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## Ongoing Club Expansion & Improvement Program



Several years ago, the Club Board of Directors created a Long Term Planning Committee (LTPC) and tasked it with the responsibility to expand and improve Club facilities. The goals were and still are to provide the best possible shooting opportunities to our Members and the community. The first example Members saw was the installation of the automated entrance gate that was especially appreciated by women and those with physical infirmities. The entrance road was then paved to eliminate dust, mud and wear and tear on Members' cars.

New pistol cells were added to greatly expand our pistol shooting capacity and do so in a manner that gives Members their own shooting area as opposed to one long firing line.

Work is underway to add nine more pistol cells, thus providing more shooting opportunities.

The berms have been reworked. Open ditches have been replaced by a drainage system with collection boxes, creating a larger parking area. Construction on a restroom in the Pistol Bay area is about to begin, making it more pleasant for the ladies who are a rapidly growing segment of our membership.

Near-term plans include a new, much larger clubhouse/education center, a "shoot house" for training and supervised practice, and a covered pistol range that will house computer controlled running and turning targets for practice, training and competition.

Many more improvements are currently being evaluated by the LTPC and the Board. Those that prove to be a prudent investment for our Members will be added to the schedule.

## New Rifle Instructor — Mark Scales, HPD SWAT (Ret.)

We are very pleased to announce expansion of the Club training program to include Mark Scales, a retired Houston Police Dept. SWAT instructor. Mark was with HPD for just shy of 36 years, spending 23 of those years in the SWAT Division. He is experienced in all aspects of defensive shooting and training with rifles, handguns and shotguns and we are very

proud to have him join the Instructor corps at PSC.

Mark will be offering various rifle courses from basic AR platform courses to more advanced self-defense classes involving the use of rifles and handguns.

Mark's classes will be listed on the PSC Calendar and in the training section of the website. Classes will be open

to Members and non-members, with PSC Members receiving a discount.

Anyone who uses or considers using a rifle for home defense and/or self-defense should take advantage of Mark's expertise and register for his courses.

Mark also plans to offer precision rifle courses in the future.

## Firearms Training Tailored to Meet Members' Needs

It is the Chief Instructors responsibility to include a wide range of firearms classes and education on the Club's Calendar. We also try to offer classes and seminars in formats and at times that provide an opportunity for almost all Members to attend. In response to Members' requests, the Handgun Skills Series of classes were created including 1) Basic Handgun Skills for beginners, 2) Intermediate Handgun I & II that build on those

basic skills; and 3) Advanced Handgun I & II that offer dynamic shooting scenarios. (The Advanced Classes will be offered again when the new "shoot house" and computerized range are constructed. See *Ongoing Club Expansion & Improvement Program*, on page 1.)

Members also requested that classes be offered in a ladies-only format, so most classes are offered in that format as well. Several

students in the Concealed Handgun License classes (now License to Carry a Handgun) who had minimal handgun skills suggested that a combined Basic Handgun Class and License to Carry Class be created, so this combined class is offered. In fact, to encourage people to get a minimum level of basic training, the combined class is offered at a discount. Several free seminars are also offered including:

*Texas Self-Defense & Deadly Force Laws Seminar, Women's Self-Defense Information Seminar, Concealed-Carry Fashion Show (displaying and demonstrating various ways to carry a self-defense handgun), The Defensive Mindset, What Every Teenager Needs to Know About Texas Self-Defense Laws, and the 201\_\_ Texas Legislative Update.* Additional seminars are being developed and you are welcome to make suggestions.

## Summer: Training, Practicing & Plinking in the Heat

I was born and raised in Houston. I had a client ask me how long it takes to get used to the heat in Texas. I told him, "I'll let you know when I get there." It's summer in Texas, so it's hot. The only cure is October, so what do we do in the meantime? Dress accordingly, use sunscreen and drink water, lots of water!

I have changed the format of the Texas License to Carry a Handgun Class such that we do the shooting portion of the class first. That puts us on the range around 8:30am to 9:00am and we are back in the classroom in less than an hour. It's not cool at 8:30am during the summer, but it's a lot "cooler" than 1:00pm! I also schedule other classes like the Basic Handgun Classes to run

from 8:00am to 11:00am, or 5:00pm to 8:00pm. The latter is proving to be more popular, largely because the first 45 minutes to an hour is spent in the classroom, thus letting the temperature drop a bit more before hitting the range.

Unless there are compelling health reasons, don't stop shooting during the summer. Just be prudent how and when you spend time on the range. Chas. Cotton

## Want to be a YAPL Coach, Match SO or Volunteer?



The Youth Action Pistol League (YAPL) is ready to launch a recruitment effort to get more kids into the Program. First, we must have a lot more adults volunteering to help! If you are interested in being a YAPL coach for training and practice sessions, or an SO for YAPL monthly matches, please fill out the online [Coach/Volunteer](#) form on the YAPL page at [www.PSC-Range.com](http://www.PSC-Range.com). YAPL coaches must be very experienced handgun shooters, preferably with either IDPA or USPSA competitive experience. If you do not have match competition experience, you will work with experienced coaches where you will serve as an Assistant Coach until you gain sufficient match experience.

If you would like to volunteer for the YAPL Program serving in a support role, we would love to have you in the Program. Every event from basic training to monthly matches requires a lot of help behind the scenes. This includes help with equipment and target set-up and tear-down, building props, maintaining target systems and many other jobs. Staff volunteers are critical to the success of the Program!

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## FIREARM SAFETY THROUGH TRAINING, MENTORING AND MATCHES

The mission of the PSC Shooting Club, Inc. is to promote safe and responsible firearms ownership and use. The Club achieves this goal through a multi-prong approach that includes providing an excellent facility and training opportunities, as well as matches and other special events that allow shooters to hone their skills. Club matches, events and training opportunities are open to both Members and non-members to promote firearms safety and responsibility to the entire surrounding communities.

Remember, PSC is not just a gun range, we are a club. Come to your Club often, get involved in Club programs and help promote safe and responsible firearms ownership and use. We are all ambassadors for the Second Amendment.

## PSC Shooting Club Supports Junior Shooters



**New Pistol Cells—Great for practice and informal shooting**  
Some pistol cells have plate racks and other reactive targets.

The PSC Shooting Club, Inc. (PSC) has long been dedicated to promoting firearm safety training to youth. The long-running PSC Juniors Program has been popular for decades and the kids enjoy participating in all of the shooting disciplines available at PSC, including archery. The PSC Juniors Program provides a great opportunity for youth to try several shooting sports and decide which ones they want to pursue.

PSC was the first shooting club/range in Texas to establish a Youth Action Pistol League (YAPL) program. The Club not only started a YAPL program, it provides full financial support to the Program. The

Club purchased 41 handguns and extra magazines for use by YAPL kids and it covers all operational costs for training and matches. Club equipment combined with a very generous donation of holsters and magazine carriers by Comp-Tac means that kids can try action pistol shooting to see if they like it, before their parents purchase a handgun and related gear.

As YAPL grows throughout the State and beyond, PSC will host regional, state and national matches and championships.