

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

July 2019

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BSC MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION 7/8/19

329 ---- Annual Members
23 ---- Life Members
16 ---- Guest, Honorary, Military & USCG
368 ---- Total Members



**Concealed Pistol License Class
Contact Deb McGraw
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Presidents Column

Lately we've been finding evidence that pistol shooters are using the Muzzleloader Range instead of the Pistol Range. ie. Leaving their brass. There is two things wrong with that practice increased chances for an accident and not cleaning up behind yourself.



Muzzleloader Range



Pistol Range

If you look closely you'll see the berm or backstop is significantly higher on the pistol range. That's because the chances for an errant pistol round getting out of the pistol range is much greater than a black powder round escaping the muzzleloader range.

So please let's use the proper ranges, we have an excellent safety record and we want it to stay that way.

Let's welcome 2 new members,

Michael Grajcar

Ed Amstvtz

Vic

Flower Lady



Larkspur
Taken from the Internet

The larkspur is the July birth flower. Larkspurs are annual species of the genus delphinium, and the names are used interchangeably. The name larkspur comes from the Tudors, due to the bloom's resemblance to a lark's spur or claw. According to Greek mythology, this July flower blossomed where the blood of Ajax was spilled in the battle of Troy.

Larkspurs are known as a protective plant to repel venomous snakes and cure scorpion stings. In England, people even sprinkled larkspur in their bathwater to protect themselves from ghosts and magic. Since it grows wild in the United States as well as Europe, Native Americans picked it for dye.



Water Lily

The other birth flower for July is the Water Lily, which symbolizes the continuing renewal of life, divinity and enlightenment.

Bobbie Edmonds

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

Pistol range



The pistol range is in good shape thanks to everyone picking up after themselves. The donations are very helpful in getting ready for replacing the foam backstops in the next few weeks. Thanks everyone.

Summer is in full swing so take advantage of the time and come out and enjoy your club. We are still contemplating a club dinner/get together for the fall. Any interest in helping in the planning and preparing just let one of the board members know. Thanks,

Deb



C P L Class

There is still time to sign up for the July 20 CPL class if you're thinking about it. The next one won't be until September. Just let Jerry or I know and we'll get you signed up.

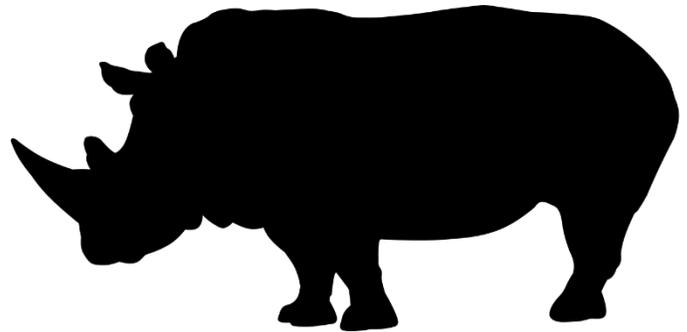
The details of the class is on our website if you want to check it out.

Thanks,
Deb

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Browning Lightning Citori Sporting Clays Edition
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For more info and or pictures call
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22 LR Silhouette



Really?

Boy time sure flies when you are having fun.

The season is moving along with good shooting by Tom and Dan. It should be noted that Dan has a new rifle and is shooting quite well with it. My, what some people will do to win.

The range is holding up pretty well with only a few break downs. It was very well built by John Edmonds and has lasted for quite a few years with only minor repairs. If outlaw shooters would quit using high power rifles on it would be a blessing, IT'S MEANT FOR 22LR ONLY. Replacing targets that have been shot up with large caliber rifles is hard when you need a cutting torch which I don't have or, possess the skill to use it.

Helpers like Dan, Alan and Jerry augment the writer who has little talent for building and repair but with qualified help maintenance does get done. However I do have a talent, the gift of gab. We all have some talent or other don't we?

Well happy shooting everyone and a good day.

Have a nice day
Russ

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Archery

Do you have a crossbow or a longbow?



We would like to begin a summer league using some of the old longbows and new Compound Bows & Crossbows. So if you're interested Email benziesportsmansclub@gmail.com

Diane McPhall

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Muzzleloaders



Russ Signs himself

It's finally warmed up now that the Summer Aggregate is more than halfway over. Our shoots continue weekly on Tuesdays at 6:00 pm. If you're new to muzzle loading, no worries, we'll help you get started.

This year's first monthly Light Bench Rest was on Saturday, June 29th. Dan VanHaften came in first, Alan Penny second and Russ Signs third. The next Light Bench Rest will be Saturday, July 27th at 2:00 pm.

The Benzie Rendezvous is almost here. The Club will be hosting the 33rd annual Rendezvous and Shoot from August 23rd through the 25th. We have a variety of competitions scheduled and some nice prizes to award the top scorers. Please join us!

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

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Shotgun

The cost of clay targets has increased 25% over the last two years. All of the other clubs in northern Michigan have already increased the cost per round for clay target ranges. We are trying to hold the cost down for our members and guests, so we are asking for a little help.

When you buy a round of skeet or trap you are buying 25 targets, there about. When you shoot your 25 shells stop shooting or start another round. If you are on the clays course the first shooter for a station gets the show bird, everyone else should be watching the shooter in front of you. If there is a machine or gun malfunction go ahead and throw another pair, if you weren't ready when YOU called the bird it's a MISS. Put your unused shell back in your bag and save it for later. If you are a good shot please shoot the cripples, if not go ahead and call another bird. Thanks for all you do and let's all work hard to keep our costs down so we can continue our prices at current levels.

Tip #5 "When pointing your gun, focus on the target and not the gun barrel or bead. Point don't aim. Aiming slows your swing and causes you to shoot behind. Since a shot string is 10-14' long, use it to your advantage by pointing slightly more in front of a target. If you miss crossing targets, you are probably shooting behind. Try to "miss" in front by doubling your lead, if you are still missing, try doubling the lead again.

Mike

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