

Benzie Sportsman's Club

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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 17th

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BSC MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

06/10/2024
346 Annual Members
26 Life Members
372 Total Members



Concealed Pistol License Class

June 22nd

Contact Deb McGraw
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President's Column

The club grounds are looking great. I really enjoy the aerator in the pond working. Thank you to Jim and Mike for your diligence in keeping the algae levels down. The pond looks amazing.

Membership renewals are coming in at a fast pace. I think we're 2/3 there as I write this article. The membership cards will be mailed next week to those who have renewed. The new gate code is on the back of the card and will be initiated on July 3. Until then, the present gate code still applies. Thanks for the great response this far.

All disciplines are very active now that the weather has improved. We will be changing the foam backing on both the pistol and rifle range soon. We're a little behind due to unforeseen circumstances in some of our volunteers' families. If you can lend a hand, please call Paul and/or Rich and set up a time to work together. Their numbers are available on the board of directors list in this newsletter.

Thanks for stepping up!

Come out and enjoy your club.

Deb

Let's welcome five (5) new members!

Ken Bos
Cathy Cuddington
Alex Allan

Robert Blackmore
Jack Lynns

Rifle Range

The range is in good shape. Thanks to everyone for policing the area after use. Silhouette shooting is still going strong on Thursdays at 5pm. Come on out and join us. See you at the range!

Paul

Pistol Range

Work is progressing on our big building and we're nearly ready to install the ceiling, maybe another day's work to go. When the ceiling is finished, we'll need to build the front or separating wall and finish the back wall so we can use the air gun range this coming winter

Back when the building was enclosed, we ran just enough electrical supply for lights and a few outlets. So, before we can do much else, we must address this inadequate power supply.

When we begin working on the separating wall, we will need to clean out the "stored treasures" so we can work. We'll have to find permanent homes for this stuff or create one, otherwise we should get rid of it.

As we said last month - When you come to the club and see the storage building door open feel free to stop in and chat, we'll love the break.

Jerry

Archery

Hello Fellow Archers,

I hope the beginning of summer is treating you all well. The course has been open and things are running smoothly. Thanks to those that have been out shooting for taking care of the course so well. Please get out and utilize the great 3D targets we have if you have not yet shot it, I promise it's worth it! Stay safe and shoot straight!

Calvin

Shotgun

Summer will be here in just a couple of weeks; however, the weather seems more like early spring. We still have shooting options available to us even when the weather is less cooperative. We still have a couple of wobble traps set up and can shoot bird dog from the porch.

All the ranges are up and operational and as the weather allows, we will be open and operating on Wednesday and Saturday. There are some new and exciting target presentations on the clays range so come and test your skills. If you are real adventurous, try shooting the whole course as doubles, I have hit them all. Well at least sometimes, good luck.

Please note that we will start the summer hours after June 15th. Wednesday mornings at 1100 and Saturdays same as always.

Remember we are a club of volunteers, and I would like to say thank you to all that spent time helping to make our ranges as nice as they are. Remember to 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

The Summer Aggregate continues each week on Tuesday afternoons starting at 5:00pm.

The club welcomed guests from the Grand Traverse Rendezvous group over the Memorial Day weekend. The weather was stormy and wet, but the participants did utilize the campground and the muzzleloader woods walk.

Our annual rendezvous and shoot is coming up. The club will be hosting the 38th annual Benzie Rendezvous from August 23rd through the 25th. Registration will be Friday and Saturday from 9:00am to noon. Entry/Camping fees are \$20.00 individual or \$25.00 per Family. Period clothing is optional. Separate areas for primitive and modern camping are available. Campers are welcome to come early. Attendees will organize their own competitions. There will be awards for the best scores along with raffle and door prizes.

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

www.benziesportsmansclub.com/calendar.html

Keep your powder dry and your whistle wet,

Dan VanHaften