

Boone County Sportsmen's Club 2016 Fall Newsletter

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New Format: This newsletter is going to be different ! Range closings will be listed there and only there. Same with other things. We will no longer list things multiple times through out the news letter, so **PAY ATTENTION !!**

Safety: Safety continues to be our number one concern. It is imperative that every member takes responsibility for conducting his or her activities in a manner that protects their own safety and the safety of others. Your club membership is a privilege and as such is subject to revocation for cause. In addition to performing your activities in a safe manner you should also be aware of those around you. If you ever see anyone doing anything that is not safe, write down his or her license number and leave at once. Then please call one of the officers or directors listed on the sign at the gate and let them handle the problem. Each member has been issued a copy of the 2014 rulebook. It is also available for download at our website (boonesportsmensclub.com) **There should be no excuse for not following the rules !**

Information: For the information of our many new members, the "**Old Cabin**" is the one straight ahead of you as you come in the gate. The "**North Ranges**" are all shooting ranges North of that Cabin. The "**South Range**" is located South of that cabin.

Range Closings:

Tuesdays: All rifle and pistol ranges North of the old cabin will be closed at 5:00 PM, May through September. (Over for 2016).

Thursdays: All rifle and pistol ranges North of the old Cabin will be closed at 5:00 pm, May through October.

4th Saturday of each Month: All ranges closed, for handgun matches, from 8:00 AM until noon.

10-23-2016 Women's Handgun Safety Class / Boone P.D. / South Range Closed 8:00 AM till done.

Other Closings: Closings that come in, between newsletters, are posted on the website as we get them. Please check it often and before driving any distance to our range. (www.boonesportsmensclub.com)

Club Hours:

Shooting starts no earlier than 8:00 AM and ends at dusk, or no later than 9:30 PM, which ever comes first. The only exception to this is rule is in September and October when we shoot skeet under the lights on Tuesday & Thursday Nights 'till 9:30 PM. We do not allow limited light shooting except by special permission by the board of directors. We observe these hours to be courteous to our neighbors.

Bench Shooting: With an increase in memberships each year, there is also an increase in use of the shooting benches. If they are all busy when you arrive, be patient or talk with some of the shooters. They might be almost done or invite you to join them.

If you bring your own targets and stands, please place them to the side of the backstops (on the North Ranges), and make sure all shots fired go into the earthen berm. **Please do not place clay birds or any other targets on the framework of the backstops.** Also, please review your new rule book for changes in types of targets allowed and / or banned. We are still having a problem with people bringing ground reactive targets to the range. These targets are banned for specific reasons. Shooters cut large trenches in the sod while shooting these and can not control ricochets from leaving our property. **Read the "Rule Book" !!**

Pistol Shooting: Jim Egeland and crew are running defensive handgun matches on the 4th Saturday of every month. These matches are open to the public. If you own a 9mm or larger handgun, you should come out and check these matches out. If you're not quite sure, you are welcome to come out to see what they are all about. Hearing protection and safety glasses are required ! As always, we run a cold range. No loaded guns allowed until directed by the Range Officer. **Fees for these matches are: \$10 for the first gun and \$15 for 2 guns.** If you have questions about these matches, please contact Jim (290-1994) or any club officer.

Trap & Skeet: Cost per 25 shot round:
Regular Skeet, Trap, or Wobble Skeet / Members - \$ 3.50 / Non-members - \$ 5.00.
Five Stand / Members - \$ 5.00 / Non-members \$ 6.50.
Steve Gus and Rick Howell will continue to run Tuesday nights and Mark Hasstedt is running Thursdays, starting again in May 2017.

Tuesday night trap & skeet runs from May through September. (Over for 2016).
We will continue to shoot trap and skeet on Thursday nights to the end of October, with a chili feed for shooters, on October 20th. If there is bad weather on the 20th, chili night will be moved to the 27th.

We had our 11th. annual "Mike Schmidt - Memorial Shoot" September 20th. This year's winner is Marissa Scadden of Ames, IA. with a high score of 48 out of 50. Congratulations to Marissa and thank you to all of the shooters that came out to compete and partake of the food and fun.

Steve and Rick would like to thank all the people who helped set up and take down the equipment that made the Tuesday night 5 stand shoots possible !

Annual Gun Show: Our 13th annual gun show in August was a success.
We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped with and made the 2016 Gun Show possible, we couldn't have done it with out you ! We hope you will call to let us know if you intend to work the 2017 show. Or just let Mark or Duane know during the year so we know we can count on you. Thank you !

Memberships: You must have a 2017 Membership Card to use our facilities on or after January 1, 2017, when the gate combination changes. **2017 fees are: NRA Member \$50.00 / Non-NRA Member \$70.00.**

*For the benefit of new members that do not know; the reason for the different membership costs is that we are insured through the NRA. They give us a break on the cost of our insurance based upon the number of our members who are also NRA members. The larger the percentage is of our members that are NRA members the cheaper our insurance is. We gladly pass the savings along to those who help us to keep the cost lower. You must provide a **CURRENT** NRA membership number in order to qualify for the reduced annual dues. No Exceptions! You can become a member of the NRA by going to <http://membership.nrahq.org/> or there is a link on our website.*

There is a blank 2017 application on the last page of this news letter. If you use it, pick up one at the gate, or download one from the website to fill out by hand, **Please, print legibly, and / or attach a return address label.** and pay attention to the mandatory fields.

The form on the website is interactive, you can actually fill it out before you print it, but you still have to sign it and make sure it's dated. If you check the NRA box, , you must provide your NRA number.
No Exceptions !

NRA numbers are not kept on file by BCSC from one year to the next.

They are for NRA in case we get audited.

Ways to obtain a membership:

1. Fill out the attached application, sign & date it, and mail it with the appropriate fees to the address on the form.
2. Catch an officer at the club, or on a Tuesday or Thursday trap & skeet night. They can give you a temporary membership, good until you receive your card in the mail.
3. Get an application from the clear plastic box at the gate, fill it out, sign & date it, and mail it with the appropriate fees to the address on the form.
4. If one of the above won't work for you, Steve Gus has agreed to take applications and issue temporary memberships at "Bacon Jewelers" in downtown Boone, where he works, but you may have to be patient and wait for him to finish up with customers first. You should have your application completed, and have your check made out or the correct cash if using this option. Steve shouldn't have to use his boss' money to make change !

New for 2017 applications: *Steve will only accept applications that are typed or have a mailing address label attached.* Since he's at work, it's hard for him to take the time to review each box on the application and we are getting way to many that have to be called or re-contacted to get the spelling or other information correct.

Note: Please be aware that Duane **will not** accept applications hand delivered to his home.

Also, as usual any paid up club members have the right to ask anyone on club property to show their membership card. (Be sure to check that it is for the current year). Our club is for paid up members only!

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Byron (Jake) Hull / Mark Hasstedt

To All Gun Owners :

Let me be very BLUNT !!!

It's no secret that the very principles under which this country were founded are at stake in this election, and **any vote not for Trump at this point is a vote against your 2nd Amendment rights, and a vote for Hillary.**

Even if you decide you don't want to vote for either candidate, and you'll just set this one out, you're helping Hillary to win the White House.

The worst mistake you can make is to think "**she can't do that. It's our constitutional right**". She's telling you she will do everything in her power, to do away with the second amendment, or have the supreme court change it's definition, and if elected, she will have unlimited funds (your tax dollars), to fund her efforts. It won't be easy for her, but she will have another ace in the hole.

The next president will appoint not only Justice Scalia's empty seat, but possibly two more supreme court justices. When you stop to think that Justice Scalia was the tie breaking vote on most 2nd amendment cases that went before the supreme court in the past, the next appointment by our elected president, could tip the scales in either direction. (Depending on the election). We need to make sure we have justices appointed that want to keep the 2nd amendment and the constitution in tact. After all, Hillary said at a political rally that the Supreme Court "**got it wrong**" in Heller. Nothing can be clearer than that ! Don't fall for her " I believe in the Second Amendment", always given with a smile, and "but with some common-sense safety". During the primaries, she continually embraced the massive Australian gun confiscation. Now she's all smiles and trying to cover all that up to fool gun owners.

Don't fall for it !!

The ILA reported, Michael Bloomberg announced in March that he would not run as an independent in the 2016 presidential race, after concluding he could not win and would only siphon votes away from the staunchly anti-gun Democratic party. He wants Hillary in there so bad, to help push his anti-gun agenda, and knows he would be taking away from her voting pool. Even Bernie Sanders conceded in order to help her win and not siphon votes away from her voting pool.

If you do not belong to the NRA, I urge you to join. Sure there's things I don't like about them, including all their mailings, but they are the main fighting source helping to keep the 2nd amendment in tact and you and your guns together.

Here's something to think about. If you buy an annual membership at the Des Moines Gun Show, it costs \$25 (2016 prices). You get into the Gun Show free, saving \$ 7. You save \$ 20 on your membership to the Boone County Sportsmen's Club. Add it up, you just made \$ 2 by joining the NRA and helping them to fight for your 2nd amendment rights. Kind of knocks the wind out of the old "I can't afford to join the NRA", doesn't it.

I urge you to get involved !

Duane Ely