

# Sportsman Trails

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Photo by Terry Morgan

## Changing of the Guard The Batton is Passed

Electons were held at the September 2007 general membership meeting. Pictured here, top row from left to right are incoming president Bill Blackburn, outgoing president Greg Delabar, incoming secretary, Robbie Mulcahy (center) and bottom row from left to right is outgoing treasurer John Burke and incoming treasurer John Ruland. Not pictured is outgoing secretary Terry Hager. (We tried to take Terry's picture but the camera kept breaking.)

Sportsman Trails caught up with incoming president Dr. William Blackburn to learn more about the man and the plan. Bill is a retired urologist and a member of BGS� since 1982. He is a member of the Trap, Skeet and Sporting Clays divisions and he is passionate about shotgun sports, fishing, hunting and BGS�. Bill and his wife Linda Elam Blackburn have two sons, Harold David and Jeffery Scott. Bill and Linda have one granddaughter Zara Alma Blackburn. (Continued on page 5)

### October Calendar

- 2nd  
General Membership Meeting 7 pm
- 6th  
Applesed Rifle Clinic; New Member Orientation
- 7th  
ATA Shoot; Applesed Clinic; USPSA/IPSC; Muzzle Loader Silver Shoot
- 13th  
HiPower Rifle Match; NRA Basic Pistol Class; Bullseye 2700
- 14th  
ATA Shoot
- 20th  
New Member Orientation; IDPA
- 21st  
Airgun Open Shoot; Cowboy Action Shooting/SASS
- 26th  
Hunter Education Class
- 27th  
Glock GSSF Match; Hunter Education Class; Concealed Carry Class
- 28th  
Muzzleloader Open Shoot; Glock GSSF Match
- 30th  
BGS� Board of Directors Meeting

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## Pistol Division

### Ahlgrim, Foley and Moore took top honors at the Kentucky Multi-Gun State Championship



Trey Ahlgrim, Mike Foley and John Moore

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## Blue Grass Sportsmen's League

# President's Corner



Elections are over and we are about to begin the budget process for our new year. It promises to be interesting. Balancing the budget will require some changes in how the club does business. It may be uncomfortable, painful and maddening as we will be reducing some services to which we have become accustomed. Please keep in mind that the board of directors are elected by the members and are doing their best to insure that BGS� will continue to operate and become more financially sound.

Much has been said about volunteerism in the past. Hopefully we will have some projects which will benefit us all at minimal or no expense to the club.

Please note that the front gate will be closed at all times Monday through Friday. This was done to add value to everyone's membership. Guests may still use the club, but will need to be accompanied by a member and have a guest pass. Remember to bring your gate cards. Bill

### BGS� Board of Directors Meeting Minutes, August 28, 2007

#### ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: Delabar, Hager, Blackburn, Jacobs, Kass, Morgan, Burgess, Maness, Cox, Bowman, Tester, Fister, West, Ruland, Moore, Gehlbach, Caudill, Niblett, and Lyons MEMBERS ABSENT: Burke, Mulchay, Piotrowski, McFadden, Phinney, Sanders, Barnes, Beers, Pinkston Steel, and Ore STAFF PRESENT: Riffell and O'Neill CHAPLAIN: Cottingham

President Greg Delabar called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. Secretary Hager called the roll and a quorum was present.

READING OF MINUTES: Secretary Terry Hager presented the minutes from the July 31, 2007 Board meeting. Motion #1 by Caudill, second by Maness to dispense with reading of minutes and accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously. TREASURER'S REPORT: President Greg Delabar presented the treasurer's report. Dr. Blackburn asked if the Lead Remediation funds have been transferred. President Delabar stated that the transfer has not occurred. There were many questions regarding the financial report. Motion #2 by Fister, second by Kass to not accept the financial report as presented because of the unclear presentation. Motion carried unanimously. OPERATIONS MANAGER REPORT: Ben Riffell reported on the status of the farm equipment that needs repairs. Mr. Riffell also reported on the Range Safety Officer's Class that will be held on Saturday. PRESIDENT'S REPORT: President Delabar expressed thanks to all Board members who has served during the past three years. President Delabar reported that Amy Yeager was hospitalized and asked all Board members to remember her in their thoughts and prayers. President Delabar thanked Tom Cottingham for his attendance at the Board Meetings but also his work with the families of the BGS�. Motion #3 by Bowman, second by Maness to add Tom Cottingham as a member of the Board of Directors. Motion carried unanimously. President Delabar asked all divisions to furnish to the Office Administrator the new Division Contact form. President Delabar noted that Rick Allen will chair the Nominating Committee for the September 4th elections and that all division Vice Presidents was required to serve on the Nominating Committee. President Delabar also noted that the time of the General Membership Meeting was changed from 7:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. COMMITTEE REPORT. Clubhouse and Lodge President Delabar stated no report. Constitution and By-laws President Delabar stated no report. Farm Secretary Terry Hager reported that there was not much happening on the farm except for the repairs for the equipment. Wildlife and Natural Resources. Ben Riffell reviewed the guidelines for the Youth and Member Dove Shoot to be held on Saturday, September 8 and 9th, 2007. Mr. Riffell also noted that the 2007-2008 Hunting Guide was available at the office. Finance. President Delabar stated that was no report except that the new budget will be the top priority for the Finance Committee. Security Chairman Dr. Blackburn stated that there was no report. Youth. President Delabar stated that the youth fishing tournament scheduled for September 8, 2007 was cancelled and replaced by a dove shoot/trap shoot and squirrel rifle shoot on September 8, 2007. AD HOC COMMITTEES: Executive Committee President Delabar stated that the Board member education session will be held on Saturday, September 15, 2007 at 8:00 a.m. at the Clubhouse. This education session is required for all Board members and Division Vice Presidents. President Delabar also stated that the BGS� O&M and Capital Budget Meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 18, 2007 at 7pm at the Clubhouse. All Division Presidents and Directors at Large are required to attend. Membership Committee Tom Cottingham stated that the membership committee would have a booth at the J.D. Crowe Festival on Saturday. Training Committee Richard Gehlbach stated that he would be requesting regularly scheduled conceal and carry classed to be held at the BGS� each month on the 4th Saturday. Technology - Clay Caudill stated that a training session on how to add information to the website will be held on August 30, 2007 at the Beaumont Center Library. Trails - John Ruland stated that Ben has made some of the signs for the trails and they will be installed soon, Signage - President Delabar stated that the Division's request for signage should have been submitted to the Board for approval. OLD BUSINESS: Compensation Administration Policy. President Delabar presented the revised policy and asked approval from the Board. Steve Cox stated that the policy was not flexible enough and restricts rather than gives freedom to the new administration. Terry Morgan stated that if the policy was approved that it could be changed in the future. Dan Fister stated that the policy does not affect the budget and he did not like where the policy is headed. Motion# 4 by Cox, second by Fister to table approval of the proposed policy. Motion carried 12-6. Motion by #5 Blackburn, second by Cox to make Kathy O'Neill a member of BGS� and suspend/forgive initiation fee and dues in recognition of her years of service and her anticipated future service Motion carried unanimously. Front Gate Closure. Motion #6 by Blackburn, second by Cox to close the gate at all times Monday through Friday with access by gate card only. The gate may be open by prior approval of the Board. Motion carried unanimously. Motion #7 by Cox, second by Fister to approve the gate to be opened on Friday, September 7, 2007 for the Airgun Shoot. Motion carried unanimously. 8. NEW BUSINESS: There was no new business. MOTIONS: Motion #8 by Gehlbach, second by Caudill approve a standing CCDW on the fourth Saturday of every month to be lead by an instructor that has met all requirements set fourth in the Training Policy. The dates are: October 27, 2007, November 24, December 22, 2007, January 26, 2008, February 23, 2008, March 22, 2008, April 26, 2008, May 24, 2008 June 28, 2008, July 26, 2008, August 23, 2008. Motion carried unanimously. Motion #9 by Burgess, second by Maness to allow at least ten (10) members of the Christian Archers of Kentucky to join the BGS� exempt from the initiation fee. Motion #10 by Moore, second by Ruland to authorize the Muzzle Loader Division to hold Rendezvous on September 21, 22 and 23, 2007. We request that the gate be opened on September 20th and during the day of 21, 22 and 23, 2007. This is a date change from the previous motion The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m. on a motion by Cox, second by Jacobs.



## Blue Grass Sportsmen's League

### Morgan's Meanderings



**By Terry Morgan**

*Preamble: Unfortunately, you will be reading this article about the first of October and the below mentioned event will have somewhat faded into the past, but I decided to go ahead and let it print because I think our club needs a dose of reality every now and then. By the time this is published, you will have new officers installed and I hope you came to the September meeting and helped with that important task by placing your vote in the hopper or were recorded aloud by the nominating officer conducting the election. Please come out and enjoy your club, no matter what your politics might be.*

I have always found it enjoyable to ramble around and look in upon various activities and try to report them in a manner which could be possibly interesting to others and try to find a bit of humor therein or to add to the mix to try to get a smile or two out of the crowd. Not this time, brother. There is no humor in Muddville tonight. This is not a meander. This is an admonishment. (Don't write me and tell me there is no such word 'cause I just made it up and it is going to stay). To Admonish: (2) to reprove or scold esp. in a mild and good natured manner. (3) to urge to duty; remind; as in reminding someone of their obligations.

Here is some background for those 2250 members that did not come to the last BGSL general club meeting on the first Tuesday evening of August, 2007. Typically, we have approximately 50 or fewer members that attend a general club meeting, not counting any newly recruited members that may have come to an initiation meeting on the same night as a club meeting. On the evening in question, there were 97 voting members and a few others (spouses, interested parties, etc.) in attendance and it was pretty obvious that something was up. There was a tension in the air that was unmistakable. There were members there that had not been seen since pre-historic times. As Sherlock Holmes would say: "Watson, the game is afoot". It had been broadcast in the newsletter and by word of mouth that there would be two constitutional amendment changes that would be read for the final time and voted upon by the membership present. These changes would require a vote of two thirds of the voting members present to carry and become changes to our constitution. In short, one of the changes involved a method of handing over control of

the club from the outgoing board to the incoming board that consisted of an educational meeting to pass the baton (so to speak) from the old to the new without a glitch or slip (insert humorous guffaw of your own choosing here). The second change involved an issue that is dear to the hearts of everyone as well as to their pocketbooks. This second issue had to do with who would have the power to levy the annual dues of members; the membership or the board of directors. As I hope you all know, the current constitution states that the membership shall have control of this function and a change in dues would require a super majority vote of members present at a meeting to make any changes. The board asked that the power to regulate dues be given to the board instead of the membership. I am going to try to leave it in a neutral fashion here because there are many reasons for this request and it is not my purpose to try to sway anyone to be for or against this particular issue. Let us just say that the extra 50 people that showed up for the meeting were there to try to make sure that their side of the issue got a hearing and maybe get enough voters out to the polls to carry the day for their side. This is the American way and I have no quarrel with this. In fact, I endorse it heartily and may the best side win.

Here is the irony of the situation. I am going to use round numbers to make it simple to understand and the numbers are close enough to what actually happened to have little bearing on anything. When issue number one came to the floor for a vote it passed unanimously. Are you following this now? There was not one single vote against a constitutional change. Evidently a perceived need had been met (or the membership present did not give a hoot about it). When the second issue came to the floor, there commenced a level of discussion and speechifying that has not been seen since the Lincoln/Douglas debates. There were several rounds of palaver about the for's and against's of this issue. I noticed a lot of remarks about the need to trust the board to make decisions for the membership but it sort of came out in this fashion: "We trust you but not that much". When the vote was finally called for it was demanded that there be a division of the League. In short, all those for the issue go to one side of the hall and all those against the issue go to the other side. Now keep in mind that this vote required a 2/3 rd majority to carry (that is 66.7%). The vote failed by a

57% to 43% tally. The vote "for" the change failed by 8 votes. Now stop and think about this, you 2250 people who did not come to the meeting. Eight people, who normally never come to meetings anyway, made a decision for you that could affect the club in a lot of ways.

Now please understand here. I am not trying to take sides on this issue. I am trying to impart to you the importance of our American way of doing things. This is so much like our typical public official elections that it hurts. Now, it wasn't the above vote that bothered me so much but it was the thing that came along next that really wound me up on this topic. After everyone regained their seats and order and decorum were restored, the President reminded everyone that there would be an election of officers to the League at the next regular club meeting which would be held at 7:00 PM on the first Tuesday in September. At that point in time he asked for a volunteer to step up and be the chairman of a nominating committee for the upcoming elections. Guess what? Not a single one of those self serving postulants who did all that talking about their club would step forward. It became pretty obvious they were there for one reason. "Kill the dues increase but don't worry about the club. It can take care of itself".

The real issue involved here is not so much whether we should increase our dues but what do we want from our club. There are those who feel that we can simply reduce our services and live within our present means and there are those who do not believe that. In the end, it will be up to the membership to decide this issue and it will start with your selection of officers at the September meeting. Much to my chagrin you will not be reading this until the election has already been held. However, please take it to heart and remember it the next time that we need your services in deciding your clubs future direction.

I finally thought of something humorous to throw in here. "A group of us were discussing various hunting prowess's and lying through our teeth to see who could come out on top. I told these guys that I have gotten a little older and less agile so I have started loading my shot shells with salt. The reason for that is that after I had shot my game, I did not want it to spoil by the time I got over to retrieve it." Believe it.

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## More Pistol Division News



This summer has been a busy one for members of the Pistol Division. Several members competed at the Kentucky Multi-Gun State Championship in Owenboro. Mike Foley won High overall. John Moore was High Junior. Trey Ahlgrim took first place in B class.

Richard Gehlbach and Clay Caudill competed at the North Carolina State IDPA match. According to inside sources, "Gehlbach and Caudill made those North Carolina folks look good!"

In other news, Jerry Chaney won the September 9th Bullseye match and Bill Hart was first expert. Those two, along with Don Gundy, Alan Barcon and Pete Gillis, fired the Tennessee State Championship as Team UltraDOT.

Cowboy Action Shooting which normally takes place the fourth Sunday of the month will be held on the third Sunday in October to allow more range space for Bluegrass Regional Classic X GSSF (Glock) Match October 27 and 28.

The next IDPA match will be October 20. Sign-ups start at 9:30 a.m. The match begins at 10 a.m. For more information contact Lin Edwards – 859-576-3515.

November 4 is the date for the next IPSC/USPSA match. For additional information please contact Barry West, (859) 885-9710.

Carole Bryant  
Pistol Secretary

## Members Only



This is a periodic post of the instructions on how to enter the "Members Only" area of the web site. We have password protected the members area of the web site to control the search sites, such as Google and Yahoo, from cataloging our member information. Thus the "Members Login" needed to access the area. All of our members use the same username and password.

When you click on the "Members Login" button (located below the BGSL Logo), you will receive a User Login dialog box with a Logon Username and a Password. The Username is "bgsl" (without the quotes) and the password is "sportsman" (again without quotes). Please note that the username and password should be in lower case, and that sportsman is spelled with an "a."

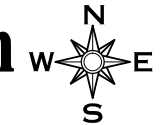
The membership will be notified several months in advance of any username or password change.

If you have any questions or problems, you may contact Richard Gehlbach by e-mail at rdgehlba@gehlbach.com or phone at 859-269-6658.

**S**portsman Trails would like to express its appreciation for Kathy O'Neill and all her hard work as club secretary and also for her kind words of encouragement to this editor during these past several months. Kathy, you will be missed. Good luck to you in all your future endeavors.

Thanks also to the many regular contributors to ST who send their articles in on time, and thanks even to those who don't. (Greg) Without your contributions this newsletter would be a bunch of blank white pages with an occasional meander.

And thank you Troy Harrington for promptly converting the file for the printer every month.



## Walking Trails Open

The BGSL walking trail system is now ready for use! The Dr. Van Meter and Overlook trails established earlier have been cleared and re-worked over the past two months. Some of the previous signage for the Dr. Van Meter trail is in place on the road to the camp ground, and at the entrance to both trails from the meadow east of the Air Rifle range.



Over the next few weeks, on the approximately two miles of trails, additional signs, a trail map and directions will be prepared and will be available at the club house.

Some removal of cleared brush and cuttings remain to be cleared away along the sides of the trails. Any volunteers for the clean-up would be welcome! Contact either John Ruland or Harold Moore at the contact numbers in the Sportsman Trails. Further information is available from Administration or the General Manager.



Pat Barbera, ST Editor

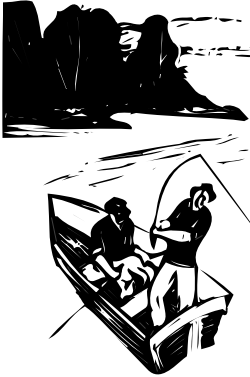
## DON'T FORGET

The front gate will be closed Monday through Friday. A BGSL pass card will be required to enter our awesome facility. Membership has its privileges.

Have fun and be safe.

# Blue Grass Sportsmen's League

## Bass Divsion News



Here it is, August 25th and we are fishing our last night tournament - the last one and the toughest one. We are at Green River and we are fishing from 8:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m., but surprisingly we had a very good turnout with 10 fishermen. Who

says these guys aren't serious?

August fishing is not easy. It is very hot and the water is very hot. The conditions just are not conducive to catching fish, but that is kind of what it's all about, learning to catch fish in all conditions and situations, and besides the weather was beautiful for the fisherman. Being out on the water in a commune with your buddies and nature, it just does not get any better.

The winners of the tournament were: Bobby Brinegar and Harold Rhodus  
2nd Place – Gary Pearl and his guest Tim Reid  
3rd Place – Bob Walker and his guest Dave Nenyewthg.

Big Fish was caught by Dave Nentewthg.

This is about the third time that Bob Walker or his partner have caught the Big Fish of the tournament.

Bob says he can smell them or something. That is scary. Who knows what Bob is smelling. He used to be known as one gallon Bob,(that is another story) but I guess he is now Big Fish Bob.

**Rudy said he caught one fish nine inches long, but his wife says that Rudy has a severe problem with estimating measurements in inches. She seemed to think that it was probable only 5 or 6 inches long. She had a couple of other examples, but I can't remember what they were.**

*(Editor's note: That's funny stuff right there. I don't care who you are.)*

My partner, Chad, was in the process of setting the hook on a fish when a bug flew up his nose. That is up his nose all the way to his throat and he could taste it. It was an interesting little combination of wrestling moves, dancing, and gagging. He missed the fish.

Team Tester had to leave early. Something

about running out of food, or they only had two coolers, or who can fish a 12 hour tournament with only 2 cases of pop. I never really got the complete answer, but maybe they will be more prepared next time.

The weights were so close at the weigh-in that we almost needed a mathematician. They had to go to the second and third decimal point to separate the positions. Bobby and Herald won first place by only 6hundredth of one ounce. The difference between 2nd and 3rd place was only .41 of an ounce. That is very exciting, I don't care who you are.

The next and last regular tournament of the season is at Barron River Lake on September 15th and 16th. That is three weeks after the Green River event because it takes us old guys that long to recover from an all-nighter.

Barren is always one of our best two day trips. If anyone in the BGSL would like to see what this is all about, as this is your last chance of the season. You might find that you would like to join in on the fun next year. Just call anyone in the Bass Division.

Submitted by: John Lingenfelter  
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## The Baton is Passed—Continued from Page 1 (Some tough questions for President Bill Blackburn)

ST: Why are we closing the gate on weekdays?

BB: When the gate is open at all times and anyone has access to our facility, they have all the benefits of membership without the expense and responsibilities required of members. By closing the gate, we give dues paying members the benefit of exclusive use of our facilities and give non-members a reason to join BGSL.

ST: Many members disagree on whether we should or shouldn't farm. What is your position on farming?

BB: The short answer on farming is that there are significant tax advantages for us to continue farming. We are in the process of obtaining expert consultation with regard to best farming practices for our particular situation.

We will continue practices which run in the black.

ST: Are we going to see an increase in the annual dues?

BB: A dues increase may be necessary if the membership concurs with the need.

ST: What are your main goals for the upcoming year?

BB: One goal for this year is a balanced budget, an increase in volunteerism, and improvement in over all condition of the main clubhouse. My main goals are to continue the progress we have made toward a more business-like method of running BGSL and to improve communications between the BOD and the membership.

ST: Thank you for spending some time with ST. Good luck!

## Training at BGSL

### Upcoming Training Events at BGSL

- ⇒ Applesseed Rifle Clinic October 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>
- ⇒ NRA Basic Pistol Class October 13<sup>th</sup> 8am-6pm
- ⇒ Concealed Carry Class October 27<sup>th</sup> 9am-6pm.
- ⇒ NRA Basic Pistol Class November 10<sup>th</sup> 8am-6pm

Pre-registration recommended for all classes. Visit the Training Committee page at [bgslinc.com](http://bgslinc.com) or contact Brandon Ironmonger at 859-879-6997 or [bgfi@adelphia.net](mailto:bgfi@adelphia.net) for more information.

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# From the BGS� Chaplain



I am not a high-tech sort of person. I really don't know what an iPod is. In fact, I don't know what several of the electronic gadgets are that I see advertised on TV. The commercials never seem to tell me what the things do, just that I need one. I have done without them just fine so far, so most likely I will remain in the dark. I did make the transition from a typewriter to a computer a few years ago. Computers are still pretty much a mystery to me, but I have managed to learn to do a few simple tasks with them. Like word processing; writing these articles is so much easier on the computer than on a typewriter. And I can find my way to some really nifty web sites, like <http://bgslinc.com>, or even a few of the on-line fishing and shooting supply companies.

The one aspect of computers I have learned to make use of is e-mail. It lets me keep in touch with friends and brings me pictures of my grandchildren. E-mail also lets me take care of some administrative chores and alerts me to upcoming denominational events. But where I find it most useful is communicating with the Elders and members of *Lansdowne Church*, where I serve as Pastor.

It is very important in the life of a congregation for every-

one to know about what is going on in the church. I send an e-mail post, called *FYI Lansdowne*, to provide information and updates on things like illnesses, surgeries, births and other important events. Most often, these are situations of concern that need prayer, to arrange for help, or to share in joys. I sent one this week to remind everyone of the church cookout this coming Sunday. Everyone seems to like getting such timely information.

I have started doing something similar here at BGS�. It began with sending the *Chaplain's Report* to the club officers and directors, informing them of important events in the lives of club members. A few others learned of the report and have asked to be included. If you, too, would like to receive the *Chaplain's Report* by e-mail, just let me know. The easiest way is to simply send me an e-mail and I will put you on the list. You can reach me at [t.cottinim@insightbb.com](mailto:t.cottinim@insightbb.com).

I guess I will remain mostly low-tech; I will just make use of the technology that is of real help in what I do. My first choice will always be to talk to people face to face. See you at the club.  
Blessings,  
Tom

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## Pointer-Setter Division

Field Trial dates are as follows

October 27, 2007 Chukar trial for division members only  
( Monthly meeting held during the trial.)  
November 3, 2007  
November 24, 2007  
December 8, 2007 (Monthly Meeting will be held during the trial.)  
December 22, 2007  
January 5, 2008  
January 19, 2008 (Monthly Meeting will be held during the trial.)  
February 2, 2008  
February 9, 2008  
February 16, 2008  
March 1, 2008  
March 8, 2008 (Monthly Meeting will be held during the trial.)  
**Work days to do minor maintenance and repair are also scheduled for the following dates:**  
November 24, 2007  
January 19, 2008  
March 1, 2008  
The annual dues for the Pointer Setter Division have been raised to \$20.00.

Thanks  
Tom Weir- Secretary  
Pointer Setter Division



## Blue Grass Sportsmen's League



# BGSL, Skeet & Sporting Clays Struts its Stuff

## Hosts 2007 Kentucky Sporting Clays Championship in Style

By Pat Barbera

Shotgunners from 15 states across this great country were treated to a little southern hospitality, BGSL style, as they converged on the BGSL Skeet and Sporting Clays Division for the 2007 Kentucky Sporting Clays Championship. Two hundred and eighty-nine shooters from as far away as Texas competed in this stellar event.

The HOA (high overall) score of 94 was shot by Hub Johnson. The runner up was Todd Simmons who shot a 90. Other BGSL stand-outs included Mark Hall who finished 2nd in the Master Class

Division. Doug Kovacs was the winner of the AA class followed by Dan Mulcahy who finished 2nd in that division. Charlie Becknell finished 2nd in B class. Fred Foster was the winner of D Class followed by Robbie Mulcahy who was 2nd in that division. Randy Couch finished 4th in E Class. Congratulations guys! We're all real proud of you.

This was BGSL's first time hosting the annual event and it went off without a hitch thanks to the dedication and hard work of many volunteers from our club. Hats off to all of you. You're an inspiration to the entire club.



**S**keet and Sporting Clays bids farewell to Bruce Fisher who left his position as range manager in August. Bruce is moving to Utah to be closer to family. We're going to miss you, Bruce and the sweet aroma of those Churchills and Rothschilds. Good luck and best wishes from all your friends at BGSL and S&SC.

*Skeet & Sporting Clays Division holds open shoots every Thursday from 2:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., and Fridays from 2 p.m. to dusk or earlier, (no late shoot under the lights on Fridays), and Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The last sporting clays squad leaves at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.*



The registered trap season is slowly winding down here in Kentucky. We continue to shoot on Thursday nights and would like to invite everyone down to the trap range. Shooting at night will be a welcome relief to the severe heat and will satisfy that urge to pull the trigger. We had a great Labor Day Shoot, "The Blackburn Classic", and some great scores were shot. We may have to put a stop to letting Kevin Parrott and Steve Richardson shooting together. Kevin broke 99 in the doubles and Steve broke 100. Steve also broke 99 from the back fence in the final handicap. Good shooting guys. Diana Crawford has been shooting "lights out" on singles, breaking 198 at the BBC at our club and winning a trophy at the Grand American Trapshoot in Sparta. David Riddle won three trophies at the Grand. You could not believe how hot it was in Sparta but our club was represented well. Congratulations to our trophy winners. I told Trapper, my son, that I was going to whip him everyday at Sparta and he promptly

put me in my place breaking 99 on the first hundred he shot in Sparta. The old man was humbled and proud in the same day. It seems several members came down with "Perazzi Fever" at Sparta, but thank goodness, they got their antidotes. Hope you boys like your new "toys".

Also, we want to congratulate the Skeet and Sporting Clay Division which held the largest Sporting Clays State Championship in the history of the state in that event. I believe what was to be most admired was the amount of volunteering that went on and the cooperation of the that division that helped to make it such a success. Way to go guys!

Come on down to the trap range and "smoke a bird, trap style"

*Charlie Becknell*  
*VP of Trap Division*

**Trap Division — Weekly open shoots on Thursdays  
from 5:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m.**

