



BGSL in July 2025

The Blue Grass Sportsmen's League is the perfect place, and July is the perfect month, to celebrate our freedom as Americans. Sharing that tradition with friends and family and pass it on to the younger generations.

General Membership Meeting

The next General Membership Meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 1, 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

Reminder to Divisions to Conduct Elections

The requirement to turn in division officers 30 days before General Elections (for the Main Club -- TU Sept. 6 this year) means that most divisions need to conduct their elections in July. Please submit results of elections to Brenda Wayne in the office.

Road Work and Paving at Shotgun and Main Club

The road work for this year is complete. Major areas of Shotgun have been paved, as well as the area of main club road from the S-curves to (approximately) the new shop building.

Dove Fields

The dove field has been planted and sprayed, and is starting to growing well for the fall opening of dove season.

[Hiking Trails](#)

You can get trail maps with descriptions in JPEG format on the website page linked to this header. Contact trailcommittee@bgsline.com if you would like to help maintain existing trails, scout out potential new trails, or need more information on the hiking trails at BGSL.

Camping at BGSL

There are several options for camping at BGS� for both members and event attendees. Options range from primitive sites to full RV hookups. [Check out the options here.](#)

[Fishing Pond](#)

The ("new") pond is holding water pretty well and was recently stocked. Remember to follow all relevant state fishing regulations and that the BGS� limit is to keep **two catfish per membership per day; all other species are catch and release.**

Bagged Ice in Freezer (Pavilion of Clubhouse)

Members may now take bags of ice from a freezer in the pavilion (covered outdoor area) of the Clubhouse. The kitchen is locked now due to the amount of new equipment and -- frequently -- food being stored there between uses.

RSO Classes -- Express your Interest

BGS� always needs RSOs to work GP and Adv. Rifle Range. If you are interested in future RSO classes and are willing to give your time to help BGS� 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.

BGS� Training Certified Member Instructors

NOTE: *The instructors listed in this section are all BGS� members and are certified by the BGS� 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. The multi-month Intermediate Series will start Saturday, August 2: **[Intermediate Carbine Skills Drills for August](#)**. Brian is also planning Trap and Skeet classes soon, and they will be put on the calendar as soon as they are finalized and most likely put in an email BLAST as well. Meanwhile, you can contact Brian directly if you are interested.

[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.

Mark Sands Instructor Mark Sands teaches four classes a year at BGS�. He has developed **[SandsFirearmsTraining.com](#)** and the website is currently available for review. For more information regarding the classes offered at BGS�, please contact Mark using the contact page at **<https://sandsfirearmstraining.com/>**

[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.

[BGS� Youth Committee](#)

Contact Nelson Bottoms at **youth@bgsllinc.com** for information about all Youth Activities at BGS�.

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

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

Future STATE Hunter Education at BGSL: Class, 8/30; Range Day, 8/28

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.

- Complete Class with Bowhunter Add-On --Sat., August 30: <https://app.fw.ky.gov/edcourse/courseevent.aspx?ceid=3140>
- Range Day -- Sat., August 28: <https://app.fw.ky.gov/edcourse/courseevent.aspx?ceid=3141> **Note: Range Day is for those who can prove prior completion of Classroom Portion and just need to complete Range Portion.**

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.

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.

Guest Passes

For members' reference, here, again, is a link to a copy of the [BLAST email regarding guest passes](#). Most feedback so far has focused on the price increase a year ago but has ignored several mitigating factors: Each membership will receive two passes at no charge at renewal time, and two reduced rate passes are available to members each year (see the linked BLAST for details on your free and reduced rate guest passes). Also, remember that the family membership policy is generally very open to people living in the main member's household and that minors in general (including grandchildren) may be mentored without a guest fee, so call the office if you need specific detail on whether you need to buy a guest pass for someone if you think they may be an excepted case. **In addition, many activities do not require a guest fee at all**, such as hiking, camping, or simply showing someone around the club, not to mention that Shotgun is open to the public during its normal operating hours, so no guest fee is required to take someone there, either. Finally, if anyone wants to conduct a regular, structured program of recruitment, we are potentially willing to waive the guest fee, if required, in such situations, so contact the office or one of the club officers to discuss that possibility.

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](#)

3D Open Archery Shoot: Sunday, July 13

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

[Casting](#)

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@bgsline.com.

[Gun Dog](#)

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

[Muzzleloader](#)

Contact muzzleloader@bgsline.com with any questions you have about about the division or its events.

Bryan Station Open ("Silver") Table Match: None for July

Monthly Open Club Match (Table): Sunday, July 27

PRS Rimfire

PRS Rimfire Match: Sunday, July 20

Note: PRS Rimfire was formerly NRL22. Contact the match director at prsrifire@bgsline.com for more information.

[Pistol](#)

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

MONTHLY MATCHES

[USPSA Match](#): Sunday, July 6

Practiscore registration required for this match.

[Steel Challenge Match](#): Saturday, July 12

Practiscore registration required for this match.

[IDPA](#): Saturday, July 19

Practiscore registration required for this match.

[3Gun Match](#): Saturday, July 26

[Single Action Shooting Society \(SASS/Cowboy Action\) Match](#): Sunday, July 27

SPECIAL MATCHES

Summer Steel Series II -- July 15 and July 31.

Rifle

C/F Benchrest: UBR 100/200 yds Score Match --Sunday, July 27

ABRA Matches: Sunday, July 6 (Club Tournament); Wednesday, July 23

Note: UBR and ABRA schedules for 2025 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.*

SCTP

The SCTP event in June was quite successful, with approximately 90 participants total.

ATA(Amateur Trapshooting Association)

ATA Shoot: Sunday, July 27

NSCA

No NSCA Shoot at BGSJ in July on Score Chaser currently -- contact Shotgun for Info
[Link to all scheduled upcoming NSCA Shoots at BGSJ](#) on Score Chaser

High School & 4H Trap Teams

The High School Trap Teams are on summer vacation for a while longer, but Jessamine County 4H Trap Team practices regularly at BGSJ during the summer months.

Online Resources

Keep Up with BGSJ Online

You can see all the resources available for use by members and how to access each by reading the [Guide to BGSJ 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 [BGSJ 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@bgsjinc.com.

Help Us Make BGSJ 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 BGSJ and what you have been doing at your club.



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