

# **Broome County Sportsmen's Association**

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**NEWSLETTER April – May - June 2022**

**\*\* 1<sup>st</sup> Annual BCSA Sporting Gear Flea Market \*\***  
**\*\* Saturday May 21<sup>st</sup> 2022 9 AM – 5 PM \*\***

## **President's Letter**

There has not been a lot of national legislative action against guns lately, but the ATF has taken the message from the administration, and is currently trying to bureaucratically change definitions to limit gun rights. Also, local and state governments have been busy doing the same. Remain vigilant!

We are an NRA (National Rifle Assoc.) affiliated club, and support that organization. We encourage membership. We can help you join at a discounted rate. Contact our membership director for information. We also provide instruction in basic gun safety and handling through the NRA Youth rifle program just completed in March. Plan for next year.

Most of our Board of Directors attended the local Friends of the NRA dinner to help support that organization. I recommend for our members to attend next year. We will share the Facebook link to that dinner on our site next year when we know more. We have benefited from Friends of the NRA grants that have been used to improve the club.

We are hosting a Sportsmen's Flee Market in May.

It has been a year using Facebook for our calendar, we have tried to duplicate this information in the newsletter, and on the website. We are not completely happy with this set up yet, but we are learning tricks to make it work.

We are starting to let out the great room for events, we are working on formalizing forms, costs and procedures. At this point it is still for club and organization use. We hope to make it available for member event use soon.

For our new members we do have some organized spring and summer shooting events and leagues. There are CMP high power rifle matches, and an outdoor pistol league. I can put you in touch with the right person if you email me, now preferred. There is a contact list herein.

**An important note:** Concerning 5.7x28 hand gun round on the indoor range, there was damage to the backstop, from that round. We are now considering this a magnum round due to the velocity. We cannot allow the use of such a high velocity firearm on that range for that reason. (no, we did not know either until now), but that round had become more popular, please keep it on the rifle or pistol range. No use on the indoor range or middle range steel plates either.

Until next time, have good and safe day.

Sincerely,

*Jeffrey Culver*, BCSA President

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## **KEEP OFF THE GRASS !**

Rule 10 in BCSA member rules- **NO** vehicles on club grounds other than in parking lots.

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Hosts its 1<sup>st</sup> annual**

**SPORTING GEAR**

**FLEA MARKET**

**Saturday, May 21st 2022**

**9 AM - 5PM ~ Rain or Shine**

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## **DOOR CODES**

The 2021-2022 door lock upgrade has been completed and the transition went very well. All previous four-digit door codes have been changed to five-digit codes. Every BCSA Club Member has their own door code. If you are an Indoor Range member, your door code works both the front door and the Indoor Range Door. There have been a couple minor issues that were quickly solved. If you have any issues or questions, please let me know. The quickest response will be if contact me by e-mail at [treasurer1@bcsportsmen.org](mailto:treasurer1@bcsportsmen.org).

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## **NEWSLETTER**

The BCSA Newsletter will continue to be mailed through the US Postal Service. It can also be e-mailed to you, if you prefer, or conveniently viewed on our website **[www.bcsportsmen.org](http://www.bcsportsmen.org)**. If you would like to change your newsletter delivery method, please make a note on the renewal form or contact me which would save on postage and paper. When you contact me to change your delivery method, give me your name, address and membership # and let me know if you would like it e-mailed or if you prefer to read it on the web page

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## Volunteers

There are several work details scheduled for the Flea Market Event in May. Your help would be greatly appreciated if you are available!

## NRA Membership

If you are not a member of the National Rifle Association (N.R.A.) and are considering joining, we offer discounted N.R.A. Membership fees as the Broome County Sportsmen's Association is an N.R.A. Recruiter. If you are already a member and renew through the B.C.S.A. you will be entitled to the discounted fee as follows:

1 year -\$35 (reg. \$45) 3 year -\$85 (reg. \$100) 5 year -\$125 (reg. \$150) Life - \$1000 (reg. \$1,500)

If you plan on joining the NRA (or renewing), an application with a business reply envelope can be mailed to you just send a request via e-mail (preferred method) to me at: [treasurer1@bcsportsmen.org](mailto:treasurer1@bcsportsmen.org) or you can call 607-204-0611 and leave a detailed message.

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## RANGE CLOSINGS

Will be posted as far in advance as possible.

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## **Calendar of Events**

Please contact Paul Rurka as Calendar coordinator at [calendar@bcsportsmen.org](mailto:calendar@bcsportsmen.org) to schedule events.

The calendar of events is now located on the Broome County Sportsmen's Club Facebook page. Go to the BCSA Facebook page or go to the BCSA website and click on the Facebook page link on the Home page and then click on the Events link located on the left column of the Facebook page.

## **Middle Range**

Rule 7 in BCSA member rules : NO centerfire rifles or shotguns on this range. One of our expert riflemen has blasted 2 holes thru a steel plate while exhibiting their rifle shooting skills at the long range of 15 yards. You should be proud of your marksmanship at 15 yards. If you watched this and did not notify a board member, shame on you. Your dues paid for the steel plates; respect club property.

## **Vintage Military Rifle**

Vintage Military Rifle matches will be on Wednesdays at 1PM on the following dates: May 18/ June 8 & 22/ July 13 & 27 / August 10 & 24.

Bring your M 1/ 03-A3/ Mauser/ Arisaka/ M 1 carbine/etc to the rifle range for a 30 round match at 100 yards. 10 shots prone slow fire; 10 shots prone rapid in 80 seconds; 10 shots standing slow fire. This match is designed for vintage shooters (geezers) that want to shoot their classic rifles. No MSR (modern sporting rifles) in the vintage matches. Cost \$5 per match. No trophies, only bragging rights. Contact Jim Fitch for info.

## **Current status of logging**

Almost all of the logging is complete on the south side facing the ranges. They have pulled out due to wet ground conditions. They will be back after the ground dries out to allow for rebuilding the roads and drag paths. We will have to close the ranges again for a couple of days when conditions permit. We will keep you posted as far in advance as we can. Thanks for your cooperation.

## **Jr Program**

We want to thank all who participated in the 2022 winter Jr. Rifle training program. We had 8 people complete the training that ended March 3, 2022. We were able to work around bouts of Covid and the delays due to weather but everyone enjoyed the experience especially in our brand new meeting room! Many thanks to our Board Members who helped with the program (Dave Stratton, Paul Rurka, Jeff Culver, Rick Micha, Jamie Szenher and Larry DeBusk). Give some thought for this program next year for anyone you know over 12 years of age that wants to learn gun safety and basic rifle shooting instruction. This is an official NRA Basic Rifle Course and we look forward to having an updated digital presentation on our big screen next year! We will keep you posted, you can contact us at the BCSA web page (youth rifle). Thanks, Ken Gill, Jr Rifle Program





### **A Safety Reminder**

#### **No cross shooting on indoor or outdoor ranges!**

Maintain your shots to the lane you are on. Cross shooting creates errant shots that will cause damage to the building on the indoor range and out of bounds shots on the outdoor range with no protection.

As always please be aware of what is behind your target and beyond.

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