

BGSL in January 2021

Happy New Year to all members of the Blue Grass Sportsmen's League! Last year we learned that predictions are difficult, so this year let us resolve simply to enjoy the club as much as possible no matter what 2021 throws at us, to continue to improve ourselves in our chosen pursuits, and always to take any opportunity available to make BGSL the best place we can for all our member families.

General Membership Meeting

The January General Membership Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 5, at 7PM. We will be following current coronavirus related guidelines as far as spacing, capacity, etc.. Food will be provided in a manner that is consistent with the current safety guidelines. Come on down to your clubhouse, catch up on club business, fellowship with other members and share a meal. One important topic on the agenda is the final reading, discussion, and voting on two constitutional amendments, posted online here.

Other Items of Interest

BGSL Ammo Backorder

As a service, in order to help BGSL members hedge against the shortage of all sorts of ammunition right now and into the foreseeable future, the BOD decided to place a large order of ammunition with Fiocchi for the main club and interested divisions. When received, the ammo purchased by the main club will be available to BGSL members at GP at a nominal markup over cost to defray administration and with limits on quantity bought to prevent hoarding or resell. Unfortunately, the lead time is currently 4-5 months, and the final cost is not fixed, though it is expected to be more than competitive even including the markup.

Also, if a member is willing to accept the long wait, prepay the current price for a minimum quantity (a full case of centerfire ammunition or a full flat of shotgun shells), and agree to pay the remainder of the final cost with an additional 5% of the final cost added when the order ships, you may be able to pre-order with this purchase. Call the main office at 859-858-4060 to pre-order;

time is extremely limited, and any orders must be submitted and the current list price pre-paid by the end of the General Membership Meeting, on Tuesday, January 5.

BGSL 75th Anniversary Caps

You have probably seen them already and want one, but if not, have a look <u>here</u> for pictures of one and additional information about getting one of your own.

Ongoing Improvements at the **General Purpose Range**

If you haven't been to GP lately, you should check it out. The back and ends of the firing line are are almost completely enclosed now with wood siding, improving the exterior appearance and giving the firing lines a good deal of protection from cold wind and blowing rain. Also, there is ongoing work with berms, baffles, and gravel to maintain safety and appearance. The Range Officers are making every effort to provide a safe, friendly environment for you and your families to enjoy, including making sure to have ear protection and working staplers available for you to borrow should you forget something, so take advantage of the improvements and continue to give us your feedback.

Free Firewood Available for Members to Cut

For those who are not aware or have forgotten, BGSL members can cut all of the firewood they need for personal use at the club at no cost, just by signing a waiver and following instructions. If you want to keep your house warm with free wood this winter, call the office at 858-859-4060 for details and get to cutting.

Pistol Lessons at BGSL

If you, a family member, or friend, are new to handguns, but got a new pistol for Christmas and are eager to start using it safely and accurate, you should contact BGSL's new pistol instructor, Natalie Bohon. See Natalie's Instructor Profile to learn more about lessons and for contact information.

Safety Precautions During Hunting Season

During Hunting Season, remember to check the map of hunter check ins in the entry hall of the clubhouse before going any place other than the division main areas, ranges and pits. If a hunter is present in the area you intend to go, select another area. If the area of the map is clear, it is safe for you to proceed, but you should place a marker with your contact information and activity on the board and remove it before leaving the club.

New Member Orientations

There are meeting times on the calendar for Orientations, but in order to keep the group sizes low, additional orientation meetings may be needed. New members should arrange for a meeting time

directly with the office (859-858-4060) rather than simply coming to one of the pre-scheduled meeting times.

Pit Pass Qualifier

One of these at a minimum will be offered every month, typically on the 3rd Saturday of each month, but like the new member orientations, the qualifiers must be organized to limit numbers, so let Ben Riffell know that you are interested by contacting him or leaving a message for him at the office at 859-858-4060, and he can notify you when a space in the qualifier is available.

Divisions

Note that the division names in the headings below are linked to the divisions' pages where you will find general information about, and contacts for, the divisions.

<u>Archery</u>

The bales have been moved to a location near the Youth Lodge. Bales are set up at 20,30,40, and 50 yards and available at any time for BGSL members to use for practice. There are also 3D targets set up near the youth lodge for people to try out.

Gun Dog

Gun Dog had a Quail Hunt in December that was filled quickly. Contact <u>gundog@bgslinc.com</u> if you are interested in seeing more bird hunts at BGSL or would like to join the division.

Muzzeloader

No Shoots in January.

Pistol

Regular Matches

<u>United States Practical Shooting Association (USPSA) Match</u>: TBD; the regular match on the first Sunday was cancelled due to unfavorable weather forecast; a makeup match may be possible on the 4th weekend.

Steel Challenge Match: Saturday, January 9

IDPA Match: Saturday, January 16

Please note that there will be changes to the registration procedure for this match.

Single Action Shooting Society (SASS/Cowboy Action) Match: Sunday, January 24

NRL22

NEW! NRL22 combines long range, precision shooting with .22LR (rimfire) rifles, resulting in a challenging, organized competition that is scaled to most rifle ranges, not just 1000 yard ranges. Click on the NRL22 Link above for more information.

For 2021, there will be an NRL22 match at BGSL every month, with the first being: NRL22 Match: Sunday, January 17

Rifle

No ABRA or UBR Matches Scheduled for January.

Shotgun (Trap, Skeet and Sporting Clays)

For more information on events or sports at Shotgun, call the Shotgun Office/Clubhouse at **859-858-4458** or email <u>bluegrasshotgun100@gmail.com</u>.

<u>Winter Week Night League Five Stand and Sporting Clays League:</u> Starts Thursday, January 7

<u>Winter Weekend Daylight Five Stand and Sporting Clays League:</u> Starts Saturday, January 16

See It All at Once & Print It Out. Download this: Printable PDF copy of this month's schedule. Remember to check with the official BGSL website calendar for additional detail, updates and additions. If you are interested in a certain match or have a question, check with one of the division's members or send email to secretary@bgslinc.com.



