

Benzie Sportsman's Club

Newsletter



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Members

Remember to have your guests sign our liability waiver. Please place it in the back of the sign-in logbook.

SHOOTING HOURS

10:00 AM til DUSK



Hunter Ed

Upcoming Dates TBD

February 2022

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BSC MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

02/14/2022

325 ----- Annual Members

24 ----- Life Members

10 ---- Guest (1), Honorary (6), Police (3)

358 ----- Total Members



Concealed Pistol License Class

April 23, 2022

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President's Column

Wow, is this winter ever going by quickly. We've had just enough snow and cold to enjoy winter activities without having to deal with many storms. This is also the time of year to just enjoy some me time before the rush of spring.

One of our very active and well-liked members of our club passed away this winter. His humor and wit will be greatly missed. We are looking to have a celebration of life in remembrance of him sometime in April. Rest in Peace, Russell Signs.

Our membership potlucks will resume on the second Monday in March and continue each month until the end of the year. I, for one, am looking forward to indulging in the great dishes we share each month. Hope to see you at some, if not all of them. It's a great opportunity to socialize with your fellow members.

We are blessed to have such an active board who truly cares about the club. They are very attentive to making improvements to the ranges so we all can enjoy them. They also have taken many proactive steps to ensure we take care of potential issues before they become real problems. It helps keep our costs down in the long run. Kudos to our board.

We are starting to schedule our activities for the summer so please watch the newsletter for updates. We also attach a calendar to each newsletter to make it easier for you to know of upcoming events.

Come out and enjoy your club.

Let's welcome six (6) new members!

Maxwell Galla

Anthony Galla

Ray Shamel Jr.

Craig & Linda Hanson

Charles A. Draeger

Deb

Pistol Range

If you haven't been out the range, we have finished painting the ceiling and trim and we have the walls primed. Before the month is out, we'll get the finishing coat on the walls. For safety reasons, before we start shooting from inside, we will build a small fence and gate to force entry to the range thru the building.

You'll remember that we are planning to enclose the shooting line with an interior wall to reduce the noise level in the building. That will come later this summer.



The next project is building some cabinets along the inside wall for targets, storage, etc. If there is enough interest, we can start selling supplies related to the pistol shooting sport. More on this later.

As always, we welcome suggestions to advance our sport so let us hear from you.

Jerry

Rifle Range

We are always exploring ways to improve the Rifle Range. Several members have made suggestions that will be considered as we plan for the coming year. I look forward to seeing you all on the range when the snow melts!

Paul

Muzzleloaders

On a sad note, muzzleloader and dear friend Russel Signs passed away early January. He had been a member for a number of years and will be deeply missed. Russ was the first member of the Benzie Sportsman's Club I ever met, and we quickly became close friends, golfing buddies, and shooting competitors. Russ served on the board of directors, as our muzzleloader line officer, coordinator of the .22 silhouette shoots, and helped with club maintenance and lawn mowing. Please keep his wife Susie in your thoughts.

The third annual Frost Bite Shoot will be Saturday, February 26th. Registration will be from 9:00am to 10:00am. A light lunch will be included. The first-place trophy is a custom ceramic coffee mug. Second through fifth place winners will receive bead prizes.

Here are some dates of upcoming events:

April 2:	April Fools Shoot
May 26-30:	GT Rendezvous
August 26-26:	Benzie Annual Rendezvous

On April 5th, our Tuesday evening Summer Aggregate Shoot begins. Shooting starts at 6:00pm.

We haven't scheduled any of our Light Bench Rest Shoots yet. We'll wait to see if there is any interest in continuing.

www.benziesportsmansclub.com/calendar.html

Keep your powder dry and your whistle wet,

Dan VanHaften

Shotgun

Winter is moving along nicely. We have had some nice days for shooting and some real frigid ones. One thing is for certain we broke all the birds that we hit. We are still shooting Wednesday @ 1300 and Saturday @ 1000 and have had some good groups of anywhere from 7 to more than 15. We are mostly down to shooting bird dog with the wobble machines however, it is great fun and a challenge for all. You never know you may just improve your skill level.

Remember we are a club of volunteers, please clean up after yourselves, your mother is not here and there is not a maid service. There are magnets in the club house for those that shoot pumps & semis pick up and throw away your hulls. Also, we go home on Saturday when everyone is done shooting. If you are going to be late on Saturday afternoon, please give us a call to make sure that there is a range still open.

Mike

FIREARMS FOR SALE!!!

Smith & Wesson .44 magnum [329PD] (\$875)
\$1,139.66 retail @ guns.com (New, never fired) + full box practice ammo 50 rounds

Beretta Nano 9mm [BU9 Nano] (\$300)
\$450.00 retail @ beretta.com (18 rounds fired, otherwise new) \$398.00 Classic Firearms, 2/8/2019 + custom fit hard IWB holster & 2 magazines

Cobra Big Bore Derringer 9mm [CB9] (\$90)
\$99.00 @ Dunhams, 2/25/2019 4 rounds fired since new purchase

Rock Island Armory 1911 45 mm (\$350) \$379.99
purchased Dunham's, 12/25/2019 \$439 retail @ classicfirearms.com, 2/1/2022 confirmed for .38 (New, never fired) + custom fit IWB holster, 1 box home defense ammo

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February 2022 Calendar

February 2022							Print	Week	Month	Agenda
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat				
30	31	Feb 1	2 1pm Trap & Skeet	3	4	5 10am Shotgun Ranges				
6	7	8	9 1pm Trap & Skeet	10	11	12 10am Shotgun Ranges				
13 6pm Board Meeting	14	15	16 1pm Trap & Skeet	17	18	19 10am Shotgun Ranges				
20	21	22	23 1pm Trap & Skeet	24	25	26 9am Muzzleloader Frost B 10am Shotgun Ranges				
27	28	Mar 1	2 1pm Trap & Skeet	3	4	5 10am Shotgun Ranges				

March 2022 Calendar

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat				
27 9am Club Bonfire	28	Mar 1	2 1pm Trap & Skeet	3	4	5 10am Shotgun Ranges				
6	7	8	9 1pm Trap & Skeet	10	11	12 10am Shotgun Ranges				
13 5:30pm Pot Luck 6pm Board Meeting	14	15	16 1pm Trap & Skeet	17	18	19 10am Shotgun Ranges				
20	21	22	23 1pm Trap & Skeet	24	25	26 10am Shotgun Ranges				
27	28	29	30 1pm Trap & Skeet	31	Apr 1	2 9am April Fools Shoot 10am Shotgun Ranges				

Events shown in time zone: Eastern Time - New York

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