

BGSL in August 2021

August is famous for its steamy, hot "Dog Days", but there are a lot of cool things going on at the Blue Grass Sportsmen's League this month that may help you forget the heat. Dress cool, stay hydrated, maybe even pick up some ice at the clubhouse on your way in, and make the most of your club.

General Membership Meeting

The next General Membership Meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 3, at 7PM. Come on down to your clubhouse, catch up on club business, fellowship with other members and share a meal provided by the Kitchen Committee in the comfort of a now air-conditioned clubhouse. The floor will be open for the nomination of Officers and Directors at large in preparation for the club elections at the September Membership Meeting.

Nominations Accepted in Writing for BGSL Elections

As stated, starting at the August General Membership Meeting, the floor will be opened to nominations for BGSL Officers and the three Director-at-Large positions in advance of the September elections. Nominations will also be accepted at the September Meeting before the elections. If you prefer, you can submit your nominations by email to:Burton Wright, BGSL Secretary, secretary@bgslinc.com, or to Brenda Wayne, brenda.wayne@bgslinc.com in the office. Finally, nominations can be submitted in writing by bringing them to the office or mailing them to:

The Blue Grass Sportsmen's League ATTN: Nominations 2500 Handy's Bend Road Wilmore, KY 40390-8029

Other Items of Interest

Continuing Clubhouse Improvements

The clubhouse roof (and any metal trim on the sides, including the doors!) has been prepped,

primed, and painted. This is a crucial step in maintaining the clubhouse for the future and protecting your club's substantial investment in the building. The "after" pictures of the clubhouse roof can be viewed along with "before" pictures at this link: <u>Clubhouse Roof</u>. The kitchen walk-in cooler has also been repaired, so it is ready for division, member, and club events in the future.

Member Recruitment Opportunities

Members who recruit five or more new members within a year can have their annual dues paid. Contact the office at 859-858-4060 for details on how to earn this incentive.

Bow Hunter Education Class, August 28

There will be a hunter education class for Bow Hunters on Saturday, August 28. Signup for the class here.

BGSL Training Certified Instructors

<u>Timothy Johnson</u> continues to focus primarily on the basics of pistol shooting in small group classes, but he is also available for private individual lessons and coaching.

<u>Natalie Bohon</u> continues to be available for private or small group lessons, and she will offer three sessions of her popular Intermediate Handgun Coed Class in August, which will help shooters who wish move into competitive shooting matches. <u>See more at this link</u>.

BGSL Youth Committee

In July, there was a successful Youth Rifle Shoot. For August, the Youth will get an introduction to handguns and a chance to shoot in the pits (with a pistol and ammo supplied by the instructor and youth committee) on the evening of Thursday, August 26, from 6-8pm thanks to the kind cooperation of Natalie Bohon and Lafe Kunkel. Due to the nature of this activity, there may be some restrictions on the age of the participants, etc., so please contact Nelson Bottoms with any questions about this activity and sign your youth up for this opportunity by emailing him at youth@bgslinc.com.

2020-2021 BGSL Hunting Orientations and Guidlines

For BGSL members that want to hunt in the upcoming hunting seasons, see the post linked in the header above for the current BGSL Hunting Guidelines and proposed schedule for the mandatory Hunter Orientations. Hunter Orientations are currently scheduled to start on August 7, so get a headstart on your hunting season at BGSL.

BGSL 75th Anniversary Caps

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

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. It will be a different day this month due to another event taking place on that day. 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.

BGSL Dues Effective August 7, 2021

The first of four 5% annual "cost of living" increases voted in last year will take effect on August 7. These increases affect members a year from their last annual renewal (regardless of payment period). The rates for 2021-2022 are:

Annual 304.50
Semi-annual 158.35
Quarterly 79.20
Monthly 26.45
Life 5176.50 (17x Annual)

Please address any questions you might have regarding this matter to secretary@bgslinc.com

New Website Feature Coming Soon: BGSL Members' Virtual Trading Post

If you have something that you want to buy, sell or even trade, there will soon be a section of the Members' Area devoted to free members' classified ads (subject to ad approval). If you would like to help us get the Trading Post off to a good start, email secretary@bgslinc.com for information about how to post an ad.

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

If you would like information on the targets setup at Archery for members to use or information on how to get involved with the Archery Division, contact archery@bgslinc.com.

Casting

If you would like information about the Casting Division or would like to use the Casting Ponds, contact <u>casting@bgslinc.com</u>.

Gun Dog

Contact gundog@bgslinc.com for information on division events or to join the division.

Muzzeloader

Bryan Station Open Table Match, Saturday, August 7

Monthly Open Offhand Shoot, Sunday, August 22

NRL22

NRL22 Match (August COF): Sunday, August 15

Pistol

Regular Matches

USPSA Match: Sunday, August 1

Steel Challenge Match: Saturday, August 14

<u>IDPA Match</u>: The monthly IDPA match for June is replaced by the IDPA KY Classic (see below/Special Matches).

Multigun Match: Saturday, August 28

Single Action Shooting Society (SASS/Cowboy Action) Match: Sunday, August 29

Special Matches

The IDPA Kentucky Classic sponsored by Ruger will take place August 19-21.

Rifle

UBR -100/200 yds Score Match: Sunday, August 22

ABRA Club Matches: Sunday, August 8; Wednesday, August 25

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.

<u>Beginner's Wingshooting Clinic</u>, **September 18**, but sign up now to get one of the limited spaces available.

ATA(Amateur Trapshooting Association) Trap Shoot: August 15

NSCA 'Big BGSL' Shoot, August 7-8

NSCA KY State Sporting Clays Championship, August 19-22

Trap and Skeet Range Improvement Grants for Jessamine County High School Team

The Jessamine County High School Trap Team was able to secure over \$50,000 in grant money from two sources and over \$10,000 in private donations to help make some much needed repairs on the trap and skeet fields at BGSL. The improvements include upgraded LED lighting on the trap line, rebuilding two trap houses, replacing two traps and replacing the doors and siding on all three skeet houses. These improvements will be able to be enjoyed by members, guests and the many high school and collegiate teams that call BSGL home. The work should start the first week of August and should be complete by mid September.

Online Resources

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.

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.





