

Benzie Sportsman's Club

Newsletter



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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

January 2026

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BSC MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

01/12/2026
287 Annual Members
24 Life Members
3 Agencies
314 Total Members



Concealed Pistol License Class

January 24, 2026

Contact Deb McGraw
(231) 714-3423

President's Column

I hope that you are all doing well as we enter the cold months of winter! Several volunteers - Jerry, Linda, Dan, Paul, and Deb - helped clean up the long building used for air rifle and archery shoots. The building really looks good!

Ron

No New Members This Month!

Shotgun

Winter shooting is in full swing with fair sized groups on both Wednesdays & Saturdays. The furnace works well and the clubhouse is warm; we have coffee & hot chocolate to help ward off the weather with a couple of wobble traps to keep things interesting.

You can come out and work on basic skills or help Jim solve all the world's problems or just sit and pet Buck; whatever makes you happy. We would be glad to have you join us and pass the time on a cold winter's day.

Remember we are a club of volunteers, please clean up after yourselves, your mother is not here and there is no maid service. There are magnets in the club house for those that shoot pumps & semis. Please 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 Muzzleloader shoot dates for 2026 have already been posted on the BSC website calendar.

The first organized muzzleloader shoot for 2026 is the Frost Bite Shoot scheduled for February 21st. This is always a fun shoot, but can be challenging depending on the weather. Registration begins at 9:00am.

Other upcoming highlights include:

April Fools Shoot on April 4.

Summer Aggregate begins on April 7.

Grand Traverse Rendezvous is scheduled for May 21 through 25.

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

<http://www.benziesportsmansclub.com/>

Keep your powder dry and your whistle wet,

Dan VanHaften

Archery

We are planning on having a free archery shoot in barn on 1/15 starting at 5:30pm.

Our 5-spot league will begin on 1/22. Shooting time & entry fee for the league will be discussed and set on 1/15. Any questions or to register please call Tyler at (231) 620-5999.

Tyler

Pistol/Indoor Ranges

Happy New Year! Work on the indoor range continues to progress. The windows are installed, the walls are insulated, and the building is clean and ready for archery and airgun activities.

With the new year brings new activities. We are shooting on Wednesday afternoons at 2pm through the month of March. It just gives us an opportunity to hone our skills in the winter months. We will have the heater going in the waiting area to keep warm.

We are also having a CPL class on Saturday, January 24th. If you're interested, please contact me to get registered.

If anyone is not familiar with our targets for indoor shooting, just let me know and I'll be glad to help you out. The outdoor range is closed until spring.

Deb

Rifle Range

The use of the rifle range is usually very limited the end of November until Spring. I usually don't need to replace all the foam until a month or two into nice weather. I was really surprised when I stopped at the range last week and both trash barrels were full and the targets showed significant use.

It is really cool that the gang is using the range that much in the winter. I will replace the foam as soon as the weather improves. Have fun, keep your groups tight, and see you at the range!

Paul

January 2026 Calendar

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

February 2026 Calendar

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Feb 1	2	3	4 • 1pm Trap & Skeet • 2pm Pistol Shoot	5	6	7 • 10am Shotgun Ranges
8	9 • 5:30pm Member Potluck • 6pm Board Meeting	10	11 • 1pm Trap & Skeet • 2pm Pistol Shoot	12	13	14 • 10am Shotgun Ranges
15	16	17	18 • 1pm Trap & Skeet • 2pm Pistol Shoot	19	20	21 • 9am Muzzleloader Frostbi • 10am Shotgun Ranges
22	23	24	25 • 1pm Trap & Skeet • 2pm Pistol Shoot	26	27	28 • 10am Shotgun Ranges