



January 2021 Newsletter

Range Operations:

Did you know that the Dade City Gun Club is operated by all volunteers? From the Range Safety Officers, to the Board of Directors, and to the Thursday crew that does all the maintenance to keep our club safe. All are volunteers. If you would like to become involved contact any of the Board members listed below.

The club is open Friday thru Wednesday, from 9:00 am till 4:00 pm (closed Thursdays). Shooting sessions average 20 minutes and then there is a brief break to check and replace targets.

Public Pistol Range has target positions at 15, 30, 50, and 75 feet. Pistol caliber only.

Public Rifle Range has target positions at 25, 50, 75, & 100 yards. No shotguns or 50 BMG are permitted.

Range Fees: Non-member adults are \$20.00. Youths under 18 years must be under the direct supervision of a member or paying adult.

Thank you! Thanks to a suggestion from Ken Orlando, the soggy cardboard on the overhead baffles have been replaced by plastic boards that not only looks better, but will last 10 times as long, and save the Club considerable money and labor. Do you have a suggestion? It's YOUR club, let's work together to keep it safe, efficient, and looking good.

Safety Tip of the Month: Always keep the gun pointed in a safe direction!

A safe direction means a direction in which a bullet cannot possibly strike anyone. Keep in mind that bullets can penetrate walls and ceilings. Never point your gun at anything you do not intend to shoot. In the event of an unintentional discharge, no injury can occur as long as the muzzle is pointing in a safe direction!

From the old, to the new, and everything in between: Here at the DCGC we see all makes and models of firearms to include collectible antiques, black powder, modern handguns and rifles, and some truly works of art. Strike up a conversation with the shooter at the next bench. You might be surprised what you can learn and maybe make a new friend!



Do you have an interesting firearm related item to highlight? Email rstein1758@gmail.com.

Nominating Committee:

Elections will held in April for the Vice President, Treasurer, and two Director positions. If you want to nominate yourself, or another, please contact the Nominating Committee members:

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| Dennis Doll | 813-486-1776 | dedoll@verizon.net |
| Mike Lopes | 352-200-7660 | mike@lopes.org |
| Pete Rundel | 813-802-8970 | pete@petesrealty.com |
| Roger Smith | 832-495-9603 | rsmit4@tampabay.rr.com |

Training Classes: Due to an increase in new gun owners, new Club members, and guests visiting our Club, there has been a corresponding increase in the number of requests for training opportunities. DCGC has responded with a number of NRA training courses, as outlined below.

If you would like to attend any of our classes, or receive one-on-one training to improve your safety and shooting skills, check out the Club bulletin board. In addition, you may contact Dennis Doll or Billy Johnson for further information (contact information below).

Carry Concealed Weapons (CCW)
Personal Protection In The Home
Pistol Student Pistol Instructor
Shotgun Student

CCW Instructor
Personal Protection Outside the Home
Rifle Student Rifle Instructor

Youth Training (10-17 years): The DCGC sponsors the newly formed Dade City Precision Rifle Team. The goal of the Rifle Team is to prepare our Team members to participate in competitive shooting matches. The Team meets for practice on the third Thursday of every month, from 4:00pm until 6:00pm. All Team activities are conducted under the supervision of NRA Certified Instructors and Coaches. We are still recruiting interested Youth to join us. Parents of interested Youth should contact Larry Shrewsbury at LShrews1@aol.com.

Club Board Meetings: Meetings take place on the 2nd Tuesday of every month starting at 10:00 am. Minutes from the previous month's meeting can be read on the www.dcrgc.us website. Members are welcome to attend. If you have a suggestion or topic you would like to see discussed contact Billy Johnson to have it added to the agenda.

Swap Meet: On the 2nd Saturday of each month a Swap Meet is scheduled in the Clubhouse from 7:30 am to 10:30 am. Members only may bring firearms or firearm related items to be traded or sold in the clubhouse. Sellers and buyers are responsible for all items and transactions... “private seller to private buyer.” The 2021 Swap Meet schedule is as follows:

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| March 13 | June 12 | September 11 | December 11 |
| April 10 | July 10 | October 9 | |
| May 8 | August 14 | November 13 | |

NRA Membership Renewal: Save ten dollars off your National Rifle Association membership renewal through our www.dcrqc.us website. Just click on the NRA icon on the home page.

Adopt a Road: The Club sponsors a section of SR-52 Litter Pick Up and are looking for more volunteers to assist. For additional information contact Bill Johnson at (352) 834-4080.

Thursday Maintenance: Every Thursday volunteers get together to help keep the club safe, clean, and well maintained. If you have time, we would appreciate the assistance!

Monthly Shooting Matches: Test your skills in a friendly match. Compete against yourself or others. Come out and have fun. The cost for members is \$2 per match. Nonmembers pay a \$20 range fee plus \$2 per match and can then shoot on the public range for the day.

1st Saturday of the month at 9:00 am.

Stop the Threat Match – Using a silhouette target, shooters will fire 2 rounds to the “body” and 1 round to the “head” multiple times from the 3-, 5-, 7-, and 10-yard lines for a total of 48 rounds. Participants must have a center fire pistol or revolver with at least a 6-round capacity. Four magazines or 3 speed loaders are required.

5 x 5 Match – Using a five-inch bulls eye target, shooters will fire 5 rounds, from 5 yards, 5 times for a total of 25 rounds. Participants must have a center fire pistol or revolver with at least a 5-round capacity. Three magazines or speed loaders are required. Only side carry holsters are permitted for this match.

Balloon Match – Using balloons as targets, shooters will fire until 5 balloons are broken. The match is conducted from 10 yards using rim fire handguns, and from 25 yards using rim fire rifles. This is repeated 3 times. Scoring is based on the average time in seconds and the number of shots fired to break all 5 balloons.

2nd Saturday of the month at 9:00 am.

Concealed Carry Match – Using a B-27 target, shooters will draw from a side carry holster and fire 10 shots from the 3-, 7-, and 10-yard lines, then repeat for a total of 60 rounds. Participants must have a center fire pistol or revolver, with 4 magazines or 3 speed loaders, are required.

Three Target Silhouette Match – Using B-34 target, shooters will draw from a side carry holster and fire two handed from 10 yards, one handed strong side from 7 yards, and one-handed weak side from 5 yards, multiple times for a total of 54 rounds. Participants must have a center fire pistol or revolver with a 6 round capacity and 3 magazines or 2 speed loaders.

*Subject to change. If you think the matches may be cancelled due to inclement weather, contact Roger Smith at 832-495-9603 after 8:00 am.

Would you like to recognize one of our volunteer Range Safety Officers? Would you have a suggestion to improve OUR club? If so, we would like to hear from you. Please email any of the DCGC Board of Directors listed below:

Club Officers:

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| President Bill Johnson | bjohnson7652@tampabay.rr.com |
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Some humor:

A cop pulls over a 90-year-old woman...

COP: Do you realize how fast you were going?

WOMAN: "No." She answers, looking forward, making no eye contact.

COP: "Twice the speed limit! Ma'am, can I see your license and registration?"

WOMAN: "I can't give you my license," she answers. "I don't have one"

COP: "What about your registration, ma'am?"

WOMAN: "I can't give you that, either." she responds, "This isn't my car, I stole it."

COP: "Do know who owns this vehicle? Where did you steal it from?"

WOMAN: "I got it from the man I killed."

COP: "And where is the man you killed?"

WOMAN: "I chopped him up and placed his body in the trunk."

Stunned and worried, the cop places his hand on his holster and cautiously says to the old woman, "Stay in the vehicle with your hands in view." He gets on his radio and calls for back up and his senior officer to respond. When back up arrives, the Captain walks up to the woman's window with his hand on his firearm and demands: "Ma'am, step out of the vehicle with your hands where I can see them!" The woman complies without hesitation.

CAPTAIN: "Ma'am, do you have your license and registration?"

WOMAN: "Sure do! They're right here," as she pulls them out and hands them to the Captain.

CAPTAIN: "Ma'am, can you open your trunk for me?"

WOMAN: "Sure I can!" She walks over to the trunk and opens it. There's nothing in there.

CAPTAIN: "Ma'am, I'm confused...My officer told me that you didn't have a license, this car was stolen, AND you had a dead body in the trunk..."

WOMAN: With a scoff she replied, "I bet that liar said I was speeding, too"

Quote of the day: "If someone has a gun and is trying to kill you, it would be reasonable to shoot back with your own gun." – The Dalai Lama.