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Benton Gun Club Newsletter

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Club News

In club news, President Craig reported that we are still waiting to hear from Alcoa's representative on the land contract. We've sent follow-up emails but haven't heard back yet. They, unfortunately, move ridiculously slow on smaller deals like ours.

Rex Gismond made a motion to keep next year's club dues the same-\$75/\$60 (regular/senior (65+)) and to keep the end of year discount for joining late in the year. This motion was passed.

President Craig announced that we need to elect other officers for the next year (2019). Larry Morgan made a motion to nominate George Craig to serve as President for the upcoming year, Rex Gismond made a motion to nominate Culley Majors to serve as Vice-President. These motions were passed, and motions were also passed to close the nomination processes.

President Craig announced that a company called USA Shield offers various medical classes as well as other classes on the legalities of carrying a firearm, self-defense, and other areas that may be of interest to club members. Several members in attendance expressed interest in such classes. Depending on the class, a small fee (\$30) may be required to attend. We're looking into having a legal class first and go from there.

Rex Gismond notified those present that we all need to reach out to our state representatives regarding the new "red-flag" laws being voted on. Laws like these have already been passed in 11 states. They set-up a scenario that allows law enforcement to confiscate firearms without due process. In some instances, firearms could be seized for no greater reason than law enforcement was called to the property in question. This a dangerous and slippery slope and can be used as a step in limiting our rights as protected by the 2nd amendment. We cannot be complacent. The left will continue to use any means to deprive average citizens the ability to defend themselves.

John Arellanes reports that 2800 pocket-size Constitutions have been passed out. We will continue and purchase more. If you do not know your rights, you essentially have none.

Safety at the Range

Safety at the range is everyone's business! Never handle a firearm when someone is downrange. You need to have eye and hearing protection readily available. These should be worn when near a firing line. Steel targets must be placed at appropriate distances for the firearm. These may seem like common sense to most, but it's worth repeating.

You are not limited to the number of guests you can bring to the range, but you shouldn't bring more than you can safely monitor.

If you are unable to do so, your guest will be asked to leave club property. Per the Bylaws as of 6/22/2015; bump firing, fanning the trigger, and the use of bump fire stocks is prohibited

Club Membership Renewals

It's that time of year again. Membership renewals will be sent out in the coming month. It is up to you to fill out the renewal forms and submit payment. Keep your eyes open for your renewals arriving in your mailboxes and email inboxes. If you do not renew by the February meeting, you will have to rejoin as a new member.

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Range and Club Information Hotline.....501-602-2228

Club Meetings

The monthly club meetings are held at Smith Family
Funeral Home, 322 N. Market in Benton.

Officers

President..... George Craig (351-4948)
Vice-President..... Culley Majors (870-210-6756)
Secretary-Treasurer.....Sarah Hendrix
Range & Safety Orientation.....James Squires (847-2147)
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Address Changed? Let Us Know!

If you change your mailing address, please let us know. Some membership renewal notices and newsletters have been returned to us marked "Moved, no forwarding address." Each returned item costs the club 49 cents. To ensure that you keep receiving the newsletter and stay informed on club activities, please file a "change of address" request with the post office when you move, and let the club secretary know, too.

The same goes for changed email addresses: please send us note when you switch email addresses so that we can update our records. Thanks!

Website updates

President Craig reminds membership that if you are a reloader, be cautious and aware of those near you when shooting. Be careful not to over-charge your loads. This can damage your firearm and cause injury to you and those near you.

Also, double check the firing line before going down range. All firearms should be racked or holstered, and no one should handle firearms at all when someone is downrange.

New Members

We introduced 11 new applications for membership. They are: Sean Beard, Hunter Douglas, Daniel Hobby, Gary Hutchins, Vernon Illich, Andre Luque, Jeremy Poe, Jacob Smith, Steve Stanton, Rick Thompson, and Steve Ward. Welcome to the Club!

Please note: all new members must attend a range and safety orientation before using the range. You are not a full-fledged member until this is completed. Upon completion of orientation at the range, new members will receive membership cards and get keys. New members also need to send, to the club PO box, a copy of your NRA card or the mailing label from the magazine when it arrives.

Also, new members are entitled to shoot one club match per shooting discipline free of charge. Come out and experience the fun of competitive shooting!

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