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Benton Gun Club Newsletter

April 2018



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Club News

President Craig reported that we have not heard back from Alcoa regarding our counter-offer of \$500 per acre.

Rex Gismond made a motion to accept the proposed sale price from Alcoa of \$600 per acre and enter into a contract for sale. This motion was passed but will require another vote next month.

Rex also suggested we publish our recorded public notice, dated February 28, 2001, regarding our registration as a noise park to head off any complaints from local real estate sales companies. This is considering a subdivision land sale located less than a mile from the club. Publishing the notice would also serve to notify prospective purchasers of our noise park status. The last publication of this notice was in 2001. The Saline Courier will run a full or half page ad for us at no charge.

Rex Gismond made a motion to send a copy of our recorded public notice and noise park registration to every realtor's office in Saline County, as well as, local title companies. Our public notice lists all the sections within a 2.5-mile radius of the club's ranges. This motion was passed.

Larry Morgan made a motion to donate \$8000 to the Saline County 4-H Shooting Sports. Right now, that's what is needed for upcoming competitions. If more is needed, they will let us know. This motion was passed but will require another vote next month.

Vice President Majors made a motion to hold 2 NRA Basic Rifle Courses for club members and their families only. The cost will be \$35 per person, and class size will be limited to around 4. The class will take place on range 2 and will last roughly 8 hours. Everything will be provided except lunch. The dates of the classes will be May 26, and June 23. This motion was passed.

Vice President Majors also made a motion to hold a 2-part AR-15 platform class. This class is, too, limited to club members and their families, and limited to around 8 students. The first class will be September 15th, consisting of fundamentals, maintenance, clearing, etc., and will require 50 rounds of ammo. The second part will be September 29th and will consist of shooting from various positions and more advanced instruction and will require about 150 rounds of ammo. You will need to provide your own lunch, chairs, drinks, and your AR. This motion was passed.

Contact Culley if you are interested in either class.

Safety at the Range

Safety at the range is everyone's business! Never handle a firearm when someone is downrange. You need to have eye and hearing protection readily available. These should be worn when near a firing line. Steel targets must be placed at appropriate distances for the firearm. These may seem like common sense to most, but it's worth repeating.

You are not limited to the number of guests you can bring to the range, but you shouldn't bring more than you can safely monitor.

If you are unable to do so, your guest will be asked to leave club property. Per the Bylaws as of 6/22/2015; bump firing, fanning the trigger, and the use of bump fire stocks is prohibited

While tannerite (exploding target) is not specifically banned in our bylaws (yet), please be considerate of others as well as potential damage to club property while using it. Some members have been sprayed by the explosive residue and debris on different bays. If you can't consider those around, please, refrain from using it until you are the only one on the range. Also, clean up the mess you create when you are finished. Be safe and courteous, thank you.

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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..... George Craig (351-4948)
Vice-President..... Culley Majors (870-210-6756)
Secretary-Treasurer..... Sarah Hendrix
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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!

Website updates

Please keep an eye on our website, forum, and Facebook page if you are planning on attending any match or the club meeting. Sometimes things change at the last minute, and these are the tools we use to keep you informed. The last thing we want for you is a wasted trip to the range or arrive at the club meeting just to find out the hard way that it has been postponed.

New Members

We introduced 29 new applications for membership. They are: Brian Bauer, Tim Brownmiller, John Calvillo, Kenneth Crowe, Bill Deckard, Nick Depalo, Paul Easley, John Eddy, Kenneth Evans, Aaron Greenfield, Victor Hoar, Nathan Grant, Steven Grant, Bradley Lattin, Jeffery Lovell, Joshua Lyche, Mark McKinney, Stephanie Nagle, William Ormsbee, Kelly Parker, Albert Pilkington, Austin Powell, Michael Rice, Charles Schlichting, Kenny smith, Rodger Smith, Cary Standridge, Robert Stevenson, and Toby Talley. Welcome to the Club!

Please note: all new members must attend a range and safety orientation before using the range. You are not a full-fledged member until this is completed. Upon completion of orientation at the range, new members will receive membership cards and get keys. New members also need to send, to the club PO box, a copy of your NRA card or the mailing label from the magazine when it arrives.

Also, new members are entitled to shoot one club match per shooting discipline free of charge. Come out and experience the fun of competitive shooting!

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