

# Benzie Sportsman's Club

## Newsletter



Benzie Sportsman's Club  
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[www.benziesportsmansclub.com](http://www.benziesportsmansclub.com)

Report Poachers Michigan DNR  
1 (800) 292-7800

### 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

**TBD**

**December 2022**

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**BSC MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION**

12/12/2022

298 Annual Members

22 Life Members

4 Guest Members

324 Total Members



**Concealed Pistol License Class**

**TBD**

Contact Deb McGraw  
(231) 714-3423

## President's Column

Winter is about to descend upon us. In the past, most activity at the club has pretty much been put to rest until spring, but we are striving to make our club active all year around. The pistol range improvements are about finished. We have one shooting lane finished with retrievable targets and hope to have the remaining five up and running in just a couple weeks. That will make the pistol range usable in the winter months. Stop out and take a look. You will be impressed at Jerry's innovation. We are also about ready to open an air rifle range in the large storage building to the west of the driveway. We should be able to hold shoots beginning in January.

The club is also planning to host a self-defense class in February for those interested in learning techniques to defend without the use of a firearm. We will have details on that event in the January newsletter.

We will also have a bonfire and cookout in February in the campground. We are able to burn our woodpile that has accumulated from trimming trees and cleanup of our grounds while also throwing in some enjoyable time spent with fellow club members.

As you can see, the Board has been working to fulfill our dream of being an active club all year. Hopefully you can find an interest to take part in, rather than hibernating all winter. The snow birds are going to be envious 😊.

For now, I wish you a Blessed Christmas and a wonderful start to the New Year.

Enjoy your club,

Deb

Let's welcome two (2) new members!

Lori Wolfinger

Paul Johnson

## Rifle Range

Merry Christmas and Happy Hannukah everyone! I have been out of town quite a bit the last few weeks, so I hope you have all been taking good care of our rifle range. I am sure you have. See you later.

Paul

## Pistol Range

Here is a couple of photos of the first lane we've completed. The carriers have removable target frames, and the pull ropes have indicators on marking 7 feet, 14 feet, and 21 feet. We'll eventually have a selection of targets available for sale, so you won't have to bring your own. For safety we have installed door locks isolating the indoor range from the outdoor range. When we begin shooting from indoors, we'll need to move the targets you see in the background to the side, out of the line of fire.



7 feet to target

21 feet to target

We need to have a meeting of interested shooters so we can discuss how we operate this new "Semi Indoor Pistol Range" My contact info is listed on the title page of this newsletter if you're interested.



We've also built two tables for the range

Jerry

## Muzzleloaders

The organized Muzzleloader shoots for 2022 have come to an end. We want to thank the club's muzzleloading members and guests for making it a safe and competitive season.

The Muzzleloader shoot dates for 2023 are now posted on the BSC website calendar.

The first organized Muzzleloader shoot for 2023 will be the Frost Bite Shoot scheduled for February 25<sup>th</sup>. This is normally a fun shoot but can be challenging depending on the weather. Watch for more details coming soon.

You can check out all of the club's events on the Benzie Sportsman's website.

[www.benziesportsmansclub.com/calendar.html](http://www.benziesportsmansclub.com/calendar.html)

Keep your powder dry and your whistle wet,

**Dan VanHaften**

## Shotgun

We have purchased some new equipment for our winter shooting. We have eight of the machines from the sporting clays range around the skeet field, with one remote we are having a ball shooting from the porch. Come on out and have some fun while increasing your skill set.

Just for a note we will keep both the trap & skeet ranges open as long as the snow allows.

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**

## FOR SALE!!

**For Sale: Browning A-Bolt, 22 Mag with 2x7  
Leopold scope – very rare rifle. \$1,200.  
Call Jim Hooker for more information.  
(231) 352-4267**

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**CZ Drake OU 20ga  
Set of choke tubes and hard case  
\$585**

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**Ruger old model M77RS  
w/ (rings and sights)  
Leupold 3-9x  
\$925**

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**Browning BPS 12ga pump NIB  
engraved model,  
with set of choke tubes  
\$800**

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**Jarrel Dell  
(231) 275-0335**

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**THERMAL X Ice Shanty  
2-man popup  
\$500.00**

**Call Mike Laslo for information.  
(231) 882-7252**

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# December 2022 Calendar

December 2022							Print	Week	Month	Agenda
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat				
27	28	29	30	Dec 1	2	3				
			1pm Trap & Skeet						10am Shotgun Ranges	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10				
			1pm Trap & Skeet						10am Shotgun Ranges	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17				
			1pm Trap & Skeet						10am Shotgun Ranges	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24				
			1pm Trap & Skeet						10am Shotgun Ranges	
25	26	27	28	29	30	31				
			1pm Trap & Skeet						10am Shotgun Ranges	

# January 2023 Calendar

January 2023							Print	Week	Month	Agenda
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat				
Jan 1	2	3	4	5	6	7				
									10am Shotgun Ranges	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14				
									10am Shotgun Ranges	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21				
									10am Shotgun Ranges	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28				
									10am Shotgun Ranges	
29	30	31	Feb 1	2	3	4				
									10am Shotgun Ranges	