

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

07/08/2024
349 Annual Members
26 Life Members
375 Total Members



Concealed Pistol License Class

TBD

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President's Column

It is really nice coming out to the club and seeing the number of members that are enjoying all the club has to offer. The new addition of the archery program has really made a difference. Hopefully we can get the storage building insulated and ready for this winter so we can have indoor archery to offer. We will keep you updated as the donations come in that enable us to make another improvement.

The personal lives of some of our board members has caused them to step back in their duties and responsibilities at the club. That being said, we are looking for people to fill two upcoming vacancies on the board. We need someone to be the club secretary which entails keeping the minutes of our board meetings. It's not a huge responsibility, but an important one.

We also need someone to take over as membership director. That does require a bit more time, especially during renewal period. I have been working with Maggie, our present director, and will be around to help out for those couple months. Please give both those responsibilities some earnest thought.

There is still plenty of summer to come shoot with fellow members. Take advantage of our scheduled shoots. There is something for everyone. Enjoy your club.

Deb

Let's welcome three (3) new members!

Mitchell Szwed

Robert Kurzman

Eric Bigelow

Rifle Range

I haven't been able to get to the range in the last few weeks due to other commitments so thank you for keeping it in good shape! The silhouette shooting is still going strong on Thursdays at 5pm. Come on out and join us. See you at the range!

Paul

Pistol/Indoor Ranges

Work is moving along well. We're ready to install the ceiling and a wall, giving us a 40x80 room. This room will be the combined air gun and archery range for use this coming winter. All the building material is on site so we will start soon.

We still need to improve the electrical supply, that way we won't be limited to using the room only for shooting ranges. It will be a great place to have parties and what club do you know of that doesn't have one of those from time to time.

Soon we will begin working on the separating wall so all of the "stored treasures" will need permanent homes, or we will get rid of them. The decisions need to be made soon. If you are interested in using or saving some of these items act with alacrity or they will be given the old Spanish Archer.

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,

Summer is here and I hope you all had a great and safe fourth of July! The countdown has begun for many, with less than 3 months to go before opening day of bow season here in Michigan. Make sure to get out and enjoy the course, and as always stay safe!

Calvin

Shotgun



This charging/bolt handle was found on the range, if you are missing one, please come see me. That way it can find its way home.

All ranges are up and running, there are new target presentations everywhere. If you shoot trap, we have added a couple of machines off to either side to challenge you. If you would rather shoot regulation trap, just ask the person on the controls to throw it that way, your choice.

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

The Summer Aggregate is now a little more than halfway over. Our shoots continue weekly on Tuesdays at 5:00pm. If you've never tried muzzleloading, we'll help you get started.

The Benzie Rendezvous is almost here. The Club will be hosting the 38th annual Rendezvous and Shoot from August 23rd through the 25^h. This is an old-fashioned rendezvous where friends and muzzleloader extended family can reconnect and enjoy these historic traditions. The rendezvous will follow a similar format to last year. Participants will organize events and matches.

There will be a small entry/camping fee of \$20 Individual or \$25 Family. A Door Prize will be randomly drawn from registrations as well as a raffle drawing on Sunday.

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