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**April, 2026**

**NO. 9**

**2026  
ON THE CALENDAR  
MONTHLY**

Pistol League: Tues. 7pm  
 Trap & Skeet: 1st, 2nd &  
 4th Sat. 9am-1pm  
 Trap & Skeet: Sun.1-5pm  
 Trap & Skeet: Wed.3pm-?  
 Sporting Clays: 3rd Sat.  
 (www.nwtfsclays.webs.com)

**CALENDER - 2026**

**April**

NRA Rifle: 4th  
 4 H District Rifle & Pistol: 25th -  
 (ALL RANGES CLOSED )  
 Directors Meeting: 23rd

**May**

NRA Rifle: 2nd  
 Kids Fishing Rodeo: 27th  
 Memorial Day -Office closed 25th  
 Directors Meeting: 28th

**June**

Directors Meeting : 25th

**RAFFLE TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE !!!**

**Winchester M1 Garand 30.06**

**Oct-Nov 1941 Production**

**NRA Expert Grade - Competition Peep Sights**

**\$50.00 Each Ticket - Only 200 tickets will be  
 sold.**

**Drawing will be concluded on August 27, 2026  
 during the NWTFS Director Meeting.**

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**Monday—Friday 1PM to 5:30 PM**



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AND STREAM

# RAFFLE



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each ticket

**1941  
WICHESTER M1  
GARAND  
30.06**

**AUG. 27  
2026  
7:00 PM**

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2005 SOUTHWEST PKWY. WICHITA FALLS, TX

09 MAY 2026

# KIDS FISHING RODEO

*Learn to fish day hosted by the  
Northwest Texas Field & Stream*

Free to the  
public

**10:00 AM  
TO  
12:00 PM**

Free hot  
dog lunch at  
11:00

PRIZES AWARDED BY AGE GROUP:

1-3 YRS; 4-6 YRS; 7-9 YRS; & 10-12 YRS

2005

SOUTHWEST

PKWY

# HIGH POWER RIFLE MATCH

FIRST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH HIGH POWER MATCH  
ON THE HUNDRED YARD RANGE.

THEY SHOOT STANDING, PRONE & SITTING  
APPROXIMATELY 50+ ROUNDS.

MATCH REGISTRATION INCLUDES TARGETS \$10.00.

FIRST SATURDAY IN JULY IS A  
SPECIAL SHOOT DON JAMES MEMORIAL, INCLUDES  
LUNCH & AWARDS.

**COME OUT AND ENJOY THE FUN!**



A new addition to  
NWTFS Director  
Emeritus Plaque is  
Margaret Kroes.

Margaret was a big  
part of the North-  
west Texas Field &  
Stream for many  
years.

**YOUR  
CURRENT  
NORTHWEST  
TEXAS FIELD  
AND STREAM  
MEMBERSHIP  
EXPIRES  
3-31-2026.**

## NORTHWEST TEXAS FIELD AND STREAM DIRECTORS MEETING

March 26, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Directors present were: M. Bedwell, D & F Bohuslav, K & J Cannaday, L & L Carr, L. Chaddick, R. Coughran, R. Davis, J & M Gallagher, L. Hare, P. Herrera, B. Johnson, F. Jones, R. Kroes, N. Mason, P. Mitchell, J. Petenbrink, J. Scales, R. Spangler, B & J Stephens, M. Watson and A. Woods.

**I  
nvocation:** Linda

**Pledge:** Norman

Thanks to everyone for coming. Thanks once again to the cooks. Excellent job with the fish!! And, thanks to Linda for the table decorations!

**Guests:** Bobby Adams (4-H), Russell Arbuckle (4-H), Debbie C., Albert Garcia (VIDA)

**Minutes:** Bill J. Motioned to accept. Pat M. seconded motion. Motion approved

**Financials:** Jessica motioned to accept. John P. had questions about the Waste Connection bill. Frank J. explained that he's been trying to get a copy of the contract but hasn't as of yet. We have a 5 year contract. Bill seconded motion. Motion approved.

**Correspondence:** None

**Gun Club:** Rick

Hadn't been out for a couple of Saturday's due to having eye surgery but seemed to be about the same. He then let everyone know that he'll be closing on his home April 8<sup>th</sup> and the 10<sup>th</sup> they'll close on their new home in Ingleside. Regrets not joining sooner as he has thoroughly enjoyed his time with the organization. Norman noted that Rick has done a lot in the time he has been here. Mark G. may take over Saturday's at the Gun Club.

**Rifle:** Robert D.

Had 7 at last match. His little sister shot her first match. Jon S. had 98 out of 100, 4x standing. Next match will be April 4<sup>th</sup>. They may have some people coming in from Oklahoma in June or July.

**Pistol:** John P.

Into the second week of practice. Had 15 attend but were missing 2. Make up planned for Friday. Had 12 attend the banquet due to illness and spring break.

**4-H Rifle/pistol:** Roger

Have completed spring training. Will be taking 4 youth and 4 adults to an Amarillo match. Billy will be taking the M1 Garand and some raffle tickets along. 4-H Dist. III will be April 25<sup>th</sup>. Has it largely crewed with 9 coming from Sheppard to volunteer. May 1 – 3 TSRA competition. Have participants coming from the Carolina's and Minnesota as well as 4 army marksman. Working on getting some sponsorship's. Will have a meeting next week to get a list of targets and events to be sponsored.

**Youth Shotgun:** Frank

Started on Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>. A quarter of the way through. Class has 7 new and 8 returning. They are coming along and look real good.

**Archery: Mark G.**

Class started Mar. 17th at 5:00 at the high range. Has one student who was in Electra but came here. Waiting to see if more come. Need to get the word out.

**Safety: Mark G.**

Doing more research on the panels. Roger is going to construct a carefully worded letter on how to “professionally” approach someone about range violations. Noted that any member can deal with a range violation but needs to be done diplomatically.

Mark G. praised Rick for volunteering at the Gun Club even though he doesn't shoot shotgun! Has been a great help! Brought up that since Rick will be leaving, he will need help with the mowing at the Gun Club. Have had some offers. Noted that we need to keep up appearances since it's at the entrance to the range.

**Gun Show: John P.**

There is only 1 show now in Wichita Falls which happens to be the weekend of our boys deer hunt. May try to get some help to try to do it. Will be attending the one in Seymour in Sept.

**Hunters Ed.: Frank**

March 21<sup>st</sup> class had 12 out of 15 show. Scores ranged from 76 – 100. Was a good class.

**Old Business:**

**Roger** – For those who had not heard, Mike Campsey passed away Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup> after a long illness. Mr. Campsey's father started the boy's deer hunt many years ago. He thanked those directors who went to either the viewing or the service. Meant a lot to the family. LeRoy added that any memorial donations need to go to the “restricted” Jacksboro account.

**Artie W.** – thanked everyone who came out for the car show. Had twice as many cars than usual. Had some good food. Will be out again next year!

**New Business:**

**Billy** – introduced Bobby and Russell who both have been helping out with the youth training. They would like to become directors. Billy motioned to nominate. John P. seconded. Approved. To be voted on at next meeting.

**John P.** – Held a committee meeting in regards to bringing guests out. Came up with a QR code at the gate. They can access a waiver form to be completed by up to 4 of their guests. Said all who attended the meeting agreed and wanted to vote on it for approval. Discussion followed as the directors present at the meeting wanted more information.

Frank motioned to adjourn. Jennifer seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:45

**NEXT MEETING April 23, 2026**

**MEMBERSHIP  
APPLICATION**

This is your invitation to *Join & Enjoy* the Northwest Texas Field & Stream Association.

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AND**

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**Family membership ending  
March 31, 2027**

**NWTF&S Association**

**P.O Box 9161**

**Wichita Falls, TX 76308-0161**

**Questions call 940-692-1141**

**YOUR CURRENT FIELD  
AND STREAM  
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OFFICERS**

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**CATFISH, CHANNEL  
STOCKING**

**Mid April through October .**

**Exact Dates not available at the time of the Newsletter April 2026 publication.**

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**Membership expires March 31, 2026.**

**This includes new memberships, \$75.00 per year, as well as those whose memberships have expired. New members and expired memberships would also pay the \$25.00 Range Key Card.**

**Please remember that we do not send out renewal notices!**

### **Remind your friends!**

**Payment can be made by:**

- 1) Stopping by the office at: *2005 SW Pkwy Wichita Falls, TX 76308 (Monday-Friday 1pm-5:30pm).***
- 2) Mailing in a check or money order to our:  
*P.O. Box 9161 76308***
- 3) Submitting it online on our website: *nwtf.org***

## **SAFETY REGULATIONS**

This message is a friendly reminder regarding safety regulations at the North Texas Field and Stream (NWTF) ranges. To ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for everyone, please take a moment to familiarize yourself with the specific rules for each shooting range.

Each of our ranges, varying in distance from 15 to 100 yards, have unique safety protocols in place. Clearly marked signage at each range details these specific requirements. We strongly urge you to carefully read these signs before commencing your shooting activities. Your adherence to these rules is crucial for maintaining a safe environment for all users.

While we want everyone to have fun and enjoy their time at NWTF, it's important to understand that violations of these safety regulations can have serious consequences. Unfortunately, recent incidents captured on our range cameras have highlighted the need for increased vigilance. These incidents are being addressed promptly and appropriately.

For a complete overview of our standard range rules, please visit the NWTF website. These comprehensive guidelines complement the range-specific signage and provide a complete understanding of our safety policies.

Your cooperation in upholding these safety regulations is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions or require clarification on any of the rules, please do not hesitate to contact us.

**Office: 940-692-1141    Web Site: [www.nwtf.org](http://www.nwtf.org)    E-mail: [office@nwtf.org](mailto:office@nwtf.org)**

## RIFLE MATCH—MARCH 2026

The March 2026 rifle match was unique. My younger sister, Natasha, has absorbed knowledge from a few 4H smallbore rifle and pistol classes this year, and shown an intermediate ability. The week before the match, I gave her an hour of instruction on the operation of an AR15, sized the sling to her, and sent a video to learn the course commands and firing pace.

Arriving at the range, I learned that my Mosin Nagant would have company - James and Roy brought their Steyr M95 carbines. This did not last as James' M95 was zeroed too high to compensate, so he reverted to his AR. The saying "you either win in Standing, or lose in Prone" remains true. Jon must have put some rocks in his pockets and set the bar high with a personal best Standing score of 98/100-4x. James had an average 83. The rest of us had lackluster performance. Learning where to hold an AR on the fly, Natasha had one miss, but was on our heels. In the rapids, the bark of the ARs and the click-clack of the WWII bolt actions made a syncopated rhythm. Mark held steady about 90%. Natasha was slow with good hits in Sitting Rapid, but timed out with 4 rounds saved. She surprised us in Prone Rapid with 95/100-1x. A refined zero would have made it 99! Speaking of which, when James got on the ground, he dropped only one point the rest of the way through Sitting Rapid, Prone Rapid, and Prone Slow. 100/100-4x, 99/100-3x, and 200/200-7x. Jon held him off with a 9-point and 4-x lead overall to win the match. Prone Slow did not go well for the rest of us, except Natasha. A 168/200 Prone is normally unimpressive, but it was 3rd highest this day, made a 73.6% aggregate and passed me - first time out. Jon had won in Standing, and I had lost in Prone proudly.

**The next matches will be on 4-Apr, 2-May, D-Day, and the Don James Memorial is on the 4th of July.**

**Bring 50 shots for record. \$5 fee for youths under age 21, \$10 for adults. Registration at 8:30am. Firing begins at 9:00am.**

Submitted by Robert Davis



**BEAUTIFUL MARCH, 2026 AFTERNOON AT THE RANGE.**



**NATASHA IN  
SITTING  
RAPID.**

**4-1-2026.**

**ROBERT COACHING  
NATASHA DURING  
SIGHTERS.**

**4-1-2026**



**PAT MITCHELL  
AND  
JON SCALES.**

**4-1-2026.**



**ROBERT  
WITH  
MOSIN  
IN  
PRONE  
RAPID.**

**4-1-2026**



**ROY SHOWING  
NATASHA HOW  
TO RAISE A  
FLAG.**

**4-1-2026**

**ROBERT RELOADING IN SIT-  
TING RAPID.**

**4-1-2026**



# PISTOL CLUB

On March 10, 2026 the pistol club held there 2025 Fall Pistol league Banquet and handed out awards.

For 22 only league we had 1st Bruce Urban with a score of 7046 107X, 2nd Jon Scales with a score of 6580 66X, 3rd Gary Crawford with a score of 6074 36X .

For 2700 league we had 1st Matt Mulroy with a score of 6739 102X, 2nd Richard Sutton with a score of 6390 60X, 3rd Billy Stephens with a score of 6379 56X .

Submitted by : John Petenbrink



2025 FALL  
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BANQUET  
AWARDS  
PRESENTA-  
TIONS..



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*Billy Holmes*

**FROM THE OFFICE**  
**LOSS & FOUND NOTICE**

A couple of items were turned in-  
to the office over the last couple  
of weeks. If you are missing  
something please call the South-  
west Parkway office at  
940-692-1141  
Monday - Friday between 1 PM  
and 5:30 PM.

Please describe the missing item  
to verify the item found.

One item was found at the 25  
yard range and the other at the  
100 yard range.

We would like to thank those  
members who turned the items  
in. Remember, if you find some-  
thing you can bring it to the SW  
Parkway office or the Gun Club if  
someone is there and we will try  
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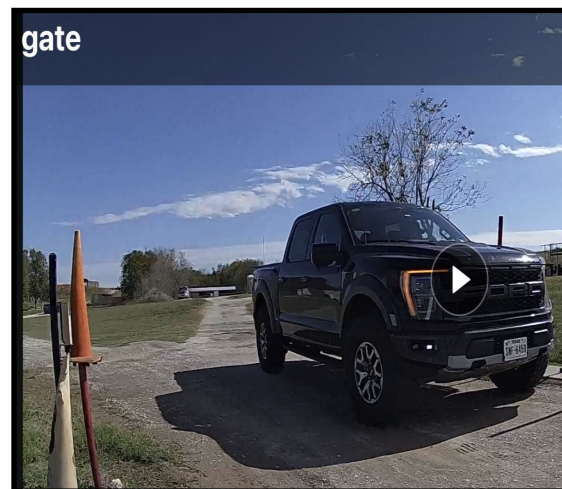




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