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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

My fellow Sportsmen,

Let us turn our attention to **Celebration of our great past and our bright Future!** We will celebrate on **Saturday and Sunday August 20th and 21st** and at the same time launch a campaign for a bright future. BGSL Homecoming is this campaign. We start a new tradition at the Handy's Bend club, one with **tracks leading from** our Richmond Road roots. Our Constitution, (**Article II para 3**) requires us to partner with our community, which includes our neighbors, private landowners, local leaders and businesses.

On these days, we invite all our members, both past and present to come home. Home to the heritage and tradition they have built for 60 years, a tradition founded with sportsmanship and conservation; to **celebrate** 60 years of this tradition and showcase this organization's heritage and treasures to the rest of our community. The general public is invited to BGSL. We need you to pass the word and the invitation. Our past members are also welcome to come home and rejoin the club under an amnesty for the initiation fee. This amnesty will be for **"this weekend only"** and they must attend an orientation Saturday or Sunday.

This celebration will be filled with activities: all the fun our venues have to offer along with some good food and some fun games. There will be tagged fish in the lake and prizes for catching them, a marksmanship contest with .22's and a nice prize for the winner. We will retire some U.S. flags with a ceremony at the clubhouse. There will be a silent auction of donated items to raise monies for the new BGSL Education Foundation. And as always, we will eat. There will be food vendors serving throughout the day. A roast pig from the pig pit; dinner will be served by 5PM.

To kick off our bright future, we invite the public to come see our fine facility along with businesses that are sportsmen related to vend their wares. This month will kick-start (**Article II para 3**) the establishment of partnerships with these businesses and the community. We will take care of our membership, accommodate our friends, partner with business and shine in our community. Along with the celebration, the BGSL Homecoming is about getting back to our roots, realizing our duty and reaching our potential. The new BGSL Foundation is a cause worthy of our great roots and a shining path to our bright future. As "sportsmen", we must realize that we are responsible for our future and we have tasks to perform to secure our future. The largest task to perform is the education of future sportsmen and the biggest obstacle to that task is the education of the non-sportsman. The BGSL Education Foundation will be a valuable tool in the future of our club and our cause.

As a member of this club, none of you are compelled to do anything but enjoy your membership. You have no By-Law that requires you as individuals to participate in any way. However, the BGSL Constitution does require each of us to participate in all ways, especially in conservation and sportsmanship. This event is the one event in which I would like to

Next Meeting

Tuesday — August 2, 7:30pm

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

see all participate. Please make plans to attend. Bring the family, a neighbor, a friend or co-worker and celebrate this great club.

We are **"Blue Grass"** and we are a very special club and it's time to start acting like it! BGSL will look **forward**, to the bright future and keep our heritage and traditions close to our hearts.

You are **"BLUE GRASS"**!

Hope to see you at the club! (With a guest)!

At Your Service,
Greg Delabar
president@bgsllinc.com

PISTOL DIVISION NEWS

The results of the July 16, **IDPA at BGSL** match are now posted.

We had 47 shooters, including 9 new shooters, shoot 5 stages. We also raised \$510 in our 2nd Annual UK Rifle Team Benefit Match, an all-steel side match that consisted of 21 targets. John Turner won the Individual competition and John teamed up with Joe Kalil to take the Team honors. Congratulations to both of these fine shooters, and thanks to everyone who participated or contributed! The complete results are available on our **IDPA at BGSL** web site.

Our next match will be on Saturday, August 20, 2005—the date BGSL is celebrating its Anniversary and Homecoming. Many events are being planned for the entire family. Members and visitors are cordially invited to explore the facilities at the largest Sportsmen's League in Kentucky.

In conjunction with the BGSL 60th Anniversary and Homecoming Event on August 20, we will have another side match after the IDPA match, until 5 p.m. This side match will feature the Plate Rack, 1 run for \$2 or 3 runs for \$5. All proceeds from this match will go to the BGSL Education Foundation.

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BLUE GRASS SPORTSMEN'S LEAGUE
Board of Directors - Minutes
 Tuesday, June 28, 2005

1. ROLL CALL

President Delabar called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m. Secretary Caudill called the roll and a quorum was present.

2. READING OF MINUTES

Motion #1 by Shaeffer, second by Jacobs to dispense with reading the minutes. **Motion carried unanimously.**

3. TREASURER'S REPORT

John Burke presented the Treasurer's Report. Motion #2 by Cox, second by Fister to approve the Treasurers Report as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Delabar expressed concern that the Constitution and Bylaws as they are written are antiquated. President Delabar stated that constitution would need to be updated which will take about six months to accomplish. President Delabar asked for volunteers to serve on the committee to update the Constitution and Bylaws.

5. SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary Caudill stated that Richard Gelbach and his daughter who are both members are working to get the website repaired. Mr. Caudill also reported on the Member Attrition Report. Dan Fister asked if anyone was calling the members that are dropped to see why he or she left the club. Clay Caudill stated that this had been done.

6. OPERATIONS MANAGER REPORT

Operations Manager Ben Riffell reported that he graduated from the Leadership Jessamine County Program. Mr. Riffell reviewed the Lead Management Abatement that Operations will initiate. Mike Kass expressed concern about finding a freon tank found on the Pistol Range. John Burke asked the status of the metal targets. Mr. Riffell stated that Operations would make the metal targets a priority.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Security No Report.

Finance John Burke reported on some problems with the signing of the checks due to the absence of the Treasurer. Mr. Burke proposed that the Fiscal Policy be amended so that the President, Treasurer and Secretary will be able to sign checks. Mike Kass noted that the Fiscal Policy already provides authorization for the Secretary to sign checks.

Farm Terry Hager reported that the farm committee has not purchased cattle because of the price. Mr. Hager stated most of the operations personnel were working on the hay. Mr. Hager reported on the tobacco buy-out and the lumber that is available for sale.

Constitution and By-Laws. - Steve Cox stated that the proposed amendments that he is to work on are:

- eliminate the Junior Membership
- review the section that deals with 16-18 year old minors on the property without supervision.

Wildlife and Natural Resources. Craig Phinney reported that the Committee has approved the Small Game Hunting Regulations. Mr. Phinney stated that grass carp would be purchased and added to the pond. Mr. Phinney also stated that the deer regulations would be presented at the next meeting. Dan Fister asked if all hunters were to have a Hunter's Education Card would they be getting the word out. Mr. Phinney stated that this would be printed in the bulletin. **Motion #3** by Burke, second by Fister to approve the small game regulations with the two suggested changes to add foxes and limit this to hunting zones. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Clubhouse and Lodge. Claude Jacobs reported that the White House has been treated for termites.

Youth Committee. Rebecca Young reported that Family Fun Days served approximately 375 and was very successful. Donnie Young presented a drawing to build a storage building on the Delabar Lodge. John Burke stated that he was opposed to the drawing as presented because it would not match the architecture of the structure. The drawing was tabled.

President Delabar reported that Bluegrass Sportsmen's League was represented by Allison Yeager and her family at the KWFF.

OWL Committee. Rebecca Young reported on the upcoming Casting Event on July 14th, 2005.

Membership. President Delabar stated that the BGSL would have a booth at the August 6 and 7 Kenny Woods Gun Show to solicit vendors for the Homecoming Celebration.

Member Services/Special Events. Mike Foley presented a budget for approval for expenditures relating to the August Homecoming. **Motion #4** by Foley, second by Maness to approve the budget presented for the Annual Homecoming Celebration. **Motion carried unanimously.**

John Burke asked if the Amnesty Program would be in place for former members during that weekend. **Motion #5** by Blackburn, second by Fister to approve the amnesty program for former members in good standing to re-join the BGSSL at the Homecoming Celebration. The new members must be present for orientation and dues paid during the weekend of August 20 and 21, 2005. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Mike Foley and President Delabar expressed gratitude and thanks to the Kitchen Division for the fish fry.

Trails Committee: John Burke presented a proposal from the Trails Committee to establish a riding/horseback/hiking riding trail program. Dan Fister expressed concern that the horseback riding program would damage the land. **Motion #6** by Burke, second by Hager to approve the front pasture of 48 acres and the trail as outlined for a horseback/hiking trail. Dan Fister requested a roll call vote. **Motion was disapproved 14-3.**

8. OLD BUSINESS**1. BGSL Printing Brochure/Handbook**

President Delabar requested approval to print 5000 brochures. **Motion #7** by Blackburn, second by Jacobs to print 5000 brochures. **Motion carried unanimously.**

2. Club House Sealant

President Delabar stated that the clubhouse sealant would be applied soon

9. NEW BUSINESS**1. Complimentary Membership to Dignitaries**

President Delabar stated he would add this topic to Old Business for July.

2. Rabies Clinic

President Delabar announced that the Pointer/Setter Division would have a Rabies Clinic at the Clubhouse on July 9th from 12:30 to 2:00 p.m.

3. Nomination Committee

President Delabar noted that the Vice-Presidents of each Division will serve as the Nominating Committee and he will be appointing a chairman of the committee.

Motions

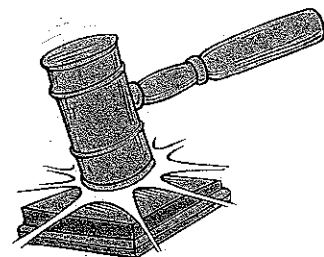
Motion #8 by Hager, second by Burke to have lime and phosphorous applied to the following ranges for the purpose of environmental stewardship and proper lead management at a cost of up to \$1800: GP Range, Rifle Range, Pistol Range, Muzzleloading Range. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Motion #9 by Jacobs, second by Blackburn to request the resignation of the BGSL Treasurer for the remainder of their term. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Motion #10 by Young, second by Maness to make it mandatory for any BGSL member wishing to hunt small game or deer to possess a Hunter Education card regardless of age. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Motion #11 by Morgan, second by Kern to allow Saturday, August 13, 2005 be declared an "Open Event" day at the Skeet and Sporting Clays ranges specifically to accommodate a 100 bird Sporting Clays Event to be held by the American Cancer Society. Approved fees and charges will be employed. **Motion carried unanimously.**

The meeting adjourned at 10:27 p.m.





("We") You and I Are **"BLUE GRASS"**

Let us celebrate 60 years of Heritage, Tradition and Sportsmanship.

Pig Roast / Tagged Fish / Marksmanship Contest / Silent Auction

Swap Meet / Sportsmen's Show / Door Prizes and more...

!!!Lot's of FUN!!!

BGSL is welcoming home all our members, both past and present, along with sportsmen of Central KY to an event hosted all over the Handy's Bend club grounds. We will open the club to the public and showcase this awesome facility. This will wind up this year's membership drive with a bang and allow you to do some boasting and show off your club to any and all guests you'd like to bring.

We've talked all year long about the heritage and traditions this club is all about. It's your time now, time to celebrate those traditions, realize the potential and fulfill the duty.

This event will launch the BGSL Education Foundation. This is part of the "Bright Future" for Blue Grass and our community. This foundation will work toward that Bright Future and educate in all aspects of the shooting sports.

The club needs you to come down this weekend and help us launch the next 60 years!

If you know a past member who would like to rejoin the club, let them know about the "Amnesty"

Hawg Roast
Door Prizes & Silent Auction
Vendors & Sponsors from all over the Sporting World
Sportsmen's Swap Meet

Bring out your possibles and gear you might want to trade or swap!

Clean out the closet and trade that old stuff or things that you've out grown. (HaHa)! If you would like to try your hand at haggling come on down and meet other sportsmen. See if there's a treasure to be had, a part to that old gun you thought you'd never shoot again.
You never know! ...

Shooting Venues

Bring your firearms, ammo and gear for trap, skeet, wobble trap, sporting clays, pistol, black powder, fishing, archery, air gun, casting and rimfire rifle.
Fees apply for targets and supplies.

BGSL EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Mission / Objective:

1. To establish an alliance of like-minded organizations from inside and outside the Blue Grass Sportsmen's League to raise and distribute funds for projects and events.
2. To establish a 501 c (3) organization and a Board of Directors to govern and provide oversight for the foundation.
3. To establish an annual fund raising banquet and fund raising events to support the Foundation.
4. To establish a fund to finance a scholarship program for the BGSL Membership, a dedicated source of interest bearing funds awarded on merit to BGSL member dependents in form of collage scholarships.
5. To establish a collection of shooting sports equipment to be available to the membership of the BGSL and groups & group events using the League facilities to introduce new members, youth and youth programs to the shooting sports.

Saturday August 20th

Gates open...10AM
New-member Orientation...1PM
Vendors open...thru 9PM
Shooting Venues...10AM to 5:PM
Food Vendors...11AM to 3PM
Tagged Fishing...10AM to 5PM
Flag Retirement Ceremony...4PM
.22 Marksmanship Contest... Noon
Pig Roast...5PM to 7PM
Silent Auction...thru 9PM
And More...

Sunday August 21st

Gates open ...10AM
New-member Orientation ...1PM
Tagged Fishing...10AM to 5PM
Vendors open...thru 9PM
Shooting Venues...10AM to 5:PM
Food Vendors ... 11AM
And More...

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BASS DIVISION

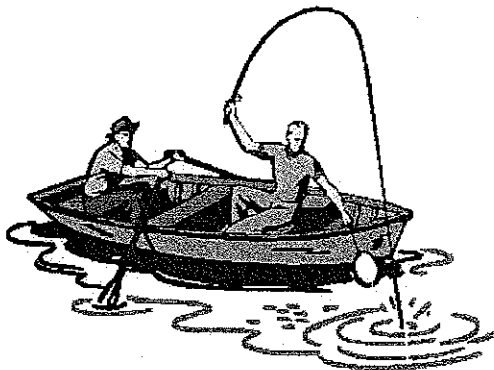
One of the best tournaments of the year was at Herrington Lake, June 24th. This was the biggest turnout so far this year, with 25 participants. This was our first night tournament and we fished from 8:00 p.m. to 2 a.m. We caught a total of 60.43 lbs. And there were 4 limits. The weather was great and the whole night couldn't have been much better. Actually, things went too smooth! I can't come up with anything for the color or blooper section, unless you want to count that the scales wouldn't work, and all the fish had to be weighed with a hand scale. Hopefully we will have that taken care of by the next outing at Guist Creek.

The tournament was won by the team of Sandy and Mike Jones, 2nd place went to Eli Farmer and Irvine Shelton. Their names have come up a lot this year. Third were Bobby Brinegar and Harold Rhodus. Their names are getting pretty familiar too. Eli Farmer had the big fish.

If anyone is interested, the season is only half over and there are still enough tournaments to qualify for the classic at the end of the year. You can contact any member of the Bass Division.

Submitted by

John Lingenfelter



PAST-MEMBER AMNESTY

August 20th and 21st 2005 ONLY

All past BGSJ members who left the club in good standing, are welcome home. This weekend only, we will waive the initiation fee and welcome back our fellow sportsmen. They will pay their dues attend an orientation and restart their memberships

Our past members do not receive this newsletter, so we need you to put word out to your friends and family and any past members you may run across.

RIFLE DIVISION

The Rifle Division held its fourth highpower competition of the year on 9 July. Overall winner was Bill Alverson with a 765-19. Donald Coomer was first Master/Expert with a 724-8 and William Spicer took first Sharpshooter/Marksman with 718-5.

Our next match will be on 13 August; if you think you might be interested, come on out and shoot or just watch. We have a web-site now at <http://home.earthlink.net/~bgsl.highpower>.

BGSL YOUTH COMMITTEE

(S.C.O.P.E.) Calendar - August 2005

Bring-A-Kid / Teach-A-Kid

August 5th & 6th

KY hunter Education Class Fri. Evening @ 6PM
All hunters on the BGSJ must possess Hunter Ed Card

Saturday August 13th

10AM... @ the GP Range LKS Squirrel Rifle Shoot
Lunch @ Noon at the Lodge
1PM... @ Archery Division

September 3rd

Youth Mentor Dove Shoot

September 9th & 10th

KY hunter Education Class Fri. Evening @ 6PM

September 17th

Youth Fishing tournament

September 9th & 10th

Primitive Camp & Night Hike and Fishing Derby



As always S.C.O.P.E. and BGSJ 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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RIFLE DIVISION

NRA High Power

The Rifle Division held its fifth highpower competition of the year on 13 August. Overall winner was Bill Alverson with a 752-19. William Koenke was first Master/Expert with a 714-6 and Robert Hopkins was first Sharpshooter/Marksman with a 748-9 in addition to being match winner in the standing slow fire and sitting rapid-fire phases. The media guys (and girls) were in the background; I don't know whether they filmed us or not. Our next match will be on 10 September. Anyone who is interested is invited come out and shoot or just watch. Our web-site is: <http://home.earthlink.net/~bgsl.highpower>.

Thanks,
Bill Alverson



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