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**DECEMBER 2022**

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Holidays*

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

### SIGNIFICANT DONATION

I would especially like to thank past President & Board of Trustees of our club Mike Loscalzo for his generous donation to the club. Upon speaking to Mike recently, he mentioned how much the club has meant to him. Mike is one of the original founders of our club and I would also like to add without Mike being one of the four families signing for our property, we would have not have been able to purchase our range. Mike is also our resident expert on red cockaded woodpeckers which are an endangered species in Florida. There never were any of these birds in our area but this is where the state thought they would like to live. Oddly enough, this bird in Texas is picking on a bush that is an endangered plant now. Mike helped tremendously during our extended period of 4+ years of zoning.

### RANGE OFFICERS

We are looking for volunteer RO's for our Open Range. Requirements for the position are be a club member for a minimum of one year, be a certified NRA RO or willing to take our NRA range officer class, and available to be trained on the range plus work a flexible schedule occasionally. Please call Dave Gelbogis at 352-795-5479 or Randie Rickert at 352-799-3605 for more details and an interview.

### HAPPY HOLIDAYS

The Executive Board would like to wish all of the members and visitors a wonderful Holiday Season now that a little cooler weather has arrived.

Hope to see you at the range. Come out and enjoy your club.

Randie Rickert, President

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Deadline For Ad or Information Is The 10th Each Month			

## 2022 - 2023 TRIATHLON COMPETITION

### TRAP SHOOT

December 30, 2022, Sign up by December 23, 2022

Contact John Chase 352-585-5082

Shoot starts at 9:00AM

2 Rounds of Trap = 2 trap tickets (50 shots)

1 Round of Johnny Bass Special = 1 Trap Ticket (25 shots)

Lunch to follow at Club House - \$14.00

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### SKEET SHOOT

January 20, 2023, Sign up by January 13, 2023

Contact John Chase 352-585-5082

Shoot starts at 9:00AM

2 Rounds of Skeet = 2 skeet tickets (50 shots)

Lunch to follow at Club House - \$14.00

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### 5 STAND SHOOT

February 17, 2023, Sign up by February 10, 2023

Contact John Chase 352-585-5082

Shoot starts at 9:00AM

2 Rounds of 5 Stand = 2 5 stand tickets (60 shots)

Lunch to follow at Club House - \$14.00

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### TRIATHLON

March 17, 2023, Sign up by March 10, 2023

Contact John Chase 352-585-5082

Shoot starts at 9:00AM

1 Round of Skeet = 1 skeet ticket (25 shots)

1 Round of Trap = 1 trap ticket (25 shots)

2 Rounds of 5 Stand = 2 5 stand tickets (60 shots)

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

The Hernando Sportsman's Club would like to welcome the following new members:

Dale & Angela Thompson

Marcus & Caroline Iavaroni

Bernard & Tammy Boling

Dan & Leslie Walczak

John & Wendy Young

### CCW CLASS...LEARN TO SHOOT

The CCW Firearms Safety & Shooting class will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 7 and Saturday, Dec. 17. Classes are held in the big clubhouse and begin at 9 a.m. until approximately 2 p.m. The course fee is \$60. **PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.** Call the clubhouse at 352-597-9931 to register and for further information. Completion of the class also provides required documentation to apply for a concealed carry permit.

See Page 17 for more NRA upcoming classes.

### HUNTERS ED

The 2023 class dates are listed below. To register, call Lakeland FWC at 863-648-3200. All classes begin at 8 a.m. in the big clubhouse.

Feb. 11 & 12 Trad.

Mar. 11 Online Trad.

Apr. 29 & 30 Trad.

June 10 Online Trad.

June 11 Online Archery

July 29 & 30 Trad Archery

Aug. 26 Online Trad

Sept. 9 Online Trad

Sept. 10 Online Archery

Oct. 7 & 8 Trad.

### LAW ENFORCEMENT

The following schedules are set aside for law enforcement training:

Largo PD

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December 9 & 30

### 4-H 22 RIFLE & SHOTGUN

The 4-H meetings will be held on Sunday Dec. 4 and 18 on the 50 yd range. For information about the 4-H program or registering for 4-H, contact leader Jim Prack at 727-900-6501.

**COWBOY ACTION MATCH  
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6  
REGISTRATION 8 AM - MATCH STARTS 9 AM  
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MATCH FEE \$10.00-MEMBERS \$15-NON-MEMBERS  
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TO THE SUNDAY MATCH. CONTACT  
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**22 JUNIOR MARKSMAN DECEMBER 3RD**

This program will consist of shooting the NRA American Rifleman Qualification course. Shooters will work toward rankings from marksman to expert. Any .22 rifle may be used with approximately 80 rounds of ammo. Eye and ear protection will be mandatory. A mat to shoot on is optional but recommended. Adult coaches (parent or guardian) are mandatory for each shooter. The program is open to ages 10- 18 years. Match runs from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., fee is \$5.00 per shooter.

Our children are the future of shooting sports, so come and share your experience with them. A limited number of club rifles are available for use on a first come, first serve basis. Please contact Jerry Miller after 5 p.m. at 352-400-4258 if you need to use a club rifle or have any questions. October 1 results are:

	MATCH 1	MATCH 2	AWARD
Joey DiCicco	129 Standing		
Gina DiCicco	298 Kneeling		
Sarah McLaughlin	128 Standing	148 Standing	First Class
Ana Roberts	201 Prone		

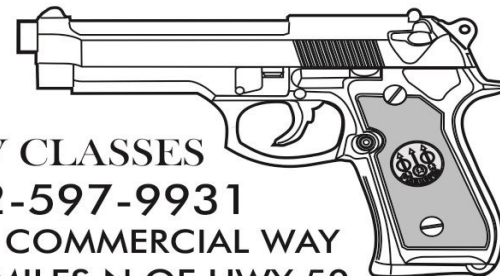
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**NRA BASIC SHOTGUN COURSE—DEC. 10**

This course includes classroom and range time learning how to shoot shotguns at moving targets. You will learn NRA rules for safe gun, shotgun components, malfunctions, shooting at straight away and angled targets. You will receive a basic shotgun shooting handbook, take a written exam and learn how to shoot at moving targets with an NRA certified instructor and upon completion you will receive a course completion certificate. The price of this course is \$100, and a 50% non-refundable deposit is required. So, grab your shotgun and 3 boxes of shells and come out and have some fun. Any questions please call Mary Lou Morin at 727-313-7649

To sign up for the Basic Shotgun course go to the NRA Training web site <https://firearmtraining.nra.org/student-courses/> and select Shotgun Courses and select "Find Near You. This opens the Course Listing page where you will select the Basics of Shotgun Shooting-Instructor Led and scroll to the bottom of the page to enter details that refine the search criteria to generate a list of available courses. After selecting the Brooksville, December 10 course, you will enter your information in the registration fields. The course Instructor will contact you shortly thereafter.

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## 22 RIFLE & PISTOL MATH- SAT., DEC. 24

Hernando 22 Rifle & Pistol Match—4 stages will be shot with pistol first then long gun for a total of 30 runs. Rimfire Division—pick either iron sights or optics for your class. PCC will be allowed for this match in the Freestyle Division only. Ammo minimum 250+ is suggested. \$10 for members and \$15 for non-members. Match check in is open at 8:00 am and closes at 8:45 am sharp. Safety briefing at 9:00 am which is mandatory for match participation. Contact John Hill at 585-410-4183 with questions.

RENEW YOUR NRA DUES THROUGH THE CLUB OR JOIN THE NRA THROUGH THE CLUB AND THE CLUB WILL RECEIVE \$6.00! JUST SEE ONE OF OUR CLUBHOUSE STAFF....AN EASY WAY TO EARN SOME MONEY FOR YOUR CLUB!

## 200 METER OPEN DAY SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24

THE 200 METER RANGE WILL BE OPEN FOR GENERAL SHOOTING ON SATURDAY, DEC. 24 FROM 9AM—3PM. COST FOR MEMBERS IS \$4 AND NON-MEMBERS IS \$18.00.

## REMEMBER 2023 CHANGES TO THE 3RD SATURDAY EACH MONTH

### GUN SHOW DRAWING WINNERS

1 <sup>st</sup> Prize	M. Rivera	SAR USA 9mm Semi-Auto Pistol
2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize	Jennifer Schedivy	\$50 Publix Gift Card
3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize	Randy Martino	\$25 Chili's Gift Card

Thanks to all who purchased drawing tickets. We appreciate your support!

## HERNANDO STEEL MATCH SATURDAY, DEC 3 & FRIDAY, DEC. 16

Bob Farr, Match Director 352-238-6952

Hernando Sportsman's Club is now an official affiliated Steel Challenge Club! Our club # is SCSA247. Our monthly matches consist of a minimum of 4 classifier stages. This allows a shooter to become classified by shooting just one of our regular monthly matches.

Steel Challenge consists of 8 nationally recognized stages. Each stage has a 5-target array of steel plates that are engaged by each shooter for five consecutive timed runs. The best 4 out of 5 Times runs of each stage are totaled for the shooter's score. The lowest overall time in each class wins.

Competition schedule: Match day registration begins at 8:15 am. Safety Briefing at 9:00. Shooters must attend the Safety Briefing to be eligible to shoot. Entry fee is \$11 for club members and \$16 for nonmembers for one gun only. Pre-signup is highly recommended and can be done [www.matchsignup.org](http://www.matchsignup.org).

Classes include Centerfire handguns, Rimfire handguns & Rifles and PPC (pistol caliber carbines).

Shooting the match: Rimfire handguns & rifles and Pistol Caliber Carbines begin from the low ready position. Centerfire handguns will be drawn from an approved outside the belt holster. Bring at least 200 rounds of ammo for the match.

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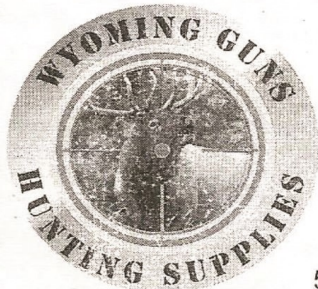
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### MODIFIED F CLASS, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2022

This match is shot from prone or bench using three MR31 targets at 200 yards. Up to 5 sighter shots and 20 shots for score in 25 minutes. Center fire rifle with bore no larger than .35 caliber is allowed. This is not an NRA sanctioned match. Match fees \$10 for members and \$15 for non-members. Contact Rich Budzynski at 716-713-2795 for more information.



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### 2023 200 Yd NRA High-power Rifle Match Jan 28, Mar 25, May 27, Sept 23, Nov 25

The Match is open to all. Current NRA rules will govern. Entry Fee is \$20 for members and \$25 for non-members, \$15 for juniors. All matches to be fired at 200 yards at 2-stage targets with outriggers for sighters.

#### Course of Fire:

- Match 1: 200 yards standing, 2 sighting shots in a time limit of 2 minutes and 20 shots for record in 10 minutes.
- Match 2: 200 yards sitting, 2 sighting shots in a time limit of 2 and 20 shots with a magazine change in 60 seconds (2 stings of 10 shots each).
- Match 3: 200 yards prone, 2 sighting shots in a time limit of 2 and 20 shots with a magazine change in 70 seconds (2 stings of 10 shots each).
- Match 4: 200 yards prone, 2 sighting shots in a time limit of 2 and 20 shots for record in 20 minutes.
- Match 5: Aggregate of matches 1, 2, 3 & 4.

Any service rifle or commercial equivalent or match rifle with iron sights or approved optics and a minimum of 5-round capacity. Rapid reloading capability is needed.

Registration is at 9:00 AM. Shooter's meeting at 9:15 AM and firing begins at 9:30 AM. Contact Match Director Roy Burmeister at (248) 672-2113 for any questions.

### THANK YOU, GUN SHOW VOLUNTEERS

Without our volunteers we would be in trouble at our gun shows, machine gun shoots and all the other events, matches, etc. we do at our range! Thank you all for your continued wonderful support of our club. We appreciate your hard work at our October Gun Show:

Rick & Mary-Lou Morin  
Jane Vargas  
Val Rickert  
Harry Wood  
Frank Zimmer  
Andy Maluke

Bob Bacon  
Holly Ingraham  
Art Phillips  
Wayne Sessa  
Jim Echlin

Diane & Randie Rickert  
Saul Askin  
Irwin & Diana Rappon  
Dan & Judy Wing  
Joe Payne

AND....

Many thanks to our great 4-H Club for helping with parking over the weekend and to the Civil Air Patrol unit for helping with clean up after the show. You all deserve more than a round of applause!

Jim Prack  
Michael Pratt  
Josiah Hendry  
Eric Hoyer

James Rodriquez  
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Benjamin Hendry  
Edison Hill

Mike Rodriquez  
Theo Shepherd  
Tara Hendry

**BIG BORE PISTOL & .22 LR RIFLE SILHOUETTE  
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18, 9AM**

**MATCH FEE - \$10.00 MEMBERS- \$15 NON-MEMBERS**

*Some folks need to see more than holes in paper to get a sense of accomplishment that comes with a well-placed shot. That's where the sport of silhouette shooting comes in. Shooting at targets that fall and return a sound from the hit may be just the ticket! Targets are steel silhouettes of chickens, pigs, turkeys and rams set out at various distances. Along with big bore handgun, we have a separate class for .22 rim fire rifles and a class for "cowboy" rifles. Guns allowed are:*

*Any .22LR rifle or pistol*

*Any center fire caliber pistol*

*Pistol caliber rifles*

*Any center fire rifle shooting cast lead bullets*

*First time shooters must attend the 9:15 a.m. safety briefing to compete. Neil Wallask, Match Director 352-344-8836*

**PRECISION PISTOL**

The club is currently canvassing for a qualified Range Officer to assume the duties of Match Director for our monthly Precision Pistol competition. During this interim period, the club will host a 900 point 90 round non-NRA sanctioned Precision Pistol competition. The entire event will be fired at 25 yards utilizing the B-16 and B-8 targets. A twenty-two (.22) caliber handgun is recommended, but any pistol approved by the RO in charge will be allowed.

The match will be held on the fourth Sunday of the month. This event will afford shooters an introduction to our sport and encourage more former participants to return. A \$10 range fee will be collected for members and \$15.00 for non-members. For additional information contact Gary at 315-633-2865 or John at 813-469-3500.

**ACTION RIFLE MATCH**

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10**

[www.hernandosportsmansclub.com](http://www.hernandosportsmansclub.com)

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- BRING AT LEAST 200 ROUNDS
- RIFLES WILL BE MILITARY SERVICE RIFLES OR THE NEAREST AVAILABLE CIVILIAN EQUIVALENT. ONLY ONE SIGHTING SYSTEM IS ALLOWED AND CANNOT BE SWAPPED DURING THE MATCH.
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- FOOD, SNACKS, WATER AND SOFT DRINKS ARE AVAILABLE

CALL RAY AT 301-524-7044 FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**HANDGUN BOWLING PIN**

**\*\* SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10 \*\***

Sign up starts at 8:45 am - Must attend Safety Meeting at 9:00 am  
Match begins at 9:15 am  
Entry fee is \$10.00-Members  
\$15 Non-Members for three guns - one in each class

This is a timed handgun shooting event. Shoot standard bowling pins completely off a table as quickly as you can. There are classes for 22 Rimfire, Centerfire Semi-Auto and Centerfire Revolver. Each class has divisions for Stock (Any gun with iron sights & uncompensated barrel) and Open (Any gun with optic sight and/or compensated barrel).

PLEASE NOTE: WE WILL HAVE BOWLING PIN PRACTICE THE FRIDAY BEFORE THE WEEKEND MATCH. PRACTICE IS FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9 9-12.  
Neil Wallask, Match Director 352-344-8836

**Hernando Sportsman Club Practical Shooting**  
**AFFILIATED WITH USPSA SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11**

Come test your pistol skills of accuracy and speed in a friendly club atmosphere. Matches held the second Sunday of the month. Registration at 8:30 am. Match fee is \$10.00 for members, \$15 for non-members plus USPSA fees. Text Daryl Dickerson at 727-642-9314 for info.

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**ACTION PCC - DECEMBER 18**

Action PCC (Pistol Caliber Carbine) matches are held the 3rd Sunday each month. 150 to 200 rounds total may be required depending on the stage setups. Four stages, \$10 for club members and \$15 for non-members entry fee. A sling may occasionally be required for some stages, so if you have one, bring it. Sign in is over at 08:50 am. Contact Bill Forshay at 813-289-7911 or b4shay@yahoo.com with questions.

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**IDPA DEFENSIVE PISTOL MATCH**

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17**

**ENTRY FEE IS \$10.00 MEMBERS**

**\$15.00 NON-MEMBERS**

**SIGN UP AT 8:30 AM, SAFETY MEETING AT 9:00 AM**

*Match will be run under IDPA and Hernando Sportsman's Club rules.*

*The intent of the Defensive Pistol Match is to simulate self-defense scenarios and real-life encounters or skills. It is geared toward the new or average shooter, yet is fun, challenging and rewarding for the experienced shooter. The main goal is to test the skill and ability of the individual, not equipment or gamesmanship.*

*You will need about 100 rounds of ammunition, a belt holster, magazine pouches for 2 magazines/speed loaders and 3 magazines or speed loaders. NO SHOULDER HOLSTERS OR BEHIND THE BACK HOLSTERS ARE ALLOWED DUE TO SAFETY CONCERNS. Almost any non-compensated handgun with a barrel shorter than 5.3 inches (revolvers 4-inch barrel) can be used.*

*Contact Tom Skuse at 352-600-9025 (H)*

## CLUB HISTORY

The Hernando Sportsman's Club, Inc. was founded in January 1980 as the Hernando County Rifle & Pistol Club, Inc. It was formed to fill a need for an organized shooting fraternity in Hernando County and the surrounding areas. The main purpose of the Club is to support and encourage the legitimate and safe usage of firearms, educate the public in safe firearms handling and encourage good sportsmanship and patriotism.

The Club began with eleven people who met at the North Campus of PHCC in January 1980. Among the Club's first accomplishments was obtaining a place to shoot. The Club used the McDonald Mine east of Brooksville as a range for several years. In 1983, the Club obtained permission to use another old mine off Weatherly Road just northeast of Brooksville which was about four times larger than the original mine. In 1988, with 140 members and many gun shows and fundraisers behind them, the Club finally purchased the current 80+ acre parcel of land off U.S. Hwy 19.

Actual access to the property at that time was through the north side of the 80 acres. Initial zoning and permitting was finally accomplished after approximately 3 years and construction began. Through this initial period, the Club did not actually have a range to use but through many fundraisers and events, the Club managed to grow and retain its members.

Work began on the 200-meter range and the trap range. Legal access to the club was obtained through a lease with the State for the use of the current road into Chassahowitzka Wildlife Management area. In February 1992, the Club finally hosted its first open house on the Trap Range which was somewhat completed. Construction continued on the 200-meter range and began on the 100-yard Open Range to provide a general-purpose range. Further construction brought the club a Skeet/Five Stand Range, an Archery Range and a 50 Yard Range. Construction continues today as funds permit which are primarily derived from the club gun & knife shows. Phase 1 of the clubhouse is complete and the club is moving toward Phase 2 which will house the kitchen, dining area, offices and a small store as well as a small conference room area.

The club offers shotgun, rifle, pistol and archery daily. Various events held at the range include Hi Power Rifle, Junior 22 Rifle, Big Bore Pistol Silhouette, Cowboy Action Matches & Cowboy Fast Draw, Bowling Pin Matches, Precision Pistol, IDPA, USPSA, Action Rifle Matches, 3 Gun Matches, 2 Gun Action Matches, Steel Matches, Machine Gun Shoots and Cannon Shoots. The Club also sponsors a 4-H Shooting Program, Hunters Education, Applesseed Rifle and NRA firearms classes.

Having begun with eleven members in 1980, the Club today has over 1100 family memberships. The Club is also an affiliate of the National Rifle Association, Unified Sportsman of Florida, National Skeet Shooting Assoc. Florida Sport Shooting Assoc., CMP, USPSA, IDPA, SASS. Membership is open and available for a one-time \$300.00 initiation fee plus \$100.00 annual dues. It is a family membership that includes spouse and any children living at home up to the age of 21 years. A monthly newsletter is published and mailed to all members. The Club welcomes visitors to the range and to the quarterly club meetings held the first Tuesday in January, April & October in the Clubhouse with July being the annual club dinner meeting for members only.

## 8<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL TURKEY SHOOT WINNERS



VICTOR HILI – 1ST PLACE



BOB BACON—2ND & 3RD PLACE



JOE PAYNE – TURKEY SHOOT WINNER



**AND MANY THANKS TO FAYE  
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