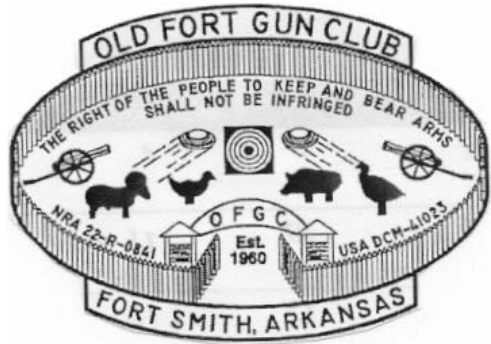


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The objectives of this organization are to establish and maintain a permanent organization, for the benefit of it's membership and the general public, to promote the elements of the shooting sports, hunter education, marksmanship training, safe handling of all firearms, enforcement of game laws, the values of sportsmanship, and sportsmanlike conduct. In order to further these objectives, the organization will operate and maintain rifle, pistol, and shotgun firing ranges, owned, rented, or newly-constructed, to include a meeting house (when funds are available) for the use and benefit of the members.



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New Members Joined in January

Old Fort Gun Club welcomes new members who joined. Look for these men and their families on the range and give them a good old-fashioned warm and friendly welcome!

Sonny Rankin	Ft. Smith
Matt Ketcham	Ft. Smith
Andre Poynor	Ft. Smith
Tony Capocelli	Ft. Smith
Mike Knittig	Ft. Smith
Rick Gray	Ft. Smith
Chris Lyons	Ft. Smith
Aaron Weisenfels	Ft. Smith
Jay Bromley	Ft. Smith
Joseph Cope	Van Buren
Grant Pierson	Van Buren
Hien Thach	Van Buren
Howard Grebe	Van Buren
Jim Massey	Barling
Steve Massey	Barling
Rob Belew	Greenwood
Brian Barham	Greenwood
Larry Keys	Cederville

Match Times

Hunter Pistol/Cowboy Rifle	1st Saturday each month	10:00 a.m.
.22 Rifle Silhouette	2nd & 4th Saturdays	10:00 a.m.
Sporting Clays (Alma Range)	2nd Saturday	10:00 a.m.
Cowboy Action (S.A.S.S)	2nd Saturday	10:00 a.m.
CMP (High power rifle)	3rd Saturday	9:00 a.m.
IPSC	3rd Sunday	10:00 a.m.

Please show up at least an hour early to help setup, warm up and sign in.

For more information contact the Shooting Director on the next page.

Arkansas Youth Shooting Sports

Arkansas Game and Fish Commission and Old Fort Gun Club is still looking for a team to sponsor this year. For more information go to www.agfc.com and email Johnny Cole at nivek@cei.net

Unsafe Shooting at the Range

We had someone setting up clay pigeons and bottles on top of the 100 yard line and shooting at them. Bullets would easily go over the berm and be dangerous downrange. If anyone sees this happening, please let us know. Each OFGC member should be wearing his membership card. If you don't want to confront the person to tell them that is unsafe, take down the name of the license of their car and we'll take care of contacting them.

Old Fort Gun Club Match Schedule for 2007

Match Description	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
CMP (High Power Rifle) 3rd Saturday	NM	17	17	21	19	16	21	18	15	20	17	NM
Cowboy Action S.A.S.S. 2nd Saturday	13	10	10	14	12	9	14	11	8	13	10	8
IPSC 3rd Sunday 3-Gun	21	18	18	14-15	20	17	15	19	16	21	18	16
Hunter's Pistol/ Cowboy Rifle Silhouette 1st Saturday & 2nd Sunday	NM	3	3	7	5	2	7	4	1	6	3	NM
.22 Rifle Silhouette 2nd Saturday 4th Saturday	NM	NM	10 24	14 28	12 26	9 23	14 28	11 25	8 22	13 27	NM	NM
Sporting Clays 2nd Saturday	NM	10	10	14	12	9	14	11	8	13	NM	NM

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Sporting Clays

It is that time of year to dig out those Shotguns and shoot Sporting Clays. Our first match will be February 10 at 10:00 a.m. **(New Time)** We will have at least 5 stations and 50 birds. Shooting fee is only \$10.00. Youth shooting 25 birds are free but if a youth wants to out shoot like Daddy the fee is \$5.00 for 50 birds. We shoot for bragging rights but mostly for fun. We do have some good shooters show up but we also have shooters just like you. Come have fun with us.

We will have a workday Saturday, February 3, around noon at Alma Range. We will do some cleaning up and maybe some shooting too. Contact Johnny Cole at nivek@cei.net if you are planning to help.

Letter from the OFGC President

We’re just returning from the Arkansas State NRA Convention that was held in Little Rock this year. The program offered a number of distinguished speakers including two from NRA headquarters.

Sandy Elkin is in charge of grants handled through the NRA Foundation. She has two assistants and their office handles over 2,000 grants each year. Nichole Capossela is our Executive Relations manager for the NRA Office of Advancement. This office handles gifts and estates that are donated to the NRA. If you have a gun collection or property that you’d like to give to the NRA, this office will handle all of the paperwork for you.

Speaking of grants, we reviewed a total of 43 requests from shooting sports programs, range improvements and other programs. The money raised at Friends of NRA events goes to fund these requests but we only have the funds to supply about 30% of what is needed. Our area should receive 4 grants, one each for the UAFS Lions Rifles, Sebastian County 4-H Shooting Sports, OFGC to hold our Women on Target event (September ?) and another for an OFGC Youth Fest Camp (scheduled for June 30).

Increasing the money available for grants is why it is important to support and attend the Friends of NRA events. Ours is scheduled March 17. Tom Gresham will be our special guest speaker. We have received a youth deer hunt at the Upper Oxbow Ranch near Dallas. The hunt will be held October-November of this year and is designed for an 8-15 year-old. Included will be lodging at the ranch. Plus we are negotiating to have this hunt filmed for TV, either the Outdoors Network or on 5 Outdoors.

The Old Fort Friends of NRA Committee received one of 4 Gold NRA Minuteman awards from last year’s FNRA event. Help us make this year’s event even better.

Thank you,

John Malinowski

Practical Pistol



After some independent consultation about weather, the Director of Practical Pistol called off the match set for Sunday, January 21. Just too much uncertain weather forecast. Although the weather on Sunday was somewhat acceptable, the setup on Saturday would have been real bad. Safety being our first concern, possible range conditions of mud and ice took first place in the decision.

The weather north and west of us was even worse. Practical Pistol always has lots of shooters from Tulsa, OKC, and NWA, not to mention Little Rock. Had to make a call based on those folks' travel plans, and weather concerns mandated canceling the match.

But we’ll be back in February. We’ll shoot the revolver match in February, that was planned for January, to let the Buckaroo’s strut their stuff with the revo’s. Double Classifiers, the Old Fort Shootout, and the other matches will be adjusted.

Details of matches will follow.

Bruce Bethell

NEWS FROM THE EDITOR

We are in the process of creating an email list for as many members of OFGC as we can. This will be used by the officers of the Club to send important information about Club range conditions, links to the newsletter, and the like. This will **not** be a “chat room” nor will it be used for any commercial purposes.

The list will be set up as a Yahoo! Group. We will initially establish the group with emails provided in membership renewals or applications. If you do not want to be included in this group, please contact Bruce Bethell. His email is brucebethell@sbcglobal.net, or call his office at 785-4558, and leave a message if after hours, or email OFGC@cei.net. You will also have the option to unsubscribe from the list at any time.

Johnny Cole