# **WGC Newsletter**



### Watauga Gun Club

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### Club Hours

8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday.

8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday

1 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday

#### We are on the web!

www.WataugaGunClub.com

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# **December Member Meeting**

The December Member Meeting will be held at 7PM on Thursday December 8<sup>th</sup>.

The following prospective member has submitted an application for membership.

Richard Thompson, Boone

If any current members have any concerns or objections regarding the prospective member, please contact a club officer before the final vote at the December meeting.

The election of club officers will be conducted at the December meeting. No write in votes or proxy voting will be allowed.

The following members have expressed intent to occupy offices and will be on the ballot:

Morgan Shaw, President

# December 2022

Daniel Tollison, VP Jason Dancy, Treas. Jenna Isenhour, Secretary Marc Scott, Range Officer Berny Byrnes, Membership Coord. No Volunteers, Chief Instructor

Also to be discussed at the December members meeting for member approval will be use of the range by the High Country Shooters youth team. The team desires to use the Quonset hut on Tuesday evenings and Bay 3 on Saturdays from 2-6 PM beginning December 17. The team also has a tentative date for a scrimmage on February 11 that will require range closure.

# 2023 Membership Renewals Due

We have received a good number of renewals to date. As a reminder, if dues are not paid by February 1, 2023, the membership expires. After that date, there will be no renewals, only new member applications. A member that has allowed their membership to expire will have to reapply for membership, go through the two-month new member approval process, pay associated fees and attend the new member orientation class. Please do not let your membership expire.

# Prayers and Best Wishes for Terry Julian

Our Chief Instructor and all around great gent has recently been in the hospital and we have learned that he is doing well and on the mend. Our prayers and very best wishes go out to Terry for a healthy and speedy recovery.

# Club First Aid Kit(s)

If any member who has some medical training or knowledge would like to assemble or recommend a suitable first aid kit or kits, please contact Morgan Shaw. Contact information is on the web site. Our current first aid kits are in need of updates and/or replacement. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

## **Rimfire Benchrest**

The November match started out cold with a brisk wind. While the wind abated a bit and the temperatures rose, it was a tough day for scoring. The shooters did have fun though, as is always the case. There is plenty of room for new shooters to give the discipline a try. Come on out for the next match on December 11<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM and meet some new friends. The entry fee is \$5 per rifle. More info at

https://wataugagunclub.co m/rimfire-benchrest-rifle/

# Blue Ridge Claybreakers

There will be a Big 50 registered shoot on Sunday, December 11. Be prepared to sign in around 1PM. See you there!

# Web Site & Newsletter

The web site is maintained for member use. Please familiarize yourself with the available information. The webmaster position is being maintained by the Publicity Officer, however a more experienced webmaster is needed. If you are familiar with Word Press and have an interest in becoming webmaster, please contact the Publicity Officer through the web site.

Also, news important to members as regards recent and future happenings in addition to relevant information from Executive Committee meetings are published monthly in the club newsletter. There is no reason for any member to claim they are/were uninformed as regards any content.

#### **Range Updates and Access**

With the new gate hardware and software, some members have difficulty with gate access. If this happens to you and you are a current member in good standing, you can call either VP Dan Tollison (336-620-2771) or RO Marc Scott (336-620-0217). If no answer, a return call can be expected as soon as either is available. Dan, his wife Angela and Marc have put in many hours trying to work bugs out of the newly entered member data. We appreciate their hard work.

The removal of the large boulder in the bank of Bay 2 was approved for removal by membership at the November Member Meeting. The work is tentatively scheduled for sometime in December. Solicitation for bids for concrete work to replace the rotted wood ramp and add a ramp into the picnic area are in process. Our RO Marc Scott has negotiated our waste services costs down from \$350 per month to \$180 per month by signing on with our present collector for three years. This is a significant reduction. Well done Marc!

The Executive Committee has voted to change their monthly meeting dates to the last Tuesday of each month, beginning in January. There will not be an EC meeting in December, unless necessary.

During the cold months, the gas heater in the clubhouse remains on low. If members raise the thermostat while using the clubhouse – remember to return the thermostat back to how it was found. Do not turn the heater off. If you are unfamiliar with the operation of the heater, it may be best to just leave it alone. Any problems or concerns about the gas heater should be addressed to our RO, Marc Scott.

### **Range Etiquette**

Please watch muzzles, and be aware that you are responsible for your guests.

Keep targets at appropriate height so as to ensure projectiles impact the bank for each bay. Clean up your trash! Make sure the clubhouse is closed and locked when you leave. Look at the calendar before proceeding to the range. This is your club - take responsibility!

Note: Mowing is now discontinued until Spring. Wednesdays are now clear from 8 AM until 6 PM.

A Very Merry Christmas and Happy Holiday Season to All!