

BGSL in April 2021

April brings much natural beauty to the land of the Blue Grass Sportsmen's League and many opportunities for member sportsmen: The Spring Turkey Season opens up, and there are several regular club matches that are either just starting back up after a winter break or just getting back into full swing, plus the International Bowhunters Organization Spring National Shoot held at BGSL, and all of it set in a in a sea of green grass, trees leafing out, and flowers blooming, all thanks to a few rainy days. Get out this month and take advantage of your club at one of its prime times of year!

General Membership Meeting

The next General Membership Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 6, 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.

Other Items of Interest

Spring Turkey Lottery

Tickets are \$10/chance or \$80/10 chances. Drawing will be held at the April general meeting prior to season opener. Don't delay - call the office at 859-858-4060 to get your chance for a spring turkey.

Gun Dog Closed to Through Traffic

For some while, Gun Dog has been open to traffic between the road to GP and the clubhouse/RV area. Due to increased training activity on the division grounds and maintenance concerns resulting from increased traffic, the gate on the road to GP will be closed, preventing regular through traffic. The gate to Gun Dog near the clubhouse will remain open for access to the division. Signs indicating this new policy will be posted as soon as possible.

Youth Turkey Hunt

Youth Turkey Weekend is April 3-4. The Youth Turkey Hunt will be on the morning of the 3rd.

Must be a club member to participate and state regulations apply, as always. No club fees for the youth weekend. Limit of 10 for the Youth Turkey Hunt, so get signed up early. If interested, call Nelson Bottoms at 859-410-5111 or email him at nelsonbottoms95@gmail.com.

News for holders of Pit Passes and Advanced Rifle Certifications

There are some great new options for members who have passed these tests. Please check with an RO at the General Purpose Range to confirm your certifications and get the details.

BGSL Spring Jackets

These are classics, but we haven't had them in a long time. Click on the link in the header above to find out more.

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.

Pistol Lessons at BGSL

If you, a family member, or friend, are new to handguns, but have a new pistol and are eager to start using it safely and accurately, you should contact BGSL's new pistol instructor, Natalie Bohon. See Natalie's Instructor Profile to learn more about lessons and for contact information. Also, stay tuned later this month for a special class that will appeal to the ladies of BGSL who may want to get into owning and shooting a handgun but don't know where to start...

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.

CCDW Class

There will be a CCDW class held on April 18. Spaces are limited, so call 859-858-4060 to reserve a space. \$65 for BGSL members, \$75 dollars for non-members.

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.

Keep Up with BGSL Online

You can see all the resources available for use by members and how to access each by reading

the Guide to BGSL Website and Other Online Resources.

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.

Archery

The **IBO** 2021 Spring National Shoot will be at BGSL, April 9-11, this year after a one year hiatus due to the coronavirus outbreak in 2020. Archery expects about 600 shooters to attend, and you can expect to see impressive natural targets set up in various places on club property. For information about the IBO Spring National Shoot at BGSL, contact archery@bgslinc.com.

Gun Dog

Contact gundog@bgslinc.com if you are interested in seeing more bird hunts at BGSL or would like to join the division. There are more birds and dog training sessions at Gun Dog these days than there have been in a long while, so anybody that has missed those activities in past years needs to get involved.

Muzzeloader

Monthly Offhand Shoot: Sunday, April 25

Bryan Station Open Table Match: Saturday, April 17

NRL22

NRL22 Match (April Course of Fire): Sunday, April 11

Pistol

Regular Matches

<u>United States Practical Shooting Association (USPSA) Match</u>: SATURDAY, April 3* *USPSA is on Saturday instead of the usual Sunday this month to avoid Easter Sunday.

Steel Challenge Match: Saturday, April 10

IDPA Match: Saturday, April 17

Please note that there have recently been changes to the registration procedure for this match.

Multigun Match: Saturday, April 24

Single Action Shooting Society (SASS/Cowboy Action) Match: Sunday, April 25

Rifle

UBR -100/200 yds Score Match: Sunday, April 25

ABRA Club Match: Sunday, April 18; Wednesday, April 28

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 bluegrasshotgun100@gmail.com.

High School Trap and Skeet

High School Trap and Skeet teams have resumed practice on Thursday nights through the completion of the season with the Spring League.

Featured in Pull USA Magazine

In related news, Blue Grass Sportsmen's League's Shotgun Division is featured in the Winter 2021 *Pull USA* Magazine, the official publication of The High School Clay Target League. See cover and article by clinking on the linked header above.

ATA(Amateur Trapshooting Association) Trap Shoots: April 10, 22, 24

NSCA 'April Clays' Sporting Clays Tournament: April 17-18

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.



