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**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

June

High Power Match: 6th
 Youth Fishing Trip : 6th
 Directors Meeting : 25th

July

Don James Memorial Shoot : 4th
 4H State Shooting Sport:: 13-18th
 Directors Meeting : 23rd

August

Hunters Ed : 1st
 High Power Match: 1st
 Directors Meeting: 27th

NWTFS KID FISHING RODEO 2026(LEARN TO FISH)

KID FISHING RODEO TURNED OUT 100s AT SOUTHWEST HAMILTON PARK FISHING POND.

KIDS WITH FAMILY HAD A GREAT TIME TRYING TO CATCH SMALLEST OR LARGEST

FISH IN EACH AGE GROUP. TROPHYS & FISHING POLES WERE HANDED OUT BY THE NWTFS IN FOUR AGE GROUPS. FISHING WAS SLOW BUT WE HAD A LARGE GROUP OF KIDS TRYING THEIR BEST TO CATCH A FISH.

MANY THANKS TO ALL OF THE VOLUNTEERS , KIDS & FAMILY THAT MADE THIS PROJECT A SUCCESS.

SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL FISHING ADVENTURE!!!





NWTFS 2026 KID FISHING RODEO IN REVIEW!!!









LOTS OF FISH
REELED IN, FUN,
SMILES, AND
LAUGHTER HAD
BY ALL!

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AND STREAM

RAFFLE



\$50.00
each ticket

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

PURCHASE LOCATION MON. - FRI. 1:00-5:30
2005 SOUTHWEST PKWY. WICHITA FALLS, TX

State Pistol Championship

The Texas State Rifle Association's State Pistol Championship, hosted by the Northwest Texas Field & Stream Association at the Don VanMeter Memorial Range in Wichita Falls, was held May 1–3 and once again proved to be one of the premier precision pistol competitions in the United States. Competitors traveled from across the nation, including California, Arizona, Minnesota, and the Carolinas, along with five members of the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit from Fort Benning, Georgia, to compete in the prestigious three-day event.

The championship featured some of the nation's top precision pistol shooters competing in the challenging 2700 aggregate format. At the conclusion of the event, Travis Jorgenson captured first place with an outstanding score of 2638 out of 2700 with 123 X's. Jon Shue finished a close second with a score of 2631 and 118 X's, while Greg Markowski secured third place with a score of 2616 and 124 X's.

The Northwest Texas Field & Stream Association was well represented with six adult competitors participating, along with three talented junior shooters from the club's youth program.

Charlie delivered an impressive performance, shooting a commendable 2291 with 23 X's.

Particularly notable was Tosh (Natasha), who had not fired a pistol prior to February, yet achieved an excellent score of 2098 with 15 X's in her first major championship competition. Easton also demonstrated tremendous promise by shooting one-handed at 50 yards for the first time and posting a respectable score of 1018.

The event highlighted not only elite national-level competition, but also the continued growth of youth participation in the shooting sports. Through the efforts of dedicated volunteers, match officials, and competitors, the championship once again reflected the strong tradition of excellence, sportsmanship, and firearms safety promoted by both the Texas State Rifle Association and the Northwest Texas Field & Stream Association.

Amarillo 2700 Match April 11th and 12th

The Northwest Texas Field & Stream Association Adult and Junior Teams competed in the Amarillo 2700 Precision Pistol Match held April 11–12. Four members of the adult team and four members of the junior team participated in the event, representing NWTF&S with excellent sportsmanship and competitive shooting.

In the Marksman Class, Matt Mulroy earned First Place with an outstanding score of 2376 and 48 X's. Billy Stephens captured Second Place with a score of 2092 and 18 X's, while Roger Kroes finished Third with a score of 2059 and 18 X's.

In the .22 Only Category, Tosh (Natasha) was the top junior shooter and placed Second in the Marksman Category overall with an impressive score of 1998 and 15 X's, outperforming all but one of the adult competitors. Hunter Adams placed Fourth with a score of 1375 and 7 X's, while Kenzley finished Fifth with a score of 1015 and 3 X's.

Easton also participated in the event for practice experience, marking his first time shooting in a match competition. The event provided valuable competitive experience for all of the junior shooters and highlighted the continued growth of the Northwest Texas Field & Stream Association's junior marksmanship program.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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

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\$75.00

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(AS LONG AS YOUR MEMBERSHIP DOES NOT EXPIRE)

Which can only be obtained at the Southwest Parkway Office after viewing a required safety video.

“Families that hunt and fish together stay together.”

MAIL THIS APPLICATION TODAY

With your check for **\$100.00** for Range Membership

Name _____

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Family membership ending March 31, 2027

NWTFS Association

P.O Box 9161

Wichita Falls, TX 76308-0161

Questions call 940-692-1141

YOUR 2026 FIELD AND STREAM MEMBERSHIP EXPIRED 3-31-2026. RENEW TODAY!

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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 2026
NORTHWEST
TEXAS FIELD
AND STREAM
MEMBERSHIP
EXPIRED
3-31-2026.**

NWTFS HUNTERS ED CLASS

AUGUST 1, 2026

If you were born on or after September 1, 1971, you are required to have Hunters Ed to hunt. Northwest Texas Field & Stream will host a Hunters Ed Class Saturday, August 1, 2026, 8:00 AM till complete, approximately 4 PM.

To get certified you have to be 9 Years old or older the day of class. To get registered for class go online to Texas Parks & Wildlife, go to Hunters Ed class room, find NWTFS class register and make a copy, bring to class.

Cost of class is \$15.00 the day of the class. You need to be at 2005 Southwest Parkway 76308 by 7:30 AM to check in, class starts at 8AM.

**If you have questions call Frank Jones at
(940) 782-0592.**

**Thank you to the Sheppard Air Force Base Volunteers
For the District 4 H Rifle & Pistol Shoot.**

Scott Hupka

Amber Haddix

Devin Wahl

(Devin also volunteered for the Kid's Fishing Rodeo)

Kyle Fulp

Brian Speaks

Kenneth Lawson

Alex Lawson

Alex Lawrence

Oliver Martinez

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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 Southwest 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 something you can bring it to the SW Parkway office or the Gun Club if someone is there and we will try to help it get back home!!

Thank you!

Bird Dog Bait (Worms), Wal-Mart (Gift Card), Academy Sports (Gift Card) as well as all of the Volunteers, who helped out for their generous support for the NWTFS Kids Fishing Rodeo.



James J. Herring (President) 5030 Stone Lake Dr.
Phone: 940-264-2246 PO Box 9328
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MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL NOTICE

2026 Membership expired March 31, 2026. Renew Today!

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 (NWTFS) 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 NWTFS, 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 NWTFS 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 E-mail: office@nwtf.org

NORTHWEST TEXAS FIELD AND STREAM DIRECTORS MEETING

May 28, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

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

Invocation: Mark W.

Pledge: Norman

Norman asked that we also keep those people we know that are having health issues at this time in our prayers. Thanks to everyone for coming. Thanks once again to the cooks.

Guests: Jeff, Kelsey, Juan and baby.

Minutes: Linda: Motioned to accept. John P. seconded motion. Motion approved

Financials: Frank motioned to accept. Bill J. had questions about what was income and what were expenditures. Betty explained the format. Will make a few changes so he can understand it better. Frank B. Seconded motion. Motion approved.

Correspondence: Roger

Received a Thank you card from the Friberg Cooper VFD for our recent donation.

Gun Club: John L.

Have set up 2 - 5 stands as that seems to be what everyone wants to shoot currently. Also been doing some skeet.

Rifle: Robert D.

Usual crowd. James had a good day. Won. Brian and Roy did pretty well, shot higher than average.

Pistol: John P.

Just finished week 10. Will do a make-up session and then will be done until August for the fall league.

4-H Rifle/pistol: Roger

This year's match had 147 youth come out to participate from 14 different counties. Largest match ever! Brownsville had 144. Was a pretty big shoot! Will get together with Katrina, Charisma, Roger, and Brian to discuss how it all went. The good, the bad and the ugly to see if anything needs to be done differently. Looking at raising the fee up by \$5.00 to help cover costs. Held the TSRA state match at our range. Had competitors from 5 or more states as well as an Army marksman group AND the top shooter in the country came in. Had to go 2 relays.

Camp Perry coming up in July. Charlie and Natasha will be going. The only 2 juniors. Charisma O. has been promoting it and may have 4 more joining the group. July 8 – 11 will be in Canton, OH and the 12- 17 at Camp Perry. We generally cover the fee for the youth but will request at next month's meeting.

Youth Shotgun: Frank

Getting ready for the State shoot July 10 – 18. There may be 4 – 5 going. Will know more next month. We generally pay for the registration fee which is \$95.00 per this year. Will request next month when he knows for sure who and how many are going.

Archery: Mark G.

Nothing until the fall.

Safety: Mark G.

Some minor issues with baffles. Will go out to take a look to see what needs to be done and getting estimates as to the cost of any repairs needed.

Gun Show: John P.

Nothing to report.

Hunters Ed.: Frank

Next class will be August 1st. Anyone 9 years or older needs to get their certification or if you were born on or after Sept. 1, 1971 you need your certifications. You can get a hunting license but if you don't have your hunters education certification you face getting written up.

Old Business:

Norman:

Youth fishing trip coming up June 6th at the Happy C Ranch. Will meet at the office at 7:30 to load everything up before heading out. Can use volunteers.

New Business:

Paul:

The Scouts will be moving out next month. Has been going through and packing up. Would like to get rid of some things he's come across if anyone is interested. Has some t-shirts, hoodies, knives and of course popcorn. Donations for items gladly accepted!

Roger – Only have 65 sold so far. Need to start selling! Delivered material packets to the people on the Appropriations Committee who had places they were going to contact. Noted that we do need to do some repair work on the 100 & 50 yard range baffles.

Frank – Has been working on getting our web page updated. He ran off copies of each section and gave them to the appropriate parties to go over and make any corrections needed.

John L. – On one of their golf carts the rear leak spring axle is broke in half. Asked if anyone who may have experience or knowledge about fixing it to let him know. Is going to get an estimate for repair from Action Battery.

John P. – has been in contact with Eric B. and learned that he has limited time. Roger said Charisma had asked what we can do to help Sara.

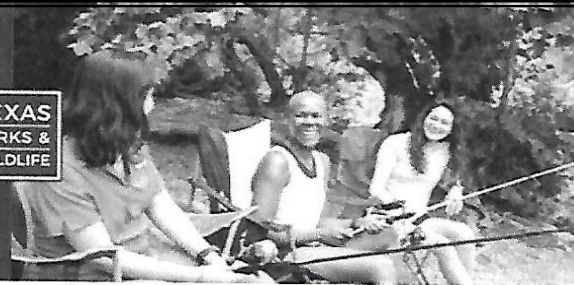
Ray – Birthday come and go for Don Morgan who's turning 90. Will be in Holliday June 13th from 11-3

Linda motioned to adjourn. Jennifer seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:20

NEXT MEETING June 25, 2026

FREE FISHING DAY IS JUNE 6

TEXAS
PARKS &
WILDLIFE



Free Fishing Day is coming up fast. To help you celebrate, TPWD offers resources to provide fun, high-quality fishing opportunities for anglers of all skill levels and ages.

To make the most of **Saturday, June 6**, here is your guide to getting started and finding the best spots:

- **Find a Place to Fish Close to Home:** Whether you prefer flowing rivers or quiet lakes, our [Lake Finder](#) and [River Fishing](#) pages help you find access points to over 150 lakes and many rivers across the state.
- **Go Fishing in the City:** Our [Neighborhood Fishin'](#) lakes offer urban access for the whole family, with 18 locations statewide (including Dallas-Fort Worth, Houston, Austin, and San Antonio) stocked with channel catfish.
- **Saltwater Fishing from a Pier:** Enjoy the coast without a boat! Public, [wheelchair-accessible](#) fishing piers are available in every bay system for a great family day out.
- **Go Kayak Fishing:** Explore 91 official [Texas Paddling Trails](#) or utilize our [Leased River Access](#) sites for a unique angling adventure.
- **Fish in a State Park:** While June 6 is the statewide free day, fishing is actually complementary year-round at some Texas State Parks! Also, make sure to check the [event calendar](#) for special Free Fishing Day activities at parks like Kerrville-Schriener Park and Lake Arrowhead.
- **Teach someone new to fish:** Why not share the fun and take someone new to fishing with you? Free fishing day is the perfect opportunity.
- **Fishing 101:** New to the sport? Learn the basics, from safety and gear to baiting and cleaning your catch, with tips and videos on our [Learn to Fish](#) webpage.

Love the experience? Consider the [Year-from-Purchase All-Water Fishing Package](#). It's a great value for residents, covering both fresh and salt water for a full year from the date you buy it.





HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAY, LINDA !!!!

Larry and Linda Carr recently spent some time on the coast for Linda's Birthday.

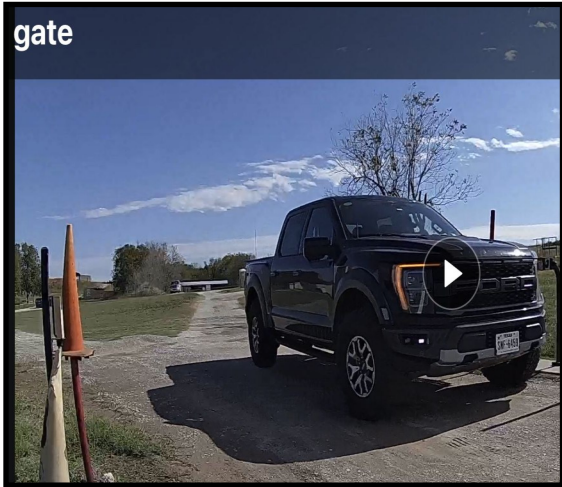
After taking a cruise on a Pirate Ship, they enjoyed dinner at Blackbeard's Restaurant with Rick, (NWTFS past President) and his wife Deb.



SMILE!!

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