

Benzie Sportsman's Club Newsletter



Benzie Sportsman's Club
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Report Poachers Michigan DNR
1 (800) 292-7800

Members - remember to
have your guests sign our
liability waiver then,
Place it in the back of
the sign-in log book

**SHOOTING HOURS
BEGIN AT
10:00 AM**



Hunter Ed - August 17th & 18th

May 2019

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BSC MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION 5/13/19

323 ---- Annual Members
23 ---- Life Members
17 ---- Guest, Honorary, Military & USCG
363 ---- Total Members



**Concealed Pistol License Class
Contact Deb McGraw
(231) 714-3423**

Contact the newsletter editor
benziesportsmansclub@gmail.com

Presidents Column

We had a good turnout for our clean-up day – You’ll see pictures throughout this new letter.

Dan VanHaften and others planted 100 seedlings in our clear cut area. They were planted in small groupings to create some diversified habitat for local wildlife.

The Pistol Range target frames were all rebuilt including the Buckshot target grid.

The Rifle Range wasn’t too badly shot-up; we only needed to replace a few target backers. We’re good to go for a while.

Our campground burning area was raked to remove any metal debris left from burning the scrap building materials last fall.

Deb McGraw led the window and screen cleaning brigade – you can see the outdoors now.

Mike Hartman and others cleaned and made the necessary repairs to all of the Shotgun ranges, they’re now ready for the spring, summer and fall shooting events.

We have had a suggestion that a change to our club bylaws. This change briefly stated would remove the prohibition of our club purchasing alcoholic beverages. SEE THE LAST PAGE OF THIS NEWSLETTER.

As it stands we cannot serve beer, wine etc. at our club dinners such as the upcoming prime rib dinner this month. So if you would like to have an adult beverage prior to or with you dinner you must bring your own.

Justin Vanderlinde from the DNR will be our guest speaker at our Club dinner next week.

Let’s welcome 7 new members

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| Eugene Drigger | Sam Kangas |
| John Kirkpatrick | Dennis Kittleson |
| Travis Lovegrove | Juan Mendez |
| Graig Ness | |

Vic



We like to ride when we can



Lunch time



First time we used our event grill

Flower Lady



Lily of the Valley

Taken from the Internet

The lily of the valley sometimes called the "May lily" is famous for its small, white, bell-shaped flowers and delicate fragrance. Its beautiful scent has inspired countless perfumes. The birth flower for May is primarily white, but it can also be found in pink and lilac.

While the lily of the valley is most popular as a perennial garden plant, it has experienced a recent surge in popularity as a cut flower, most often in bridal bouquets. The flower's traditional role as a symbol of purity and virtue adds to its popularity in wedding arrangements.

With proper care, cut lily stems should last approximately five to seven days. Floral experts recommend placing the cut blooms in a vase with lukewarm water and floral preservative. Re-cut the stems and add warm water and preservative to the vase every other day to keep your May lilies looking fresh. Once the stems dry out, the flowers will lose their fragrance and take on a brownish-yellow hue.

Remember to enjoy each day, for it's a blessing,

Bobbie Edmonds

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Wanted

28 Ga. Progressive Re-loader

Call

Jerry (231) 651-0709

Pistol range



New target frames on the Pistol Range

Spring is a little slow showing up this year but that hasn't stopped a few of us from using the range. It's pretty cool but at least there's no snow. (I hope that doesn't jinx us). I would like to remind everyone to be sure to sign in and have your guests sign a waiver form. Just leave the signed waivers in the front of the book.

Thank you, thank you, thank you to all that showed up for spring cleanup day. We were able to get all the backstops rebuilt and new foam put up. With all your help it didn't take much time at all. Now we ask everyone to pay special attention to how you hang your targets. Please post them between the horizontal supports so the 2X4s don't get shot up. Maybe with a little care they will last all season.

Deb

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BACN Clothing Drive

The Benzie Sportsman's Club is still collecting clothing for The Benzie Area Christian Neighbors (BACN) clothing drive for men. While BACN receives donations of women's and children's clothing, men often wear their clothing out. Therefore, BACN needs men's clothing. We are asking your support in donating the following items that are clean and in good condition without tears:

- Jeans and casual pants,
- Sweaters, shirts, and sweatshirts,
- Coats, gloves, and hats,
- Boots, and shoes, and
- New underwear and socks.
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There is a box in the main clubhouse for them.

Thank you,

Maggie VanHaften



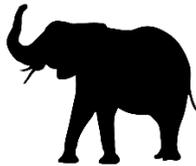
C P L Class

We held our first CPL class May 4th with all 8 attendees passing with flying colors. We all had a great time. I can say I really enjoy teaching the class. It gives me an opportunity to meet some very nice people. Our next class is July 20th. If you're interested or know someone who is, just give me a call and we'll get you set up. Remember, this class includes covers your membership for the year.

Deb

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22 LR Silhouette



Well the .22 shooting hasn't started so we'll talk about our cleanup day activities. I worked on the pistol range most of the morning with Deb, Vic, and Ron replacing all of the backing and some of the frames.

There were a few others helping but I don't know their names, sorry guys. We then cleaned windows and the blinds in the club house. Deb did the windows I asked her to come over to do mine but alas she said no (I don't think that was very nice of her).

Dan planted trees; in twenty years or so we will see the results of his labor.

John and I went down to the muzzle loaders pavilion and blew all of the leaves out of it. Now we are going to have to get all the leaves burned. Wow that oak tree sure sheds a lot of leaves.

We had lunch fixed by Dan and Jerry. It would have been nice if we had prime rib but alas that didn't happen

BYE BYE,
Texas Russ

Muzzleloaders



Our old grill is headed to that barbeque in the sky

The summer weekly aggregate started April 9th and so far we haven't had to cancel any shoots due to weather. Attendance for the first couple of weeks has been typically low – things should pick up as more people return.

Competitors seem to be evenly matched as each week we have a different top scorer. Too early to tell who will take the lead.

Muzzleloader shoots are Tuesday's beginning at 6:00pm. We shoot a total of 20 shots at four targets, two at 25 yards and two at 50 yards. Trade gunners shoot all four targets at 25 yards. You can also come early and test your skills with a black powder pistol.

After the shoot we share a meal, usually soup and desert, and amusing conversation. Dinner is followed by the presentation of the bead prizes for the top scorers.

Don't forget, the monthly Light Bench Rest shoots start Saturday, June 29th at 2:00pm.

See the calendar on the website for more events.
<http://www.benziesportsmansclub.com/>

Keep your powder dry and your whistle wet,
Dan VanHaften

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Hunter Education

AUGUST 17TH AND AUGUST 18TH 2019

To register for the class call Jarrel Dell (231) 275 0335

Or e-mail: benziesportsmansclub@gmail.com

Or jarreldell@gmail.com



Shotgun

Okay, the clays range is open, and I hope you find the course exciting. There will be more changes as the year progresses. Special thanks to John Seymour, Phil Cyphers, Jim Echelberger & Jim Hooker for the help with putting the course back together. Also, thanks to all that came on our clean up Saturday and worked the morning away getting things ready for the summer. If there are any ideas on targets placement let me know and we'll see if we can make it work.

Jim Echelberger is going to take over the Wednesday evening operations for the summer. Starting June 5th, we will open the ranges from 3:00 until everyone leaves. If you are going to come later in the evening give Jim a call, (231) 275-0242, so he knows that you are wanting to use the range.

Tip #3 "When shooting (or practicing your swing/mount), position your feet so that the line extending from your rear heel to your leading foot points to where you will break the target. Keep your stance relatively narrow. This position encourages a smooth swing and a good follow through.

More to follow in coming newsletters

Mike

Archery

We'll see you for some fun shooting this summer, so get you gear ready so you can join-in.

Diane

The Reel People

Reel and Rod Repair
Custom Rods
Thomas Marek
(231) 409-6863
uspikeman@gmail.com

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Paul Schram, Owner, Craftsman
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Will Make Any Type of Holster for
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Quality Leather, All Hand Stitched.
Many Stain Choices

Dennis Collins is looking for a 243 rifle
with a wooden stock, so he can carve
some nifty stuff in the stock.
231-649-3007

For sale

Mossberg Ultra Mag (Camo)
Mod 835 Pump action 3 1/2" Mag
\$225.00

Call Jim (231) 352-4267

Ammo

1Box Federal Premium 3 1/2 6's

1Box Federal Premium 3 1/2 5's

1 Box 338 Win Mag

1 box 2506

1 Box 7nn Win Mag

1 box 270 Weatherby Mag

1 box 7.65X39

Make offer on ammo

You can see the ammo at the Shotgun Lodge

For sale

Browning Lightning Citori Sporting Clays Edition
Slightly Used 12Ga. Over & Under
Appraised @\$1700.00

For more info and or pictures call

(231) 633-8977

bcollins01@gmail.com

*Benzie Sportsman's Club's
Spring Get Together*

AT OUR CLUBHOUSE

*6224 Hoadley Rd.
Benzonia, MI*

May 18th, 2019

6:00 P/M

Social hour 5:00 P/M -BYOB

Justin Vanderlinde from the DNR

Will be Our Guest Speaker this Year

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MENU

STARTERS

*Peas & Peanuts
Smoked Salmon Pate' w/crackers*

ENTRÉE

*Prime Rib
Baked Potatoes
Coleslaw*

FINIAS

*Fruit Cobbler w/Ice Cream
And
Beverages: Coffee or Tea w/milk*

\$15.00 per Person

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

We have received a request to amend our By-Laws

The request: Repeal Bylaw B., under Article 4, Section 1 – Finances.

Bylaw B. Club funds shall not be used for the purchase any alcoholic beverages. (The word “of” following purchase is not there)

The reasons stated for this change – Our club may in the future have more membership dinners and other social functions where the option of serving alcoholic beverages is normal. This bylaw inhibits some from participating in those events.

This amendment will be voted on at our next membership meeting June 10, 2019 immediately following our 6:00 pm potluck dinner provided there at least ten (10) members present. To make a change to our constitution and bylaws a 2/3 majority of members present is required.

Only one vote per family membership is recognized.

Copemish Heritage Days

Copemish is looking for Donations of cash or prizes items and Participants for their 17th Annual Heritage Days.

The parade starts behind the beauty shop at 1:00 pm August 3rd 2019. They're looking for old tractor, cars, trucks, horses and codgers.

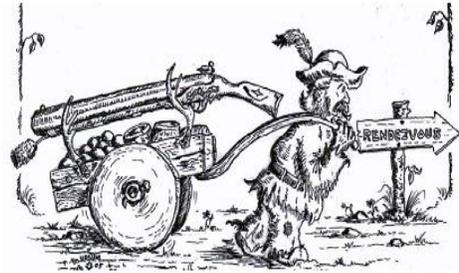
Respond to:

copemishheritagedays2000@gmail.com

60th Annual Shoot Time at Old Fort Rendezvous

Traditional Black Powder Competition

June 22 & 23, 2019



Manistee Muzzle Loading Club

3145 Camp Road, Manistee

All matches included with registration

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Military Match

June 21 (Friday), 8:30am

More info: manistee muzzle loaders.org or call 231-510-0481