

THE GEM CITY GUN CLUB BULLET TEN



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Chris Kelly

SPRING IS COMING again and I hope that all of our membership has wintered well. I look forward to seeing all of you at the range again this year, and I hope you will enjoy the things that we are currently working to accomplish this year.

We will be having the new electrical system finished up shortly as well as hopefully, something being done for our indoor range ventilation. We are also looking at another upgrade to our long range rifle ranges. I would like to personally thank the board and our members that have been assisting in all of our projects.

Please remember the date for our gun show and pitch in to help if you are able; just getting the word out to those that don't know about it is helpful. This is one of the few fundraisers that we are currently doing. Also, we will be doing two Hunter Safety classes again this year and are always on the look out for more volunteers.

I would also ask that you look

over all the different things that our divisions will be offering this year. We have always strived to continue programs and competition for our members and I am sure you will find something that interests you. We also are pleased to have some new members working to improve our IPSC division; Matt is doing a wonderful job taking over for the retiring John Malmgren. If you see either of these two gentlemen please say, thanks to John for his years of work and thank Matt for helping it continue. If you have any other ideas be sure to come to the monthly board meeting and give us your input, or maybe even volunteer some of your spare time to help benefit your club. The board can only act on the ideas that we have or come up with so everyone's input is needed and welcomed.

Lastly let me offer you my best wishes for a safe and fun season this year, and feel free to contact me if need be.

ON TARGET

DIVERSITY

Dave Hanes

Commentary



AS I TRAVEL around to different parts of the country- and out of the country for that matter- I take every opportunity to visit local gun clubs, if for no other reason than to meet and talk to other like-minded people. But I also like to see what they have in the way of facilities and programs. It's a good way to generate new ideas and to share our successes with others. What stands out about our club is the diversity of its programs. While most clubs tend to be one-themed, ours has many: we offer

Junior Rifle, Highpower Rifle, Practical Pistol, Bullseye Pistol, Trapshooting, Hunter Safety, 3D Archery, as well as a sundry of indoor and outdoor ranges, including the police range that is used to train and qualify many local law enforcement agencies. I dare say I've never seen a club with such a diversity of programs to offer. I believe we owe this to three factors: 1) large membership base, 2) growth-oriented board members, and 3) strong volunteerism. We will be hosting a one-day gun show on 19 March to benefit our club—please support it. We certainly have something to be proud of!

BULLSEYE PISTOL



THIS WAS a challenging year for the Bullseye team, with four of our veteran shooters suffering injuries. We had another year of good turnouts with roughly 8 to 10 shooters every night. After final scores are posted, I will inform you in a future newsletter how the team did this year. If anyone is interested in joining the Bullseye pistol team next year, we start in October and shoot every Wednesday night through March. Don't hesitate in contacting me with questions.



JUNIOR RIFLE

Joe Lander

Wow! 2005 is gone, and with 2006 comes a great bunch of boys and girls alike! They are out to prove they can learn to shoot and post good scores in all positions of small bore (.22). The season is half over and we have pictures, awards, and intro to Highpower yet to come!



I owe a lot of thanks to all the parents who help and get involved in the shooting sports at this Club. They not only help with their own kids, but with the others they bring along with them. I also want to thank **Joe Paradisi** (Highpower Instructor), **Garrett Lander** (who went Distinguished last year), and **Dave Kelly** (with his wealth of knowledge from the U.S. Army)!

I need your help on Sunday, March 19th, 9 am – 4 pm. The Club will be holding a Gun Show. This show will help to financially support our Jr. Rifle and Hunter Safety Programs. If you have anything to donate in the way of money, reloading equipment, or equipment related to the shooting sports, please give me a call. Or, come on out to the Gun Show and support us that way!

Oh, by the way... you might see a mattress in lane 8 or 9 with a pillow and sheets. We hold this spot for Annie when she gets tired of shooting!

Joe Lander 725-3354

HUNTER SAFETY EDUCATION

DATES FOR the two Hunter Safety Course this year have been set as: **18, 19, 20 May** and **24, 25, 26 August**.

Class size is limited and reservations are required. Call **Gerald Rettger** at 725-5536 for more information and to make your reservation.

PRACTICAL PISTOL

Matt Dylewski

HELLO EVERYONE! Another season of Practical Shooting is under way. As most everyone knows, John has stepped down from his post. I have taken over the reigns and am trying to fill his shoes. We are shooting the 2nd and 4th Sundays January, February and March. We will then switch to the 1st Sunday from April to November. If you would like to see what we do then please stop by on Sunday and check us out or come out on the Saturday before the match and help setup.

Practical Shooting is a fun way to practice your shooting skills with a handgun and it's also a great way to spend a few hours at the range. You don't need a bunch of fancy equipment to start shooting with us. For more info or if you have a question, feel free to e-mail me or give me a call. If you would like to sign-up for a spot to shoot, then e-mail or call me to setup a squad time.

Also, I am looking for some volunteers that would be interested in helping setup a side match during the course of the year. If you are interested in helping out, drop me a line.

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GEM CITY HIGH POWER RIFLE

Joe Paradisi

Conducted by the X-Men



APRIL SHOWERS brings out the High Power Rifle Shooters. It wouldn't be any fun if the weather were always warm and dry.

As in the past the goal of the club is to attract new shooters to the sport. Every-

body is welcome to come out and watch or try your hand.

Don't think that you have to shoot fantastic scores or have the best equipment to have fun. If you don't have a rifle the club has several that are available. Also for the promotion of the sport some of the past and present rifle team have been working with the junior rifle team to help get them interested in shooting high power rifle competition.

Our season will start April 9th with our annual range maintenance the work party will begin at 9am and will end when the work is completed. Our first match of the season will be on April 16th sign in will begin at 7:30 am .The first relay will start at 8am. The second relay will begin about 10am after the completion of the first relay and the third will begin at noon.



PRPA Junior Team at Camp Perry

HIGHPOWER SCHEDULE

... 2006 dates at GCGC:

16 April	2 July	3 September
7 May	16 July	17 September
21 May	6 August	
4 June	20 August	
18 June		

Course of fire will be:

- 3 sighting shots any position in 3 minutes
- 10 shots off hand slow fire in 10 minutes
- 10 shots rapid fire from sitting or kneeling in 60 seconds
- 10 shots rapid fire prone in 70 seconds
- 20 shots slow fire prone in 20 minutes

Relays start at 8:00, 10:00 & 12:00 (if needed)

... 2006 dates at Solon:

6 May	3 June	1 July	2 Sept
3 Sept EIC Leg Match— 50 shot no sighters			

John C Garand and Springfield matches are shot in conjunction with the National Match Course

Other Matches run by the Xmen are held at the Solon Sportsman Association 600 yd range these matches are across the course matches shot at 200 yd, 300yd, and 600 yd distances. These matches will be 80 shot matches with sighters held on the dates listed here.

Results for all matches will be posted at: www.gemcitygunclub.org and www.jjgun.com

For additional highpower matches go to: www.jjgun.com www.solonsportsmen.org

For more information on the above matches please contact:

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www.jjgun.com

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Gary Whitman (814) 587-6240

TRAP SHOOTING

Don Schulze

ANOTHER TRAP SEASON is almost ready to begin. We had very good participation last year and lots of fun. There is every expectation that we will continue to grow.

We will be shooting beginning **MONDAY, MAY 01**, and every Monday night through the summer from 5:30 PM until dusk. The cost to shoot is \$2.50 for members and \$3.00 for nonmembers per round of 25 birds.

You must supply your own shells.

This is a great chance for young and old alike to practice their shooting skills or, even better, helping a first-timer to get started. We have light 20 gauge shotguns available for use by youngsters.

This is a perfect opportunity to learn to shoot in a safe, fun environment.

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GUN SHOW

GCGC TO HOST FIRST GUN SHOW

ON SUNDAY, 19 MARCH, we will host our first official Gun Show to benefit our Smallbore and Highpower Junior Rifle Teams. The cost of admission is \$2.00. Members of the Junior Rifle Team will provide food service.

Fees for space rental are as follows:

- \$10.00 - inside for an 8' table, if you bring your own
- \$15.00 - inside for an 8' table, if provided by the club
- \$ 6.00 - outside on your tailgate

To make this show a success, and assure the success of future shows, we have done a considerable amount of work canvassing local gun dealers and other FFL holders. We expect a good vendor turnout.

The other half of the equation is **you**. Please make your best effort to come out and **support your club and its programs**. And tell your buddies. We picked a date that has minimal conflict with other events.

We will also accept donations at the Club — reloading equipment, powder, bullets, archery equipment, or anything to do with the shooting sports — these items will be placed for sale on the Junior Rifle Team table to help their cause.

For more information or questions, please contact **Ben Jendruczak** at 725-5825 or **Joe Lander** at 725-3354.

3D ARCHERY

Dirk Madison

THE LOG CABIN ARCHERS 3D Archery competition begins Sunday 9 April and will be held the second Sunday of each month through September.

Dirk Madison 866-3411