

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
10:00 AM



Hunter Ed – This Weekend

August 2019

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BSC MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION 8/12/19

283 ---- Annual Members
23 ---- Life Members
16 ---- Guest, Honorary, Military & USCG
322 ---- Total Members



Concealed Pistol License Class
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From the Board

The Board is planning another membership dinner for September 21st. The last one was well-attended and everyone had a great time making new friendships and renewing old ones, not to mention the prime rib was some of the best I've had. This time we are limiting the number of tickets to 40 to give people a little more elbow room.

The main dish will be baby back ribs starting with a few wild game appetizers. We are not trying to make money on these meals. The intent is to show that our club more than a shooting club. And, want to enjoy some camaraderie with our fellow members.



Also, if you have some wild game to contribute or a good recipe let us know. At this time we have some Elk, Venison, and Duck. We could use some fish. And, should you have any that you will part with, Morel Mushrooms.

Please show your support by contacting one of our board members to purchase a ticket. The cost is only \$12.

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Rod Shamel, whose heading up our Camping venture, spoke about the need some fencing to restrict campers (especially children) from wandering onto our ranges.

The proposal we heard sounded extensive and expensive. It might be a good idea for you to come to our next meeting to hear and understand what is being considered. There may be less expensive alternatives to what was first proposed. As always any input from our members is welcome.

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Let's welcome 4 new members,

Justin Baxter Gene Lindgren Paul Kilmer
John Zinser

Vic

Flower Lady



Gladiolus

The first August birth flower is the tall and colorful Gladiolus. Also, known as 'Sword Lily', these summer flowers have sharp-pointed leaves. These are trumpet-shaped flowers which can grow up to five feet tall and are available in a rainbow of colors including red, yellow, white, purple, and pink.

Gladiolus flowers are associated with the gladiators from the Ancient Rome and that's why these flowers traditionally symbolize strength and honor. But, when these flowers are offered as a gift, these symbolize love at first sight.



Poppy

The second August birth flower is the bright and bold Poppy. These beautiful flowers come in three colors- white, red, and yellow. While poppy flowers are grown for their edible seeds and are used for medicinal purpose, know what these actually symbolize here.

Traditionally, the red poppy flowers are considered as a symbol of remembrance. In Japan and China, red poppies mean a passionate love between couples. However, different colors of poppy possess different meanings. For instance, the white poppy represents consolation, red poppy represents happiness, and yellow poppy represents prosperity.

Bobbie Edmonds

Pistol range



The pistol range is getting its share of use this summer. Good to see. The addition of making targets available has been graciously accepted. I don't know what took so long to see the need. I guess my thought process is slowing down bit. And, thanks to the donations coming in we be able to replace the backstops again soon. Any suggestions you have are always appreciated.

Deb



C P L Class

We had six successful students in our CPL class this month. What a great group of people to work with. We have met so many wonderful people while instructing this class over the years, I see it as a blessing to be able to give of my time teaching. I know Jerry feels the same way. Our next class is scheduled for September 14th so if you want to join us just let us know and we'll get you signed up.

**Thanks,
Deb**

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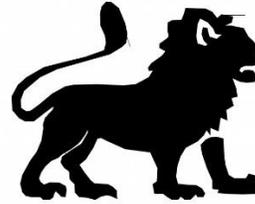


Hunter Education

**THIS WEEKEND
AUGUST 17TH AND AUGUST 18TH**

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

22 LR Silhouette



With a 22LR???

Okay Tom had another perfect score this season plus a lot of 494 scores, which is one point less than perfect. Way to go Tom.

We had only two shooters that bothered to show up last week. I really am getting tired of spending an hour setting up the range for only two shooters one of which being me. Frankly it's not worth it.

Deb is the most improved shooter this year we figured out her scope problem and she is shooting much better, from a score of 150 to 350, way to go Deb.

It is rumored that we may be getting air conditioning at the club I thought we were descendants of hardy frontiersman; they didn't have air conditioning back in the day. Maybe I am sour grapes really why can't we have air on the firing line too. It's the same old story the office workers get the air, workers get the shaft! I'm just kidding.

Merry shooting to all and to all a good 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

Muzzleloaders



The Summer Aggregate is quickly coming to a close with last shoot on Tuesday, August 27th. The Fall Aggregate will begin the very next week on Sunday, September 1st and will continue through November 3rd. The fall shoots begin at 2:00 pm each Sunday with four targets at 25 yards. We encourage everyone to participate each week in this fun event.

Results from the Summer Aggregate as well as the 33rd Annual Benzie Rendezvous will be printed in next month's newsletter.

The second monthly Light Bench Rest was held on Saturday July 27th. After all of the scores were calculated, it was Alan Penny first, Dan VanHaften second and George Kirback third. The next Light Bench Rest will be during the annual rendezvous August 24th from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm. The final Light Bench Rest will be held on September 28th at 2:00 pm.

Don't forget our Turkey Shoot on Saturday, October 26th.

You can check out all of the club's events on the Benzie Sportsman's website www.benziesportsmansclub.com/calendar.html.

Keep your powder dry and your whistle wet,

Dan VanHaften

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The Reel People

Reel and Rod Repair

Custom Rods

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Shotgun



On the 25th of August we had a special shoot at the club for the Michigan Bottle Gas Association. The event was well supported by our members. We appreciate all of those that assisted in making it a success. The shooters expressed their pleasure in all aspects of the day.

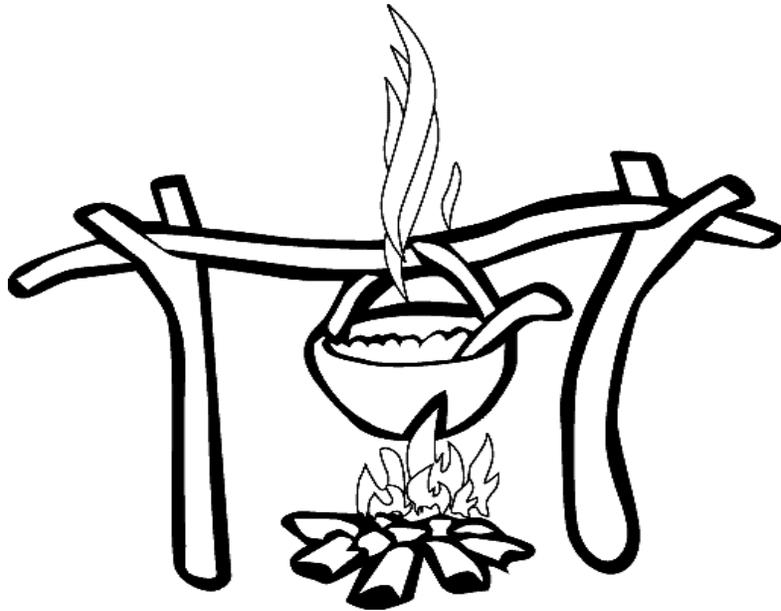
I appreciate all the thoughts during my knee replacement surgery and recovery. I am still in the healing process, slow but sure. Thanks again for all the help.

We have had some small discussions on hosting some form of sporting clays social, possibly a league with prizes. It would be a four-week event of maybe 200 birds, 50 a week. The event would include lighting of the grill weekly and close with a larger picnic social with the presentation of prizes. This event would be on a different night from the regular shooting, i.e. Tuesday or Thursday. There would be a small additional cost to cover the food and prizes. Anyone with thoughts concerning it please get in touch with one of us and we can get it on the schedule for next year.

Tip #6 "Gun fit is important. Have our gun fitted so it shoots where you look. This test requires that you first have a consistent, well-practiced gun mount. To test gun fit, set up a pattern board at 16 yards. Fire several consecutive shots by mounting and shooting at a center dot without aiming, but by merely pointing at the target. If the highest pattern density is off center, take the target and your gun to a competent gun fitter for adjustment.

Mike

BENZIE MUZZLELOADERS
PRESENTS
Their 33rd ANNUAL RENDEZVOUS & SHOOT



August 23rd, 24th & 25th 2019

Greetings Fellow Shooters!

The Benzie Sportsman's Club invites all Muzzleloaders to compete at our 33rd Annual Muzzleloader Shoot and Rendezvous. This will be an old fashion shoot so wear clothing fitting the period if you have them! If not, come as you are.

Registration Open Friday 9am - 11:30am & 1pm - 3pm
and Saturday 8:00am - 11:30am & 1pm - 3pm

Schedule of Shooting Events

Friday Schedule: 1:00pm to 5:00pm
Saturday Schedule: 8:00am to Noon & 1:00pm to 3:00pm
Sunday Schedule: 8:00am to 10:30am

1. 25 & 50 Yd. Men's Rifle (4 Target Aggregate)
2. 25 & 50 Yd. Men's Trade Gun (4 Target Aggregate)
3. 25 & 50 Yd. Women's Rifle (4 Target Aggregate)
4. 25 & 50 Yd. Women's Trade Gun (4 Target Aggregate)
5. 25 & 50 Yd. Novelty Shoot (Aggregate Score)
6. 25 Yd. Juniors (Ages 12-15)
7. 50 Yd. Juniors (Ages 12-15)
8. 25 & 50 Yd. Pistol (Aggregate Score)
9. Light Bench Rest (Saturday 1:00pm to 5:pm)
10. Woods Walk (Friday, Saturday & Sunday) Men, Women & Juniors (12-15) Rifle & Trade Gun Separate
11. Pistols 12 Shot Woods Walk
12. Sunday Novelty Co-ed Shoot 11:00am
13. Kids (Age 5-11) Woods Walk on the Rifle Range (Saturday @ 3:00pm)
14. Hawk & Knife - Men, Women & Youth (Saturday 1:00pm to 5:00pm)
15. Archery - Men, Women & Youth (Saturday 1:00pm to 5:00pm)
16. Primitive, Women's and Kids Games will be Announced

N.M.L.R.A rules will generally apply. Any caliber any match any time. Patched lead round balls only. 20 minute relays. All matches are open sights, no shades or hoods. No optics, eye patches or diopter lens attachments. Trade guns front sight only. All matches five shots on paper unless otherwise stated. In-line rifles, if any, will be scored separately. Maximum weight 12 lbs. All matches off-hand.

All decisions of range officers and scorekeepers are final!

Benzie's 2019 Muzzleloader Schedule

April Fools Shoot – Saturday, March 30th (Registration @ 9:00am)

Summer Aggregate – Tuesdays, starting April 9th @ 6:00pm

G. T. Rendezvous – May 24th thru the 27th

Light Bench Rest – Saturdays June 29th, July 27th, August 24th & September 28th @ 2:00pm

32nd Annual Rendezvous & Shoot – August 23rd thru 25th

Fall Aggregate – Sundays, starting September 1st @ 2:00pm

Turkey Shoot – Saturday, October 26th (Registration @ 9:00am)