



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, rented, or newly-constructed, to include a meeting house (when funds are available) for the use and benefit of the members.



# The Old Fort Shootist

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## New Members Joined in August

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

Roger Wiliks	Alma
Greg Pakrer	Greenwood
Robert Griest	Sallisaw
Douglas Peterson	Pocola
John Starling	Van Buren
Wilbur Young	Roland

The next meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on September 6 at Barling City Hall

## Upcoming Events

Sept 3 — Club Pot Luck Picnic  
Sept 29 — Sight-in Day (if rainout)  
Sept 30 — Sight-in Day (backup)  
Oct 20 -21 —Arkansas Sectional Multi-gun Championship

## Sight-in Day

September 29, 2007

River Range

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.



The 100 yard Range will be open to the general public to hunters to sight-in their rifles. There will be Range Officers there to help and supervise all shooting. If it gets canceled due to rain or bad roads the next day will be open. Please come out. Sight-in that rifle that has not been shot in months and get ready for a wonderful and successful hunt this year. Bring your Guns, ammo, spotting scope and most of all your hunting clothes.

## Sight-in Tips

Use a large target, start a 25 yards, adjust for wind. Take 3 shoots from bench, adjust, take 3 more shots repeat if needed. If good move to 100 yards and start all over. If one inch low at 25 yards should be right on at 100 yards. Now, shoot as if hunting, standing, sitting or laying down using the same procedure. (Shoot 3 more times) until satisfied you can hit your target at the anticipated distances. Go hunting and bring back a good time.

## Letter to the Membership

Members of the OFGC,

I think appreciation needs to be given to the unsung heroes of our organization. I can think of no one who does more, and receives less recognition from our organization than Johnny Cole.

Johnny's contribution to OFGC include (1) Director of Sporting Clays. Since Johnny has taken over the last few years, shooter attendance at monthly matches has grown from maybe 20 or so to average of 60 per month recently. (2) Editor of the Newsletter. (3) Webmaster. (4) Work permitting, Johnny is at every Practical Pistol match, including match planning meetings, set up the day before a match, at the match, and take down after the match. Even matches he doesn't shoot, he is there to help. His pay for all this time, all this help, is the same as the rest of the BOD members. Maybe \$80 per year, in membership dues and range maintenance fees.

At special events, Johnny can be counted on to help. I can think of no one who puts more effort into this Club, with less recognition, than Johnny.

We owe him a great big thanks

My opinion, for what it is worth. Totally unsolicited by Johnny.

Bruce Bethell—Director, Practical Pistol

## IPSC Training Course

On September 1 and 2 will host a special training course. Matt Minks is the lead instructor assisted by Billy Smith and Marshall Luton from The Defensive Shooting Academy in Tulsa. They will be using 3 pistol bays both days. This was a limited enrollment. Over 1,500 rounds will be shot by each student during this course. There will be a lot of one-on-one instruction. Sorry the course is full. Watchers are welcome.

**Three Pistols Bays will Be closed for this training September 1 and 2**

## Note from the Editor

If you are receiving this issue by US Mail and you have an email address please let us have your email address. Due to high postage and printing cost this saves the club money. We will send you an email notifying you the Old Fort Shootist is ready to view or to download, about a week before the Club meeting. We also will send emails about range condition or information that members need to know before the next issue comes out. Visit our web site at [www.ofgc.org](http://www.ofgc.org)

## Sporting Clays Results

**What can I say but HOT HOT HOT!!!!**

We had a small number of shooters this month only 32. (A couple of years ago 32 was a large group now it is a small group.) It is that time of year when people try to take a vacation with the family before school starts up again. The few dedicated shooters who braved the heat and shot a challenging course, and had a good time.

Lelan Parks took 1<sup>st</sup> Place Over All with 46, JP Littlefield 2nd Place with 44, John Cross and Jose Boersma had 42's for 3<sup>rd</sup> place, Jonathan Parks for 1<sup>st</sup> Youth shot 38 and Lyndsay Hampton had 23 for 1<sup>st</sup> Place for Young Female. Thanks to everyone that came out and helped with setup and tear down.

Johnny Cole— Sporting Clay Director

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## Women on Target Results

On August 4 the day dawned very warmly and continued to get warmer for the 44 ladies and 9 instructors from the Women on Target program put on by Old Fort Gun Club.

The first half of the day was cool enough as we were enjoying the climate-controlled classroom of The Janet Huckabee/Arkansas River Valley Nature Center.

The classroom part of the program covered safe firearm handling and function. Also covered was a bit on ammunition. We focused mostly on Shotguns and Handguns as this Clinic was devoted to those firearms.

Clinic Director Howard Robinson introduced Katie Edwards, Debby Pankratz, John Hamill, Johnny Cole, John Malinowski, Ron Everhart, Don Shamp, and Roy Hill, the instructors for this Clinic. Thanks to Buddy Cole for helping setup shotgun stages.

After the introduction of instructors, the ladies introduced themselves and the class began with lots of good information and plenty of questions from the attendees. Lots of good natured joking between the ladies added to the fun had by all. Two \$20 bills were drawn for as door prizes and these were donated by David and Becky Love.

At noon we broke for a fantastic lunch provided by Creative Events of Ft. Smith. John Malinowski made the arrangements for them to cater this event and the choice was perfect for this group. After lunch it was off to the range.

Warm might be an understatement in describing the time on the range! While it was HOT, there was plenty of iced water and some shade. At least there was shade at the pistol bays. The shotgun shooting was in the open so the sun was a bit hot but that didn't stop these ladies from having fun and shooting right up to the end of the event.

I didn't hear ONE complaint from any of the ladies in spite of the heat. I did hear lots of "Thank -yous" and "We had a great time." I also handed out several applications for membership.

Special thanks to all who helped make this Clinic a huge success.

Our next course should be in February or March. If anyone would like to attend our next course please contact us and will add you to our list.

Howard Robinson

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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.**

## Old Fort Gun Club Match Schedule for 2007

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