



BGSL in April 2023

Spring is gaining ground quickly at the Blue Grass Sportsmen's League: Nature is waking up, the division matches are in full swing, and the Turkeys will be outsmarting the hunters, plus the Blue Grass Classic Lo Cap USPSA Match will round out the month at pistol in a big way. Don't delay in taking advantage of one of the nicest months of the year, participating in your favorite matches, practicing your skills, or just fishing, hiking, or camping with friends and family. You would have to be an April's Fool to miss out on this prime time at your club.

General Membership Meeting

The next General Membership Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 4, at 7PM. Come on down to your club and find out what is going on, ask questions of the officers, voice your opinions or concerns, or simply fellowship with other members over the meal following the meeting.

Other Items of Interest

Spring Turkey Lottery -- Tickets Available Soon

Tickets for the Spring Turkey Lottery were available starting at the March General Membership Meeting and will be available through most of the April General Membership Meeting (4 April) at which point the drawing will be held. You may also purchase tickets by phone by calling the office (859-858-4060, M-F/9a-5p). You do not have to be present at the drawing to be eligible, but you do need to buy a ticket or tickets to have a chance at winning. Tickets are \$10 each or 10 for \$80.

Storm Damage from Last Month

You should have noticed by now the remnants by the entrance of the large barn blown down during the high winds in early March. The shop roof also lost most of its tin, and the Hay Barn at the Y (turn-off to GP) was severely damaged as well (please give it a wide berth and do not enter it!). While the road has been cleared for safety, we have been instructed by the insurance adjusters to leave the wreckage as intact as practical until their assessments are complete. So, please be patient: It will all be cleaned up as soon as we are given the go ahead.

Check Calendar for Rifle Range Regularly

At this time, the 300 Yard Rifle Range is regularly open to both centerfire and rimfire shooters under the [Revised 300 Yard Rifle Range Policy](#) typically in the afternoon Wednesdays through Saturdays, with occasional adjustments applied to compensate for match usage that conflicts with the typical schedule. We will continue to publish the schedule for these uses one week at a time on the [BGSL Website Events Calendar](#), so please get into the habit of checking the calendar regularly if you want to use the 300 Yard Range and are properly certified. Meanwhile, GP is open all day every day as always, including the use of centerfires.

RSO Classes -- Express your Interest

BGSL always needs RSOs to work GP and Adv. Rifle Range. There was a class on 3/4 that is already long past, but if you are interested in future RSO classes and are willing to give your time to help BGSL in one of its primary missions, give the office a call at **859-858-4060** to register your interest and be put on the list for upcoming opportunities.

Future Hunter Education at BGSL: August 5, & August 26

These fill up quickly, so if you have a need for hunter education, sign up soon. Clicking on the link below will take you to the class registration information. T

- August 5: <https://www.register-ed.com/events/view/192779>
- August 26: <https://www.register-ed.com/events/view/192797>

If you find the date you want is full, contact the instructor (via the registration page), as, being a BGSL member himself, he tries his best to fit in all the BGSL members he can.

BGSL Training Certified Member Instructors

NOTE: *The instructors listed in this section are all BGSL members and are certified by the BGSL Training Committee.*

[Brian King/PRS Training Solutions](#) (link to instructor page with contact information, etc.) offers a wide range of opportunities to train in pistol, rifle and shotgun through classes or private lessons. You can check for upcoming classes here: <https://prstrainingsolutions.com/services/> (look for live links to sign).

[Natalie Bohon](#) (link to instructor page with contact information, etc.): Natalie continues to be available for private or small group lessons, and she will be available more on the weekends than she has been in the past. You can check out Natalie's current/upcoming classes here: <https://training.usconcealedcarry.com/instructor/fd7d151a-7538-11ec-b14b-02420a00014c>.

[Timothy Johnson](#) (link to instructor page with contact information, etc.) focuses primarily on the basics of pistol shooting in small group classes, but he is also available for private individual lessons and coaching. Contact him via the button on his instructor profile page.

[BGSL Youth Committee](#)

There will be a BGSL Youth Turkey Hunt in April, on the 1st and 2nd. Contact Nelson Bottoms at youth@bgsllinc.com for information about all Youth Activities at BGSL. Also, Nelson has set up a private Facebook group for interested parents -- get in touch with him for more details.

Lexington Chapter of [A Girl & A Gun](#) at BGSL

[Contact Natalie Bohon for all matters related to A Girl & A Gun.](#)

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. 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/Sports

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](#)

Contact archery@bgslinc.com with any questions about using the targets available, for information about upcoming events, or to join the division.

[Casting](#)

The Jessamine County High School Bass Fishing Team will be using the Casting Ponds and Clubhouse for weekly practice and team meetings on Thursday nights throughout the school year. Also, the Bass Club will have a Fish-Fry Fundraiser **May 7**. We don't have all the details at this time, but if you call the office at 859-858-4060, they will either give you more details as they get them or put you in touch with coaching staff.

As always, if you would like to try some casting practice the division has provided rods near the casting shed with the appropriate casting plugs so that members can use them. For information about the Casting Division or about using the Casting Ponds, contact casting@bgslinc.com.

[Gun Dog](#)

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

[Muzzleloader](#)

Contact muzzleloader@bgslinc.com with any questions you have about about the

division or its events.

Bryan Station Open ("Silver") Table Match: Saturday, April 15

Monthly Open Match: Sunday, April 23

NRL22

NRL22 Match: Sunday, March 16

Pistol

Contact pistol@bgsline.com for information about the Pistol Division.

MONTHLY MATCHES

USPSA Match: Sunday, April 2

Practiscore registration required for this match.

Steel Challenge Match: Saturday, April 8

Practiscore registration required for this match.

IDPA: Saturday, April 15

Practiscore registration required for this match.

3Gun Match: Saturday, April 22

Single Action Shooting Society (SASS/Cowboy Action) Match: Sunday, April 16

SPECIAL MATCHES

2023 USPSA Blue Grass Lo-Cap Classic: April 28-29

This is a big match -- details and registration on Practiscore at:

<https://practiscore.com/2023-blue-grass-locap-classic/register>

PIT CLEANUP DAY

Saturday, April 1

Rifle

C/F Benchrest: UBR 100/200 yds Score Match --Sunday, April 23

ABRA Matches: Sunday, April 2; Wednesday, April 26

Note: UBR and ABRA schedules for 2023 are published on the Rifle page.

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 bluegrassshotgun100@gmail.com.

2023 Blue Grass Skeet League: Thursday Evenings starting April 6 and running to May 4

ATA(Amateur Trapshooting Association)

ATA Shoot: Sunday, April 30

NSCA

'Lost Pair April Fools' Shoot: April 1-2

Link to all scheduled upcoming NSCA Shoots at BGSL on Score Chaser.

High School Trap Teams and UK Shotgun Team

JCHS, Burgin, and Lexington Catholic are shooting at BGSL. JCHS and Catholic practice on Thursday evenings. The UK Shotgun Teams also practice Thursday nights at BGSL.

Coming in May: [KY High School Sporting Clays Tournament](#).

Consider putting together and supporting a team from your county if there are no organized shotgun sports teams in your area.

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@bgsllinc.com.

Help Us Make BGSL Even Better for You. Everyone hates surveys, but if you have been a member for a year or more by completing [this very short \(2 minutes, estimated\), anonymous survey](#) once every year, you will let the leadership of the club know what your priorities and interests are and how to help you and your fellow members get the most out of your memberships. Let us know how you feel about BGSL and what you have been doing at your club.



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