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Benton Gun Club Newsletter • May 2006

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## Range and Match News

As reported in last month's newsletter, a motion was approved at the April meeting to purchase two action target plate racks for the falling plate range, at a total cost of \$2,110.00. This motion was confirmed by a second vote at the May club meeting.

Another motion was made at the May meeting to increase the budget for the benchrest range (lower range #4) by \$2,000.00. Since this amount exceeds \$1,000.00, it will have to be ratified by a second vote, as required by our bylaws. This second vote will be held at the June meeting.

In other range news, Greg Sullivan is working on the layout for the 600 yard range (upper range #1). Any suggestions or recommendations concerning the construction of this range may be e-mailed to Greg at [gsullivan@mehlborg.com](mailto:gsullivan@mehlborg.com), or sent to him in care of the Benton Gun Club, P. O. Box 139, Benton, AR 72015.

## BGC Festival A Success

Despite a bit of rain, the Benton Gun Club Festival was a success. 38 people attended, including the volunteers. The total cost to the club was \$839.04. Leftover ammunition will be used at the next festival.

The following note of thanks comes from club president Paul Stiedle:

I wish to thank all of the sponsors and volunteers who helped with the Benton Gun Club Festival 2006. It was not a nice day to be at the range with rain most of the morning and a cold wind the rest of the afternoon. Even with the rough conditions 38 interested people braved the weather and came out and had a great time. I believe we will be seeing some new faces at upcoming matches.

The sponsors were Clear Mountain Water, Shooters 101, Action Target, Bullseye Guns and Ammo, Chester McGear, Darrel Allen, Aspen Medical Inc., Boeckman and Son, Academy Sports and Outdoors, and Searcy Industrial Supply.

The volunteers were Chuck Anderson, Greg Sullivan, Harold Smith, Leroy Squires, Sherry Squires, Alston Jennings, Scott Kellett, Jim Wood, David Livingston, James Squires, Gerry Kitchen, Patrick Holsted, Larry Morgan, Darrell Allen, Brad Cunningham, Mark Boeckman, and Ryan Reed.

These guys and gals were at the range before 8:00 a.m. to set up and were still there at 4:00 p.m. to clean it all up. They supplied their personal firearms and time to promote our club. One of our sponsors donated 2000 Federal Match Primers and so all of the volunteer's names were put into a can and visitor Delan Wright drew four names out for prizes. They were

Leroy Squires (LRP), Mark Boeckman (SRP), Chuck Anderson (LPP), and Gerry Kitchen (SPP).

Thank you members,  
Paul C. Stiedle

## Concealed Carry Class

The club is planning to hold another concealed carry class if there is sufficient interest. We need twelve students in order to hold the class. If you would be interested in attending such a class, please call the club information line at 315-3071 and leave a message with your name and number.

The class is open to all club members and their spouses. A date will not be announced until we get enough people signed up. Signing up requires sending a check for \$40.00 (made out to the Benton Gun Club) to the club P. O. box. Class fees will not be deposited until the class is held. If we don't get enough interest, your check will be returned.

For your information, here is a list of states that honor Arkansas' concealed carry license. The following states have a reciprocal license agreement with Arkansas (they honor ours, and we honor theirs): Arizona, Florida, Kentucky, Michigan, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, and Utah.

The following states do not have a reciprocal agreement with Arkansas (they honor ours but we do not honor theirs): Alaska (up to 120 days for visitors), Idaho, Indiana, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania (vehicle only), Vermont, and Wyoming.

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**Range and Club Information Hotline .....501-315-3071**

### Club Meetings

Meetings are held the second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Ramada Inn in Benton (I-30 Exit 117).

### Officers

President ..... Paul Stiedle (888-2930)  
Vice-President ..... Pat Holsted (766-4942)  
Secretary-Treasurer ..... Rex Gismond (315-3071)  
Range Maintenance Officer ..... Bob Elrod (778-2165)  
Range & Safety Orientation..... James Squires (847-2147)  
Youth Program Coordinator .. Chuck Anderson (602-2971)

### Range Subcommittee

Chairman ..... Pat Holsted (766-4942)  
Smallbore Rifle and Pistol Silhouette, Falling Plate Rifle ...  
..... Frank Bray, Jr. (653-0630) or Jim Wood (847-9244)  
High Power Rifle ..... Open  
Pistol ..... Larry Egger (803-9002)  
Rifle, up to 200 Yards..... Open  
Shotgun..... James Squires (847-2147)  
Plinking Range ..... Open

## Hunter Education Class Scheduled

Chuck Anderson, who is also the Benton Gun Club Youth Program director, will be holding a hunter education class in Sheridan on Saturday, May 13, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. If you are interested in this class or a future hunter education class, call Chuck at 602-2971.

Don't forget that Chuck has also scheduled a youth day at the range on June 3, from 9:00 a.m. to noon. To date, no one has called to sign up his or her child or grandchild. C'mon, where are all of the club members that couldn't wait for this program to get started? Call Chuck today!

## For Sale

Club member Mike Dugger has the following items for sale:

Stoeger Stainless Steel American Eagle Luger, 9mm, with two 8-round magazines, magazine loader, owners' manual, and padded zippered pouch. Excellent condition. \$560.00.

CZ 75 D Compact 9mm, black finish, aluminum alloy frame, steel slide and barrel, with two 10-round magazines and padded zippered pouch. Excellent condition. \$340.00.

Beretta 3032 Tomcat Titanium 32 ACP, titanium frame, stainless steel slide and barrel, 2 7-round magazines and padded zippered pouch. Excellent condition. \$335.00.

Ten boxes of Federal Classic 32 ACP, 71 grain, full metal jacket. \$5.00 per box.

If you are interested in any of these items, contact Mike at 327-3019. Please call after 4:00 p.m.

## Safety Re-Orientations Required

As mentioned previously, the club is requiring all members to go through the safety orientation again. The range has changed a lot in the years since the orientation sessions were begun, and it was felt that everyone could use a refresher.

The re-orientation will be required for all members who were in the club as of May 2005. (Any members who joined after that have already received an updated version of the ori-

entation.) Members will have until the end of 2006 to retake it. You MUST have your membership card with you when you take the orientation.

James Squires will be at the range to give the re-orientations on the first and third Saturday of each month at 2:00 p.m., and on the second Saturday of each month at 11:00 a.m. In addition, the following people are also administering re-orientations, and will be available after club matches: J. L. Squires, Jr., Leroy Squires, Rex Gismond, Mark Boeckman, Pat Holsted (at noon following the monthly IDPA matches), Paul Stiedle, Larry Morgan, John Watkins, and Bill Morris.

To make arrangements for retaking the safety orientation at some other time, contact James Squires at 847-2147.

**NOTE TO THOSE WHO ARE GIVING ORIENTATIONS:** After you give a member the re-orientation, please sign and date the back of his or her membership card. We need this as a double check in case an attendance sheet is lost.

## New Members

We welcomed 12 new and returning members at the May meeting. They are James Brown, Tim Ellis, Paul Friday, Larry Harris, Tim Hutchings, David Lampkin, Charles Long, Robert Ololendt, Sam Parnell, Gary Pultro, Scott Smith, and Brady Staggs. Welcome to the club, folks!

If you are a new club member *and* a new member of the NRA, please send a copy of your membership card or the label from your NRA magazine to the club post office box. This will enable the club secretary to update the files with your NRA number and correct expiration date.

Please note that all new members must attend the mandatory range and safety orientation before using the range. You are not a fully qualified member until you attend the orientation.

Also, don't forget that all new members are entitled to shoot in one club match per shooting discipline free of charge. Look over that match schedule, and come out and experience the fun of competition shooting.

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