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Benton Gun Club Newsletter

January 2016

## Range and Match News

In Range news, Paul Stiedle renewed Drew Certain's motion, from last month, to spend \$4500 for a complete topographical survey of the ranges. This was the second and final vote; it passed unanimously.

In other Range news, Lloyd Sloan reported the temporary target boards on Range 4B at 150 yds. are in place and have been used in recent Old Friends Matches. They're all greatly enjoying them.

Culley Majors, our Youth Director, made a motion to hold several Student Rifle Classes this year. The motion was seconded and passed. The dates will be May 28, June 25, and October 29. They will be open to youths and adults. Students will need to bring a note pad, pen or pencil, and food for the day. A parent or guardian must be present during the class.

In Match news, Paul Stiedle made a motion to hold a safety training course for volunteers assisting with our upcoming GSSF and NSSF matches. This would be held on Range 6 on February 6 at 2pm. The course is open to all club members; some non-members will be in attendance, as they will be serving as safety officers. This motion was seconded and passed. Range 6 will be closed for use during this time.

In other Match news, David Habig and Jerry Watts made a joint motion to purchase 12 tablets and protective cases. These will be used by IDPA and USPSA (6 each) for electronic scoring. The total cost is \$900 with no shipping. The motion was seconded and passed.

Ed Forte reported that the match envelopes in the connexes have sealed themselves due to humidity. New envelopes in waterproof cases will be distributed within the next several weeks. This will be handled as an office supply item.

In Club News, a motion was to terminate the membership of David Cole and ban him from Benton Gun Club property. This motion was made by Paul Steidle, because of unsafe and dangerous activities performed on club property. This motion was seconded and passed unanimously. Mr. Cole's membership has been temporarily suspended and he is not allowed on club property, pending the outcome of a second vote, per our by-laws. A second vote will be held at the February meeting for permanent removal from the club. Those club members wishing to speak for or against Mr. Cole may do so then.

## 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](http://www.gssfonline.com).

The match will be a 2-day event on March 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. 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 safety training class is being held February 6<sup>th</sup> at 2pm for volunteers 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](mailto:lhoward@bentongunclub.org)

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### 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)  
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## Address Changed? Let Us Know!

If you change your mailing address or email address, please let us know. Each returned item costs the club money. 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.

## 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](mailto:XPR@winchesterguns.com)

Toll Free: 1-800-727-4312

## New Members

We welcomed 32 new members at the January meeting. They are Gilbert Blais, Dustin Campbell, Jeff Carmack, Carlos Carter, Daniel Cate, Matthew Dedman, Paul Edens, Vina Garcia, Ray Garza, Chester Harris, Jason Harris, Danny Hopkins, Hank Hoyle, Bryan Jennings, Dennis Jolley, Jeff Kaluza, Dustin Klipfel, Donald Knutson, Joel McElyea, Douglas Mays, Steve Money Penny, Shakile Mohammed Khan, Wilson Mudge, Brent New, Gary Pultro, Brittany Purifoy, Eric Robinson, Jason Robinson, Brian Sampson, Sharon Sloan, Jeffery Stiles, and Roger Winfield. Welcome to the club!

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.

*Nothing can stop the man with the right mental attitude from achieving his goal; nothing on earth can help the man with the wrong mental attitude.*

*Thomas Jefferson*

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