

Benzie Sportsman's Club

Newsletter

January 2025



Benzie Sportsman's Club

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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

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BSC MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

1/13/2025

354 Annual Members

23 Life Members

1 Honorary Member

378 Total Members



Concealed Pistol License Class

TBD

Contact Deb McGraw

(231) 714-3423

Let's welcome three (3) new members!

**TIMOTHY B. JONES
TIMOTHY LEWIS
PATRICK TIBBETTS**

Rifle Range

Due to the holidays and being out of town, there is not much to report this month. Thank you to everyone who helped keep the range in good shape last year. I look forward to another successful year of comradery and shooting. See you at the range!

Paul

Archery

With the inside of the building being mostly completed, we have the ability to shoot around 20 yards out of the elements. My schedule at work limits my availability, but I could be available Tuesday evenings for shooting. We'll see how attendance is and determine if we want to do a league or if we'd just like somewhere to shoot inside.

Indoor archery: Tuesdays evenings from 6:00 – 7:00PM beginning January 21.

Mark

Shotgun

As summer begins to fade and Aspen leaves make the change to gold, our thoughts turn to our favorite bird locals.

Oh No, I was thinking of another time or maybe place. Christmas and New Years have passed which means for us in northern Michigan winter is here. We are keeping the skeet range open and have a couple of wobble traps ready to use for your bird crushing pleasure. Of course there are the ones that get away too. We are fine either way. The heat in the shotgun lodge works well and we have hot drinks to help warm you when you come inside. There are a few hardy souls that continue to show up and try their luck, so come and join us. You will not be disappointed and may even improve your shooting skills.

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

Muzzleloaders

With the start of a new year, we want to thank our members and guests for making it a safe and enjoyable 2024 season. The number of muzzleloading participants continues to decline so we would like to invite anyone with any interest to join us at any of the shoots. If you are new to muzzleloading, reach out to any of the muzzleloaders and we can help get you started. Muzzleloading can be a fun and entertaining way to improve your shooting skills.

The Muzzleloader shoot dates for 2025 are already posted on the BSC website calendar.

The first organized muzzleloader shoot for 2025 is the Frost Bite Shoot scheduled for February 22nd. This is always a fun shoot but can be challenging depending on the weather. Watch for more details coming soon.

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

Keep your powder dry and your whistle wet,

Dan VanHaften

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Dennis Kittleson 231-651-9327

**2 full boxes of .32 ammo. \$15 per
box of 50**

Bclaire333@gmail.com

ANNOUNCEMENT!

**Beginning December 4, 2024 at 2:00PM,
there will be winter handgun shooting at the
pistol range. This will continue every week
until Spring when the weather breaks.**

Pistol/Indoor Ranges

**I checked the pistol range yesterday and found that someone
has opened the indoor range and has left access to the
outdoor range as well. This is not safe!**

**Looking at the condition of the indoor range target boards I
can see why. In the next few days, I plan to replace them, so
the range becomes useable again.**

Air gun Range



Looking at the target wall

**We have completed installing horse stall floor mats
protecting the wall. As you can see, we've also installed
target holders So, the air gun range is useable now.**

**All the archery group needs are some Styrofoam target
holders/backers, and they'll be ready to shoot.**



Looking from the shooting line

**Because of budget issues we have stopped working on this
project.**

Jerry

January 2025 Calendar

<div> <div>Today</div> <div>< ></div> <div>January 2025</div> <div>Month</div> </div>						
SUN 29	MON 30	TUE 31	WED Jan 1 • 1pm Trap & Skeet	THU 2	FRI 3	SAT 4 • 10am Shotgun Ranges
5	6	7	8 • 1pm Trap & Skeet • 2pm Pistol Shoot	9	10	11 • 10am Shotgun Ranges
12	13 • 5:30pm Potluck • 6pm Board Meeting	14	15 • 1pm Trap & Skeet • 2pm Pistol Shoot	16	17	18 • 10am Shotgun Ranges
19	20	21	22 • 1pm Trap & Skeet • 2pm Pistol Shoot	23	24	25 • 10am Shotgun Ranges
26	27	28	29 • 1pm Trap & Skeet • 2pm Pistol Shoot	30	31	Feb 1 • 10am Shotgun Ranges

February 2025 Calendar

<div> <div>Today</div> <div>< ></div> <div>February 2025</div> <div>Month</div> </div>						
SUN 26	MON 27	TUE 28	WED 29 • 1pm Trap & Skeet • 2pm Pistol Shoot	THU 30	FRI 31	SAT Feb 1 • 10am Shotgun Ranges
2	3	4	5 • 1pm Trap & Skeet • 2pm Pistol Shoot	6	7	8 • 10am Shotgun Ranges
9	10 • 5:30pm Potluck • 6pm Board Meeting	11	12 • 1pm Trap & Skeet • 2pm Pistol Shoot	13	14	15 • 10am Shotgun Ranges
16	17	18	19 • 1pm Trap & Skeet • 2pm Pistol Shoot	20	21	22 • 9am Muzzleloader Frost B • 10am Shotgun Ranges
23	24	25	26 • 1pm Trap & Skeet • 2pm Pistol Shoot	27	28	Mar 1 • 10am Shotgun Ranges