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Benton Gun Club Newsletter

March 2016

## Club and Range News

In Club news, a motion was made by Edward Emrich to permanently place a porta-potty between Ranges 4A & 4B, for added convenience. This motion passed, but the overall cost exceeds the limit, so another vote is required.

Paul Stiedle made a motion to increase the pay of our maintenance team to \$125 per session. This would cost the club an additional \$1300 per year. This comes from the maintenance account, so not subject to the 2 vote rule. This motion passed. It's been several years since the last increase, these guys deserve it!

Patrick Holsted made a motion, passed, to hold a pistol/carbine training class. The cost would be about \$400 to secure the instructor. Proposed dates are October 15 & 16 and May 13 & 14 (next year if October goes well). Safety Officers will be on site the entire time to ensure Club rules are followed.

A motion was made by Jerry Watts to hold a "Intro to Practical Shooting" class May 21 on Range 5. There is a class portion and range time after the rimfire matches. This was seconded and passed.

Motions from last month to give our 4H group \$10,000 and the budget for the upcoming silhouette regional match (\$3518) were renewed (per bylaws), and passed. These monies will be distributed.

David Habig made a motion, passed, to purchase a clam shell (2 target system for action shooting). The cost, including tax and shipping, will not exceed \$400.

Jerry Watts made a motion, passed, to hold a USPSA classifier match on April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016. 6 classifier stages (enough for initial classification), match fee will be \$20.

Patrick Holsted wants club members to consider changing the bylaws in regard to spending restriction. The current limit is \$1000 without a second vote; his recommendation is to raise it to \$3500. This would require a special bylaws meeting and vote.

## Intro to Practical Shooting

USPSA will be holding a beginner's class on practical shooting, aka action pistol competition. This will consist of class time and live fire. Lunch will be provided. Students will need a pistol (9mm or larger), magazines (at least 2-4), holster, mag pouches, eye & ear protection, chair, and sunscreen. May 21, 2016 at 10am on Range 5. Cost is \$25, this includes lunch and your first match for free. For more info, contact Jerry Watts (bgc.uspsa@yahoo.com)

## 2016 NRA Basic Rifle Courses

Benton Gun Club will be holding NRA Basic Rifle Courses May 28, 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.



The GSSF Match was a success with 188 entries and shooters from all parts of the nation. The side match brought in \$75 and \$100 from concessions, \$25, of which, goes to Saline County 4H Shooting Sports for their help with the match (they also had a tip jar which was filled). Glock gave 4 certificates for a pistol to be awarded to volunteers. A drawing was held at the March meeting. Congratulations to Dan Wagner, George Craig, Kim Crutchfield, and Culley Majors.

## Term Limits

John Arellanes Spoke on term limits for elected officials and a petition for a ballot measure that would restore limits. For more information or to sign the petition, contact John.

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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)

## 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 38 new members at the March meeting. They are John Akins, Jr., William Barnes, Richard Beasley, Van Beck, Michael Bradshaw, Josh Higginbotham, Loren Ipsen, Keith Kellum, Sandy Long, Curtis Lyman, Terry McKinney, Troyce Maner, James Meneges, Ted Meyer, Clint Mickle, Zachariah Morales, Leigh Schroeder, Tom Stickel, Tim Stults, Lewis Wamiewski, Mark Weber, Rick West, Jerome Williams, Eddie Yates, Mickey Yeager, and Tyler Zeller. 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.

*A gun is like a parachute. If you need one and don't have one, you probably will never need one again.*

*Safety is something that happens between your ears, not something you hold in your hands.*

*A man's rights rest in three boxes: the ballot box, the jury box, and the cartridge box.*

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