

The Waltonian

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Pikes Peak Chapter 34

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5-Stand is now open.

The club has finished its installation of the brand new 5-stand field. If you've never heard of 5-stand, it's a fun game that up to five people can shoot at a time. A basic description is that it's a sporting clays course compressed in size so that it fits on a trap field. It's new, challenging, and very fun, so grab a shotgun, a friend, and come out and give it your best.

Spring Skeet League.

The Spring Skeet League is over halfway done, but due to the weather it has had a poor turnout. Six shooters have braved the awful weekend wind and rain we've been having lately. The good news is that it's not too late to join up. The rules have been changed a bit, so now you can shoot any week at any time, as long as all your scores are turned in by the last week.

Pistol Range changes.

If you haven't noticed already, there have been big changes down at the Pistol Range. The close yardage berms have been pushed back, and the back berm has been made twice as tall as it was before. This will set the stage for the club to install more pistol lanes, so please be patient while the work continues. As soon as the new shooting lanes are designed, we can install target frame holders. Currently we are using free-standing frames. It is an exciting change for all you pistol shooters, and we appreciate your continued patience.

On a short side note, the shade for the Rifle range is almost finished. I'd like to send a big thank you to Tony Gordon for helping set the posts, and for Bob Allen for spearheading this project.

Summer Trap League.

Summer Trap League begins very soon. Sign up is June 3rd, with the first week of shooting on June 10th. The league lasts eight weeks, with a banquet at the end. We want to see a big turnout this year,

so be sure to tell everybody to head on out.

Big Memorial Day shoot!

The annual Memorial Day shoot is May 23rd, 24th, and 25th. A live band is scheduled to play, and there is over \$2500 in added money. Firehouse Barbecue is coming out to cater all three days, for both breakfast and lunch. Saturday the events are 100 singles, 100 handicap, and ending with 100 doubles. Sunday kicks off with 100 doubles, then 100 singles, and 100 handicap. Monday is the 200 handicap event. It's going to be a ton of fun, so don't miss out.

April ATA Trap Shoot.

The ATA trap shoot went fairly well after a very slow start. The Saturday doubles marathon had to be cancelled due to lack of participation. A single shooter braved the rainstorm, unfortunately three shooters are the required minimum to shoot a registered event. Sunday, the weather cleared up and some shooters arrived. A few squads for each event wound up shooting, so not a bad turnout after that very rainy start.

Membership Update.

The membership is still going smoothly thanks to Greg Budwine's continued dedication. There has been a short delay in the processing of some of the members because of a bad water leak at IWL's national headquarters. So if you are one of the more recent members, be patient and you will receive your membership card in the mail. More big news, as of March 31st, 2009, the Pikes Peak Gun Club is home to all but 18 of the Colorado members of Izaak Walton League. That's 1288 members! That is a huge feat, and we thank all of you for being a part of our organization.

Rifle and Pistol news.

Trail Gun Plate Match

The next TGPM is scheduled for Saturday, June 6th. We have our fingers crossed that the weather will be decent for a change! Practice and registration starts at 9:00 AM, the mandatory shooter's meeting starts at 9:45 and the match starts at 10:00. There have been some minor changes to the rules, which are available on the club's web-site in PDF format. Pre-registration will be available starting the weekend of May 23rd.

Remember, there have been unawarded ribbons in past matches. Give the match a try and one of them could be yours. So dust off those 22 handguns and meet us there!

Benches for sale!

The club now has benches and gun racks for sale to the members. It is a one time fee, and you will get

a custom sign to put on the bench advertising your local business or whatever you choose. They're made of composite materials, so they don't weather in the rain or sunshine. The cost is \$375 for a bench, and \$350 for a gun rack. It's a great way to put your message out there for some good publicity at a low cost, so support your gun club and get your word to the members of PPGC.

Odds and Ends.

Seven trees were donated to the club a few weeks ago, and planted in the west end of the parking lot. A big thanks to Carla Lindley for getting the trees donated to us.

The club is looking for some volunteers to help with the changing of the Sporting Clays and 5-Stand courses. The club tractor can be used to move the machines, making it easier than having to hand move each machine. If you are interested in donating a little time, please let the club managers know and they can get you in touch with Bob Allen. We appreciate your continued support.

Please remember that the speed limit on the club property is 10 miles per hour.

The club now has snacks available for purchase. Nothing too fancy, but if you need a quick pick-me-up, come on inside. We can get you recharged and ready for the next round in no time.

Perfect that shotgun swing...

... with a little help from Larry Lambert. Larry is a great shooter in Trap, Skeet, and Sporting Clays. If you are interested in meeting with him and getting a lesson or two, you can reach him at 719-540-0657.

Looking for part time Range Safety Officers.

The club is still looking to hire part time Range Safety Officers (RSO) to work on weekends down on the rifle and pistol ranges. If you are interested, or would like more information, you can contact Gina or Ryan at 719-683-4420.

Learn to Shoot Class

The Learn to Shoot Classes are open to Men, Women, and kids who have never shot at moving targets on a public range. In this class I will go over safe gun handling, how to operate different types of guns, how to hold and stand with a shotgun, the basics on shooting a moving target, and the different clay target games. This is a fun class for the beginner.

The class includes ammo, targets and gun rental if needed for only **\$40** per person for a group lesson. The class is by appointment only. You may contact me to sign up at any time. 719-499-8422 or call the clubhouse at 719-683-4420.

This class is between 2 and 3 hours long depending on the number of students.

Classes are Held at Pikes Peak Gun Club

Current Dates:

May 17, 2009 Time 9:30 AM

June 28, 2009 Time 9:30 AM

<http://www.sportingclaysinstructor.com/>

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Upcoming Events

- May 23rd – Day 1 of the 3 day Memorial Weekend Shoot.
- June 3rd – Summer Trap League Signup.
- June 10th – Summer Trap League Week 1

For Sale:

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Club Hours

The club has switched to it's summer hours soon. Sun 9:00-5:00, Wed 9:00-Sunset, Thurs 9:00-5:00, Fri 9:00-Sunset, Sat 9:00-5:00

May 2009

Sunday 9:00 – 5:00	Monday Closed.	Tuesday Closed.	Wednesday 9:00 – Sunset.	Thursday 9:00 – 5:00	Friday 9:00 – 5:00	Saturday 9:00 – 5:00
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23 Memorial Day Shoot. Singles, Handicap, Doubles.
24/31 Memorial Day Shoot. Day 2.	25 Memorial Day 200 Handicap Event.	26	27	28	29	30

June 2009

Sunday 9:00 – 5:00	Monday Closed.	Tuesday Closed.	Wednesday 9:00 – Sunset.	Thursday 9:00 – 5:00	Friday 9:00 – Sunset.	Saturday 9:00 – 5:00
	1	2 PPGC Board Meeting. 6:30 PM. Old Chicago, Austin Bluffs & Academy.	3 Summer Trap League Sign Up.	4	5	6 Trail Gun Plate Match. Registration begins at 9:00.
7	8	9	10 Summer Trap League Week 1.	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 Summer Trap League Week 2.	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 Summer Trap League Week 3.	25	26	27
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