

Range and Match News

In range news, a follow-up vote was held on last month's motion to purchase a new Conex container for \$4,000.00, including delivery. The motion was seconded and passed and is now confirmed. And in other Conex-related news, we have ordered signs for all of our storage units that read "No firearms or ammunition stored in this container." They should be ready within a month.

In other range news, the gravel work requested last month for range 4B has been completed. And the new mobile plate racks, approved for purchase in April, have been delivered and are ready for use in club events. Lucas Howard reports that they are working great and that we will get good use out of them.

In match news, club member Charlie Baxter made a motion to move the upcoming old-fashioned "Turkey Shoot" to August 15th at 9:30 a.m. to allow more time for advertising. The motion was seconded and passed.

In other match news, the broken falling-plate match timer has been repaired and returned and already put to use. Dan Wagner reports that it's working great and all the buttons are where they should be. The total cost for repair and shipping was \$142.25. Dan made a new motion at the June meeting to purchase a second timer for the falling plate matches at a cost not to exceed \$325.00. The motion was seconded and passed.

Also in match news, Paul Stiedle reported that the IDPA Battle in Benton II match was a great success, even with the threatening rain. All participants has a great time.

In general club news, Brad Gibson made a motion to sponsor the Saline County 4-H archery team with a donation of \$1,000.00 to help with expenses for the their upcoming trip to the national competition in Nebraska. The motion was seconded and passed. Brad also made a motion to sponsor the Saline County 4-H female pistol shooters with a donation of \$1,000.00 to help with their expenses for the Nebraska competition. This motion was also seconded and passed. Good luck to our 4-H competitors!

July 4th Swap Meet

A motion was made and approved at the May club meeting to hold the annual 4th of July swap meet on range 2 this year due to matches occurring that day. It will start around 8:00 a.m. and will end when everyone is done. Fireworks may be fire off on range 4B after the meet, weather permitting.

New Matches Planned

Two new matches were proposed at the June club meeting.

First, Harlan Glover made a motion to hold a BPCR .22 silhouette match on Range 1 at 9:00 a.m. on the fourth Saturday of the month from July through October. The match fee will be \$5.00 and initial costs for setup will be \$600 to obtain properly scaled animals and other supplies. It will take place on the rails and berms currently used for the lever-action cowboy match. The motion was seconded and passed.

Second, Harold Bradshaw made a motion to hold a 600-yard F-class match on Range 1. Initial costs would be \$8,000.00 for supplies, including target cameras, laptop monitors, a generator, and additional materials. The goal is to have the match up and running before the end of the year, if possible. Due to the cost this motion will require a follow-up vote at the July club meeting for confirmation.

Secretary/Treasurer Elected

At the May meeting Sarah Hendrix was nominated to continue serving as Secretary/Treasurer for the upcoming year. The vote was held at the June meeting and Sarah was successfully re-elected. Congratulations, Sarah, and thanks for all the great hard work you do for the club!

Rifle Classes Scheduled

We are holding some basic NRA rifle classes on June 27, September 19, and October 17, as approved by the club in February. The classes will be held on ranges 6 and 4B from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The cost will be \$30.00 per class, with a family discount. Rifles, ammo and materials will be provided. Bring your lunch.

A Safety Reminder

Just a reminder that range safety is every member's responsibility! Keep this in mind every time you are at the range. Just a few things to think about: when you are

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Club Meetings

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

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on any range and there are other members setting or removing targets downrange DO NOT HANDLE ANY FIREARMS, NO MATER WHAT! This would seem like common sense but for some reason there are members that seem to think that it is okay to handle their rifles while other members or down range just because they have their bolt open or out of the gun. Keep in mind that if you were the person downrange you would have no idea that the firearm the person under the shed is handling has the bolt removed. It is just good SAFETY and manners to not touch or handle your firearms in any way while others are downrange and is Rule #1 on the Clubs Range Rules!

Also it is incumbent upon all members to get the name of persons who may violate these safety rules and report them to the club officers as soon as possible. If you could get a photo of them and their vehicle this would help us in ID'ing them and addressing these issues.

So please help to keep our range a fun and safe place to shoot! [http://](http://www.bentongunclub.org/files/BGC-RangeRules-2011-06-27.pdf)

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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.

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.

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. Ignorance is no excuse. A reminder, and we cannot say this strongly enough, full-auto fire on the range is STRICTLY PROHIBITED. And do 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.

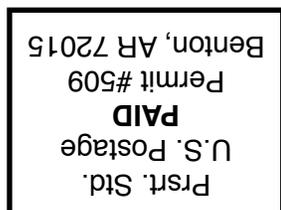
New Members

We welcomed 7 new members at the June meeting. They are Clark Davis, Jerry Griffin, Scott Hutton, Matthew Ingle, Joshua Pettit, Tina Phillips, and Larry Robinson. 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.

And all new members are entitled to shoot in one club match per discipline free of charge. Look over that match schedule, and come out and join us!



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