

# Windage

Benton Gun Club Newsletter

May 2016

## Club and Range News

In range news, George Craig and Lucas Howard are getting bids for grading the road and drainage improvements to the road and ranges 5, 6, & 7. A motion will be made when the bids have arrived.

Dan Wagner made a motion to increase the height of the berms on range 6 by about 3 feet. This passed and will be added to the bids sought above.

Edward Emrich made a motion (passed) to purchase a new MGM Propeller Plate Rack for use in USPSA matches. The cost will not exceed \$1550, and will require an additional vote.

A motion was made by Dan Wagner to purchase 2 collapsible canopies for use during matches. Total cost for this will not exceed \$300. This motion passed.

Ed Forte made a motion, which passed, to hold the Annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Swap Meet.

Dan Wagner reported that he is still seeking ideas and prices on how to lock the gate open during matches. Please remember: The gate is to remain open during matches and orientation.

## 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 must be worn when near a firing line. Steel targets must be placed at appropriate distances for the weapon. These may seem like common sense to most, but it's worth repeating.

## Old Friends Match **Thursdays at 8:30 am \$3-\$8**

This match consists of score targets at 50 and 100 yds. with **22 LR rifles only**. All firing is from the shooting benches with no limitation on rests. The shooter may elect to fire up to 3 combinations of ranges/sights in any order. If there aren't enough benches, shooters will take turns on a relay system with 30-minute time limit. The 3 targets used are the A-23/5, the IBS Rimfire 50 yd., and the International Mini-Palma.

Classes for completion are based on the gun used. Standard class is factory gun with no muzzle tuning. Custom class is anything. Sporter class is any rifle with a tapered barrel and magnification less than 6.5x. There is also Metallic sight class and Semi-automatic class. An empty chamber indicator is mandatory. Eye and hearing protection is strongly advised.

Afterward is a free 10 shot for record match at 150 yd. for centerfire rifles. Sometimes a winner take all 22RF match for \$1 per entry on different ranges.

For more information, check out the website or contact George Toney (501-920-9726).

## 2016 NRA Basic Rifle Courses

Benton Gun Club will be holding NRA Basic Rifle Courses June 25, and October 29. Culley Majors, Youth Director, teaches firearm safety as well as instill the attitude, knowledge, and skills necessary to promote an enjoyable time at the range while working toward better marksmanship. The cost is \$30 per student, limit 4 per class. Students need only bring food and drinks for the day, a notepad, and a pen. Rifles and ammunition are provided, as well as targets and study guides. Certificates will be awarded upon completion. Classes start at 8 am on Range 6 with live fire afterward on Range 4B. For more information, contact Culley Majors.



Saturday, June 11, 2016  
8:30-5:00  
Benton Gun Club  
\$30 per entry \$15 for youth

Rimfire Challenge is a fun and easy shooting match. The stages usually have five to seven steel plates, 10 yards to 15 yards from the shooter. The 4 fastest of 5 timed strings will count for score. You will need a semi-auto .22lr rifle and pistol, and it's recommended to have five magazines for each. If you shoot in the cowboy division, you will need a .22lr revolver, a lever or pump action .22lr rifle, and a cowboy hat (it's in the rules). Each competitor must shoot rifle and pistol to be eligible for the prize table.

Rules: NSSF Rimfire Challenge

Divisions: Limited, Open, and Cowboy

Minimum Round Count: 400 rounds

Stages: 5 Pistol and 5 Rifle

Squadding: No Squads, shoot the stages that are not busy!

Lunch: by David's Burgers, \$10 per lunch (preordered)

Lunch will be available starting around 11:00.

Registration: <http://shootscoreit.com/nssf/match/303/>

Items to bring: folding chairs, sun screen, drinks, snacks, and portable shade if needed.

Match Director: Lucas Howard,  
lhoward@bentongunclub.org

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and "for sale" notices to the club P.O. Box.

[www.bentongunclub.org](http://www.bentongunclub.org)

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..... Lucas Howard (412-5853)

Vice-President.....George Craig (351-4948)

Secretary-Treasurer.....Sarah Hendrix

Range & Safety Orientation.....James Squires (847-2147)

Youth Director.....Culley Majors (870-210-6756)

## Critical Carbine Employment (CCE)

Benton Gun Club will be hosting Steve Fisher, with Sentinel Concepts(<http://sentinelconcepts.com>), as he teaches his Critical Carbine Employment 2 course.

Required Equipment:

- A functional and practical carbine or battle rifle chambered in 5.56×45, 5.45×39, 300 Blackout, 7.62×39, 7.62×51.
- A functional and practical handgun chambered in 9mm, .40 cal, or .45 ACP.
- If available, spare weapons systems are also an excellent idea.
- A sling for the rifle.
- An appropriate holster for the pistol
- Hearing Protection, electronic is preferred.
- Wrap around style eye protection.
- A minimum of 600 rounds of rifle, 300 rounds of pistol ammunition.
- A cleaning kit and tools that are compatible with the weapon system(s)
- Each student should have a minimum of 5 working magazines for the rifle, 3 for the pistol.
- Handheld flashlight and or weapons mounted light.

Date: October 15 & 16, 2016

Cost: \$400 per student.

To register or for more information, email:

[training@bentongunclub.org](mailto:training@bentongunclub.org)

## New Members

We welcomed 23 new members at the April meeting. They are Myles Adams, Roger Allison, Jr., Jon Blair, Maurice Cook, Mack Cottingham, Carl Graves, Rebecca Griffith, Mark Harp, Heather Hightower, Brad Himes, Kenneth Kohler, John Kovaleski, Rodney Light, Nicholas Love, James Menth, Edwin Nowick, Jerry Plant, Jeff Powell, Sam Roberts, David Sampson, Nathan Shultz, Brent Sharp, and Brian Thomas. Welcome to the club!

If you are a new club member, please send a copy of your NRA 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.

### Benton Gun Club Website

Be sure to check out our website, [bentongunclub.org](http://bentongunclub.org), for all things Benton Gun Club. Match descriptions and calendars, contact info, and photos are just some of the things you can find. Also check out our forum for the latest conversations on many different topics.

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