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Benton Gun Club Newsletter

February 2016

Range and Match News

In Range news, Greg Sullivan reported that he is fairly certain the survey crew got everything they need to complete the survey. The survey crew reported that all went smoothly and there were no problems.

In other range news, Harold Bradshaw reported that we have finally received the cameras for the 600 yd. match and that they first 600 yd. match will take place February 20. He warned there will be a learning curve, but believes it will be well attended.

In match news, Greg Sullivan submitted a budget for the upcoming Rifle Silhouette Spring Regional Match; expenses not to exceed \$3,518.00. As this expense is greater than \$1000, it will require a second vote at next month's meeting. Based on last year's figures, the match should break even, maybe make small profit.

In other match news, Jerry Watts and Paul Stiedle made separate motions to reserve make-up dates for monthly USPSA and IDPA matches, respectively. Make-up dates for USPSA will be the 2nd Sunday of the month following any cancellation. IDPA make-up dates will be any 5th Saturday of a month.

A motion was made by Paul Stiedle to hold a practice Glock match on February 20 at 2pm on Range 5. The purpose is to prepare for the upcoming Glock match. The cost will be \$2 per person. This motion was seconded and passed.

Patrick Holsted made a motion to purchase additional targets and spare steel for refurbishing existing equipment used in Multi-gun matches. The cost would not exceed \$965. This was seconded and passed.

Paul Stiedle made a motion to give \$10,000 to the Saline County 4H Shooting Sports Youth Program. Since this exceeds \$1000, this, also, will require another vote at next month's meeting. This contribution will be used to help fund their program this year (firearms, ammo, targets, travel, etc.)

Paul Stiedle renewed his motion, from last month, to terminate the membership of David Cole and ban him from Club property because of unsafe and dangerous activities performed on club property. This motion was seconded and passed unanimously. David Cole's membership has now been permanently suspended and he is not allowed on club property. A permanent removal requires 2 votes, this was the second and final vote.

2016 NRA Basic Rifle Courses

Benton Gun Club will be holding NRA Basic Rifle Courses this year. The dates are May 28, June 25, and October 29. Culley Majors, our Youth Director, directs these courses to teach firearm safety as well to 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.



Join us for our first ever Benton Gun Club GSSF Challenge I. There will be great prizes awarded at random and performance. GSSF membership is \$35 and the match fee is \$25 per division shot. More information can be found at their website www.gssfonline.com.

The match will be a 2-day event on March 5th and 6th. Saturday's times are 9am-3pm and Sunday's are 9am-2pm. Set-up will be on Friday. Volunteers are needed to help set-up, register shooters, keep score, and perform safety officer duties. A practice match is being held February 20th at 2pm, on Range 5, in anticipation of this match.

Volunteers receive a hat, Range Officer shirt, and your choice of several Glock products. For more information on the match, or to volunteer your time, contact Lucas Howard lhoward@bentongunclub.org

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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..... 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)

NRA Bullseye Competition

Jeremy Rowland has put a call out to gauge interest in holding NRA sanctioned Bullseye completion at our club. Basically, Bullseye is one-handed pistol shooting with an emphasis on accuracy. Distances can be up to 50 yds., with some rapid fire sessions, too. If you are interested, let Jeremy know at jwrowland77@yahoo.com

Winchester XPR Rifle Recall

In October 2015, Winchester issued a recall and important safety notice for Winchester XPR rifles. They have the potential to fire an unintended round when the safety switch is manipulated. During continuous product testing, Winchester found that moving the safety switch on the XPR rifle “may cause movement in the trigger system that could result in unintended firing of certain XPR rifles.” As such, Winchester is recalling all XPR rifles. Winchester is replacing certain trigger group parts in all Winchester XPR rifles free. Winchester requests all owners of XPR rifles send their rifles for retrofitting.

To return your rifle to Winchester for work, contact them immediately with instructions

Email: XPR@winchesterguns.com

Toll Free: 1-800-727-4312

New Members

We welcomed 35 new members at the February meeting. They are Paul Ames, Andy Babbitt, Lee Booles, James Broadhurst, Glenn Brown, Phillip Brown, Dave Cerutti, Young Chun, Phillip Butler, Jerry Elder, James Everett, Jimmy Harris, James Hurst, Tracey Jones, Andrew Konieczny, Mark McKenna, Doug McNeely, Donald Norris, Wayne Oswald, Bradley Pate, Thomas Pierce, Ryan Pipkins, Bradley Priddy, David Redlich, Don Rhoads, Richard Saunders, David See, Clay Simon, Ralph Simon, Sylvester Smith, Scott Stone, Jack Urquhart, Scott Wallace, Phillip Watkins, and Farrell Wilson. 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.

“Never compromise your principles, unless of course your principles are Adolf Hitler’s, in which case you would be well advised to compromise them as much as you can.” – Justice Antonin Scalia (1936-2016)

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