

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

My fellow Sportsmen,

We are "BLUE GRASS"! These 2 words are huge in our world! And I'm proud to be a small part of it! I sure hope you are too. This club is respected throughout the state and then some for it's quality and it's size. Most folks get to the size fairly soon into any conversation and never cover the entire scope of our club. We are as diverse as any organization of any kind. As far as the term diverse is concerned, I like to think that it pertains to the members as well as our facility. I hope every member comes to realize this.

The one thing that is really missed in those conversations is our heritage. As we all know, we each have our own reason for being members of BLUE GRASS. Whether it's to meet folks, shoot at your own convenience or just to sight in your trusty deer rifle, BLUE GRASS will get it done. My reasons are different now than they were when I joined back in 1992. Then, I wanted to be in the shooting sports world in anyway I could. Always wanted to be a sportsman and learn as much as possible about the shooting sports world. My luck has never run on the good side but to join the biggest and best Sportsmen's club in the state and one of the top clubs in the country without even knowing it is just dumb luck on my part.

Now my reasons are expanded. I'm a part of something very special and will stay a part of it for as long as I'll be alive. Those 2 words, BLUE GRASS mean so much to me simply because of what they mean to our world and our heritage. If you are like me when I was new to BGS� then look carefully at this piece of central Kentucky. If you have been here for a long time and don't realize what those 2 words mean to the shooting sports world then please take that same look. The reason most given to me for dropping membership is that they "don't use the club enough and don't find it worth the dues." This seems so foreign to me. I don't understand that position but I do not walk in their shoes.

If you are considering giving up your membership for any reason please take that look at this piece of central Kentucky. Please see the potential and the value BLUE GRASS can be for you.

Hope to see you at the club! (With a guest)!

At Your Service and telling it straight,

Greg Delabar
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PISTOL DIVISION NEWS

The unseasonably warm February weather yielded record participation in IDPA and IPSC matches during the month. Forty-five participants, including eight new comers, shot in the February 19 match. As previously reported 47 participated in the IPSC match two weeks earlier.

Next Meeting

Tuesday — April 5, 7:30pm

Please direct any membership concerns to the BGS� bookkeeper at **859-858-4060** or e-mail at **BGSlic.com**

Watch for the April newsletter to find out if the Cowboys drew a big posse for the opening of their sixth season of Cowboy Action Shooting.

Beginning in April there is pistol-shooting event each and every weekend — three Sunday events and one Saturday shoot. But that is not all

An added event will be a special Cowboy Action Shooting event for the youth. That shoot will be held on Saturday, April 23, beginning at noon with a lunch. The event will be held at the Piston Range with .22 caliber single-action pistols, lever action rifles and side-by-side shotguns. Each youth shooter must be accompanied by a responsible adult, and if the adults behave, they may get to shoot too.

Beginning Wednesday, April 6, the bullseye practice matches will be held at the Pistol Range. Both center and rimfire pistols are shot at 25 and 50 yards. Time 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Match Results and Future Match Dates

USPSA/IPSC: Next match is April 3. Contact: Barry West, (859) 885-9710 or e-mail: vikingtactical@alltel.net.

BULLSEYE: Outdoor matches start April 10. Contact: Glen Wood, (859) 492-4688 or glenwood@clarkmhc.com.

IDPA: Next match will be Saturday, April 16. Contact: Lin Edwards, (859) 273-2768 or rledwards@att.net.

COWBOY: April 24 will be the second match of the year. Contact: Ted Enderle, (859) 263-1230 or foxbend@yahoo.com.

GLOCK: Glock practice matches are scheduled for the fifth Sunday in May and July. The official regional match will be October 29-30, 2005. Contact: Jeremy Kifer, (859) 271-2774 or jrkiifer@insightbb.com

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BLUE GRASS SPORTSMEN'S LEAGUE**Board of Directors****Minutes****Tuesday February 22, 2005****1. ROLL CALL**

President Delabar called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. President Delabar called the roll and a quorum was present.

2. READING OF MINUTES

Secretary Clay Caudill distributed copies of the January 25, 2005 Board Meeting Minutes. Motion #1 by Shaeffer, second by Jacobs to dispense with reading the minutes and to accept the minutes as written. Motion carried unanimously.

3. TREASURER'S REPORT

President Greg Delabar presented the Treasurer's Report. President Delabar mentioned that a meeting for 6-month review of the budget will be forthcoming Motion #2 by Fister, second by Jacobs to accept the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried unanimously.

4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Delabar reported on the Attrition rate for the club. President Delabar also reported that 18 new members joined the club at the most recent new member orientation session on Saturday, February 19, 2005. President Delabar stated that any member who volunteered to be on a committee was expected to do their part toward the committee's goals and objectives.

5. OPERATIONS MANAGER REPORT

Operations Manager Ben Riffell stated that the clubhouse gutter work has been completed. Mr. Riffell reported on various operation activities. Mr. Riffell stated that he also included in the packet a copy of the Kentucky Wildlife Federation Foundation nomination forms for several categories.

6. SECRETARY'S REPORT

President Delabar stated the Secretary Clay Caudill has resumed his position as Secretary to the BGSL. Clay Caudill stated that he is presently working on the Handbook. Mr. Caudill noted that a member has volunteered to be the web master at savings of approximately \$50 a month.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Security - Claude Jacobs reported that the shark teeth will be installed soon. Mr. Jacobs also reported that a security log to be kept by Operations is forthcoming.

Finance - No Report. John Vest asked the status of the insurance bidding packet.

Farm - Terry Hager reported that hay sales to date are \$8,245 and \$1,067 of that was in February. Mr. Hager reported on other farm activities. There were several questions regarding the hay and cattle. Mike Foley stated that the Farm Committee and Operations were doing a great job in generating farm income that will keep the membership dues low.

Constitution and By-Laws - No Report

Wildlife and Natural Resources - President Delabar stated that he is looking for a chairman for this committee. Ben Riffell reported that the turkey shoot is scheduled for March 26, 2005.

Youth Committee - President Delabar reported on the upcoming events for the Youth which are: Hunter's Education /class which will be held on February 25-26, 2005, Reactive targets on March 5, 2005 and Shed antler hunt on March 12, 2005.

Women's Committee - President Delabar stated that on March 5, 2005 the Women's Committee is holding and Carry and Conceal Deadly Weapons Class.

Membership - President Delabar stated that on March 5 and 6, 2005 there will be another Kenny Woods Gun Show at Lexington Center and asked for volunteers to work the booth.

Special Events - Mike Foley reported that the Turkey Shoot was scheduled for March 26, 2005, the Fish Fry Ironman is scheduled for June 18, 2005 and they are working on an Anniversary/Homecoming Party in August and a Sportsman Show.

Clubhouse and Lodge - Claude Jacobs stated that there will be a motion later regarding one of the properties.

8. OLD BUSINESS

1. Law Enforcement Use Policy - President Delabar stated that since the policy had been approved at the last Board meeting, the next step would be to appropriate money for legal counsel for development of an approved contract. There was much discussion by the Board. Motion #3 by Fister, second by Maness to appropriate up to \$1500 for the purpose of hiring a contract attorney. Motion carried unanimously. An additional suggestion to the motion was that the attorney be familiar with the operation of the BGSL.

9. NEW BUSINESS

1. BGSL Kitchen - President Delabar stated that a Food Handlers Class would be on May 5 at 7 pm at the Delabar Lodge. Mr. Delabar stated that the BGSL would pay the fee for any Board member who would like to get their Food Handlers Permit. President Delabar stated that any club member that will be handling food at the divisional level would need to obtain a Food Handlers Permit.

2. BGSL Apparel - President Delabar stated they would be acquiring some

BGSL apparel in the future.

3. Other Business:

President Delabar asked for volunteers to phone members on the September, October and November Drop List to collect their reason for not renewing their membership to the club.

10. MOTIONS:

• **Motion #4** by Vest, second by Hager to allow the use of the Pistol Pit #4 for the Jessamine County 4-H on March 19 and 26, 2005 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

• **Motion #5** by Hager, second by Fister to change the March Cowboy Match from March 27th to March 20, 2005. Motion carried unanimously.

• **Motion #6** by Kass second by Kern to approve the Bass Division to hold a tournament on Dale Hallow Lake on March 5th and 6th, 2005. Motion carried unanimously.

• **Motion #7** by Vest, second by Shaeffer to allow the Jessamine County 4-H conduct a trash clean-up day on the Blue Grass Sportsmen's League property on April 2, 2005. Motion carried unanimously.

• **Motion #8** by Vest, second by Shaeffer to allow the use of the Delabar lodge for the Jessamine County 4-H on March 19, 2005 from 8am to 9am for Firearm Safety training. Motion carried unanimously.

• **Motion #9** by Morgan, second by Kern for approval of the expenditure of \$4380 towards the purchase of two portable electric traps and four transport devices for the above. These portable traps will be placed on the sporting clays course. The money will be expended from the treasury of the skeet and sporting clays division. Motion carried unanimously.

• **Motion #10** by Vest, second by Shaeffer to allow the use of the Muzzleloader Range by the Jessamine County 4-h on March 19, 2004 and March 26, 2005 from 11 am to 1 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

• **Motion #11** by Kern, second by Morgan to declare Saturday, April 23, 2005 as an "Open Event Day" at the Skeet and Sporting Clays Range for the purpose of holding a "New shooters Day" Event for membership growth purposes. In the weather is inclement, we would like to also declare Saturday, April 30, 2005 as a "Rain Day". Motion carried unanimously.

• **Motion #12** by Clubhouse and Lodge Committee (Jacobs, Sutherland and Bowman) to set the rental of the main white house as of April 1, 2005 from \$200 to \$400 per month as per our budget. Our budget has been set at \$400 for the year coming. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

BGSL YOUTH COMMITTEE**(S.C.O.P.E.) Calendar - April 2005***Bring-A-Kid / Teach-A-Kid*

Hello everyone,

The reactive target shoot was a blast. We got to use all kinds of pistols and .22 rifles. The first thing we did was we had lunch at Delabar Lodge. We shot at metal targets that fell over after you shot them, cardboard, oranges, lemons, apples, paintballs, crackers, and LOTS of bottles! It was a great shoot and we had lots of variety.

The shed hunt was great. We had a great hunt too! The weather wasn't even that bad. A huge shed was found and appeared to have just been dropped. We had a lot of fun walking through the woods in parts of the club we had never been in before. This place is a lot bigger than it seems.

Next we have the youth turkey hunt April 2nd and 3rd. This will be our first youth turkey hunt ever! This hunt is for BGSL members only. Anyone over 10 must have an orange card and license. This hunt will follow state guidelines and should be one of the BEST HUNTS EVER!

As always S.C.O.P.E. and BGSL youth events are open to you and any friend's, families and groups that you want to bring or let know about our program.

(Feel free to pass this flyer along to anyone you may feel is interested.)
And there are usually no costs. Come on down to the club and let's have some fun!

Events may be changed or added as opportunities arise.

To stay informed and up to date with the S.C.O.P.E. program:

Email for a monthly email newsletter.

BASS DIVISION

The Bass Division is fired up and ready to launch the 2005-fishing season. The tournament schedule is set and everyone has had a couple of months to get their boats in shape, and their equipment ready for a year of fishing. There are a lot of new partnerships and several new fishermen in the club, and everyone is having their own little strategy sessions. No one knows what kind of adventures this season has in store, but it is sure to be interesting and fun.

Anyone in the BGSJ that fishes is missing a good time if they are not fishing with us. You are welcome to join the Bass Division on their quest for the Big One. Boaters or non-boaters, just contact anyone in the division.

The 2005 schedule is:	March 19-20	Dale Hollow
	April 3	Herrington
	April 16	Cumberland
	April 30-May 1	Barkley
	May 21-22	Barren River
	June 11	Kentucky River
	June 24	Herrington
	July 15	Guist Creek
	Aug. 5	Herrington
	Aug. 20	Cumberland
	Sept. 10	Green River
	Sept 17	Cedar Creek
Youth Tournament	Oct. 1-2	Rough River
	Oct 21-22	Barren River

Classic

By the time you get the next bulletin we will have fished two tournaments, so now is the time to get involved. We will keep you informed on how things are going and who is taking the early lead.

Submitted by: John Lingenfelter, Secretary

Outdoors Women's League News

We have had several successful programs. The ladies of OWL would like to thank John Vest for an informative self defense class in Feb and Mike Pinkston for teaching the conceal/carry class in March. John and Mike, we thank you for all the time you put in and for great instruction. Due to such successful programs we will be working on putting together similar classes in the future.

Future program dates:

April 17th (2:00) – Archery –we will meet to learn about archery and practice at the archery range.

May 21st (all day) – Women on Target – This is a pre registration event. Please call Amy Yeager at 859-93606937, jayeager4@earthlink.net or Rebecca Young at 859-887-3464 for information or to register. We can only accept fifty participants so call soon.

June 11 (tentative) – pistol shoot – watch for details to follow.

July 14th (6:30pm) – Fly Casting Class – we will meet for a picnic dinner and then learn the techniques of Fly Casting.

August 6th (am) – Skeet Shoot – details to follow.

September 23rd – 25th – Becoming an Outdoor Woman event - we are hoping to take a group of women from our club to this event.

If anyone has questions or concerns please feel free to contact any board member listed in the February newsletter.

News from the Skeet and Sporting Clays Division

This division is preparing for a full year coming up. In addition to the already scheduled events listed below there will be some state contest events. NSSA stands for National Skeet Shooting Association and NSCA stands for National Sporting Clays Association. We are re-affiliating with both these groups so that you can shoot registered targets closer to home. New traps have been installed on field two and a new token vendor with footswitch installation will soon follow. We hope to install lighting on the wobble trap field this year to add to your evening activities. Break out your old blunderbuss (or give yourself an excuse to get a new one) and get involved. After all, this is your club. These events are in addition to or coincident with the regularly scheduled evening and Sunday events. Think about who you can bring or send to the April 23rd New Shooters Day. Lots of people want to participate in these sports but don't know where to begin. The Winter Leagues are in session and run through the end of April. Wobble Trap rates have been increased by \$1.00 per round.

BGSJ SKEET & SPORTING CLAYS 2005 SCHEDULE

APRIL		NSSA REGISTERED TARGETS
17TH	Sun	NSCA REGISTERED TARGETS
23RD	Sat	NEW SHOOTERS DAY
MAY		NSSA REGISTERED TARGETS
14TH	Sat	NSSA BLUEGRASS SPRING OPEN
15TH	Sun	SPORTING CLAYS BUDDY SHOOT
22ND	Sun	NSCA REGISTERED TARGETS
JUNE		NSSA REGISTERED TARGETS
19TH	Sun	FATHERS DAY BREAKFAST
26TH	Sun	NSCA REGISTERED TARGETS
JULY		NSSA REGISTERED TARGETS
9TH	Sat	NSCA 100 BIRD TOURNAMENT
24TH	Sun	IRON MAN, NSCA REGISTERED TARGETS
AUGUST		
6TH	Sat	OWL (Outdoor Women's League) SKEET (Volunteers Needed)
14TH	Sun	SUB-GAUGE TOURNAMENT
27TH	Sat	NSCA 100 BIRD TOURNAMENT
28TH	Sun	NSCA REGISTERED TARGETS
SEPTEMBER		
10TH	Sat	NSSA "Lack of Dove" Open
OCTOBER		
2ND	Sun	SPORTING CLAYS BUDDY SHOOT
NOVEMBER		
5TH	Sat	NSSA "Frozen Bird" Open



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Website on the move!

A few changes for the better have been made to the BGSL website. First, we have done a general clean-up of the site: fixing dead links, incorrect e-mail addresses, the new member/renewal page etc.

Second, we have FINALLY put up a workable calendar. The first impression I think you will have is that there is lots going on at BGSL.

Keep watching the website – more to come!

Clay Caudill
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