

TEXAS PANHANDLE PISTOL CLUB

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Next Club Meeting (annual renewals) ... 12/02/17 [Saturday @ 08:30]

12/07/17 [Thursday @ 19:00]

SAFETY ORTS:

There was a recent event at the Club and a member brought a 9mm carbine to the event. An officer had to remind the member that they couldn't use the carbine and the member seemed surprised. The club rules prohibit the use of carbines. This is a safety concern. Why would a member who should know and follow the rules want to bring a carbine to the range? We also continue to see damage to the range. The Board has decided that part of the renewal process in December 2018 (for 2019 year) and going forward will include refresher training on the range safety rules. If a person doesn't attend the refresher training (and we'll set up several classes late in 2018), that person will not be allowed to renew. This will be effective for the 2019 renewal that happens 12/2018 and forward.

The upcoming renewal in December 2017 will be as usual. Here are some of the key safety rules.

- -Always point the gun in a safe direction
- -Always keep your finger off the trigger until ready to shoot
- -Always keep the gun unloaded until ready to use
- -The following are not allowed at the range:
 - Center fire rifle (.22 rimfire is allowed) / shotguns of any kind / carbines / judges / governors Pistol that can fire a rifle cartridge
 - Pistol caliber above 45 ACP (not allowed = .445 super max / .454 casull / .375 Rem super max) Any gun that can fire in fully automatic mode
- -Bullet velocity must not exceed 1610 fps
- -No tactical shooting unless you're at the IDPA functions
- -No draw from holster unless you're at IDAP functions or the Thursday Nite LTC practice
- -If a CEASE FIRE is called. Unload your gun. Point it downrange. Step out of the booth behind the line
- -No metal targets or objects. Use only paper targets no larger than the backboard
- -Be sure to notify someone if you are shooting alone
- -Sign in and out of the range

Safety is of the utmost importance. The damage to the range needs to stop before someone gets hurt. If a member doesn't attend one of the range rule refresher trainings set up in "late" 2018 they will not be allowed to renew membership for 2019 until they attend the refresher training.

LEGAL EAGLE ORTS:

Here are some articles you might find interesting (and I'm sure they won't surprise you...)

Congress Introduces Several Gun-Control Bills

Members of Congress have introduced three separate gun-control bills in response to the horrific incident in Las Vegas a few weeks ago. These are in addition to the myriad of anti-bump-stock bills being drafted. Learn more here.

Dianne Feinstein Wants to Ban Commonly Owned Semi-Autos, Again!

Senator Dianne Feinstein introduced S. 2095, which she is calling the Assault Weapons Ban of 2017. The 125-page firearm prohibition fever dream is perhaps the most far-reaching gun ban ever introduced in Congress.

From Texas LawShield

Independent Program Attorney Edwin Walker explains to you what the laws are in Texas for carrying a gun in to a house of worship. Watch the video here.

As long as evil exists in this world, vigilance is necessary in our everyday lives. Make sure you are prepared to deal with these situations. From the archives, here is our video series on Run. Hide. Fight

Texas Lawshield has put out a book (available in December) on First Aid and there are some upcoming seminars. register here

EVENTS:

The Halloween shoot went well

The last Club shoot will be on 12/02 and it'll be at 13:00 hrs with 45ACP

LTC practice is "every other" Thursday nite at 18:00 – 20:00 hrs. Check the calendar for specific dates. The LTC practice is going to be with "small" and "large" guns. Many folks have very small defensive pistols and this is a great place to practice using them. Practicing drawing from concealment and firing your gun is a lot different than shooting in the booth. Be sure to try to come and learn this skill.

"You respond to your level of training when you're under duress."

IDPA Practice every Wednesday night at 18:30 hrs

Don't forget about Maintenance night. Tuesday night at 18:00 hrs after the Saturday meeting. Come out and keep the club in good shape. If you attend 6 maintenance nights, you will get \$25 off your annual dues.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN TPPC:

December pit cleaning is going to be on Sunday 12/03 at 09:00 hrs. Please help if you can. The pit has got to be cleaned in order for us all to safely shoot. Each of us needs to continue to do our part to keep the club going.

(We are still evaluating raising dues to be able to pay to get the pit cleaned)

Renewals are quickly coming up for December. As always, we need volunteers to help with the renewals. Training will be on 11/18 from 10:00 – 12:00. The more volunteers we get the quicker renewals go

The Target retrieval systems have been installed and are working. We're planning to get two more. You'll see them soon.

I thought you'd find this interesting:

From My Cold Wet Hands: Humorless Scold Targets Squirt Guns

Here's a link to NRA Armed Citizen Armed Citizen Vol 66

You can email <u>texaspanhandlepistolclub@gmail.com</u> if you have any questions. It is routinely checked by the officers.

Have you gone to the club Facebook page? TEXAS PANHANDLE PISTOL CLUB Please come and join. This will be a good way to communicate information within the club (but not the only way).