

Benzie Sportsman's Club Newsletter



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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

June 2019

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BSC MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION 6/10/19

327 ---- Annual Members
23 ---- Life Members
17 ---- Guest, Honorary, Military & USCG
367 ---- Total Members



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

Contact the newsletter editor
benziesportsmansclub@gmail.com

Presidents Column

“What a great dinner.”

Thanks to Dan VanHaften, Deb McGraw, Jerry Dell, Ron Robinson and Russ Signs.

We had prime rib, baked potatoes, asparagus; all done to perfection, finishing with desert featuring Cherry cobbler, Carrot cake, and Ice cream.

We really enjoyed our after dinner speakers, DNR officers Justin Vanderlinde and Rebecca Hubers. They told us about current issues and upcoming changes, within the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. A question and answer period followed which looked as though it could have gone on for hours, it was that interesting.

All things said, we had a great evening. So much so that we’ve received several requests to follow this with a wild game dinner this fall. In order to go ahead with this we’ll need to know what kind of game: birds, animals, and fish are available and can be donated so we can plan a menu.

Planning a large affair is dependent upon the weather; we can comfortably seat sixty people inside, any more than that we’d need to think about an outdoor picnic dinner served buffet style.

Soooo, let us know if you’re interested in: contributing game, helping prepare dinner and/or cleaning up afterward, and of course attending. Tell any board member if you’re interested.

We had a suggestion to remove the prohibition of using club’s funds to purchase alcoholic beverages from our club by-laws,

During our Members Meeting, after a brief discussion, the membership voted to not make the change.

Let’s welcome 3 new members,

Kent Adams Monty Coleman James Colville

Vic

Flower Lady



Rose
Taken from the Internet

The rose is the June birth flower. Its sweet fragrance and timeless beauty heralds the advent of summer like no other bloom. The name “rose” is derived from the Latin word *rosa*. During the height of Rome, roses were grown extensively in the Middle East and used as medicine, perfumes, and at celebrations as confetti.

In England, roses as emblems suited the mood of a romantic Victorian age. The famous 15th century “War of the Roses” was titled due to its wartime symbolism. White represented York, and red represented Lancaster; both factions were competing for the control of the country. The emblematic roses became famous after William Shakespeare and other authors wrote about the struggle, although the name wasn’t coined until the 19th century.



Honeysuckle

The honeysuckle, a symbol of happiness and devoted affection is the other birth flower for June.

Honeysuckle flowers are magnets for hummingbirds; flower colors include orange, red, yellow, and white, depending on the species and variety. Most shrub honeysuckles grow 6 to 15 feet tall and wide, while the vining types grow 10 to 20 feet tall. Honeysuckles bloom in spring to midsummer.

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

Bobbie Edmonds

Wanted

28 Ga. Progressive Re-loader
Call
Jerry (231) 651-0709

Pistol range



Target and Donation boxes

The ranges continue to be in good shape thanks to all our members for cleaning up after themselves.

We have installed a target storage unit on both the pistol and rifle ranges for those that forget to bring their own. I for one have come to the range to shoot and find that I forgot my targets and have to paw through the trash to find used ones. Hope this is a useful improvement.

We have also installed depository safes on the ranges for donations from our shooters. Donations are what pay for the maintenance of our ranges.

Deb



C P L Class

Our next CPL class is scheduled for Saturday, July 20th. If you or someone you know is interested just give me a call. I am also willing to work with anyone who is wanting to take the class but feel they need a little extra instruction. The details of the class is on our website if you want to check it out.

Thanks,
Deb

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(231) 633-8977
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22 LR Silhouette



Donation box

Well the .22 season has started Hooray. The first shoot came off with out to much wailing and crying.

We had 3 shooters score perfect scores but that was because we used a little different format. We all using a bench rest. Still that is pretty good shooting. The Three shooters were Dan and Tom and Russ. The following two weeks scores slipped back to about average.

I receive a lot of help taking down the line after we are done which is a big help.

Now to a sore point: Some #!^/*@# is shooting our silhouette targets with a high power rifle which, of course, blows holes in the targets. The range was set up to shoot .22cal. only. Using deer rifles tears up our targets, one of the targets was hit on the edge and it twisted the target completely sideways. This damage is no accident - we keep covers over the target line when they are not in use.

Willful damage to our facilities is one of the few things that results in expulsion from our club. We don't want to set up a surveillance system on the ranges but we may be forced too. So please refrain from shooting at them. It costs money to fix them.

Have a nice day
Russ

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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

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Muzzleloaders



The Summer Aggregate shooters continue to brave the cold each week. It's not that cold, but it has been cool for this time of year. Dan VanHaften has taken the lead, but not by that much - Jerry Dell, Ron Robinson and Russel Signs are hot on his trail. We encourage anyone with any level of interest in black powder to join us each Tuesday evening. We help each other out while having a lot of fun and you'll enjoy the camaraderie.

Our rendezvous is coming up. The club will be hosting the 33rd annual Benzie Rendezvous from August 23rd through the 25th. Anyone who would like to volunteer to help out this year should contact Vic Ellis. His contact information is on the first page of this newsletter.

The Light Bench Rest shoot for June is on Saturday the 29th and the July shoot is on Saturday the 27th. Bench Rest shoots start at 2:00pm on the rifle range.

See the calendar on the website for more events.

<http://www.benziesportsmansclub.com/>

Keep your powder dry and your whistle wet,

Dan VanHaften



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



Found wandering on the Clays Range

It looks like we may be finally getting some nice weather. As summer got here so did the bugs. You may want to bring some insect repellent with you as the flies and mosquitoes have been ferocious.

Jim Echelberger is opening the skeet & trap ranges on Wednesday evenings starting at 3:00 pm. Hope to see you all on one of the ranges and enjoy the club.

Tip #4 "Learn; First to swing the gun and then mount it. If we mount the gun as we swing to the target, the mount takes no time. Allow your pointing instincts to take over your swing. As your eyes become sharply focused on the target, finish the gun mount and shoot the instant the target is in sharp focus

More to follow in coming newsletters

Mike

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