

# Windage

Benton Gun Club Newsletter

January 2017

## Club News

In range news, President Howard reported that we received 3 responses for bids for the work (drainage, maint., scheduling, etc.). One was entirely out of our price range; one was for \$2500, but details were minimal, as they did not provide the requested items; the other bid was for \$12,890, this is including all the criteria stipulated. A motion was made by Jerry Watts to move forward on the last bid: \$12,890 to Cafton Tull to hire them to do the work. This motion received a second and passed by vote. Since this is a maintenance issue, a second vote is not required.

In other range matters, George Craig reminds the membership to not drive off the road when downrange on Range 3. Also, there have been numerous complaints of people handling their guns when someone is downrange. This is strictly prohibited and very scary for the ones downrange. Anytime a line has been called "cold" so someone can go downrange and tend their targets, everyone should safely put their guns down and not touch them in any way when someone is downrange.

In club news, George Craig made a motion to purchase a laptop and software for use to maintain the club website and forum. The cost would be under \$500 and the motion passed.

In match news, Jerry Watts made a motion to hold a USPSA Range Officer class March 18-19. Entry fees will cover expenses. This motion passed.

In other match news, Greg Sullivan made a motion to hold the Mid-South High-power & Small-bore Silhouette Regional Tournament on April 7-9 on Ranges 1&2 and to have a budget of \$3500. This motion passed, but will require another vote as it's over \$1000.

Jimmy Hobby brought up the deteriorated signage on the range. They need to be updated and refreshed. These will be done as maintenance gets around to them.

## 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 must be worn when near a firing line. Steel targets must be placed at appropriate distances for the weapon. 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 Bylaws specify 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

## New Members

We introduced 31 new applications for membership. They are: Joel Balko, Jimmy Bearden, Matt Braslavsky, Micha Cody, Ron Douglas, Gary Elliot, Gordon Fendley, Marshall Fuller, Eric Hardin, Jimmy Howington, James Ingram, Justin Jenkins, Chad Johnson, H. Allen Lawrence, Brent Linker, Kenneth McDowell, Greg McKinney, Aaron Manning, Charles Manning, Derek Markham, Herman Meister, David Ontiveros, James Platt, Allen Riner, Walter St. John, Scott Terry, Ian Tramel, Andrew Vandam, David Wollard, Zachary Womack, and Joshua Woodard. Welcome to the Club!

New members need to send a copy of their NRA membership card or mailing label from the NRA magazine to the club PO Box.

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.

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!

## Membership Renewal

Renewal forms have been mailed out. Members that have not renewed by the February meeting will have to reapply and pay the range fee again.

## NRA Lifetime Membership

Until March 1, 2017, the National Rifle Association is offering a life membership for \$600. To take them up on such a deal, contact the NRA or our club secretary.

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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)

## Pistol Training Class

We are hosting a 1-day pistol course presented by Patrick McNamara, 22-year Spec Op veteran. Just some of the things covered are: target discrimination, movement into position, immediate action drills, ballistics, magazine changes, transitions, multiple target engagements and shooting on the move. The dates are May 13-14, you will need 500 rounds per gun. Cost of the class is \$550. For more information, email: Train@bentongunclub.org

## USPSA Range Officer Class

We are having a Range Officer Seminar March 18-19. If you want to become a certified USPSA Range Officer, this is how. You must be a member of USPSA (membership options can be found at uspsa.org), but you can join or renew at the class. USPSA sends in one of their Range Officer Instructor (less than 10 in the country) to teach this 2-day class. Saturday will be all classroom instruction on rules and using the rulebook. Sunday will be at the range practicing some of the things you've learned. Instruction materials are provided, as well as lunch and drinks for the class. Cost is \$55. For more information or to register for the class, email: USPSA@bentongunclub.org.

**Bentongunclub**  
Benton, Arkansas  
Will be hosting

**GSSF**  
GLOCK SPORT SHOOTING FOUNDATION

**Bentongunclub GSSF Challenge I**

When: March 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
Time: 9am-2pm Sat, 9am-2pm Sun.  
Where: Bentongunclub, Benton, AR  
Cost: \$25 per Division, \$35 for GSSF Membership,  
\$25 for Guardian

Go To [www.gssfonline.com](http://www.gssfonline.com) for more information.

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To Volunteer Contact [lhoward@bentongunclub.org](mailto:lhoward@bentongunclub.org)

## Gun Shows

Feb 4-5 Texarkana Gun&Knife Show Texarkana,AR  
Feb 11-12 Hanging Judge Gun&Knife Ft.Smith, AR  
Feb 18-19 AGCCC Little Rock,AR  
Feb 25-26 G&S Hot Springs Gun Show Hot Sprg,AR  
Mar 4-5 Saline County Gun&Knife Show Benton, AR

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