

# WGC Newsletter

January 2023



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### 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](http://www.WataugaGunClub.com)

## January Member Meeting

The January Member Meeting will be held at 7PM on Thursday January 12<sup>th</sup>.

The following prospective members submitted an application for membership at the December Member Meeting.

David Forbes  
Keith Forbes  
Tim Allan Hunt  
John Waters  
Daniel Blackwelder  
Sam Ratchford  
Mark Hill

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

Per the results of the membership vote at the December Members Meeting, the following officers were elected for 2023:

Morgan Shaw, President;  
Daniel Tollison, VP;  
Jason Dancy, Treas;  
Jenna Isenhour, Secretary;  
Marc Scott, Range Officer;  
Berny Byrnes, Membership Coord;  
Terry Julian, Chief Instructor; and  
Mark Robertson, Publicity Officer.

As there was not an Executive Committee meeting in December, the agenda for the January Members Meeting may be light on topics. This would be a very good time for any club member with suggestions on how to improve our club in the coming year or concerns with how the club is functioning to add such constructive discussion to the meeting. The club officers cannot be responsive to any important suggestions or concerns they are unaware of. Take part in the direction of your club.

## 2023 Membership Renewals Due

We continue to receive 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.

## 2023 Discipline Directors

Our Range Officer, Marc Scott, is setting up the range use calendar for 2023. Marc has requested confirmation from the various discipline directors as regards their requirements for match set up and match dates. Marc can be reached via email as listed on the club web site or via text or call at 336-620-0217.

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## Club First Aid Kit(s)

We would again like to ask assistance from any member who has some medical training or knowledge and would like to assemble or recommend a suitable first aid kit or kits to keep on hand for use at the range if needed. If you can help, 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.

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## Rimfire Benchrest

The December match started out great with mild temps and very little wind. As the match progressed into the afternoon conditions became windier and colder. There were some very good scores posted early on, particularly with the light rifles. There is plenty of room for new members to give the discipline a try. Come on out for the next match on January 15<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM and meet some new friends. The entry fee is \$5 per rifle.

More info at

<https://wataugagunclub.com/rimfire-benchrest-rifle/>

## Blue Ridge Claybreakers

Normally, team practice sessions are held each Sunday beginning at 2PM. Check the calendar on the club web site. Other shooters may also attend these practices. It is inspiring to watch these young shooters and to appreciate their talent earned through their dedication and practice. Check the club calendar. There is a \$5.00 fee per round for club members, \$6.00 for guests/non-members.

There will be two Big 50 registered shoots in January. January 8 and January 22. Check in for a registered shoot begins promptly at 1 PM. Be there.

<https://m.facebook.com/BRCBWGC>

## 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.

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## Range Updates and Access

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 now tentatively scheduled for January 1 and January 2. Weather may set this schedule back, so it is recommended that members check the range cameras before travelling to the club in anticipation of using Bay 2.

Solicitation for bids for concrete work to replace the rotted wood ramp and add a ramp into the picnic area are in process.

As a second notice to members the Executive Committee has voted to change their monthly meeting dates to the last Tuesday of each month, beginning in January.

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.

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## 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!

***Happy New Year to Everyone.***

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