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JANUARY MEETING

The next meeting of the Chatuge Gun Club will be on Tuesday,
January 20, 2026, at 7:00 pm.

Location: The Towns County Senior Center,
954 N. Main Street on the lake in Hiawassee.

Meetings this year will be held monthly, on the third Tuesday..

*If you come, you may be the winner of a door prize. Need a bit of ammo,
a club shirt a gift certificate to one of the great local gun shops or
something? Then again you may not be the winner.*

BE THERE!! COME AND BRING A FRIEND!

**Check out the
Chatuge Gun Club
website:**

<https://chatugegunclub.com/>

It has schedules, match descriptions, directions, range rules, photos, club contacts, newsletters, shooting related links and a complete calendar of ALL club events and activities.

*On November Chatuge
Gun Club had 818
Members*

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2025 MATCH SCHEDULE

Match dates and times are subject to change. Check the website "Descriptions of Matches" page before you go to the range.

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Date Match Title Start Time Range Closed Match Director Phone #

Jan 7 Trap 9:00 AM 8:00 AM-2:00 PM Bob Weston 440-829-8165

Jan 11 *Open Range Day 1:00 PM 3:30 PM - open to members Carol Rosenqvist 706-781-4392

Jan 11 Air Gun - Rifle & Pistol 1:30 PM Details on web Marie Green 386-562-7011

Jan 14 Trap 9:00 AM 8:00 AM-2:00 PM Bob Weston 440-829-8165

Jan 20 Club Meeting 7:00 PM Towns County Senior Center Ed Jones 706-897-2306

Jan 21 Trap 9:00 AM 8:00 AM-2:00 PM Bob Weston 440-829-8165

Jan 24 Steel Plate Duel 10:00 AM 8:30 AM-4:00 PM Thad Bynum 706-490-0523

Jan 28 Trap 9:00 AM 8:00 AM-2:00 PM Bob Weston 440-829-8165

Jan 31 Bowling Pin 10:00 AM 8:30 AM-5:00 PM Matt Brewer 706-982-9044

Feb 1 Air Gun - Rifle & Pistol 1:30 PM Details on web Marie Green 386-562-7011

Feb 4 Trap 9:00 AM 8:00 AM-2:00 PM Bob Weston 440-829-8165

Feb 7 Defensive Pistol 9:00 AM 8:30 AM-5:00 PM Rick Klopp 706.781.4526

MUZZLELOADING CLINIC AND MATCH

20 DECEMBER 2025

GARY CAINES – MATCH DIRECTOR



On Saturday December 20, 2025, The Chatuge Gun Club sponsored a Clinic on Muzzleloading Rifles and shotguns followed by a muzzleloading rifle match. Gary Caines was the instructor. I arrived at the range a little after 0800 when the temperature had warmed up to 22 F. The clinic started at 0900 and ran for two hours. It was bitterly cold during the clinic, but everyone suffered through it. There were a lot of questions during the class, which showed a lot of interest. Only five people showed up for the clinic, probably due to the cold weather. The group was a mixture of muzzleloading shooters and shooters with zero previous muzzleloading experience. After the instruction phase of the clinic was completed, everyone took a 50-question examination from the NRA and NMLRA. Results of the examination were very good, and everyone passed. Each of the

participants in the clinic will receive a certificate from the NRA and NMLRA. After the clinic finished, we started the match. The weather started improving very quickly and the day ended up being a perfect day for shooting with reasonable temperatures, bright sunshine and virtually no wind. We ended up shooting through lunch.

The shooters in the match portion all shot well. Unfortunately, there were a few issues with rifles, and one participant chose not to compete in the match, but two shooters completed the entire match. Since there were new shooters involved, we shot P1 and P2 NMLRA pistol targets at 25 and 50 yards instead of rifle targets. We also followed NMLRA rules where the center of the shot counts for scoring.

PARTICIPANTS	PLACE	25 YARD	50 YARD	RIFLE
Mike Anderson				
Greg Boggs	First Place	95	92	Flintlock
Ashton Locher	Second Place	90	83	Percussion
Steve Mullen				
George Silver				

I was very happy to see that all shooters performed extremely well, and it was unfortunate that equipment problems intervened. Greg Boggs took first place with some amazing shooting with his flintlock. Greg just kept tearing out the 10-ring and he was shooting fast with his flintlock. Ashton Locher took second place, also with some amazing shooting, considering he brought his own rifle to the match but due to problems he only made one scoring shot with his own rifle. Gary Caines lent Ashton his Thompson

Center Renegade for the remaining 19 shots. Ashton had never shot a muzzleloader previously and then he had to shoot two different rifles in the match that he had never shot before. We might try to do a similar clinic in the future on pistols and revolvers.

Unfortunately, two different groups of shooters showed up at the range, unaware of the clinic and match. Both said that they had looked at the schedule and didn't see that the range was reserved for the match. I felt sorry to send them away.



This email was received on a club email on 6 January 2026

Hello and Happy New Year!

I am emailing you to sing the praises of Gary Caines and the excellent black powder class he put on at the range December 20th.

I hope that you can put a mention of thanks to Gary in the next newsletter.

There were five of us who braved the cold and showed up for his class.

3 of us were completely new to black powder and the other 2 fellows were seasoned vets! Gary taught us all a thing or two and of course, stressed safety first. We all enjoyed his NRA sanctioned course and had the opportunity to fire his guns after a couple of hours of instruction.

It is very nice of him to take the time, money and effort to share his knowledge. He even mailed us each an NRA certificate of completion for basic black powder rifle.

I will try to attach photos of the class to this email but if I should fail, I will just forward them to you on another email.

THANK YOU GARY and Thank You to the Chatuge Gun Club.

Sincerely,

Mike Anderson

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UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS **TOYS FOR TOTS**

6 DECEMBER 2025

MATCH DIRECTOR – JOSH WORMAN



December 6th was one of those low temps, high humidity days that cuts to the bone, but the spirit of giving helped to warm us up from the inside. 16 shooters came out to support the cause and attempt to knock down as many of the 50 targets as they could hit with 50 rounds. Targets that stretched the full length of the range- from 15 yards all the way down to the 100-yard line.

Shooters had to use both a .22lr pistol and rifle and were allowed to distribute the rounds between the two as they saw fit. No more than 10 rounds were allowed per magazine, so that rifles wouldn't have a capacity advantage. Score was counted as time of the last shot fired plus 10 seconds for every target left standing. The stage was shot twice and the totals combined to determine the order.

Only 1 junior shooter was able to come out to compete. Gabriel Walls took home the award for 1st JR, a nerf gun with our club award pin attached. 3rd through 1st place were awarded mason jars loaded with chocolate candies and a bit of .22 ammo. Mike Clare finished fast enough to bring home 3rd place. Brandon Walls was a bit faster and secured 2nd

place. With only a little over 4 seconds advantage Josh Warman won 1st place. The award for the most accurate went to the lady in 4th place, Joan Moody, left the fewest number of targets standing after her 2 stages.



The biggest winners of the day were not the shooters, but the kids that will benefit from the donations that were collected for the Toys for Tots Foundation. Seven bicycles, a plethora of sports balls and other toys, and over \$300 were donated to go to the kids of Towns and Union Counties.

A special big thanks to Wayne Roshaven, our local Toys for Tots representative. He came out and presented the awards to the winners; also presenting the club with a certificate of appreciation from Toys for Tots, which currently resides on the bulletin board at the range. Also, a big thanks to those that showed up early to help to set up, helped run the match and stayed for tear down afterwards.

I would consider this year's match a huge success and look forward to continuing the tradition for a 4th year next year.

