

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

August 6th & 7th

July 2022

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BSC MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

07/11/2022

274 Annual Members

23 Life Members

4 Guest Members

301 Total Members



Concealed Pistol License Class

September 10, 2022

Contact Deb McGraw

(231) 714-3423

President's Column

I hope everyone is enjoying the summer season. It is great to see all the activity on the ranges. Our volunteers are doing a great job of keeping the ranges well maintained. Many thanks. You know who you are.

We had another work bee at the end of June. Ten yards of gravel was delivered and a number of us were able to get the holes filled in along the driveways. Some of the areas were getting pretty bad. Thanks to many hands it went pretty smooth.

The membership potlucks and meetings are not well attended. I assume that's an indication that you are content with the way the club is being managed. That being said, if you have any questions or concerns, please let us know. If not, you are still welcome to come meet some of your fellow members.

Deb

Let's welcome nine (9) new members!

Mike DiBernardo Timothy Giddings
Benjamin Levinthal Richard Myers
Ed Merriman Robbert Strissel
Matthew Doornbos Karl Hogue
Jerry Niemi

Rifle Range

The rifle range is in good shape. The .22 silhouette event is up and running at 5pm on Thursdays. New shooters are welcome!

The pistol range has offered to let us use two of the target bases they have on hand. This will allow us to have a 75 yard and 87.5-yard sight in targets.

The only delay is me finding time to put the targets together, but they will be completed soon. See you all at the Range!

Paul

Pistol Range

Our pistol range gate!



As you can see, we've gotten our gate / fence installed.

To enter the pistol range, you must go through the building. As you pass through, you will find it is convenient to sign in and, of course, as you exit, you can sign out; what a concept.

We'll start building the interior wall to isolate the shooting line within the next few weeks. That will make using the rest of the building tolerable when people are shooting.

You might look in the cabinet drawers the next time you are there. You will find some reloading dies and other components there. Many of us have this stuff in our gun rooms that we no longer use. Here is the perfect place to dispose of them. So, if you find something you can use, great that's what it's there for. A small donation to the range will be appreciated.

Jerry

FOR SALE!!!

Sig Sauer M17-177 air pistol. Complete with box of 40 CO2 cartridges, extra magazine, 2 extra magazine belt replacements, and 3 pkgs of 177 pellets. Like new. \$160. Proceeds go to the pistol range renovations. (231)714-3423. Leave message.

Muzzleloaders

The Summer Aggregate is now more than halfway over. Ron Robinson has taken a commanding lead. Our shoots continue weekly on Tuesdays at 5:00pm. If you've never tried muzzleloading, we'll help you get started.

The Benzie Rendezvous is almost here. The Club will be hosting the 36th annual Rendezvous and Shoot from August 26th through the 28th. The rendezvous will be a little different this year. Participants have voiced their opinion that the club should continue to host shoots and rendezvous and have suggested that we provide space and facilities without all the extras, including prizes, beads, food, ice, pop, ice cream, etc. So, keeping that in mind, we will try to host an old-fashioned rendezvous where friends and muzzleloader extended family can reconnect and enjoy these historic traditions.

There will be a few changes to the structure of this year's rendezvous. The club will NOT provide any:

- Shooting Prizes or Beads
- Target Packets
- Scheduled Shooting Matches – Attendees Can Organize Their Own Shooting Events and Prizes. Per Club Policy, No Shooting Prior to 10:00am
- Food, Pop, Ice, or Ice Cream

The club will provide:

- Bottled Water
- Camping Space
- Shooting Ranges and a Woods Walk
- Some Targets
- Primitive Bathroom Facilities
- Some Firewood – Until it's Gone
- Door Prize(s) – Randomly Drawn from Signed Liability Waver

There will be no entry or camping fees. Donations will be gratefully accepted. See the website for more details.

www.benziesportsmansclub.com/calendar.html

Keep your powder dry and your whistle wet,

Dan VanHaften

Shotgun

A couple of calendar notes first, for the months of July and August we will be opening the ranges at 11:00 to take advantage of the cooler morning



temperatures. We will return to the 1:00 start time in September. Also, on July 19th there will be a fundraiser for Jack O'Malley at NYE's Trap Range. I will be going if anyone else would like to join me, we could put together a squad.

Like everything else, inflation is hitting us at the cost of targets (clays). Please remember that when you purchase a round you are buying a specific number of targets. I don't care if you want to shoot extras, just remember that they cost our club money and stuff a little extra in the kitty.

Last month I asked about some form of league/competition as of this writing I have had only two shooters voice any interest. If there is something fun we can do, let's get it on the table and see what shakes out.

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

July 2022 Calendar

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat				
26	27	28 5pm Muzzleloader Summer Aggr	29 11am Trap & Skeet	30 5pm .22 Silhoutte	Jul 1	2 10am Shotgun Ranges				
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