



Civilian Marksmanship Program



## Club News

President Craig reported the bylaws meeting was held and some changes did pass. An updated copy of the bylaws will be mailed to the membership and updated on our website in the coming weeks.

President Craig reported that a meeting was held with representatives from Alcoa on July 31<sup>st</sup> concerning a land purchase. We are negotiating a purchase of 80 acres at \$500/acre. We have an attorney reviewing the agreements. Maps were distributed to those present showing the area being considered. Also, we are looking at a possible purchase of additional acreage from McGeorge Sand & Gravel sometime in the future.

Rex Gismond made a motion to pay the attorney reviewing the land purchase agreements a retainer of \$999.99. This motion was passed.

President Craig asked everyone to look into the new FBI Tripwire Program. It helps point out indicators for terrorism in gun shops and other places we may frequent. You can find more information online at: <https://tripwire.dhs.gov/>

Rex Gismond urges everyone to reach out to Tom Cotton's office as well as other elected officials regarding red flag laws being discussed. Other areas that have enacted similar laws have had some serious issues with confiscation that we all need to educate ourselves on.

President Craig reminded everyone that we will be voting on dues changes next month. A motion was made to keep the cost of dues and amount of discounts the same. This motion was passed, and a final vote will be taken at the next meeting.

Jim Howington reported the Marine Corps League in conjunction with other organizations, have been raising funds for a monument to gold star families on the State Capitol grounds on September 28 at 10am. They are running their final leg of fundraising, so if you want to donate, you better hurry.

Kerry Gilson reported the youth shooters participated in the state 4H Range event held recently. Both the Jr and Sr teams placed in the top 3 in multiple exams and several of them placed in the top 3 individually. We are very proud of these young shooters and are honored to be associated with such a fine group.

Kelly Wilson renewed his motion from last month to purchase a new generator for the shotgun trap machine. The cost is \$2065.55 and is big enough to do the job. This was the second vote and passed.

## 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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### 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 17 new applications for membership. They are Chet Best, Noah Binns, Mitch Bloom, Joel Eubanks, Richard Goff, Ed Green III, Kent Greer, Hans Heim, Christine Madryga, Zach McDonald, Nathan Myers, Kari Reid, Kameron Sapp, Jefferey Sharp, Leroy Tinkler, Corey Valentine, and Joe Young.

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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