

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

My fellow Sportsmen,

There is no place like home! There is no place like BGSL! Home is where the hart is and my hart is at the end of Handy's Bend Road. If I were to win the Lottery tomorrow, I would buy the little house outside the front gate and live happily ever after. I've been to a couple clubs up in the 5<sup>th</sup> District over the holidays and one in the 4<sup>th</sup>. Once again, BGSL shines as a special place and the value of our membership is unbelievable compared to all comers. I'm very proud of our club. I hope this feeling is in all our members as there is no doubt that BGSL MEMBERSHIP IS THE BEST VALUE IN THE SHOOTING SPORTS WORLD in Central KY!

We had a booth and table at this past Gun Show at Heritage Hall in Lexington and I was amazed again at the secret that the club seems to be in this part of the state! One fellow, who lives in Wilmore, has "been looking for a place to shoot" for over two years! After thinking about it for a couple of days, I'm now more than ever convinced "we" *must put* the word out there. I will instruct the Membership Committee to propose an advertising campaign to get this done. In the past two years we have anticipated this move and have budgeted monies. As of yet we have not identified the medium to use, as advertisement can be very expensive. We want the most bangs for our bucks.

I need to address a problem we seem to have with some rules violations on the club. No one is allowed to drive any vehicles off the maintained roads at the club unless authorized from operations personnel or the Board. The club-wide speed limit on the grounds is 20 MPH; please obey them, as we all want to be safe. The use of the Traps at the Sporting Clays Course is not open when the Division is not open. These are your property, however they are not safe for the novice shooter and can hurt you. While it would be nice to have access to this venue all the time, it is not possible at this time. Some of this equipment has been damaged and that costs all of us. The concept of a General Purpose Shotgun Range is in the works and is certainly doable. We will need some time to bring this to fruition.

2005 will be a big year at the Blue Grass Sportsmen's League. We have a lot of big club events scheduled and they promise to be a lot of fun. I always look forward to the **Fish Fry** and again this year we will combine that event with the **Ironman Contest**. They are scheduled for **June 18<sup>th</sup>**. The Fish Fry is the

### Next Meeting

**Tuesday — February 1, 7:30pm**

Please direct any membership concerns to the BGSL bookkeeper at **859-858-4060** or e-mail at **BGSLinc.com**

traditional "open house" for our membership to bring prospective new members and show off the club. The Ironman is the most fun a shooting sportsman can have in 1 day.

The biggest club event in our history arguably, is scheduled for **Saturday August 20<sup>th</sup>**. This will be the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the BGSL. We will use this day to establish a new yearly event to mark the founding of the finest Sportsmen's Club in the state of Kentucky. We will open our doors and welcome the public, the media and all past & present members with a "**BGSL Homecoming**". This will be advertised and you will hear lots more information as the date draws near. I would like to see big participation from the membership on this event and welcome all that would volunteer with idea's or any input.

The **Turkey Shoot** is back and scheduled for **Saturday March 26<sup>th</sup>**, at the Pistol Division Bulls-Eye Range. Bring out your sporting .22 rifles and a shotgun for some fun and prizes. The Annual Family Fun Days are scheduled for **June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>**, always a big weekend for the kids. The Youth Committee has the entire year planned and scheduled and invites all to participate. Three **KY Hunter Safety Education** Classes are scheduled and the first is **February 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>**.

**It's going to be a big year at BGSL. Hope to see all yawl at the club!**

At Your Service,  
Greg Delabar  
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## PISTOL DIVISION NEWS

### General Club News

There are several pistol activities ongoing during the winter months. The first Sunday of each month is IPSC (International Practical Shooting Confederation), sometimes referred to as a three-gun match since pistol (revolver or semi), carbine and shotgun are typically used, but don't despair if you don't have the carbine and shotgun there is still plenty of pistol action and loaners are provided. Just bring 12 gauge and .223 ammo.

On the Saturday before the third Sunday is IDPA (International Defense Pistol Association). This is an excellent way to practice personal defense situations that one may encounter in our daily lives. Revolvers and semi-automatics can be used.

And becoming very popular is the Friday night .22 pistol practice opportunity at Buell Armory on the UK campus. Details of each of these opportunities follow.

### Club Membership Drive

Membership drive continues for 2005 for the Pistol Club. Our membership year is January to December. Annual dues are \$10.00 plus one dollar for a key to the pistol clubhouse. Contact any pistol club officer for details and application. Members are entitled to access to the plate rack and other benefits such as availability of targets stored in the clubhouse (at a nominal charge), access to target frames, use of ransom rest and chronograph. A great deal for 10 bucks.

The good time to join is at the next Pistol Club meeting on Friday, February 18 at 7:00 p.m.

We meet following the Friday night .22 pistol practice match at Buell Armory.

### Friday Night Practice Matches

Join in on Friday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. now until the end of March for practice bullseye sessions at Barker Hall on the UK campus. The hall is located near the newly restored Main Building. This is an opportunity to keep in practice during the winter and be prepared for the anticipated warm-weather shooting. Only .22 pistols using standard velocity ammo are allowed.

### Match Results and Future Match Dates

**USPSA/IPSC:** Twenty-one shooters participated in the January 2 match—nice day for a match for January in particular. **Contact: Barry West, (859) 885-9710 or e-mail: vikingtactical@alltel.net.**

**BULLSEYE:** Need more information on the Friday night practice matches? **Contact: Glen Wood, (859) 492-4688 or glenwood@clarkmhc.com.**

**IDPA:** Twenty-four shooters, including 3 new shooters, brave what started out as a cold day, but turned into a sunny and quite pleasant day at the range. The next match will be Saturday, February 19, 2005, and if the weather is as pleasant as it was at this match, a classifier will be held after the regular match. **Contact: Lin Edwards, (859) 273-2768 or rledwards@att.net.**

**COWBOY:** In March 2005 the Fox Bend Peacemakers will begin their sixth year of Cowboy Action Shooting. **Contact: Brian Woodford, (859) 492-6178 or brianwoodford@clarkmhc.com.**

**GLOCK:** Glock practice matches are scheduled for the fifth Sunday in May and July. The official regional match will be October 29-30, 2005. **Contact: Jeremy Kifer, (859) 271-2774 or jrkiifer@insightbb.com.**

Respectfully Submitted  
Byron Daniel, Secretary

## BGSL YOUTH COMMITTEE

### **(S.C.O.P.E.) Calendar – December 2004**

Bring-A-Kid / Teach-A-Kid

Hello everyone,

Alison Yeager received the Junior Sportsman of the Year award at the most recent BGSL meeting. She received a BGSL coat, hat and a nice plaque. There was a lot of applause and it was a great night. This award is earned through participation and accomplishment. Alison is a very hard working 11 year old from Danville and the Daughter of Jim and Amy Yeager. The Yeager's joined the club in June of 2004 and have been very active in the club and the committee. **Congratulations Alison!**

We have the quail hunt (**Youth Field Trial**) coming up **Saturday February 12**. There will be 2 safety & field orientations, one at 8:30 AM and the other at 12:30 PM. **You MUST pre-register**. It is always a lot of fun and there are plenty of birds for everyone. Come on down and meet the Dogs and the Pointer & Setter guys.

This Division is a special treat for the kids each year. We get to meet some special people, the dows, pointers and setters and flushers and retrievers and the guys from the division are pretty cool too. We can learn a lot, this club was founded by folks with the intent of stocking quail and providing habitat around the district and state. This is our opportunity to learn about a lot of conservation and habitat.

We will get started early, 8:00 AM for the first safety orientation. **There will be a second safety orientation at 12:30 after lunch for those who can't make it in the morning.** The afternoon session is reserved for folks who have commitments that morning, **not for those who must catch Saturday cartoons!** Lunch will be served at noon.

**Hunter orange is required in the field (we have some you can borrow). A hunting license is required to shoot in the field and anyone over 10 years old must have Hunter Safety Education Card. We will be checking!**

Please call or email the Committee to reserve a spot on the brace list. This is a big event and we need to schedule the braces to get all the kids in. If you can't schedule, your kids will be on a first come first serve basis after the scheduled kids.

We also have a Hunter Safety Ed. Class coming up February 25th and 26th. It will be held at the main clubhouse on Friday from 6pm to 9pm and Saturday from 9am to finish. This is a great opportunity to get your orange card so you can hunt on the deer hunts and such. You will need to bring a lunch or you could just go into Wilmore to get something to eat.

We also have the shed antler hunt coming up **March 12<sup>th</sup>** (where we go into the woods and look for antlers). It should be a lot of fun.

*As always S.C.O.P.E. and BGSL youth events are open to you and any friends, families and groups that you want to bring or let know about our program. (Feel free to pass this flyer along to anyone you may feel is interested.) And there are usually no costs. Come on down to the club and let's have some fun!*

Events may be changed or added as opportunities arise. To stay informed and up to date with the S.C.O.P.E. program, email for a monthly email newsletter.

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## OUTDOOR WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS

We met on Jan 12th and finalized our mission statement and purpose.

The purpose of the *Outdoors Women's League (OWL)* is to educate and provide opportunities for all women in outdoor activities while maintaining the honor, dignity, and ethics of good sportsmanship.

Goals of the *Outdoors Women's League (OWL)* are as follows:

- \* To share knowledge concerning outdoor activities among women members and participants.
- \* To improve women's knowledge in the safe use of firearms, hunting equipment, and other outdoor sports apparatus.
- \* To encourage and provide educational workshops, seminars, and classes concerning topics of interest and relevance.
- \* To encourage sisterhood and fellowship among sportswomen.
- \* To provide social opportunities for women interested in outdoor activities.

### Future program dates:

**Feb 12th (10:00) - learn not to be a victim - self defense basic class** - This event will meet at the main lodge. Club member, John Vest, will be teaching this class. The class will be primarily about learning how to avoid becoming a victim. The class will run approximately an hour and a half. At this time it will not be a physical skills class. We hope to hold another class in the future that will teach skills.

**March 5th (all day) - Conceal/Carry Weapons Class - this class is pending board approval.** Club member, Mike Pinkston, will teach this class and we will be opening it to *all* club members. This will be a pre registration event. You must be 21 or older to get this license. Please call any OWL committee member to register.

**April 2nd (tentative) - Fly Fishing instruction** - learn to use the flies you made in Jan.

**April 17th (2:00) - Archery** - We will meet to learn about archery and practice at the archery range.

**May 21st (all day) - Women On Target** - This is a pre registration event. We can only accept fifty participants. Please mark your calendar and watch for sign ups.

**June - (TBA) - Fishing/Camping Trip** - we are working on finding a location for this trip. Any suggestions would be appreciated.

**July - (TBA) - Sailing/Canoeing** - we are looking into locations and availability.

If anyone has questions or concerns feel free to contact any of the committee members below:

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## BASS DIVISION

The Bass Division is spending the off season celebrating the 2004 fishing season with a banquet on February 5<sup>th</sup> at Columbia Steak House. We hope to have a big turn out for dinner and trophy presentations. Details for the ticker tape parade and street dance to be held in honor of Irvine Shelton's victory, as Fisherman of The Year, are still pending. Save up your ticker tape.

The tournament committee met in December and has proposed a tournament schedule for the 2005 season. The first reading and discussion was at the January meeting. If members have any opinions or suggestions they need to come to the February meeting.

We would like to invite any BGSL member interested in fishing to join us next year. The first tournament will be in March, so it is time to get involved. You can contact any member of the Bass Division or call John Lingenfelter at 859-455-9939 or 859-299-7454. Non-boaters are welcome.

Submitted by,  
 John Lingenfelter-Secretary




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## ARCHERY DIVISION

Stir crazy? GET OUT OF THE HOUSE IN JANUARY. Dust off your bow and meet with us on February 8, 7PM and shoot inside. Meeting at the Christian Archers of Kentucky barn for a get together/shoot then. Located South of Nicholasville just off hwy 27 on the East side of the road. Barn is visible from 27 on old Danville rd.. It is just before Camp Nelson Cemetery. Everyone welcome. Shoot with us or just hang out. We need to cover the costs for heat so there will be a small fee to shoot. Look forward to seeing you there. What else do you have to do in the middle of February?

February 13 at Archery division is hosting an open 3D shoot. Registration is from 9AM TO 2PM. 30-target course. \$10 Non BGSL members and \$9 for BGSL members. Any new division members will receive a coupon to shoot one of the open shoots free this year.

Joel McClintock  
859-277-6507

## TURKEY SHOOT/FUN SHOOT

Saturday, March 26, 2005

At the Pistol Bulls-Eye Range

The turkey shoot is back! This is an Open event designed for shooters of all skill levels, ages, and equipment to come out and have some fun. What else are you going to do in March? The event will have categories for rim-fire sporting rifles with iron sights; rim-fire sporting rifles with scopes or red dots, rimfire pistols and 12ga. shotguns of any type (no optics). You can compete in one, two, or all! Prizes will be awarded based on the number of entries in each category.

An array of targets and prizes will provide fun and once again bring you an opportunity to meet and compete. These courses of fire will combine luck and skill and a level field of competition. Look for more details in the March newsletter and get ready to get rid of your cabin fever.


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