

GOLDEN TRIANGLE GUN CLUB

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Director of Safety & Training Report

*Please submit safety issues or questions to Richard Worthey
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Since the Club began the Member Range Safety Orientation program on January 1, 2020 we have trained over 1230 members along with some of their family guests. The program has been a huge success in promoting firearm safety at the Club. The number of violations has been steadily decreasing.

We conducted a Chief Range Safety Officer class and a general Range Safety Officer class in June, certifying 4 Chief RSOs and 23 new NRA Range Safety Officers. RSO's are ambassadors of the Club promoting good will, fellowship, firearm safety education, and occasional enforcement as needed.

The RSO's report a noticeable decrease in safety violations since the Member Orientation classes began. However, there are a couple of issues that we still see:

Poor safe gun handling leading to muzzles pointed in unsafe directions. Remember the Firing Line Safety Rules:

ALWAYS keep the gun pointed in a safe direction.

ALWAYS keep your finger off the trigger until ready to shoot.

ALWAYS keep the gun unloaded until ready to use.

ALWAYS keep the action open while people are downrange.

NEVER handle firearms while people are downrange.

And make sure that everyone stays behind the yellow line on every range while the line is cold and people are downrange. Following this rule is critical, providing an extra layer of protection for all members and guest ensuring that no one downrange will suffer serious injury or death!

New Member Orientation

New Member Orientation is now only held one time per month the first Tuesday of each month from 5:30 PM until 6:45 PM. Remember that members only have to attend this class once as long as you maintain continuous membership. We still have a few existing members that haven't taken the class. To register for Orientation click here: [Events](#)



Rifle Range Lights Are Up and Running Again

Reminder, flip the switch when people are going downrange, and it is a relay switch so whoever turns it on also turns it off.



On April 10th & 11th, GTGC Hosted the Spindletop Silhouette Championship, an NRA Registered Match, with attendees representing five states. The Championship consisted of two 40 shot Small Bore Standard Rifle Matches on Saturday the 10th & two 40 shot Small Bore Hunter Rifle Matches on Sunday the 11th.

Guests arrived on Friday to sight in and practice and had the opportunity to shoot a 60 round Air Rifle Match on the 25-50 Yard Range as a warm-up for the Small Bore matches over the weekend. As a side event, "Gabby" Jones ran an Air Pistol Match during the Small Bore Matches on Saturday and Sunday. This gave several of the shooters an introduction to shooting Air Pistol.

The 4H Youth Group furnished target setters, and GTGC donated to 4H as a fundraiser for their shooting program. Thanks are extended to the parents and youngsters who participated in this event. You all helped make it a success. Thanks to Charlie Shelton for his assistance with logistics, Jesse Marua, Pat Stieger, and Allen Corneau, who helped out with the door prizes, and to the Club RSOs and Staff for hosting this event.

Everyone had a good time and are looking forward to having the match again next year.



Every year juniors across the state of Texas come together, with their coaches, to practice for the National Matches. These matches are open to competitors of all ages and skill levels, meaning juniors will gain the chance to compete on the firing line at a national level next to some of the best marksmen in the world. This year TSRA High Power Juniors held their summer practice at Golden Triangle Gun Club, June 9-15. For six days, juniors were on the range at sunrise, going over various drills (each cautiously observed by coaches), practicing proper procedures and safety on the firing line. After a long and sweltering week in the sun, the juniors and coaches were tired yet hopeful that their time together has prepared them to be competitive in the National Matches held at Camp Perry in Port Clinton, Ohio.

Use the website or download the App to stay connected and show your GATE CARD

Download the **Wild Apricot Members app** and sign in with the same email address and password for your GTGC account. You must set up your account online first and then your credentials will work on the app.

This app helps you:

- Check the **Event Page** to see what Ranges may be closed.
- Register for events
- Update your member profile, including your address, phone, email, etc.
- View your membership card, click on **MY CARD**

Scan the QR Code to download OR
click on one of the buttons below:



EMERGENCY SAFETY PLAN



IN THE EVENT OF A MEDICAL EMERGENCY... CEASE FIRE IMMEDIATELY

LEADER: SECURES GUN, INITIATES SAFETY PLAN & ADDRESSES INJURED

RSOs: TAKES CONTROL OF FIRING LINE, CLEARS LINE

PARTICIPANTS: FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS & RALLY IN THE CLASSROOM


Call: 911 - Sheriff: (409) 835-8668 - Fire District #4: (409) 735-2419

SAY: THERE HAS BEEN A FIREARMS RELATED INJURY AT -



GOLDEN TRIANGLE GUN CLUB
7546 ERIE STREET, BMT, TX 77705

ALL FIREARMS HAVE BEEN SECURED & THE SCENE IS SAFE

 Notify the Directory of Safety and Training
Richard Worthey (409) 656-1689

In the event of an emergency, we have added a section in your Member Profile that we need for you to update. Please log in to your profile and update your emergency contact name & number, your

medical issues that you want us to know about and your Make, Model and License Plate for the vehicle you bring to the Club.



Want to get involved in GTGC Matches? All matches are listed on the [EVENT](#) page or on the [Match Schedule](#) page. The Match Schedule page also lists the contact information for the specific match you may be interested in.

CLUB IMPROVEMENTS

This past year has brought a lot of improvements and much-needed maintenance on the Ranges. We overhauled the LTC Range and improved the Silhouette Range by adding more shooting benches and dirt work. The 25/50, Action, Rifle, and 600-yard Ranges all have berm and dirt work. We also put in a new main entrance road, launched an RSO program, took our membership through an Orientation class, created a new website, added an online payment system and notification system via the website, email system, and the new App, found creative ways to battle the cost of lumber for our target stands, overhauled our SOP and Bylaws to make them more relevant for the system we have today, and the list keeps going. Improvements are still on the horizon and need to continue.

What is coming next?

Internal Road repairs, installing internet, raising the berms on the Silhouette Range, more dirt work on the Action Range, lane markers on the Rifle Range, new overhead metal installed on the 25/50 Range, electrical service added to the 600-yard Range as well as more dirt work, a painting maintenance plan across the Club, the addition of new pistol bays to the south of the Activities Building and additional AC in the Activities Building.

We have evaluated our Club with the improvements mentioned and made a vast comparison to your Club vs. others and found that we had greater facilities at a much lower price point. With all of the maintenance of the Club and the needed improvements, the Board unanimously elected to raise the dues on a three-year rolling plan.

Raising the Dues on a Three Year Roll Out

Phase one affects New Members only (9/1/21);
Phase two affects Individual Members (9/1/22); and
Phase Three affects Discounted Members (9/1/23).

Year 1
New Members

Stage One: Begins on September 1, 2021

New Members Increase:

Initiation Fee \$125

Individual \$150

Senior, Junior, LEO/Military \$100

Spouse: \$75

Existing Membership Dues stay the same.

Year 2
Full Pay
Members

Stage Two: Begins Renewal 2022

New Membership: Same as Stage One

Individual Increases to: \$150

Senior, Junior, LEO/Military: Remains \$75

Spouse: Remains \$50

Year 3
Discounted
Members

Stage Three: Begins Renewal 2023

New Membership: Same as Stage One

Individual: \$150

Senior, Junior, LEO/Military: Increases to \$100

Spouse: Increases to \$75