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Benton Gun Club Newsletter

April 2019



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Club News

In club news, President George Craig reported the match directors meeting went well. Trying to rearrange the ranges to adjust for falling shot pellets has been tricky at best. With our current setup, the shot pellets from range 7 are falling off our property. While this isn't an emergency, when it becomes an issue it will be an emergency that requires immediate attention. We'd like to get in front of this. We've found a product from Coastal Netting that is hung like curtains and will stop shot pellets. Rough estimates based on their descriptions suggest their "curtains" would suit our needs for more than 5 (based on amount of shot stopped). Their consultant charges \$3500 to come and layout, survey, setup a plan, etc.

Dan Wagner made a motion to approve the consultant expense and take the funds from the range maintenance account. This motion was passed. A second vote isn't required for range maintenance expenses.

President Craig announced we will have a bylaw meeting on Monday April 15 at Bass Pro Shop's conference room. A second by-laws meeting will take place May 6th at the Bass Pro conference room at 6:30pm. These meetings are to submit changes to the club's by-laws prior to sending to membership and calling for a vote.

Ray Nowell is looking to get an order of plates together (falling plate racks-range 6). If you would like your own set of 1/4" or 3/8" AR500 steel plates for \$135-\$170 contact Ray (501) 412-3137. He'll pull the trigger on the order if he can get at least 6 sets ordered.

"Political language is designed to make lies sound truthful and murder respectable, and to give an appearance of solidity to pure wind."

—George Orwell

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 (501-351-4948)
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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 money. 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 Emmanuel Abram, Jack Bennet, James Bennet, Scott Bray, Timothy Brown, Grant Cates, Richard Dobson, Kyle Ferguson, Wyatt Ferguson, Monte Gist, Michael Mabry, Elvis Nduku, Josh Pinto, Kristopher Ricketts, Michael Rowland, Steve Staggs, Fernando Vega, and Tyler Zellers.

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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