Benzie Sportsman's Club Newsletter



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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



February 2025

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BSC MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

02/10/2025 358 Annual Members 22 Life Members 1 Honorary Member 381 Total Members



Concealed Pistol License Class

April 12, 2025

Contact Deb McGraw (231) 714-3423

TBD

President's Column

I hope everyone is enjoying our winter season!

I would like to recognize all of our club board members. They quietly and conscientiously put in the time to keep all of the parts of the club running smoothly, and they volunteer for numerous tasks. Their dedication is much appreciated.

Speaking of volunteers, we could always use more! Please let us know if you would be interested in helping out at the club. If you have questions or thoughts, please let us know.

Ron

Let's welcome two (2) new members!

CRAIG CAMPBELL MICK CLARK

Rifle Range

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

Due to the lack of interest and my schedule, we're going to cancel the Tuesday evening archery. We can reconsider in the future, maybe when the building is complete and it's a little warmer inside.

Mark

Shotgun

As you can see, we have a pretty good group still shooting in spite of the cold. There are a lot of birds being crushed and a few are getting away. There is, however, fun being had by all. The club house is warm, and the discussions are deep. Come and spread your version of Bravo Seria and mix in the discussions.



Remember, focus on the target, swing through and keep the gun moving through the shot, and follow through.

Remember we are a club of volunteers, please clean up after yourselves, your mother is not here and we do not have 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

The sixth annual Frost Bite Shoot will be Saturday, February 22nd. Registration will be from 9:00AM to 10:00AM. The shoot fee is only \$10 and a light lunch will be included. The first-place trophy is a custom ceramic coffee mug. Second through fifth place winners will receive bead prices. This shoot can be challenging, but also enjoyable. It's a great excuse to get outside and shake off any cabin fever.

Here are some dates of upcoming events:

April 5: April Fools Shoot

May 22-26: Grand Traverse Rendezvous

August 22-24: Benzie Annual Rendezvous

On April 8, our Tuesday evening Summer Aggregate Shoots begin. Shooting starts at 5:00pm.

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



Runs well and has new tires. \$500 OBO Call (231) 499-6298

FOR SALE!!

Smith & Wesson 357 Magnum (Blue steel finish, 4" barrel). New, never fired. 1 box critical defense ammo (25 rounds) plus partial box of practice ammo (40 rounds) \$800.00 Dennis Kittleson 231-651-9327

2 full boxes of .32 ammo. \$15 per box of 50 Bclaire333@gmail.com

Pistol/Indoor Ranges

Our target boards have some new foam inserts; it won't be long before we will need to replace the frames. I have often wondered why some find it is necessary to shoot the target frames. Is it boredom? Is it the challenge? It can't be "lack of ability", because each frame member was hit almost dead center. No, I believe the answer is that we have some unsupervised adult children using the range. Well, I was able to cobble together the existing targets, but soon all of them will need to be replaced.

Here's a question: Should we follow the shotgun group and go to supervised shoots only? That would solve the unsupervised adult children problem.

A few years ago, I was a member of the Cedar Rod and Gun Club. A bunch of us built a running deer target - what a hoot! Shot at fifty yards, it was a challenge. We only used it for one year mostly because it was slow between shots and took several people to operate it. With some design work, we could correct those problems. I'm wondering if there is any interest in a target like that.

Because of budget issues, we have stopped working on the air gun range for now.

Jerry

February 2025 Calendar

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9	5:30pm Potluck 6pm Board Meeting	11	12 • 1pm Trap & Skeet • 2pm Pistol Shoot	13	14	15 • 10am Shotgun Ranges
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