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Benton Gun Club Newsletter

June 2013

Range and Match News

Greg Sullivan has prepared the offer to Alcoa for the land north of Range 7 and delivered it to us for review. The offer is for 134 acres at \$300.00 per acre.

In range news, some more of the cement buckets to hold the posts for the target boards on ranges 3, 4A, and 4B have been built and installed by the range maintenance personnel. And we still haven't scheduled a work day to install "no trespassing, violators will be prosecuted" signs along the range perimeter. A club member reported at the June club meeting that he may know someone who could install the signs for us. He will inquire as to the cost and report back to us next month.

In other news, Paul Stiedle read a letter we received from the University of Arkansas thanking us for our recent donation to the Saline County 4-H shooters. Mark from the 4-H group reported that they have a lot of new novice shooters this year.

And finally, 4-H member Austin Odom announced that he won the 2013 top male high school international sharpshooter competition in Fort Benning, Georgia. This win places him in the top position to represent the USA in the Shotgun World Cup in Granada, Spain, and the Shotgun World Championships in Lima, Peru. Austin requested a \$1,000.00 donation to cover his expenses to make the trip to represent the USA in Spain. A motion was made, seconded and passed to donate the money to Austin.

2013-14 Secretary Elected

President Paul Stiedle asked for a motion from the floor to vote on last month's nomination of Cheryl Craig to serve as club secretary-treasurer for the next year. The motion was made, seconded and passed.

July 4 Swap Meet Set

We'll holding our 4th of July swap meet again this year, on range 4B. You may bring your own BBQ and fireworks (provided there is no county burn ban in effect on July 4) and the swap meeting will start at 9:00 a.m.

NRA Rifle Course in July

The club approved a motion by Culley Majors at the April club meeting to hold another NRA Basic Rifle course on July 13th, with class work to be held on range 6 and the shooting portion to be held on range 4B. The class will start at 8:00 a.m. and will cost \$45.00 per student.

BGC T-Shirts For Sale

We are taking orders for Benton Gun Club t-shirts. If you are interested please go to our forum at <http://bentongunclub.org/smf/index.php?topic=642.0> for more information, or send an e-mail to Pat Holsted at patrick@shooters101.com, or call him at 501-766-4942.

NRA Membership Confirmation

Club members are reminded that if their NRA membership information changes, they need to send a copy of their NRA membership card or a copy of the mailing label from the NRA magazine to the club P. O. box. If not they will be sent an NRA renewal form for the following club membership year.

Any Day Is A Work Day

There's no reason to wait for an official work day to help keep the range in shape. Please help police it. If you see someone leaving behind some trash, ask them politely to pick it up. Sometimes all it takes is a gentle nudge to help people remember that we are all responsible for the condition of our range.

Range property continues to be destroyed on all ranges. Paul Stiedle reported at a previous club meeting that our gate sign has been shot multiple times. Club members are reminded that they are equal owners of club property, and this continued destruction is costing all club members. If you see someone destroying club property please get a license plate number and contact a club officer.

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 44 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.

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Range and Club Information Hotline501-602-2228

Club Meetings

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

Officers

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

Please Observe All Range Rules

Anyone observed violating the club range and safety rules is subject to dismissal from the club. New members, make sure that you know what type of firearm may be used on each range. If you don't know, read your bylaws.

Shotgun shooters on the shotgun range (range 7) should use #4 shot or smaller. Shotgun slugs and shot larger than #4 are absolutely against the rules on this range, but may be used on all other ranges with the exception of the silhouette range (range 2).

We'd also like to remind club members not to move target stands closer to the sheds or pads. All target stands must be placed directly in front of a designated berm or backstop. Failure to comply with this rule, or any other, may result in revocation of your membership.

New Members

We welcomed 10 new members at the June meeting. They are Mark Betts, Chris Browning, John Cooley, James Cottingham, Buddy Griffin, Anguel Kehayov, Al Lopez, Richard McDuffee, James Pratt, and Allen Syler. 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.

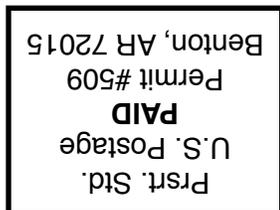
News from the NRA-ILA

The following items come from the NRA-ILA web page, www.nra.org. Reprinted with permission.

Victory for Nevada 2nd Amendment Rights

[June 14] marked a victory for Second Amendment rights and a defeat for New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg in Nevada as Governor Brian Sandoval vetoed SB 221, an aggressive New York-style expanded background check bill which would impose unreasonable burdens and fees on law-abiding citizens while failing miserably to protect Nevada communities and putting violent criminals behind bars. In an extraordinary grassroots effort, thousands of concerned Nevadans called their representatives and Governor Sandoval's office in Carson City to oppose this legislation and remind those lawmakers that their duty is to protect our rights. The NRA and our members in Nevada thank Governor Sandoval for standing on principle and vetoing this extreme anti-gun bill.

Read the article: <http://www.sfgate.com/news/crime/article/Nevada-governor-vetoes-unive/>



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