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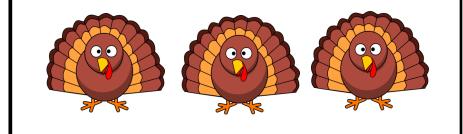
Please visit www.appleseedinfo.org to register and for more information and dates



NOV 2023

### <sup>9TH</sup> ANNUAL FALL HARVEST TURKEY SHOOT

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12 BREAKFAST BUFFET INCLUDED AT 8:30 AM MATCH STARTS AT 10 AM GREAT PRIZES LOTS OF FUN



#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

#### **BIG CLUBHOUSE**

Last week we had an inspection from the Hernando County Fire Department. We had a fir inspector that went to the back of the big clubhouse and opened the lockbox which has keys to the big clubhouse. The keys are supposed to be ONLY available in the event of a fire. They are expressly not to be used for fire inspections without the fire department scheduling the inspection due to the nature of our sport. On the plus side it was found that all the emergency lights in the building plus the exit lights were not working. I would like to thank board member Bob Bacon, a retired professional electrician, who replaced all five of the emergency exit signs plus the four emergency lights that only go on if the power fails. I did a small amount of the prep work on these fixtures and Saul Askin did a lot of running back and forth to turn the circuit on and off for test purposes. I really appreciated this because walking hurts my back. I would also like to point out that this inspector said that the fire extinguisher in the small clubhouse kitchen was the wrong type. He was tjust wrong. Evidently it's time to go and play with fire department. We have a long history.

#### **RANGE OFFICERS**

We are looking for volunteer range officers for our Open Range. Requirements for the position are to 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 for more details and an interview.

We are also looking for a range officer for our Trap Field. Again requirements for the position are to be a club member for a minimum of one year, be a certified NRA RSO or willing to take our NRA range officer class, and available to be trained on the range plus work a flexible schedule. Please call Randie Rickert at 352-799-3605 for more details and an interview.

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

**Randie Rickert, President** 

CLUB E-MAIL ADDRESS: hsci@gate.net CLUB WEB PAGE: www.hernandosportsmansclub.com

## Happy Thanksgiving

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#### **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 it's 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 Chassahowitz-ka Wildlife Management area. In February 1992, the Club finally hosted it's 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, Appleseed 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.

#### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

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

Robert & Roberta Terry Aristides & Shelly Varias Michael & Karen Tillotson Steve & Melissa Fordyce Reginald & Rosed Sampang Kurt Gell

#### **CCW CLASS...LEARN TO SHOOT**

The NRA First Steps Pistol class will be held on Thursday, Nov. 2 at 5pm & Saturday, Nov. 18 at 9am. Classes are held in the big clubhouse and run approximately 4 hours. The course fee is \$60. PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. Call the clubhouse at 352-597-9931 to register and for further information or sign up online at https://firearmtraining.nra.org/student-courses/ and select First Steps Pistol Courses and select "Find Near You". This opens the Course Listing page where you will select the First Steps Pistol 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 course, you will enter your information in the registration fields. The course Instructor will contact you shortly thereafter. Completion of the class also provides required documentation to apply for a concealed carry permit.

#### **HUNTERS ED**

The 2024 class dates will be announced soon. To register, call Lakeland FWC at 863-648-3200. All classes begin at 8 a.m. in the big clubhouse.

#### LAW ENFORCEMENT

The following schedules are set aside for law enforcement training:

Largo PD200 MeterNovember 10 & 24

#### 4-H 22 RIFLE & SHOTGUN

The 4-H meetings will be on Sunday, Nov 5 & Nov 19 on the 50 yd range at 1:00 pm. For information about the 4-H program or registering for 4-H, contact leader Jim Prack at 727-900-6501.

Don't forget our 4-H Trap Benefit shoot on Saturday, Nov. 11 on the Trap Range. See Page 17 in the newsletter for more information.

#### COWBOY ACTION MATCH NEXT MATCH NOVEMBER 5 REGISTRATION 8 AM - MATCH STARTS 9 AM S.A.S.S. AFFILIATED MATCH FEE \$10.00-MEMBERS \$15-NON-MEMBERS FOOD & WATER AVAILABLE

WE ARE LOOKING FOR HELP WITH OUR MATCH SET UP PRIOR TO THE SUNDAY MATCH. CONTACT CHARLIE CHAPMAN (SHOULDA DUN GUN) AT 517-622-4372 IF YOU CAN LEND A HAND.



#### **22 JUNIOR MARKSMAN NOV 4**

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. Oct. results are:

	MATCH 1	MATCH 2	AWARD
Daniel Egli	277 Kneeling	277 Prone	
Jesse Egli	107 Prone		
Tobias Egli	158 3-Pos	165 3-Pos	
Sarah McLaughlin	293 Prone	204 Prone	
Brantley Gates		113 Prone	
Eucebia Quintana	122 Standing	108 Standing	

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!!



#### 22 RIFLE & PISTOL MATCH- SAT., NOV 25

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.

#### 200 METER OPEN DAY SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

#### THE 200 METER RANGE WILL BE OPEN FOR GENERAL SHOOTING ON SATURDAY, JULY 15 FROM 9AM—3PM. COST FOR MEMBERS IS \$4 AND NON-MEMBERS IS \$18.00.

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



#### HERNANDO STEEL MATCH SATURDAY, NOV. 4 & FRIDAY, NOV. 17

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 5target 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.

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.

Club facilities feature food and refreshments, restrooms and a small pro shop with reloading supplies.





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#### MODIFIED F CLASS SUNDAY, NOV 5, 2023

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.



#### 2023 200 Yd NRA HIGH-POWER RIFLE MATCH NOVEMBER 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.

#### 2023 200 YD CMP HIGH-POWER RIFLE MATCH DECEMBER 23

The Match is open to all. Current CMP 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 10 shots for record in a time limit of 10 minutes.

• Match 2: 200 yards sitting, 2 sighting shots in a time limit of 2 minutes and 10 shots with a magazine change in 60 seconds.

• Match 3: 200 yards prone, 2 sighting shots in a time limit of 2 minutes and 10 shots with a magazine change in 70 seconds.

• Match 4: 200 yards prone, 2 sighting shots in a time limit of 2 minutes 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.

#### BIG BORE PISTOL & .22 LR RIFLE SILHOUETTE SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 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 canvasing 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, NOVEMBER 11

www.hernandosportsmansclub.com U.S. 19, 19 1/2 miles north of Hwy 50 (Weeki Wachee) For scores and info, visit our official Action Rifle Web Site: www.flpracticalshooting.com

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- MINIMUM 4 STAGES OF FIRE
- ENTRY FEE IS \$10 MEMBERS & \$20 FOR NON-MEMBERS
- SIGN IN BY 8:45 AM AND SAFETY BRIEF AT 9:00 AM
- BRING AT LEAST 200 ROUNDS
- RIFLES WILL BE MILITARY SERVICE RIFLES OR THE NEAREST AVAILA-BLE CIVILIAN EQUIVALENT. ONLY ONE SIGHTING SYSTEM IS ALLOWED AND CANNOT BE SWAPPED DURING THE MATCH.
- LIMITED, TACTICAL, TAC-HEAVY AND OPEN DIVISIONS
- CHAMBER FLAGS REQUIRED. MAY NEED SLING—BRING ONE JUST IN CASE
- TARGETS WILL BE LARGE STEEL PLATES AT LONGER RANGES, PAPER PLATES, BOWLING PINS AND IPSC TARGETS AT CLOSER RANGES
- FOOD, SNACKS, WATER AND SOFT DRINKS ARE AVAILABLE

CALL RAY AT 301-524-7044 FOR ADDITTIONAL INFORMATION

#### HANDGUN BOWLING PIN \*\* SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11\*\*

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 BE-FORE THE WEEKEND MATCH. PRACTICE IS FRIDAY, NOV. 10 9-12. Neil Wallask, Match Director 352-344-8836

Hernando Sportsman Club Practical Shooting **AFFILIATED WITH USPSA SUNDAY, NOV. 12** 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. Contact Dave Gelbogis at 352-795-5479 for info.





#### **ACTION PCC - November 19**

Action PCC (Pistol Caliber Carbine) matches are held the 3rd Sunday each month. 150 to 200 rounds total is typical. Four stages. \$10 for club members and \$20 for non-members entry fee. Sign in is over at 08:45 am. For info contact Bill at b4shay@yahoo.com

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FOR GROUPS OF FOUR OR MORE NEW OR INEXPER-IENCED SHOOTERS. PLEASE CONTACT JIM O'BRIEN, 239-849-5515 OR ncpdret@aol.com, TO SET UP AN APPOINTMENT.



#### IDPA DEFENSIVE PISTOL MATCH SATURDAY, November 18 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 AL-LOWED DUE TO SAFETY CONCERNS. Almost any noncompensated handgun with a barrel shorter than 5.3 inches (revolvers 4-inch barrel) can be used.

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