several concrete pillars, thugs, and hostages. There was also a stop clock set at 25 yards. In this course of fire, you needed to engage the thugs and only allowed to reload behind cover, while not shooting the hostages. Josh Warman took



first place on this stage by engaging three thugs and hitting the stop clock on a single shot.

Stage 3 was the most complicated and consisted of a real estate showing in a high crime area controlled by three rival gangs. Each gang could be identified by a different color target and were scattered throughout the entire range. You began this stage behind



cover with three scarps of colored cardboard (each representing one of the gangs) turned upside down. The first two flipped over did not represent your threats, but the third one did. You then moved down range

and from three points of cover, you engaged your particular-colored threat. Various no shoots were also mixed in with the three rival gangs. This stage challenged even the best shooters given the fact that another contender was responsible for loading your magazine and you had no idea when your weapon would go empty. As in the other stages, you had to move to cover to reload.

When the scores were finally tallied, Josh Warman took first place followed by Bob Bourke in second place and Dave Oaks in third. The next Defensive Pistol Match is scheduled for 01 July 2023.

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AS SEEN AT THE 2023 CHATUGE GUN CLUB ANNUAL MEETING



Fair Crowd



Jeremy's "Holdin' Court"



Keith McMahan Wins the Henry



Dan Bond wins the Browning



What Happened to Text Justify?



Body Building Materials

When he saw the salad dressing, it made the tomato blush.



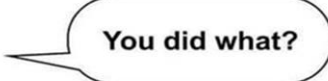
Bill Christine, Josh Warman, Laura Hahn and Scott Bosso
 Representing Chantage Gun Club at
 2023 NRA Annual Meetings in Indianapolis



Ruby Is Selling Club Fraternal Stuff



Trap Shooters at Work



REMEMBER OUR
 MILITARY AND
 OUR VETERANS.



Pretty Good Spread
 Thanks Peggy Sue & Diane

LEARNING TO LIVE WITH FIREARMS

By Ed Jones, NRA Certified Firearms Instructor & Training Counselor

The Chatuge Gun Club and the Towns County Sheriff's Department will present a course titled "*BASIC PISTOL*", a 12-hour course demonstrating fundamental handling of handguns and the legal ownership, storage, and use of firearms and information pertaining to the citizen's right of self-defense will be presented by the Chatuge Gun Club, Inc., of Hiawassee, GA. The course will be conducted on Memorial Day weekend, Saturday and Sunday, 27 & 28 May 2023.

The course is a basic handgun course enhanced by emphasis on self-defense and the law, so it is suitable for experienced, as well as novice shooters. Ignorance and carelessness are the two leading causes of firearm accidents. Our aim is to eliminate both! Safe gun handling and storage techniques are paramount and are presented as a priority throughout the course.

Firearm Safety is the focus of the presentation. Other topics visited include selection of firearms, the anatomy of a handgun and its ammunition, loading and unloading of firearms, cleaning and maintenance of firearms. We also explore methods and techniques that may be used to prevent home invasion or other occurrences which might evolve into a life-threatening situation requiring the use of deadly force.

The 8-hour classroom portion of the course will be held on Saturday beginning at 8:30 a.m. Lunch will be included on this day. In addition to the course, questions and information pertaining to the legal, ownership, possession, transportation, and the use of firearms and deadly force will be fielded by a retired Georgia Attorney.

Supervised live firing will be conducted throughout the day on the following Sunday at the Chatuge Gun Club's firing range. The single thing that makes this class unique is the fact that we can provide one-on-one coaching on the firing line.

Having attended other courses over the years, although their content is generally excellent, they are not able to provide intensive firing line assistance. For safety and a more complete learning experience, the one-on-one experience is essential. This is made possible by members of the Chatuge Gun Club who are willing to donate their time and expertise to afford a safe, entertaining, and rewarding experience.

Participants should provide a suitable handgun and 100 rounds of appropriate ammunition. A "suitable handgun" is defined as one capable of firing a minimum of five shots without reloading; it should also be capable of being fired without manual re-cocking. Single action revolvers are allowed but not recommended. High performance or magnum loads are not necessary nor are they desirable. A "target load" is adequate.

A certificate of attendance may be awarded at the completion of the course.

The course is a "must" for anyone who has a handgun for personal protection. The minimum age for participation is 16; those under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

A nominal fee of \$40 will be charged to cover the cost of classroom materials, texts, snacks, Saturday lunch, targets, etc. (Yes, it says lunch).

The instructors, coaches, instructional and law enforcement personnel contributing to this course are strictly volunteers donating their time and efforts as a public service to educate and possibly quell some of the negative images being given to firearms by the media for whatever reason.

Pre-registration is required for a class capacity of 20. For information and/or registration, call Ed Jones at (706) 897-2306 between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 8 p.m., or email: chatugememberships@brmemc.net.



The weather was windy, but these ladies had no problem having a good time.

Thanks to the coaches for all their help:

Joan, Gene, Greg, Marie, Robert, Mike, and Janet for handling the sign in.

Wanna Have a Really Good Feeling?.... Take a Kid Shooting!! Today..



A FRIENDLY MESSAGE FROM THE PREZ

OK Cinderella, midnight is here. The time has come and gone and those of you who have forgotten to pay your dues are no longer members of the Chatuge Gun Club.

According to our bylaws and procedures, to reinstate your membership in the gun club you will need to attend the range rule review again and pay the \$60 new members’ fee.

I guess over the years I’ve gotten accustomed to this oversight fairly regularly being blamed on the spouse. She/he was supposed to have sent the check in. That ship has sailed.

Sorry to be so hard-nosed but we’ve been collecting dues and letting you know that we’re collecting dues since January of this year. Four months with repeated reminders should do the job. If it hasn’t done the job, please go to the website and if you’re inclined to continue your membership fill out the required request and send it in.

Thank you for your time spent with the Chatuge Gun Club and we hope to see you back.

Regards,

Ed Jones, President, and unpaid record keeper for the Chatuge Gun Club



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