

Benzie Sportsman's Club

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

TBD

February 2026

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BSC MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

02/09/2026
290 Annual Members
24 Life Members
3 Agencies
317 Total Members



Concealed Pistol License Class

TBD

Contact Deb McGraw
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President's Column

I hope everyone is surviving the snow and cold that winter has brought to us! It looks like the Club is being used for many different groups this winter - I'm sure it helps to stay busy. However, I am really looking forward to being able to get back to shooting outside without freezing our fingers off! We will also continue our wood chopping chore when the weather breaks. Dan V and I put up a good bit of wood before deer season, but there is a good amount left to chop and stack. Additional help will be very welcome when we get to that point! Until then, enjoy your winter Club activities!

Ron

Let's welcome three (3) new members!

**Christian Thomas Eggers
Jonah E Jasman
John Daniel Hansen**

Shotgun

The snow this winter is still piling up, and we had to get a loader in to move the banks back to keep our access to the shotgun building. We are however still shooting wobble trap from the porch. Good groups with as many as 4 lines using anywhere from 1,000 to 1,500 targets per week. Many of them being broken before they hit the ground.

This is a great time to hone skills, I have said many times that if there are any who would like some coaching let me know, I am glad to help. There are many drills that can be put to work, even this time of year. The most important thing is the follow through. If you can master it with a coat on, it will be a piece of cake in the spring when we are wearing lighter clothes.

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 seventh annual Frost Bite Shoot will be Saturday, February 21. Registration will be from 9:00AM to 10:00AM. The shoot fee is only \$10.00, 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 prizes. 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 4: April Fools Shoot

May 21-25: Grand Traverse Rendezvous

August 21-23: Benzie Annual Rendezvous

On April 7, our Tuesday evening Summer Aggregate Shoots begin. Shooting starts at 5:00pm.

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

Archery league is going well. We have 12 people shooting. Only half of which are current members. Other half are all filling out applications to become members. The new indoor range is working great.

Tyler

Pistol/Indoor Ranges

As we all know, this winter has been brutal! Thanks to Jerry, however, the pistol range is still available for use - and the building can be heated while you're using the range. Those of you who have been using it know what a blessing that is. We even held our first winter CPL class in January on the coldest Saturday of the year thus far. We were never able to do that before.

Also, thank you for cleaning up your brass and keeping it clean for everyone else. We certainly appreciate it. For those of you who don't know how to hang the target holders, just let me know and I will come out and help you out.

We are still shooting on Wednesday afternoon at 2PM if you want to come out.

Deb

Rifle Range

The range looks like it always does in the winter. We can spruce it up when the warm weather arrives. I am not a winter hater and actually enjoy some winter sports, but this year I am ready for Spring! See you at the range!

Paul

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