

# Benzie Sportsman's Club

## Newsletter



Benzie Sportsman's Club

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Report Poachers Michigan DNR

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**

## October 2026

### Club Officers

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| Ron Robinson     | President                                                                  | (231) 499-6298 |
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### Board of Directors

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#### BSC MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

10/12/2026

239 Annual Members

20 Life Members

3 Agencies

262 Total Members



Concealed Pistol License Class

**TBD**

Contact Deb McGraw

(231) 714-3423

## President's Column

As we enter the Fall season, good luck to all bird and bow hunters! I think that the grounds are looking good. We are still working on projects on the muzzleloader range, and we are still working to get the wood cut and stacked. We welcome any want-to-be lumberjacks to volunteer!

Ron

**No new members this month!**

## Pistol/Indoor Ranges

What beautiful fall weather we've been having. I'm happy to see how much use the range has been getting. Thank you for cleaning up after yourself.

In order to keep all target backers up against the berm, we have had to chain the movable targets. It is a safety issue that we saw to keep all shots from potentially leaving the property. There is a table that you can move down range to use for loading and unloading your firearms. We made it light enough to be easily moved around. PLEASE put it back under the extended roof area so it won't get ruined by the weather.

We are hoping to leave the outdoor range open until the first of the year. If there is a need for something on the range that we miss, just bring it to my attention. We are trying to get a little more use out of the foam backing because the price of materials has gone up considerably.

Thanks,

Deb

## Rifle Range

I haven't been to the range in a few weeks, but I'm sure it is in good shape thanks to the efforts of all of you.

**On November 7<sup>th</sup>, we will have our annual rifle sight-in from 10:00AM – 12:00PM.** Coffee and doughnuts will be provided. This is an open event. Non-members are welcome.

Paul

## Shotgun

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 Fall Aggregate continues with just a few weeks left until the final shoot on November 1st. We shoot each Sunday at 2:00pm. Once the Fall Aggregate is over, organized muzzleloading shooting will be pausing until next February when the club will host its Frost Bite Shoot. Keep an eye on the club's website calendar for details.

Don't forget this year's Turkey Shoot is on Saturday, October 17th. Registration will be from 9:00am to 10:00am. A \$10.00 entry fee includes a light lunch. There is a nice trophy for the top shooter and some turkey nutrition for 1st through 5th places. Patched round ball and open sights only – hope you can make it! 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 had a great 3D shoot; we look forward to having possibly two (2) events next year. The course has been taken down for the season. We did leave the targets on the outdoor range.

**Tyler**

## **REMINDER!!**

**Please lock the gate when leaving the premises.**

**Member's guests should be making a minimum of \$5 donations in the donation safes provided on each range in lieu of membership.**

## **GUNS FOR SALE**

### **2 SHOTGUNS – REMINGTON 1100 SERIES**

- 12 gauge with slug barrel \$800
- 20-gauge mag \$800

**270 bolt action herter \$750**

**Please call at (231) 352-7121**

## **CROSSBOW FOR SALE**

**Excalibur Matrix 380 in excellent condition.**

**Draw weight: 260lbs**

**Speed 380 fps**

**Trigger pull approximately 3lbs (set at the factory)**

### **Accessories:**

- Excalibur Tac Zone scope
- 5 bolts plus additional bolts in a PVC tube
- 4 bolt detachable quiver
- Excalibur hand crank
- shoulder sling
- Excalibur soft case

**Price: \$850**

**Call Bill Lange at (248) 303-8716 or Email at [lange.bill@att.net](mailto:lange.bill@att.net)**

Today

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October 2026

Month

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| <div>SUN</div> <div>27</div> <div>3D Archery Shoot</div> <div>• 2pm Muzzleloader Fall Ag</div> | <div>MON</div> <div>28</div>                                                    | <div>TUE</div> <div>29</div> | <div>WED</div> <div>30</div> <div>• 1pm Trap &amp; Skeet</div> | <div>THU</div> <div>Oct 1</div> | <div>FRI</div> <div>2</div> | <div>SAT</div> <div>3</div> <div>• 10am Shotgun Ranges</div>                        |
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