

CCGCI Newsletter

January 2016

Welcome to 2016 at CCGCI

First off, I'd like to thank each and every one of you who is a member of Central Carolina Gun Club. We're proud to have continued growth last year and we look forward to continuing to do the same in 2016.

For those who don't know me, my name is Catherine Smallwood, the 2015-2016 CCGCI Executive Committee President. I'm also the CCGCI 2 Gun Tactical Match Director and have been an involved member since I joined the club in February 2013. I'm also the girlfriend of your Vice President, John Bechtel who is also very involved with the club and is a huge assistance with our being able to have 2 Gun Matches every month.

Your Executive Committee is excited to be moving into 2016 with many ideas and opportunities on the horizon.

100 Yard Reduced Match/Clinic

On Nov 28th we held our first 100 yd Reduced Match/Clinic. It was a beautiful day for shooting and learning. At about 8:45am we had our safety briefing with our first shots down range for our sighting in period at 9am. Between the different courses of fire, we had mini-clinics that covered things like type of equipment you may want to get, scoring, how to build your shooting position, using a sling, etc. Everyone had fun and learned a lot about how to shoot an Across the Course match and everyone was safe doing it.

Maxwell Scarborough took Match Winner with a 367-0x, second was Kellan Farmer (guest) with a 327-1x, third was Troy Ammons with a 270-1x. Top female was Debra McCusker turning in a score of 82-0x.

Our next match will be Feb 27th, 2016. Come out and join us. All you need is most any bolt action or semi-automatic rifle (see [match page](#) for more detail) that has iron sights and can be reloaded either via stripper clips or detachable magazine.

Remember, it's not about winning; it's about improving your marksmanship skills and having fun at the same time. Whether you intend to become a high power rifle competitor or just want to shoot your rifle better, this event is for you!

Club Calendar

- Jan 09 - 2 Gun Match
- Jan 10 - Orientation Class (FULL)
- Jan 16 - Range Clean Up
- Jan 17 - General Club Meeting
- Jan 24 - Orientation Class
- Feb 13 - 2 Gun Match
- Feb 20 - Range Clean Up
- Feb 14 - Orientation Class
- Feb 21 - General Club Meeting
- Feb 27 - 100 yd Match/Clinic

Club Merchandise



Don't forget we have club t-shirts, aluminum license plates, and vinyl decals. See our [store page](#) or email [Christy Barby](mailto:Christy.Barby)

2016 Membership Dues

2 Gun Tactical Match

The 2 Gun Match is now well into its second year and is now attracting around forty shooters or more every month, bringing extra money into the club and also getting our name known out in the shooting community. We have had national 3 Gun shooters join us and have a great time at our event and they come back as they can.

The club gets recognition for having a great match and through that we've gained new members and lots of new friends. If you've ever wanted to try this style of run and gun shooting, please come out and spectate or dive right in! We have intentionally kept equipment requirements to a minimum so we can get a maximum number of people to come out and join us for a minimum investment. Three magazines for your pistol and two for your rifle, a pistol holster and some ammunition is all you need to join us out there on the range. We consistently have new shooters, some who haven't been shooting but a month or two, that come out and join us, so don't feel like you don't have the right kind of experience. Many of us learn something new every month.

Other Events

We'd love to have a regular youth match opportunity as well! We have some who join us for the 2 Gun occasionally, but we don't currently have much of a youth program or anything dedicated to helping them grow in the shooting sports. Whether we alternate types of matches each time or stick with a given format, we'd love to have some people volunteer to come out and help the next generation of shooters learn the sports and pass on firearm safety and enjoyment.

If there's a shooting sport you'd like to see at CCGCI and you'd be willing to volunteer to help make it happen, please contact your Executive Committee by email or come by one of our meetings and let us know!

Upcoming Changes to your Club

We are currently in discussions on how to change the rules to allow additional sizes and types of shotgun ammunition at the range larger than the current 7 1/2. As we come up with the new rules, we will be sending out a message to let everyone know what is changing. In addition we are working on some ideas for new shotgun targets and the possibility of having steel permanently in the shotgun pit. That will definitely require the help of every member to make sure we are not shooting them with slugs or steel shot.

Lots of you have asked about the 1000 yard range. This past year some work has been accomplished over there while we were digging out the new ranges. Lots of that dirt went down to the 1000 yard berm and built it up quite a bit. This biggest issue currently facing us is a hill located around the 300-600 yard area of that range. There is a significant amount of dirt there to be moved to make the whole thing accessible from 600 to 1000 yards. The whole thing will not be financially possible in one year, so we will be building it in stages. For 2016 we are looking at getting it open to 300 or 400 yards. We don't yet

Christmas is a wonderful time of year and Central Carolina Gun Club realizes you may not have had the money to renew in December. We appreciate that and have made it available for you to renew in January after the holiday season is over. Members may renew through January 31, 2016 for this year.

have a timetable in mind or when it will be open once the initial digging gets complete. Before you'll be allowed to shoot there, a class will be required which will give you an endorsement for using the range at that distance. As the distance increases in the coming years, additional classes/updated endorsements will be required. The changes in ballistics as distance increases is significant enough that we want to make sure safe operation of the range occurs.

General Range Etiquette

Our membership is growing and so there is the possibility you will arrive at the range and the place you want to shoot already has a couple of shooters there. Because we don't have a sign up list, we want people to be able to come and shoot when they would like, please take the time to ask the people already there if you can join them. Communication is the key. If you see someone standing with their gear and uncertain looking, see if they want to join you. Take time to share the range that we all pay for. A beautiful winter day with 55 degree temperatures on a Saturday may bring many people out to enjoy the facility. Please try to help us make sure every member gets to enjoy the facility. Getting to know someone new you're shooting with that day may make a lifelong friend or give you the chance to shoot a gun you'd always wanted to shoot before! You never know what that kindness and communication will bring. Respectful and friendly attitudes are important. We're all on the same side as gun owners in keeping our rights to hunt, shoot recreationally, or practice to defend ourselves.

As a reminder, all members are limited to two guests at the range without prior permission from the EC. Please try to email us several days in advance if there's a reason you want to have more than two guests present so that we can check the schedule and see if others have requested anything similar as well. We love to have guests come out, especially those getting interested in firearms or looking for a new place to shoot. They are potential members for us and hope they can join us to grow our facility even more!

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