



## Club News

In club news, President Craig updated everyone that Alcoa has signed the counteroffer and we are proceeding with title search and phase 1 testing. We'll proceed on to McGeorge's land once this deal is closed.

Patrick Holsted made a motion to permanently shut down the forum on the website. We've been experiencing many technical issues with it and it's becoming overly burdensome to maintain and keep secure. We get massive daily requests from non-members and potential hackers. As an alternative, Patrick will set-up Facebook Groups for each match at the request of the match director. This motion was passed. If you are interested in this for your match, contact Patrick- [webmaster@bentongunclub.org](mailto:webmaster@bentongunclub.org)

President Craig informed members that we are looking into a new plastic card and driver's license scanner (name and address only). The hope is to have a faster process for new members and renewals next year. If you have any ideas how to streamline the process, please bring it up at the next meeting.

Culley Majors made a motion on behalf of Ryan Reed for the 3Gun matches to purchase Magneto Speed target hit indicators for \$2000 and steel rifle targets for less than \$500. The total for the motion is \$2500 and was passed. (No further vote required)

Culley Majors made a motion to hold 4 classes this year: NRA Basic Rifle Course (range 6) on May 23 and September 26, and AR15 Class (range 4B) on March 28 and October 24. The cost for the NRA Rifle Course is \$40 and limited to 4 seats per class. This class teaches rifle marksmanship fundamentals, safety, types of actions, and ammunition. Shooting will take place at 25 yards. Class materials, targets, rifles, and ammunition will be provided, although you are welcome to bring your own 22LR rifle. The AR15 Class is \$75, limited to 8 seats, and will cover the basics of the AR15. You will need 200 rounds of ammo and at least 2 magazines. Shooting will be from 25-100 yards. If you don't have a rifle, there will be loaners available. This motion passed.

Culley Majors reminds everyone that the GSSF match is February 28-March 1. Anyone wishing to participate or volunteer, please contact Culley. You could win a new Glock!

If your key doesn't fit either lock, it's because the range is closed for Phase 1 study regarding the land deal. This closure should only take part of a day in the next weeks. We will notify through Facebook, our website, and the answering machine.

## 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)  
Vice-President..... Culley Majors (870-210-6756)  
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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. To ensure that you keep receiving the newsletter, please file a "change of address" request with the post office when you move and let the club secretary know. The same goes for changed email addresses: please send us a note when you switch email so we can update our records. Thanks!

## Club Membership Renewals

Renewal time is almost over. If you haven't renewed, you can expedite the renewal process by attending the February meeting to fill out renewals and submitting payments in person. New card and keys will not be handed out then, they will still be mailed out to you once processed.

Again, please get your renewals in early to avoid the rush that always comes in February. If you wait too long, you may not have your 2020 key before both locks are changed, or even worse, you would have to reapply and pay the range maintenance fee again.

## New Members

We introduced 49 new applications for membership. They are Angel Aponte, Bradley Arendt, Andrew Bailey, David Bartley, Juan Berumen, Gregory Billeaud, Mason Binns, Brandon Blaylock, William Borden, David Brandon, Charles Brantley, Blake Bryant, Richard Bryant, Jerry Burr, J. David Carson, Paul Chapman, Michael Cox, Anthony Elias, Lee Fuel, Shawn Gentry, Derek Gianakas, Wyatt Hanson, Dylan Hobbs, Scott Jones, Bruce Kastel, David Lindsay, Win Lubana, Scott Martin, Garrett Miller, Gordon Miller, Brian Murphy, David Ouellette, Paul Pakis, Luke Patton, George Peters, Jr., Reba Pettus, Leon Prickett, Patrick Reeves, James Saxton, Ken Slocum, George Smith, Nathan Stratton, John Street, John Tebbetts, Ronald Toups, Jr., Larry Watson, Willard Weihe, Ken West, and Matt Wright. Welcome to the Club!

All new members must attend a range and safety orientation before using the range. You are not a full-fledged member until complete. Upon completion, new members will receive membership cards and keys. New members need to send, to the club PO box, a copy of your NRA card or mailing label from the magazine.

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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