

BGSL Sportsman Trails



Special points of interest:

- Make sure your email address is current. A lot of reminders are sent out via BGSL BLAST
- Always check the club calendar for scheduled events on bgslinc.com

President's Corner Rob Mulcahy

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UK Trap and Skeet Team

Ask them about the John Wall dance at Nationals

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Important News

Division articles are needed for Sportsman Trails.

Please let us know scores, events and other happenings in your division. Or just send pictures

Spread the word and help your division grow

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Around The Club (Trap Venue) Women On Target and ATA



Pistol, Training and Casting

Pistol Events

The weather is just right for spending a day in the Practical Shooting Pits or on the Bullseye Range during one of our monthly events. Come on out and practice your skills, compete for bragging rights or just have a good time with friends. No matter your type of pistol shooting, we have something for you. USPSA 1st Sundays, Steel Showdown 2nd Saturdays, Bullseye 2nd Sundays, IDPA 3rd Saturdays and SASS Cowboy Action Shooting 4th Sundays. More information can be found at www.bsglinc.com under the Sports heading on the right hand side.



Training

Plan to attend one of the training classes coming up in May at BGS. We have Intro to IDPA on the 9th, Basic Carrying Concealed on the 16th, CCDW on the 22nd and exclusively for the Ladies a Pistol Training class also on the 22nd. Two of the assistant instructors for this class are the best lady practical pistol shooters around. Come train in a less intimidating and more relaxed ladies only class!

Casting Division News

The casting season has begun and the ponds are ready for use. Each Wednesday evening beginning around 6pm, we will be having instruction and practice.

The 2010 National Casting Tournament will be held on these grounds from August 2nd thru 7th. This is a good opportunity for each member to come out and observe the different events that we offer. There are distance events as well as accuracy events. There are multiple classes for men, women and children. The division would like to invite anyone with interest to come out, practice with us, and compete for your league in the National Tournament.

Support Our Youth at BGSL

Youth Division News

Spring has sprung and the Youth Division is taking full advantage of the good weather. Our weeks are full of events that are bringing our younger members out to enjoy our property.

Monday nights the Trap Division hosts the Youth for Trap Instruction and Practice. Gordon Ironmonger and Walter Miller are instrumental in taking our kids to the next competitive level. They will host a regional AIM shoot on Saturday, May 8th and are readying our teams for the State shoot in June.

Wednesday nights the Casting Division holds practice for Youth and adults. Anyone interested in learning about the sports of bait and fly casting should come by to observe or participate. There is equipment available for use and instructors who will be glad to assist.

The third Thursday of each month the Archery Division hosts the Youth for NASP style archery instruction and practice. We now have equipment for smaller/younger children and provide personal instruction for each child.

Add in a couple of Saturday events each month – like the upcoming Ironman practice and competition, Bluegrass Search & Rescue demonstration, and our 2nd Annual Outdoor Days weekend – and the calendar begins to fill up.

As always, we are safety first in every event. Our facilities are open to all club members – young and old, family and individual. We offer educational materials and classes on a variety of subjects. Stop by for a visit, cup of coffee or a cold drink, hang out on the porch and sit a spell, come out and support the future of your league.

From the BGS� Chaplain

by Rev. Tom Cottingim

I got a frightening call a few weeks ago from one of my best friend's office assistant; she began by telling me how he had felt bad all morning and just after lunch had asked her to call 911. I tried to be patient as she told me how things had progressed. Finally, she revealed he had had a heart attack and was in the emergency room. I managed to thank her for calling me as I ran for my vehicle. I did not waste any time getting to the hospital. When I got there my friend had already had a stint installed in an artery and was in the ICU. He was in a good mood, somewhat enhanced by some pain relievers, I think, joking with some of his family and his nurse. The diagnosis was good: only minor scarring of the heart and full recovery expected. I was overwhelmed with relief.

Hospital visits are an important part of my vocation. Over the years, I have managed to learn more than I ever wanted to know about Emergency Rooms, ICUs, Surgery waiting rooms and hospitals in general. I have also gotten to know and respect some of the people who do the work in those places and have learned to be comfortable in hospital settings. That does not mean I am not affected by the illnesses and injuries of the people I go to visit and wait with. It most certainly does not mean going to the ER to be with a close friend, or family member, is not a little more difficult.

Having learned some medical terminology has been helpful to me. Knowing something of hospital protocol makes things easier. But the most valuable thing I have learned is to have some compassion for the patient and to try to understand what they are going through. I do not claim to be any kind of expert on visiting, or on offering ministry to the sick. I only claim to have a *little* understanding. I would like to share some of that understanding with you. Here, then, are 8 simple rules for visiting the sick:

Remember, it is NOT about YOU.

Don't be tempted to tell about your illness or operation; refer to rule 1. You are not the one who is sick or injured.

Don't be tempted to tell someone else's story; let's clarify rule 1, it is about the patient.

Keep the conversation positive, as best you can. No need to argue with the patient, just don't add to a negative direction.

Don't sit on, or bump the bed.

Don't touch the patient, unless permitted or invited. If there is an exception made here, be sure to use hand sanitizer; the patient does not need your germs.

Don't diagnose the patient's condition unless you are a medical doctor with knowledge of the situation. Forty-five minutes of research on the Internet does NOT qualify you.

Keep it short; refer to rule 1 again. There are exceptions here, too. Just bear in mind being sick and being in the hospital are not restful experiences. The whole point of these rules is to be considerate of the person you are visiting.

This list of rules is not meant to be complete and there are certainly many exceptions. It is just a guideline. Visiting is important for everyone, not just ministers. When your friends or family members are hospitalized, go see them. Don't be afraid to go because you do not know what to say. Just take this sentence and modify it to suit the situation: *"I am sorry you are not feeling well; is there anything I can do to be of help?"*

Remember, I am your chaplain. Let me know if I can be of help to you or your family. See you at the club.

Blessings,

Tom

Bluegrass Sportsman Trails



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