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Benton Gun Club Newsletter

October 2018



Club News

In club news, President Craig announced that we need to elect a President and Vice-President for the upcoming year (2019). Larry Morgan made motions to elect George Craig for President and Culley Majors for Vice-President. These motions were passed, and we thank them both for their service to Benton Gun Club.

President Craig also announced that we need to vote on next year's meeting place. Rex Gismond made a motion to continue meeting at Smith Family Funeral Home. This motion was passed.

Rex Gismond asked about title companies and real estate agents being notified of our registration as a noise park. All title companies for the county are aware of the designation. In fact, it's an automatic flag and exception on their paperwork. While all the larger real estate firm have been notified, it is very difficult to get a comprehensive list for every agent in the county.

President Craig reminded those present about the USA Shield Legal Class discussed last month. It will be free to club members and cover self-defense, use of force, etc. The class is taught by an attorney and law enforcement officer and will run roughly 2 hours. The tentative date is January 21st at Smith Family Funeral Home around 6 or 7 in the evening. A list to sign up was passed around to those present. If you are interested in attending, contact President Craig about getting signed up.

President Craig reminded those present that the use of glass as a target is prohibited. We've recently had a blown up 12-pack show up on range 5 in the back bay. Range rule 5 on page 17 of the bylaws specifically states "firing at glass targets is prohibited."

President Craig announced the new swinger targets should be installed on ranges 1, 3, and 4B soon. The finished target was available at the meeting for members to inspect. To use the new targets: spray paint the middle of the swinger and shoot it only. Do not shoot the support posts or top rail.

Renewal packets will be available at the next several club meetings. If you haven't gotten yours, this is how you can get it. Renewal time is here!



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

Club Membership Renewals

It's that time of year again. Membership renewals will be sent out in the coming month. It is up to you to fill out the renewal forms and submit payment. Keep your eyes open for your renewals arriving in your mailboxes and email inboxes. If you do not renew by the February meeting, you will have to rejoin as a new member.

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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
Range & Safety Orientation.....James Squires (847-2147)
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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 49 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 18 new applications for membership. They are: Jeff Bennet, Chris Brown, Tony Chism, Andy Cobb, Tony Geurin, Steve Hardeman, Hunter Lauderdale, Sang Le, Steve Malcom, Stuart Marsh, R. Chris Nash, Edward Niemczyk, Matt Pruitt, RJ Quilao, Eric Reynolds, Richard Schaefer, Brian Tinnel, and Estelle Wells. 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.

A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.

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