NEWSLETTER FOR TEXAS PANHANDLE PISTOL CLUB





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## Club Meetings:

2 Meetings per month. The 1st meeting is the 1st Saturday of every month. The second meeting is the Thursday after the Saturday Meeting:

Oct Meetings: 10/7 starting at 8:30 AM 10/12 starting at 7:00 PM

Nov Meetings: 11/4 starting at 8:30 AM 11/9 starting at 7:00 PM

Dec Meetings: 12/2 starting at 8:30 AM 12/7 starting at 7:00 PM

**TPPC Executive Committee:** President

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**Events Dire** 

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## **Events:**

September's club shoot was 45 ACP and 10 mm. The October's event will be the annual Halloween Shoot.

The new TPPC League competition has started. September's distance is 10 shots at 12 yards. Turn your target(s) into Leonard at the August Members meeting. Then pick up your October's target(s).

License to Carry (LTC) Practice: These are held every other Thursday night from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. The next dates for the September 14th and 28th. Daytime LTC practice on Tuesday September 19th at 9:00 AM. The participants get the opportunity to practice drawing from their concealment with their everyday carry pistols. All participants are closely monitored to provide a safe and fun atmosphere. There are multiple scenarios and barricades to practice various aspects of defending oneself if the situation ever presents itself.

Action Pistol: Practices and holds their events every other Wednesday starting at 6:00 PM. The next one will be on Wednesday the September 20th and. Our Action Pistol nights offer a safe environment to improve or enhance your gun handling and shooting skills. A perfect opportunity to increase your confidence in daily carry and self-defense. These practices and events are open to ANY safe shooter, you do not need to be an Action Pistol member to participate.

Lady's Night: Our next lady's night will be Thursday September 21st from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm. You may come at 6:00 or 7:00. There will be a safety briefing, then shooting in the range. Free for members, \$5 for non-members. You may bring your gun, or there will also be pistols and ammo available for use. Minors above 12 years of age are welcome while accompanied by an adult.

# TPPC Contact

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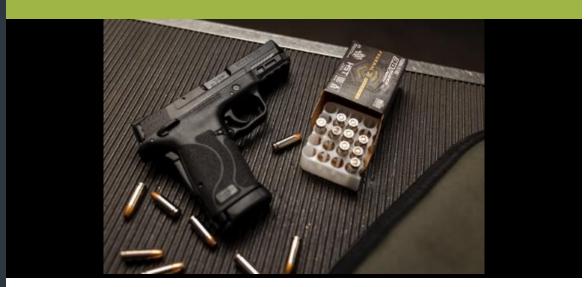
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# Bobby's Top 5 List for June 2023:

Top 5 Pistols over \$5000:

- 1) <u>Trump custom fully</u> engraved 50 AE
- 2) NIGHTHAWK
  CUSTOM 1911 LADY
  HAWK 2.0 9MM 4.25"
  COMMANDER 9CZ P10 Sub-Compact
- Taran Tactical Innovations Sand Viper JW4 9mm
- 4) Custom Single Action Army 5 1/2" Barrel 45 Colt Nickel Finish engraved
- 5) 1977 Colt Viper .38 Spl

If you like the list or have anything additional to add, let us discuss.



# Announcement of Bill Thompson's Resignation.

It was announced to the club that Bill Thompson has resigned from Club President. In Bill's own words "I knew before I took this job that I and only I would know when it was time to pass the torch. That time is now."

First, we thank Bill for his leadership and commitment to the club while he served as President. Bill humbly says "I have overseen numerous improvements to the club and its facilities. I take no credit for these accomplishments; it has been the hard work and competency of the leaders and members of this club that have made growth possible. I cannot find the words to thank you for how easy you have made this job for me."

Highlights of Bill's time as President:

10/2018 - Elect as President.

2/2019 – Began process of investing in CDs to smartly be stewards of the club's finances.

2/2020 – Club buys backstop from new old Panhandle Gunslingers

10/2020 – New backstop installed, Foyer\Lobby area remodeled, steel door installed.

4/2021 – Expanded lease of the club to include more rooms and access to safe.

7/2021 - Simulator room added for the club's use.

7/2022 – New flagpole project completed, and dedication ceremony held.

Though Bill, won't take credit for all this work, through is leadership and delegation the club has improved for all members.

Thanks again Bill we appreciate all you have done and for your leadership.

## **Amazon Affiliate**

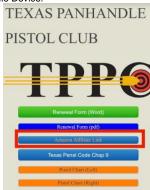
While doing your online shopping do not forget to use the link. It does not cost you a thing. There is no upcharge to the items in your cart. All you need to do is go to the click the above section title, go club website on your computer or your phone and click the link. It will then take you to the Amazon webpage or app and give the club a percentage of the total when you make your purchases.

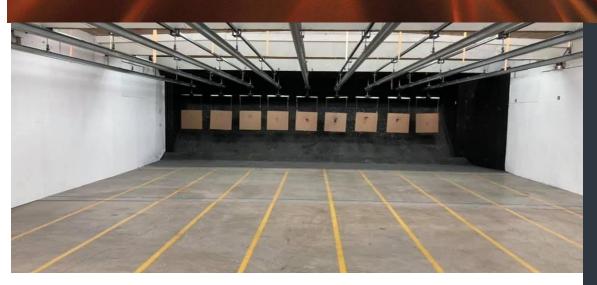
We are also look for other affiliate links for other companies. If you know of any, please inform the officers.

From Computer



From Mobile Device:





# What is happening at the Club?

The 2023 Online Safety Course is published. You will be able to take this course online to get credit for the March Annual Renewals.

There is also the Simulator Course available online. You only need to take the course once. If you have taken it in the past, you don't have to retake it.

#### https://tppc.myicourse.com/

#### **Club Dues Increase**

The club dues will increase \$10 per year for a totally of \$120. This change started Aug 1st. There will not be any "grandfathering" of dues for past or current members.

#### Friends of NRA Banquet

Sat, Oct 28, 2023, at 6:00 PM

#### <u>Texas Panhandle - Amarillo,</u> TX | Friends of NRA

Join other champions of the Second Amendment for dinner, games, auctions, and fun with a chance to win exclusive NRA guns, gear, décor, and collectibles!

## Office Elections are coming up.

Richard Mayfield and Terry Moore are leading this committee. Please see them if you are interested or would like to nominate someone for: VP of Administration, Treasurer, and Events Coordinator

Nomination to date: VP of Administration is Kenny Rodman Treasurer is Aaron Waldrop Event Director is Leonard

#### TPPC Club Buy/Sell/Trade

We now have a MeWe account for the club to help members sale, buy, or trade guns and accessories. You can also post comments as you desire. MeWe allows this avenue to us, where Facebook does not. Follow this link answer the 2 questions and you will be approved.

https://mewe.com/join/texaspanhandlepistolclubbuysaletrade

#### **Property Purchase**

The club has been approached about purchasing the property in the future. We have been offered the first right when the owners are ready to sell it. Earnest money was given to the owners. The September member's meeting it was proposed to proceed forward with the purchase by the member and the vote was unanimous in both meetings.

# Monthly Maintenance Activities:

### September:

Thanks to those who come to Maintenance Night, to those who change out target backers, and the crew who cleans out the lead pit.

Work accomplished this month was: Check range lighting, check lanes for functioning, clean up around building and put in dumpster, sweep with floor sweep, vacuum firing line and pew, clean table, check phone messages, change furnace filter, trimmed up all the weeds, drill target backer, paint bullet marks on walls, and clean admin building.

# Discounts for Club Memberships:

All attendance credits accumulated on a calendar year basis.

- Attending 7 monthly Club meetings
- Attending 6 Range Maintenance Nights
- Performing 6 Lead Tray Cleaning/Mining

## NRA Armed Citizen from September 2023 Magazine

**Eubanks** 

A home invasion went wrong for the would-be burglars when they encountered multiple armed residents inside of a Seattle, Wash., house early on June 26, 2023.

According to police, around 3:30 a.m., several armed suspects entered the house in Seattle's Beacon Hill neighborhood. Inside, they encountered the residents, who were armed and began to exchange gunfire with the intruders. The suspects fled, and by the time police arrived on scene, they were unable to locate the alleged burglars.

Approximately 15 minutes after the robbery was reported, an individual with multiple gunshot wounds was dropped off at a local hospital. The person could not provide police with any information about how they were shot. (KATU2 News; Seattle, Wash.; 6/26/23)



#### <u>Herrera for Congress</u> <u>Let's Go Brandon!!!</u>

Ammoland Inc.
Posted on August 15, 2023, by Jeff Knox

Click the link above to read the full article.

Brandon Herrera, popular YouTube personality, gun designer, FFL, and all-around good guy, has declared his candidacy for Congress in the 23rd District of Texas, bringing a whole new energy to the popular phrase, "Let's Go, Brandon!!!"

Texas 23 is a massive District covering a huge swath of West Texas, running from the Western side of San Antonio to Eastern El Paso, and South to include all of Big Bend National Park. It is one of the largest and least densely populated Congressional Districts in the country and has been something of a political football over the past several decades, with Republicans and Democrats actively working to Gerrymander the District to lock it up for their side.

Whether or not Brandon
Herrera is successful in his
bid to replace Tony Gonzales
in the Republican Primary, his
candidacy will serve to help
make it clear to Republicans
that GunVoters are not going
to give a pass to backstabbing politicians. Gonzales
ran on a promise of support
for and defense of Second
Amendment rights, and he
clearly betrayed that promise.

#### Study Shows Gun Ownership may be Double Previous Estimate

Ammoland Inc. Posted on August 15, 2023, by Dean Weingarten

(Click the above link to read the full article)

On June 23, a study on the underreporting of firearm ownership was published in the Journal "Social Psychiatry and Psychiatric Epidemiology." The title is "Predicting potential underreporting of firearm ownership in a nationally representative sample," hereafter referred to as the 'study.' The study indicated the number of people who refuse to report they are firearm owners, who have been called "shy" firearms owners, are about as numerous as firearms owners willing to identify themselves as such.

The full study is behind a paywall online. Allison E. Bond, the principal author of the study, was very kind and sent a copy for me to read for this article.

The study used a sample of 3500 people who were chosen to be a representative of United States adults. The number of adults in the United States at the time of the survey was about 258 million. They found 34.6% of those surveyed admitted to owning firearms, about 89 million people. The study estimated another 29.6% of respondents were likely to be "shy" gun owners. This would put the total number of gun owners in the US at roughly 64% of adults, or 166 million people.

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# Club Calendar (as of the day the newsletter is published) – Check <u>club event website</u> for updates.



### TPPC Calendar of Events

