August 2021 HANGFIRE













RED LIGHT MEANS RANGE IS COLD!

DO NOT TOUCH FIREARMS OR BRING ANYTHING FROM YOUR VEHICLES IF LIGHTS ARE ON!

We still have some confusion from some members!



Renewal Time!

Beginning Late August
Watch your Email for more information!
Online Registration
Pick up your badge at a club meeting or work day!
In-Person Renewals for Members without Computer Access

Sunday, September 12, 2021, at 1:00 p.m. & Saturday, October 9, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. Bring your test with you to the renewal. Test will be in the September Hangfire!

Congratulations Winner of 2021-2 Eugene "Gene" Adkisson Scholarship,

Gage Askew

Read Gage's Essay on Page 9.

Reception at August Gun Club Meeting

Presentation of NRA Marksmanship Expert Trap Award to Logan Williams.

UPDATE YOUR NRA MEMBERSHIP THROUGH TCGC!



SIGN-UP AVAILABLE AT THE GUN CLUB MEETING! or Discount through www.tcgc.us





CENTRAL OKLAHOMA FRIENDS OF NRA!



Saturday, August 14, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.
Still need Sponsors and Attendees!
See Jamie or Ron Milligan for Banquet Tickets!
www.friendsofnra.org/OK

Board Meeting August 19, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

Tri-City Gun Club Stat House
Let Us know if you plan on attending. scheduler@tcgc.us

<u>August|September Schedule</u>

Event details can be found at www.tcgc.us . If you have any questions or would like to schedule an event, please contact Tara Nelson at scheduler@tcgc.us or call/text 405-664-6549

Range Hours	of Operation	6a – 11p Daily			
Workdays					
Range Work	Aug 21	7a-11a	All Ranges		
Range Work Friday Night	Sep 17	4p-8p	All Ranges		

Monthly Shoots	Date	Time	Range
Adult Air Rifle	Aug 7/Sep 4	9a-12p	Short Rifle Range
Practical Pistol Match	Aug 7/Sep 5	8a-2p	Long Range
Bright Lights Monday NIghtsTrap	Every Monday	6p-10p	Trap 1 or 2
Military Bolt Action Bench Rest**	Aug 14/Sep 25	8a-2p	Long Range
Military Pistol/Revolver/22	Aug 22/Sep 26	8a-1p	Short Rifle Range
Match**			
Youth Shooting	2 nd /4 th Thursday	6p-8p	Shotgun, Short Rifle,
			Archery
Oklahoma Clay Target Team	Every Sunday &	Varies	Shotgun Ranges
(OU Shotgunners)	Tuesday		
McClain County 4H	Every Wednesday	5p-7p	Shotgun Ranges

Special Events		
5-Stand	TBA	Call to schedule an event or see calendar
YHEC	Aug 7	Cancelled
Hunter Ed Clinic	Sep 18	Partial Range Closures

Meetings	Date	Time	Location
General Membership	Aug 6/Sep 3	7p	Pavilion
Meeting			
Board Meeting	Aug 19/Sep 16	630p	Stat House
In Person Membership	Sep 12	1p	Pavilion/Stat House
Renewal (Limited			
Attendance)			
Finance Meeting	Sep 21	7p	Stat House

^{*}All TCGC matches are scheduled as usual as per their directors. We have a closed gate policy at this time. All match directors are responsible for non-member match attendees. This includes all members hosting a guest(s).

Note about Renewal

Renewal Time is Closing In

Just a note to remind everyone that renewals are just around the corner. We will continue the online process with a few improvements. We have made improvements to the backend of the website resulting in more automation. The online orientation quiz has been moved to an entirely new platform. It has been proven to be very successful during the January and June new member sign-ups. There will be 2 inperson renewals for members without

computer access. If you receive a digital Hangfire you will need to renew online. If you are seeking a discount for renewal, work hours must be completed prior to renewing online. With 365 days in the year, there is well over 300 opportunities to complete 8 hours of work. A lack of preparation on your part does not constitute an emergency on our part. Badges will be available for pickup at the range when renewal is completed.

TCGC Board board@tcgc.us

President's Report

Hello Club Members, those of you that want to take advantage of getting the eighty-dollar work credit for the upcoming year will have to complete your work before the end of the renewal session on October 31/2021.

Every so often we all need to be reminded of the fact that all of us go to our club to have an enjoyable time shooting. When we are at the club, it is just that, a club with members working together in a cooperative way to be instructing, shooting, or just enjoying your club. Club Members must talk to each other and work together when they are in the shooting areas.

Polling Question: If you would like to have a scheduled Saturday all day five stand shoot once a month along with a Tuesday afternoon once a month, send me an e-mail and we will see if enough members request this?

Thank you to all the club members and especially those that give their personal time helping to make Tri-City Gun Club work.

Mark Ericksen pres@tcqc.us

Vice President's Report

Excited to Announce Logan Williams achieved Expert Trap in the NRA Marksmanship Program. We will be awarding his certificate at the next club meeting.

NRA Marksmanship Program Information and

classes: https://mqp.nra.org

Have you been through the NRA Shotgun, Rifle or Pistol Program? Are you interested? The NRA Marksmanship program is available for everyone! Most levels of the course are selfmonitored. Let me know what levels you have achieved, and we will have a reward ceremony in December!

We have many instructors in the gun club. Just need to know who is interested. The cost for the class is @ \$70.00. Currently, one of our members, Scott Stehno has a class on July 31st. Sign up is through the NRA website.

Jamie Schmidt vp@tcgc.us 405-620-69777

Secretary Notes

Another reminder! Renewal time is upon us. Watch your email closely. Renewal instructions will be going out in late August.

David Barbee secretary@tcgc.us

Safety Report

Greetings Tri City Gun Club Members,

Red "Cold" Range Lights: When the Red Lights are on, the Range is Cold. You are not allowed at the shooting bench, and you are not allowed to handle firearms. The Red "Cold" lights have been on the range for the last several years and yet last month I received two complaints about members not understanding what they mean. One was a new member, and the others were tenured members. This is unacceptable and a major safety violation. It has been a test question on the last renewal exam and has been addressed many times in the Hangfire. All members must adhere to this policy and enforce it if needed.

Chief Range Safety Officer: I will be stepping down as the Chief Range Safety Officer (CRSO) at the end of my current term, December 31st, 2021. If you are interested in running for the CRSO position in the November election, you can review the position requirements in the TCGC By-Laws. I would also be happy to visit with you about the position as defined in the by-laws and the many other things I do.

Upcoming Events:

- Youth Hunter Education Challenge (YHEC), August 7th. We still need volunteers to support 22 rifle, shotgun and muzzle loader events. We also need members to help prepare the range on Friday evening for the event. If you are interested, please let me know or self-register in the Events calendar.
- Oklahoma Hunter Education Clinic, September 18th is available for selfregistration, we need hunters who are interested in teaching their craft, 22 rifle shooting coaches, RSOs and general help.
- Oklahoma Wildlife Expo at the Lazy E Arena, September 24th to 26th, supporting the ODWC's Shotgun Training and Education Program. We need someone to take the lead on this event to coordinate

volunteers if you are interested give me call or send me a note. We are asked to provide at least 10 members per day to support this event, lunch and snacks are provided. You can sign up for ½ day (AM or PM session), or all day. If you are interested in taking the lead on this event TCGC will reimburse you for a hotel room in Guthrie as well cover your meals.

Boy Scout Camp and Shoot, October 2nd.
We are looking for Archery, 22 Rifle, Muzzle
Loader and Shotgun Coaches, RSOs and
general help. We have work for everyone. It
is available in the Events Calendar for selfregistration of if you would like to give me a
call.

These events are an excellent opportunity to complete 2021 Workhours. Again, if you are interested, they are available for self-registration in the Events Calendar on the TCGC website.

If you have any questions, please give me a call or send me a note.

Be safe and shoot straight, make sure your bullets impact the lower 2/3rds of the Backstop.

Ken Anderson CRSO@tcgc.us 405 249-9804

Maintenance Report





Range Maintenance Workday Project Success!!!

15+ members rolled in before 7am ready to work on July work day. The grounds keeping, housekeeping, and paint crew started off in high gear. The long range was taken over by a determined group of painters. Goal: Get it done. Result: Got it done. Long Range poles have been painted!! Great team work guys! We also upgraded the line feeders on the string trimmers to make loading take 1 min as opposed to 30. I highly recommend the Echo SpeedFeed 400. We

wrapped up the work day shortly after 11am and were able to find some cold air and enjoy pizza for a well deserved lunch.

The next workday is Saturday, Aug 21 from 7am-11am. Things we would like to complete are:

- Basic range cleanup. Trash, restrooms, stat house, weed eating...
- Target building
- Treat the wood fencing around pavilion
- Removal of old archery range
- Paint second coat on youth/clays conex roofs
- Prep maintenance conex for paint

Let's get those work hours in before renewals. Time is running out. Do not rely solely on events to get hours.

A big thanks to all members that make TCGC awesome!!

Calling all Lumberjacks!! We will be sending out request for tree cutting and removal to prepare for OEC main line install for sporting clays. The weekly rains and water levels have delayed this project. We can set up special workdays for this project with no range closures. I would like to have a crew of chainsaws work with heavy equipment for removal.

Pavilion Misting System

If you are planning an event in the pavilion, call/text me to get instruction on the misting system. We have made all repairs needed. With the addition of the two fans, it makes for a nice cool place to relax and enjoy an ice cream sandwich.



NOTICE on Target Placement & Cost of Materials Pistol & Short Rifle Range

One Target Centered Never attach paper targets over or near the wooden sides of the target stands. One Target Centered. The rising cost of materials to build these stands (\$20+

per stand not incl. labor) is going to be an issue as the shooters continue to shoot and destroy the frames of the targets we supply. I have had several reports and have witnessed shooters putting multiple targets on one frame.

**Clay targets are NEVER to be taken from the skeet/trap/5-stand houses or machines to be used

on any other range. TCGC does not sell clay targets, bring your own clay targets for hand throwers & rifle/pistol ranges.

Please register at www.tcgc.us Or call/text 405-664-6549 or 405-820-4707

Randy Grotts 405-820-4707 Tara Nelson 405-664-6549 maintenance@tcgc.us

<u>Claybreakers</u>



Please clean the houses when you have finished shooting.

BREAK DOWN ALL BOXES & PUT IN BLUE DUMPSTER!!

Clay Targets are like eggs! Handle them carefully. Make sure they are properly stacked in machines.

For more info contact Tara Nelson at For more info contact Tara Nelson at (405)664-6549 text or leave message

General Meeting Minutes – July 2, 2021

- 1. Meeting called to order 7:04 p.m. by President Ericksen immediately followed by a dedication of the new flagpole and raising of the colors and Pledge of Allegiance. It was noted that the flag can remain flying 24/7 as it is illuminated at night.
- 2. VP Schmidt and Scott Stehno were available for NRA renewals for anyone who need to do so.
- 3. Simm Rudnick motioned to accept the minutes from the previous general membership vote taken in the affirmative.
- 4. Member at Large had a nothing report.
- 5. VP Schmidt noted that the Cleveland County Friends of the NRA Banquet although smaller than previous years due to the recent pandemic was still successful and brought in more than \$14000. She also noted that the Pottowatomie County Friends Banquet is upcoming in Shawnee and tickets can be purchased either from her or online. She also commented that youth shooting was going along nicely with good participation in both shotgun and archery and that there is interest in .22 which will be starting again shortly.
- 6. VP Schmidt auctioned off a Mossberg 6.5 Creedmoor rifle acquired from the Cleveland County Friends. Ken Anderson was the successful bidder. She commented that other firearms were acquired and may be auctioned in the future. Lastly, she mentioned she is assisting people getting paperwork ready for the purchase of a CMP M1 Garand are again available. CMP qualifications and limits for purchase are listed on their website https://thecmp.org.
- 7. CRSO Anderson commented that the price of chamber flags has increased slightly. He also discussed the change in rules that now require firearms to be cased until they are at the ready line or other designated safe area. He also commented that if you see something that is not right say something and pointed out that an observant member was able to thwart a robbery of copper wire from the club. Ken also stated that if you need to call 911 at the club to give him a courtesy call to let him know what the situation is.
- 8. Ken commented on the upcoming YHEC, Hunters Education Class and the Scout camp and shoot. Volunteers are needed for all of the events so if you are interested, please contact him. Also, we need a new Wildlife Expo representative. That person coordinates volunteers to help run the shotgun venue at the Expo. The club pays for hotel room in Guthrie, so the rep does not need to make the daily drive while the expo is in session.
- 9. Ken will be retiring as CRSO at the end of his term in December.

- 10. Scheduler Nelson had no report. It was noted that there are some occasional issues with the skeet range thrower control buttons. It this occurs please let Lee know so corrective action can be taken. Stomping on the control into the mud is not an appropriate fix.
- 11. Meeting was adjourned at 7:41 p.m. and was followed by a drawing for gift cards and a carwash. Numbers were impartially drawn by Riker Rudnick.

Report submitted by Simm Rudnick, acting recorder

Executive Meeting Minutes – July 15, 2021

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.
- 2. The previous meeting minutes were approved.
- 3. We have had good youth turnout.
- 4. We have Charmin TP again.
- 5. Antibacterial hand soap dispensers have been installed.
- 6. We will paint and weed eat during the next workday.
- 7. Security system maintenance and longevity was briefly discussed.
- 8. Facility access systems were discussed.
- 9. The speed limit and blocking the gate was discussed. Members are discouraged from blocking the gate.
- 10. MBAR would like to lock the gate open during their matches. There are no objections to this.
- 11. There was discussion regarding the red light meaning cold. More signage was discussed.
- 12. A professional day for the Central Oklahoma FFA Teachers was discussed. Members of the group are club members. The group will get club pricing.
- 13. Some additional members will be added to the range improvement committee.
- 14. The block wall was completed and looks good.
- 15. We need to follow up on the lead remediation certificate.
- 16. Tall targets were discussed for use on the short range and the pistol range.
- 17. Work hours are going to be available during events. Work hours need to be completed before the member renews in order to receive the discount. We are exploring making the payment the last step of the renewal process.
- 18. Renewals and specifically life member renewals were discussed. Potential dates were identified.
- 19. YHEC is staffed. We may need a few additional members for .22 and muzzle loaders. Shooting expectations were discussed. We don't know how many shooters we will have.
- 20. Preliminary budget will be prepared next month. A serious evaluation of the maintenance budget needs to be completed. We will be moving our banking to Midfirst, Arvest, or another institution, as we have problems with Chase's corporate entity.
- 21. Member feedback has been fairly quiet. Members appear to be pretty happy.
- 22. We had 18 people opt for a half year new membership. There were no complaints and no problems. We would like to open the application window a little longer.
- 23. A proposed electronic renewal workflow was described and discussed. We will revisit the club's data retention policy to better conform to the club's use case for data in Wild Apricot.
- 24. Club dues were discussed. We need to communicate this with the membership. Rates increase approximately \$5 per year, but actual increases are implemented every 4-5 years as needed. An increase in work hour discounts to match the increase in dues was proposed. A reward system, such as a special raffle, to incentivize participation and extra work was proposed and discussed but was tabled for later review.
- 25. The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

MBABR Tri-City Gun Club Score Sheet												
Rank	Last name	First Name	Rifle	Score 1	x	Score 2	х	Score 3	x	Total	X's	Aggregate
1	Lawson	Tony	03a3		5	100	3	100	6	300	14	300-14
2	Lawson	Tony	03a 3		4	98	4	98	4	296	12	296-12
3	Vannoy	Steve	M96	97	2	98	2	100	5	295	9	295-9
4	Anderson	Jeff	03a 3		2	96	1	100	3	295	6	295-6
5	Maynard	Frank	M96	98	3	98	2	97	1	293	6	293-6
6	Ott	Paul	0 3 a3		3	97	3	95	1	289	7	289-7
7	Edwards	Victor	K11	93	1	97	1	99	2	289	4	289-4
8	Goltry	Travis	No4 Mk1	95	1	95	3	97	5	287	9	287-9
9	Dyer	Steve	M39	96	3	95	1	95	1	286	5	286-5
10	Goodnight	Gerald	0 3a 3		2	96	4	94	2	283	8	283-8
11	Barnett	Lee	K96-11	91	0	95	3	92	1	278	4	278-4
12	Towery	Gale	M39	93	1	90	0	93	2	276	3	276-3
13	Maynard	Ben	FR 8	87	0	86		89	0	262	0	262-0
14	Mulqueen	Patrick	M39	85	0	83	0	93	3	261	3	261-3
15	Suski	Eric	03 a3		1	89	1	75	1	251	3	251-3

Rank	Last name	First Name	Rifle	Group 1	Group 2	Smallest Group
1	Lawson	Tony	03a3	1.840	1.260	1.260
2	Lawson	Tony	03a3	1.410	1.880	1.410
3	Anderson	Jeff	03a3	2.850	1.740	1.740
4	Goodnight	Gerald	03a3	1.960	2.080	1.960
5	Maynard	Frank	M96	2.540	2.090	2.090
6	Goltry	Travis	No 4 Mk 1	3.000	2.180	2.180
7	Vannoy	Steve	M96	4.13	2.27	2.270
8	Towery	Gale	M39	4.260	2.430	2.430
9	Dyer	Steve	M39	3.000	3.470	3.000
10	Edwards	Victor	K 11	3.150	4.310	3.150
11	Suski	Eric	03a3	3.320	5.450	3.320
12	Mulqueen	Patrick	M39	4.350	5.980	4.350
13	Ott	Paul	03a3	5.120	4.460	4.460
14	Barnett	Lee	K96-11	4.670	5.380	4.670
15	Maynard	Ben	FR 8	6.000	6.000	6.000



L. Wayne Edgar

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For Sale

Used brass for sale at the Stat House. \$1.00/lb for members!

Rest In Peace Friend

2010-2021

A sad farewell to the TCGC entry road greeter 'Monaco Chex' He will be missed by all. Especially, his twin pony. He was a gentle giant that loved a good scratchin between them horns.



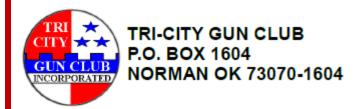
Gage Askew

The National Rifle Association(NRA) was formed in 1871 to help troops with their marksman skills. The association promoted rifle shooting and the basics of shooting. They started an annual shooting competition in New York. In 1892 they were forced to move the shooting range.

They moved to New Jersey and started working with the youth and started a youth competition in 1903. The NRA is an organization that helps people become better shooters and gets the community involved with firearms. They have grown over the years to the largest firearm organization in the United States. They have many programs to help children learn about firearms and what to do when they see one. They focus on safe when dealing with firearms, and when they are teaching children, they make sure all safety protocols are followed.

The NRA supports the Second Amendment by sticking up for the people who believe in the Second Amendment. The NRA is the voice of the people. They are a very well-known organization and very respected, so it is a big deal when they go against something. The NRA is the first line of defense to help stop many bills and draws attention to all the negative things that would happen if bills would pass.

The NRA spent 2 million dollars to help change people's thoughts about the bills trying to be passed last month in congress. They spent the money on advertisements to show people why the bills are wrong and would not help the situation. They work tirelessly to help we the people for our second amendment safety from strict laws and expensive fees.



SPEED LIMIT 10 MPH!!!!!

Deadline October 21 for Officer Nominations.

We have a Volunteer for CRSO and Treasurer. President and Member at Large have agreed to continue. If you are interested in running for office, please let us know. board@tcgc.us
Will run articles in November Hangfire edition and meet nominees at the November Club Meeting. If anyone is available to help us keep the website up to date. The Board is looking for an historian and a webmaster as well. Would love to have some interviews from some long-time members!

RENEWALS COMING UP!

We would like to see your smiling faces! Online Quiz and badges picked up at Club Meetings and Workdays!

Deadline for payment and quiz is October 31, 2021.

Deadline for finishing work hours is October 31, 2021.

No dirt bikes on the berm, it's dangerous!!
There are rocks, debris, and items that can grab tires and slash them!

2021 Dues	Renew Online	\sim		
Associate Member Dues	\$200		<u> </u> В	uying Bullets?
Regular Member Dues	\$180		N	Iissouri Bullet
Spouse Members	\$25		L	Discount Available to Club Members
Life and Youth Members	Free		국 C	Code: tricitygunclub-gc
Save \$80 if you complete 8 w	vork hours			
BEFORE renewing!!				

Range Closed from 11 pm. to 6 am. daily.