

# Sportsman Trails

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## Morgan Meanders Through Rendezvous Discovers Pioneer Double-wide



### November Calendar

#### **3rd**

8 am. Pointer-Setter Open Field Trial; 8 am Personal Protection Course; 9 am New Member Orientation

#### **4th**

9:30 am Pistol Division USPSA/IPSC; 1:30 pm Muzzle Loader Silver Shoot

#### **6th**

**General Membership Meeting**

#### **10th**

NRA Basic Pistol Class

#### **17th**

9 am New Member Orientation; 9:30 Pistol Division IDPA

#### **18th**

Airgun Open Shoot

#### **24th**

8 am Pointer-Setter Open Field Trial; 9 am Concealed Carry Class

#### **25th**

Muzzle Loaders Open Shoot

#### **27th**

7 pm Board of Directors Meeting

### Burglers Beware

## Lin and Rosalee Edwards Among BGS� Winners at Crime Stoppers Shootout

BGS� had a great showing at the Annual Crime Stoppers Shootout fundraiser on October 6<sup>th</sup> at the Airport Police Range. There were at least 20 BGS� members there and several won trophies. Among the winners were Lin Edwards 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Senior Division, Rosalee Edwards 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Ladies division, Hoyt Lefevre 3<sup>rd</sup> place Master Class, and Clint Lefevre 1<sup>st</sup> place Sharpshooter Class. The team of Lin Edwards, Frank Cook and Paul King won 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Team Match. Congrats to all of the winners!



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## Blue Grass Sportsmen's League

# President's Corner



*By President Bill Blackburn*

The first priority this year is a balanced budget. In order that this can be accomplished, it is necessary to make across the board spending cuts. This will not easy and won't make everyone happy, but a balanced budget was passed unanimously by the Board of Directors.

Significant changes have been made with regard to allocation of expenses to divisions. Water meters will be placed and water bills as well as electric bills will be paid by each division. Hazard insurance will also become a division expense. Upkeep and grounds maintenance at the divisions will become a division duty or expense.

The capital budget (voted on by Division Presidents and members at large) includes repairs to the cut out sections of black-top, rebuild of John Deere tractor, replacement of tile in main clubhouse, purchase of 5 bred cows, Power-Lite projector, placement of water meters at divisions and farm, and a new finish mower.

Every effort has been made to make the budget and financial information as clear and transparent as possible. The farm portion has been broken out for clarities sake. There are 3 components of the farm: (1) General farming operation (2) Cattle operation (3) Preserve hunting.

The Tobacco buyout money and the lead remediation fund will be deposited in earmarked accounts and should increase our capital account by \$27,000 this year. All components of the budget are on file in the office and may be reviewed by any member during regular operating hours. If you have any questions, please address them to any officer or director of BGSL.

Over the course of the next 3 months, a concerted attempt will be made to go to an entirely electronic newsletter. Please get us your e-mail addresses. If anyone is unable to access the internet, it will be necessary to notify the office.

I am in hope that this year will begin a new age of volunteerism at our club. Plans are currently being made for renovation of the main clubhouse. This is a large undertaking, but we have considerable talent and resources available within our membership. It is tentatively scheduled for December 2007. More about this later.

## September 07 Board Meeting Minutes 2008 Budget Passed

### 1. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: Blackburn, Mulchay, Ruland, Beers, Foster, Gehlbach, Kass, Morgan, Burgess, Maness, Cox, Piotrowski, Jacobs, Bowman, Johnson, Fister, West Moore, Hillard, Ironmonger, Tryon, Martin, White, Phinney, Shell, Sanders and Delabar. MEMBERS ABSENT: Steel, Niblett, Lyons, and Ore STAFF PRESENT: O'Neill AND Riffell CHAPLAIN: Cottingim

President Bill Blackburn called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. Secretary Mulchay called the roll and a quorum was present.

### 2. READING OF MINUTES

Secretary Robbie Mulchay presented the minutes from the August 28, 2007 Board meeting. Motion #1 by Foster, second by Bowman to dispense with reading of minutes and accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

### 3. OPERATIONS MANAGERS REPORT

**Ben Riffell reported on the farm operations. Mr. Riffell also reported that the club hosted Southland Christian Church Family Fun days and over 500 people (approximately 360 youth) participated.** Mr. Riffell

also reported that approximately 14 Christian Archers joined the club last Saturday.

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS: Dr. Blackburn appointed the following committee chairs:

- Clubhouse and Lodge – Rolly Beers
- Constitution and By-laws – Steve Cox
- Farm – Rob Amburgey
- Wildlife Subcommittee – Craig Phinney
- Finance – John Ruland
- Security – Mike Kass
- Youth – Greg Delabar
- Membership – Rob Mulchay
- Training – Brandon Ironmonger

### 5. NEW BUSINESS

Motions:

- Motion #2 by Ironmonger, second by Gehlbach to allow a **NRA Personal Protection in the Home class taught on Saturday 11/3/2007** with details of the class included as an attachment to the motion. Motion carried unanimously

*(Board Minutes continued on page 4)*



# Blue Grass Sportsmen's League

## Morgan's Meanderings



By Terry Morgan

As I was meandering around the club property one Saturday I heard a blend of occasional loud gunshot reports, guttural guffaws, dog barks, sports broadcast and girlish tittering. As I tried to gain directionality with my age worn neural hearing loss ears, I came closer and closer to the audible annoyance that had sent me on this discovery mission. You might know from the above description where I would end up. Those cut-ups down at Muzzleloader (black powder to



said it was called "stewed Wal-Mart". Whoeee!!

As I crept up closer, I found the origination of the guffawing and other loud noise; it was a traditional prevaricator's circle and was well populated with the traditional group you might expect to find here. I won't mention any names but Marvin Inman, John Ruland, Harold Moore, Chaplain Tom Cottingim (can you believe this?) and other assorted nee r-do-wells were in attendance.



sure that they would like to see more of you become involved in this sportsman's activity. I could not squeeze in all of the pictures I had but the girls got involved in all these activities. I asked Mrs. Archie what kind of road kill we were having for supper and she



If you look carefully at John's hat you will see him wearing his badge of distinction in the form of a playing card split in half by his large caliber round. Now, I don't remember anyone ever accusing Marvin of being **horny** but here is the un-refutable evidence of it. In the picture below you will notice John removing the dangerous protuberances for the general safety of all concerned.

you officianos) have been at it again. As I wound in and out of the high grass and trees I finally came upon an encampment that, in fact, gave me quite a startle. It appears that the good ole boys and girls of the Muzzleloader Division were sponsoring one of their Rendezvous. Milling about the area were folks dressed in period clothing, making over noisy dogs, prevaricating to a high degree, preparing cooking fires and having a good time in general. Part of the assembly was off in the woods having a Woods Walk shoot, accounting for the loud reports heard earlier.

Now, I will fill you in on the rendezvous but I won't give much shrift to the shooters because I have discussed them in past remarks and if there is anything I cannot abide, it is those showoffs down in the woods, sniffing their fired gun barrels and pompously hurraing about splitting a playing card in half and making a paintball go splash as if it was some big thing. You know, it looks to me like these folks know how to have a good time at the club. I am



One of the skills that a frontiersman needed to hone was his ability to cut playing cards in half with his tomahawk so that if he met up with a wily card sharp, he could put the fear of God into that unworthy. I think it was probably more effective than one of Tom's sermons. Another cautionary point to remember.

If one of our buildings happens to burn down, don't go around bragging about how good Archie Hillard is at starting fires. It will not sit well during the trial.



## Blue Grass Sportsmen's League

# Pistol Division News



By Carole Bryant

Elections were held at the September Pistol Club meeting. Our new officers are: President- Mike Foley, Vice President – Clay Caudill, Secretary – Carole Bryant, Treasurer – Kevin Carroll, Directors – Brandon Ironmonger and Tom Tyron.

Cowboy Action Shooting ended the 2007 season with October's match. Matches will begin again in March.

Sunday, October 14 was a beautiful day for our final Bullseye match of 2007. Twelve shooters participated including two previous and the one current State Pistol Champions. Jerry Chaney was match winner with a fine score of 2639-132X. In a highly competitive Expert class Paul DeMichele, 2446-89X, edged out Bill

Hart, 2485-55X, while Walt Rybka, 2478-58X, finished third. Members will be competing at indoor matches at Georgetown, Indiana and Cincinnati, Ohio during the winter months. Bullseye matches will resume at BGSL the second Sunday of April 2008.

Numbers have been strong at recent IDPA matches with 54 shooting the August match and 47 at September's competition. Join us November 17th for another great match.

The next USPSA match will be held November 4. Choose "pistol only" or bring long guns to shoot 3 gun. We will be hosting a USPSA Range Officer Certification class January 26 and 27. More information will be available at the November Pistol meeting.

## BGSL Upland Bird Hunt Packages Now Available!!

Do you enjoy watching a good dog work in heavy cover? Does the sudden rise of birds and flutter of wings get your adrenaline flowing? Does your heart pound with the loud, cackle of a cock pheasant as he flushes skyward? If you answered "yes!" - then pay attention.....

Beginning in November BGSL will offer preserve-type bird hunts to its members and guests. Hunt packages of quail, chukar, and pheasant are currently available. Hunts will be held on-site and will require prior reservations. You'll find the rates reasonable and the day memorable. Don't miss out! Please call 859-858-4060 or 859-509-2394 to make reservations or for additional information.



## More Board Minutes: League to Host 6th District Federation Meeting in November- -Sportsman Trails Going Electronic- -Expenses Allocated to Divisions-

- Motion #3 by Foster, second by Mulchay to allow the use of Skeet and Sporting Clays Division for the Home Builders Association to hold a sporting clays event 10-11-2007. Motion carried unanimously.

- Motion #4 by Delabar, second by Fister to **host a 6th District Federation bi-monthly meeting at the BGSL on November 7, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.** Motion carried unanimously.

- Motion #5 by Bowman, second by Fister to indemnify the actions of and hold harmless the previous board. Motion carried unanimously.

### 6. BUDGET PRESENTATION

John Ruland, Treasurer, presented the comprehensive budget for FY-08. John Ruland introduced Rodney Welch, CPA, for BGSL to answer any questions the Board members may have about the financial status of the Club. Mr. Ruland stated that some of the features of the budget are:

- **The Sportsmen's Trail will be mailed to members with an e-mail address and will not be mailed out after January 2008 unless mem-**

**bers pay a fee. There will be two post card mailings to members after January 2008 for updating the mailing list.**

- **The budget eliminates the meal after the general membership meetings after December, 2007.**

- **The divisions will pay for mowing and upkeep of their ranges**

- **Increase Dupree account by the amount for the tobacco buy-out and lead remediation fund amount.**

- **Each division will pay an allocated amount for their division of the insurance premium.**

Dan Fister stated that the amount for the meals after the general membership meeting should be put back in the budget, Mr. Fister stated that this has always been done at the club, this would eliminate the Kitchen Division and there would not be a quorum for the general membership meetings.

Rolly Beers stated that the insurance estimates are outdated and meaningless and should be determined by an appraiser.

Rolly Beers spoke against eliminating the mailings of the Sportsmen's Trails. *(Board Minutes continued on page 5.)*



## Blue Grass Sportsmen's League

# Bass Division News

Our last regular season tournament was at Barren River Lake. This was a great place to have a tournament and this year most of us decided to camp out instead of the usual motel room. This turned out to be a good decision and we all had a great time. Actually, it went so well that the Bass Division has decided to teach a camping seminar at the next BGL club meeting.



*Mike Harbour at Nolin Lake*

Jerry Thompson will give a class on how to be prepared for anything on a camping trip, and the correct way to move a coffee pot at night without falling down a hill and getting 2nd degree burns.

Harold Rhodus will be showing us how a family of four can live in a turkey blind.

Bobby Brinegar will be teaching us his secrets on how to go camping on only \$67.00 a day. He will also be giving a hands on demonstration on how to back a boat into a camping spot and do less than \$500.00 damage to your boat and truck.

Radar (Martin Wallace) will teach us how to fish while paddling your boat with your feet. Who needs a stupid motor anyway? We are all looking forward to this one.

The results of the tournament were:

1st place – Mike Harbour and Jerry Thompson (That morning coffee must help).

2nd place – Eric Sanders and Chris Sutton

3rd place – Bobby Brinegar and John Lingenfelter (THE SHARK)

Big Fish was caught by Jerry Thompson.

The Shark would like everyone to know that he has some unique spinning gear that was actually used in this tournament, to sell. The reel comes with a permanent backlash. This saves you the trouble of having to make a cast to get one. He will even throw in a great dip net. Philip Brinegar can tell you all about it.



*Bob Walker at Nolin Lake*

Well, it is finally time to make the official announcement. Bobby Brinegar is the "Fisherman of the year". Bobby has led from wire to wire. He won the very first tournament at Herrington Lake, and has been in first place ever since, but was not able to nail the door shut until the last tournament. So the Bass Division would like to congratulate Bobby for a great year of fishing, and for the rest of us, something to shoot for. Bobby says that he would like to repeat next year. Ya sure, and I've got some spinning gear that might help you out.

Next is the Classic. You have to qualify to fish this one, and it is the biggest contest of the year. It will be held at Lake Barkley and I will let you know how it turns out.

## More September Board Minutes Much Cussing and DisCussing New Budget

Motion #6 by Beers, second by Delabar that members without internet access be sent the Sportsmen's Trail by mail and the members be charged for the mailing costs. Motion failed 8-17.

Harold Moore stated that the LKS membership for each member should be on a voluntary basis and thereby saving the club approximately \$15,000 per year.

Steve Cox asked if the \$16,000 deficit in the farming operation was accurate. John Ruland stated that the figure was accurate and reflects purchase of cattle.

Ken Maness asked if this budget was approved will the divisions be responsible to pay for their own electric bills, mowing, and insurance. Dr. Blackburn stated that the divisions would be responsible for all of

the aforementioned items. Dan Fister stated that the Divisions have previously been responsible for mowing their own ranges.

Rolly Beers asked if certain line items of the budget could be amended at a later date. Dr. Blackburn stated yes.

Walter Bowman stated that the budget should be approved in its entirety and then each line item can be discussed. Motion #7 by Bowman, second by Maness to approve the budget in its entirety as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

John Ruland also noted the LuAnn Johnson and William Alverson will be helping to review the Fiscal Policy.

Motion by Delabar, second Fister to adjourn at 9:30 p.m.

# Blue Grass Sportsmen's League

## From the BGS� Chaplain



By Rev. Tom Cottingim

"Say what you mean, mean what you say." That's a powerful statement, isn't it? And it is sound, correct and good advice. We have lots of sayings, proverbs, truths and adages in our language, don't we? We also have some sayings that really sound good, but are often misquoted, or misspoken. For instance, you have probably heard, "*The love of money is the root of all evil,*" haven't you? Did you know that is a misquote? It comes from an ancient Greek proverb the Apostle Paul quoted in our New Testament when he wrote 1 Timothy 6:10. An excellent translation of this is found in both the NRSV and the NIV; it reads, "*For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil.*" See the difference? The real proverb means something quite more profound. Believe me folks, there are many roots of evil other than just the love of money.

But misquoting is only one way we get things not quite right. Sometimes they are just not said right; even though they might sound just fine. I often hear parents speak about spending "*quality time*" with their children. Sounds good, doesn't it? Of course it does; and don't get me wrong, I am all for just such things. So, how is this saying off the mark?

My criticism is simple: if some time spent with one's children (or spouse, or friend) can be called quality, what about the rest of the time spent with them? This saying indicates only some of the time we spend is really important. Oh, I think I know what they mean when they say it. They mean that "*quality*" time is fun, or special in some way. I grant you, some times are more fun or more meaningful than others. But I will argue strongly that *ALL* the time we spend with our kids is quality and important. It is *ALL* worthwhile. What concerns me is that those who point to certain times as quality may be missing out by not focusing on spending a larger quantity of time with their kids.

My argument is also simple: forget about planning just for quality time; instead, work on making a greater volume of time available to be with your kids. I know how difficult that is to do with the demands all families have on their schedules. Which brings to mind another old adage, "*Make every minute count!*" See you at the club.

Blessings,  
Tom

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## Pointer-Setter Division



The Pointer Setter Division is ready to proceed with building holding pens for the pheasants and quail that will be used in the put and take operation. We should have everything in place to accommodate the birds, the hunters and their dogs/guides. We at Pointer Setter want to contribute everything possible to see this new service succeed. Not

much has been written about this as it has only been in the works for a few months. Reservations are being taken now for hunts that will begin after November 15, 2007. For reservations or more information, please contact Ben Riffle at the main club number 859-858-4060 extension 3.



Thanks  
Tom Weir- Secretary  
Pointer Setter Division



# Blue Grass Sportsmen's League Guns, Dogs and Chukar



*By Pat Barbera*

The Pointer-Setter Division held its first field trial of the season on October 27th. In the kick-off event, hunter and dog were given 30 minutes to point, flush and harvest chukar in a field that was pretty grown up and tough to cover.

Frank White and his English Pointer, Lilly, (pictured left), brought home two plump chukar. Lilly placed second in last year's dog of the year competition. Austin Martin and his Retriever, Liz, (pictured right), also bagged two nice birds.

White and Martin ran neck-and-neck in last year's dog of the year competition. White's 13 year old English Pointer, Chessie took top honor and Martin's nine year old English Setter, Kate was a close third.



If you've never been to a field trial, you're missing out on a lot of fun. The hunting is good and so is the food. During the chukar trial, Frank White cooked up a huge pot of beans and a couple of pans of cornbread. It was so good, Craig Phinney ate two bowls. (We later learned that Charlotte made Craig sleep on the couch that night.)

The November field trials are set for the 3rd and the 24th. They usually get started around 8 a.m. but if you like to sleep in, or if you have a long honey-do list, come on out when you're done and get out in the field, shoot some birds and have some fun.

Sadly, some of our "best friends" have gone to that big quail field in the sky, creating some kennel space. If your sporting dog is looking for some lodging, send an email to [bgslnews@insightbb.com](mailto:bgslnews@insightbb.com) and we'll give you a call as soon as the kennels are ready.



## Trap

### Foley, Parrott and Dean Brake 100 Straight Riddle Wins Handicap

*By Charlie Becknell*

October 14th was our last ATA shoot of the year and although I was unable to attend, I heard the shooting was red hot. Jordan Foley, our Junior all state shooter, just keeps getting better. Jordan broke his 1st 100 straight in doubles. Kevin Parrott gave Jordan some pointers and it seems to have paid big dividends. Of course the teacher (Kevin) broke another 100 in doubles. Terry Dean, Kevin, and David Riddle broke 100's in the 16 yard event. David Riddle broke 100 straight from the back fence to win the handicap. If you like com-

petition and want to strive for perfection in your shooting, join the trap division. If you can win at Blue Grass, you can win anywhere. Now you won't see many 100's in handicap from the 27 yard line, you will see high scores in all events almost anytime you shoot at BG.

We continue to be open on Thursday nights from 5 until 10 p.m. for the entire club to enjoy shooting trap. I am seeing more of the sporting clays shooters honing their game on doubles and handicap at the trap range.

Come on down to the trap club and "smoke a bird, trap style".

*Skeet & Sporting Clays Division holds open shoots every Thursday from 2:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., and Fridays from 2 p.m. to dusk or earlier, (no late shoot under the lights on Fridays), and Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The last sporting clays squad leaves at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.*