



Official Publication of the Old Fort Gun Club, Inc.

The objectives of this organization are to establish and maintain a permanent organization, for the benefit of its 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, or rented, for the use and benefit of the members.



# The Old Fort Shootist

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**New Members List  
Joined in November and  
December  
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**OFGC Web Site**

**[www.OFGC.org](http://www.OFGC.org)**

**For the most up to date  
information on the Club and  
other activities**

**New Shooting Schedule**

**New times and more shoots**

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**From a Club Member  
WOW !!!**

**Our range is going first class  
with the improvements. This is a  
Club we all can be proud of.**

**Thank you.**

## More Range Improvements

On the 100 yard range, more pistol bays , concrete pads and more .



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## Letter From the OFGC President

OFGC Members;

2009 was a great year for the Old Fort Gun Club. Our club grew more than we could ever have imagined. We finished the year with over 850 family memberships. Several range projects were completed or are in the process of being completed. We have failed, so far, to find a contractor to build the Alma Range restroom, but hopefully we are making progress in this venture.

The board members met in December and approved the budgets for each shooting event in 2010. The board also approved the purchase of more club assets, including two new clay throwers, more steel targets, and other items to be used by the different shoots. There will be more prizes in 2010 and awards for some of the members who help set up and tear down some of the shoots.

We believe 2010 will be another great year for our club. New targets, more range improvements, and additional shoots for all.

I would like to remind our members we have rules for a reason. One example is "No Shotgun shooting in the pistol bays". Many times our range maintenance crew puts up new target boards on the pistol bays and they are shot to pieces a day later by the use of shotguns in the pistol bays. The backboards cost our club members when they are replaced. We will have a place for members to pattern their shotguns other than the pistol bays. Members need to wear their badges at all times while on the range other than when a competition is open to the public. Several times we have had non club members shooting on the range when the gate was not properly locked when a member entered the range. Please remember to lock the gate behind you after entering the range unless there is a competition. The shoot directors have been asked to take the lock off the gate when they are having a shoot and then check to make sure no non member has entered the range before they leave.

All members please be aware of the safety rules and obey them while on the range. Eye and ear protection is required while shooting. No one should touch a firearm while anyone is down range replacing targets. The most important safety on any firearm is the person handling the firearm. We want another accident free year on our ranges.

Twice a year we have a pot luck picnic on the range and shoot after lunch. Labor Day and Memorial Day are the days we have these picnics. For GREAT food and lots of fun, mark your calendars now, bring your family and have some fun with us.

Looking forward to another great year.

Bill Striplin

OFGC President

## Renewals

2010 Renewals are due and still coming in slowly. Our Club membership has grown to over 850 members in 2009 and still growing. We will be changing the gate locks on February 1st. The new combination will be with your new membership cards. Everyone should receive theirs around the middle of January. Please do not share the number with anyone that is not a member. Our Club is for current members only.

## Lost and Found

Someone has lost a shotgun choke at the range. If you have lost it, please contact Johnny Cole

## Howard Robinson — Named in the Top 25



Outdoor Life Magazine honors 25 people who have changed the face of hunting and fishing. At number 10, Howard Robinson, a passionate shooter and a passionate volunteer. He's been teaching Hunter's Ed in Arkansas since 1983, as well as coaching shotgun to countless youths and adults. He's the Vice President of the Old Fort Gun Club, an officer for the Arkansas Trappers, and a local field director for the U.S. Sportsmen's Alliance. Just about every shooting-related board and committee in the state calls Robinson a member.

"If a list of Fortune 500 Volunteers were ever written," says Doug Jeanneret, U.S. Sportsmen's Alliance VP of Marketing, "Howard's name would be at the top."

## More Improvements



← Bay 7



Unfinished

← Bay 5

Bay 6 →



Finished Bays 8 through 10



New SASS Area

## Visitors to the Range

How many times have you taken the same friend or neighbor to the range?

Our rule states that you can only take the same friend one time to the range. If that guest want to come back they must join the Club. Membership dues pay for range improvements and range maintenance fees pay for upkeep, grass cutting, burning trash, and target replacement at the both

## Trash Barrels

Trash barrels are for burnable stuff only. No spray cans, pop cans, and NO BAD bullets. Yes, some members have placed old or bad bullets in the trash cans. Our Range crew burns the trash in the barrels but they must leave the area because too many times someone puts ammo into the barrels. This is a major safety problem and someday someone could get hurt. We are going to start putting out 5 gallon buckets at each bay for shooters to put their old bullets and brass. Let's keep our range safe and clean .

## Range Usage

We have new pistol bays and concrete floors in most of them. We have moved the SASS props from Bays 5, 6 and 7, to their new home just beyond the newest pistol bays. The Beyond area will be for Cowboy Shoots only not for regular Club use. After moving these props, we did build two replacement shooting covers and will put in concrete pads.

Right now we have 9 pistol bays with covers and 4 more to be built later, a 100 yard range and a 300 yard range. Improvements take time due to the time of year and the weather. We had to move all shotgun shooting to the 300 yard range. We have several more projects on our list to do. If you would like to help please contact Bill Striplin or Johnny Cole for their next work day schedule.

## Sporting Clays

What a year we had! Our Shooting year will be starting February 14 at 10:00 a.m. We have two new throwers so we can add one more challenging station each month. We will have some good news for the setup crew that help each month. Come to our shoot to find out what we are talking about.

The shooting fee this year is only \$12.00 for 50 birds. Youth shooting 50 birds only \$6.00 and Youth shooting 25 birds shoot free with an adult. New members shoot free one-time.

## 30 New Families Joined in the Last Two Months

Old Fort Gun Club welcomes new members. Look for these families on the range and give them a good Old-fashion warm and friendly welcome.

Robert Adamson	Billy Fricks	Cody Johnson	Edward Ortiz	Leon Williams
Murray Babb	William Gentry	Keith Keener	Rodney Smith	Russell Wright
Brad Breen	James Giboney	John Klein	Thurman Smith	
Sean Bumgarner	Jack Goodman	Daniel Mackey	Jim Sutton	
Lyle Butler	David Goodson	James Mansfield	Tim Tate	
Naomi Elkins	Thomas Honeycutt	Earl Massey	Casey Thomas	
Daniel Franklin	Lee Hulse	Mark Misner	Scott Wiley	

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**The Old Fort Gun Club meets the  
first Thursday of every month at  
the Barling City Hall, Barling AR.  
Meeting time is 7:00 P.M.**

**PRESORTED STANDARD**

**U. S. POSTAGE**

**PAID**

**FORT SMITH, AR**

**PERMIT NO. 191**

**Return Service Requested**

<b>OFGC 2010 Match Schedule</b>	<b>Jan</b>	<b>Feb.</b>	<b>Mar</b>	<b>April</b>	<b>May</b>	<b>June</b>	<b>July</b>	<b>Aug</b>	<b>Sept</b>	<b>Oct</b>	<b>Nov</b>	<b>Dec</b>
<b>CMP (High Power Rifle)</b> 3rd Saturday 10 am	16	20	20	17	15	19	17	21	18	16	20	18
<b>Cowboy Action S.A.S.S.</b> 2nd Saturday 10 am	9	13	13	10	8	12	10	14	18	16	20	18
<b>Practical Pistol/ IPSC</b> 3rd Sunday 10 am 3-Gun/ Multi-gun	17 31	21	21	17-18	16 30	20	18	15 29	19	17 30-31	21	19
<b>Steel Challenge</b> 1st Saturday 10:00 am	NM	NM	6	3	NM	5	3	7	4	2	6	NM
<b>Hunter's Pistol &amp; Air Pistol &amp; Cowboy Rifle Silhouette</b> 1st Saturday 10am Special 2nd Sunday 1 pm	NM	6	6	NM 11	NM	5 13	NM 11	7 8	4 12	2 10	6	NM
<b>Air Pistol Silhouette</b> Tuesdays Nights 6:00 pm				T	T	T	T	T	T	T		
<b>.22 Rifle Silhouette</b> 2nd Saturday 10am 4th Saturday	NM	NM NM	NM 28	11 25	9 23	13 27	11 NM	NM 22	12 26	10 24	NM	NM
<b>Sporting Clays</b> 2nd Saturday (Alma Range) 10am Feb-Mar 9am Apr-Oct	NM	14	14	11 25	9 23	13 27	11	15	12	10	NM	NM