

Benzie Sportsman's Club Newsletter



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have your guests sign our
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Place it in the back of
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SHOOTING HOURS
10:00 AM



Hunter Ed – August 2020

September 2019

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BSC MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION 9/9/19

285 ---- Annual Members
23 ---- Life Members
16 ---- Guest, Honorary, Military & USCG
324 ---- Total Members



Concealed Pistol License Class
Contact Deb McGraw
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From the Board



The ticket sales to our September 21st BBQ rib diner have exceeded our planned limit of 40; in less than a week we're at 51 and counting.

We have received some Lake Trout and Cisco to add to our wild game appetizer table and have Venison, Elk, Duck and Wild turkey coming. So, it looks like we'll have some great beginnings to our dinner. We are still working on desert but with all of the good ideas floating around I'm sure we'll have a nice finish.

Also, if you would like to enjoy a beer, which goes nicely with ribs, or some other adult beverage that contains alcohol you'll need to bring it yourself because we have a bylaw that prohibits us from purchasing alcoholic beverages for adults.

Our new website is nearly finished. It has several new features which are very nice. Here is a link to review it before it's published to the www. Please take a few minutes to look it over.

Control click on this link

http://www.aticonsult.com/test_sites/bsc

We are going to be doing some road repair this fall. For the most part you shouldn't have any difficulties getting around. However, if you find you cannot drive to where you are planning to go please understand it's a temporary but necessary inconvenience.

Let's welcome a new member

Jeffrey Joe McGalliard (JJ ?)

Vic

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Flower Lady

September Birth Flowers



Aster

Aster flower has a very long history and cultural significance to many cultures around the world. In Greece, the Aster flower was used to scare away snakes and mean spirits. Asters flowers were also sacred to ancient Greeks and they would often place them on altars and other sacred places.

In United States, the Aster flower symbolizes month of September and the 20th wedding anniversary. Also, the Aster flower was considered to be magical both in Germany and England.



Morning Glory

The Morning Glory flower in Chinese culture represents unrequited love and there are many stories in Chinese folklore about them. To Christians, the Morning Glory flower represents the shortness of life and soul.

Asters and Morning Glories are beautiful flowers that mesmerize us with their simplicity and humbleness. They are gorgeous flowers that have a very long history in many cultures and folklores around the world. September birth flowers announce the ending of summer and the beginning of fall, which can't be avoided. They are universal symbols of grace, elegance and femininity.

Remember to enjoy each day, for it's a blessing.

Bobbie Edmonds

Pistol Range



Summer is quickly winding down. By the time this newsletter is sent to you there will only be about 10 more days or so to enjoy some moderate weather so come on out and get some range time in before it gets too cool.

The range is in good shape except for a couple of 2X4 braces that got shot up this summer. Please, please take notice of where you are posting your targets and make sure they are between the boards.

Since we placed a visible box for donations they (donations) have increased nicely. The box can also be used for suggestions. We can always use both – suggestions and donations.

Deb

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For sale

Browning Lightning Citori Sporting Clays Edition
Slightly Used 12Ga. Over & Under
Appraised @\$1700.00
For more info and or pictures call
(231) 633-8977
bcollins01@gmail.com

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Hunter Education

We had our hunter education a couple weeks ago and the students really enjoyed their time on the ranges.

Thanks to our volunteers for making it both fun and safe for them. You always are so willing to set the day aside for them and I'm sure they greatly appreciate it. Without you, it couldn't happen.

22 LR Silhouette

Well time for more of my witty commentary. We got thru another rendezvous it was a success due to all of the hard work of a few people. Mike did a great soup pot let's hope he will do another one for next year.



As far as the .22 range it is going well. We had a good turnout for last week's shoot. Too bad we can get more like that. There are only two shoots left. If the weather man is right today might be a wash out. Let's hope that they are wrong as usual.

Tom and Dan are the two best shooters we have. They continue to fight for the lead. I am but a distance third to them. The range has held up well this year with very few breakdowns this year. I want to thank all those who have helped me out this summer without the help of Tom, the two Debbie's, Dan and Roland it would have been a lot harder to get the job done, again thank you. The only thing I could want is more shooters on Thursday nights. If there is anything I can do get some more shooters let me know and we will try to work it out.

Russ

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Dennis Collins is looking for a 243 rifle with a wooden stock, so he can carve some nifty stuff in the stock.
231-649-3007

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The Reel People

Custom Rods, Reel and Rod Repair
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Muzzleloaders



Campfire, Guitars and (Heaven forbid) BEER???

The annual Benzie Rendezvous and Shoot was held from August 23rd through the 25th. The weather was perfect but attendance was down again.

A big thank you goes out again to the volunteers who helped with this year's Rendezvous. Vic Ellis was again this year's Booshway (he also handled registration).

Russ Signs was our range, driveway and toilet officer. Ron Robinson supervised the woods walk. Alan Penny helped out on the firing line. George and Joyce Kirback supervised Hawk & Knife. Diane McPhall oversaw the archery range and provided some excellent treats. Dan VanHaften directed the Light Bench Rest. Jerry Dell cooked lunch, handled the finances and permits. Susie Signs and Maggie VanHaften did the score keeping. Mike Hainen prepared the soup pot. Many others helped as well.

The Summer Aggregate for 2019 is over. Dan VanHaften was the top scorer in the rifle category followed by Jerry Dell second, Russ Signs third, Ron Robinson fourth and Vic Ellis fifth.

The Fall Aggregate has already started and will continue each Sunday at 2:00 pm through November 3rd. We shoot four targets at 25 yards – five shots each.

Don't forget the Turkey Shoot on Saturday, October 26th. Registration will be from 9:00am to 10:00am.

This summer's final Light Bench Rest Shoot will be held on Saturday, September 28th at 2:00pm.

Keep your powder dry and your whistle wet,

Dan VanHaften

Shotgun



Over the past several weeks we have experienced a rather strong use of the trap range. I would like to thank all the members that are working hard to keep the range clean and stocked for everyone's continued use. Also, like to take a moment and thank Paul for keeping our grass in such good shape. The efforts all around are greatly appreciated.

I included the following paragraph in last's month newsletter. No one has as yet spoken about the league. If anyone is interested in some form of social league, please let me know otherwise I will drop the idea.

We have had some small discussions on hosting some form of sporting clays social, possibly a league with prizes. It would be a four-week event of maybe 200 birds, 50 a week. The event would include lighting of the grill weekly and close with a larger picnic social with the presentation of prizes. This event would be on a different night from the regular shooting, i.e. Tuesday or Thursday. There would be a small additional cost to cover the food and prizes. Anyone with thoughts concerning it please get in touch with one of us and we can get it on the schedule for next year.

Tip #7 "When shooting simultaneous (true) pairs, decide ahead of time which target you will break first. Generally, shoot the behind or lower target first, unless one target is quick to disappear behind cover or decidedly more difficult. Shooting the lower target first allows gun recoil to bring you automatically to the upper target. Shooting the back target first allows your swing to continue smoothly to the front target."

More to follow in coming newsletters.

Mike

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For Sale-

6 Flambeau magnum goose decoys field/ floaters-\$90.
Can send pics call/text Lonnie @231-409-1709



***Benzie Muzzleloaders
34th Annual Turkey Shoot |
Saturday October 26th, 2019***

Registration 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM at the Club House

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00 PER SHOOTER
Includes Shooting 50/50 Tie Breaker & Light Lunch!

1st Place Trophy and Turkey
2nd thru 5th Places a Turkey Each
50/50 X Shot \$\$\$



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Aggregate Score

Hope to see you there!

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