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# Berrien County SPORTSMAN'S CLUB, Inc.

2985 Linco Road, Berrien Springs, MI 49103

## April 2020 Club Newsletter

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### Letter from the Editor

*Fellow BCSC members:*

*There's a lot of uncertainty during this difficult time and I hope that all of our members are staying healthy and safe. Many club activities including scheduled shoots and other events have been put on hold. Please take a few minutes to read this newsletter to learn more.*

*As always, if you have anything you'd like to see in the next newsletter, drop me a line at [editor@bcsportsmansclub.com](mailto:editor@bcsportsmansclub.com).*



*Best regards,*

*Cean Burgeson*

Newsletter Editor/BCSC Board of Directors

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### A LETTER FROM OUR CLUB PRESIDENT

As you may all know by now, we have an order by the Governor of Michigan to Shelter in

judgment and my duty as club President to keep the club inline with this order. I have canceled all club-sponsored activities and events until the order expires.

Below you will find the announcement that is on the website. You will also find an announcement to cancel Trap and Skeet. I have informed Jerry not to engage in any Club business. His responsibility will strictly be clubhouse security. Any club business will be handled by myself or the appropriate member. I will post sign on Clubhouse door. No club buildings will be open for use. All outdoor areas will be open for Club members only (no guests). Your Gate card will still work for access to the rifle and pistol ranges. Access to fishing, archery ranges, and the campgrounds are still open. Trap and Skeet will be closed.

Cook security and local law enforcement agencies may be using the ranges for training purposes. This ensures their certification and provides safety for all of Berrien County. During this time, please remember to follow all Club policies and procedures. While on Club grounds, it is necessary to sign-in and out at the clubhouse entryway. Please practice social distancing as well as carrying hand sanitizer on your person or in your vehicle.

Stay safe,

*Jason Grimm*

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**Statement on the website:**

*The Berrien County Sportsmans Club has canceled all events and club-sponsored activities while Executive Order 2020-21 (COVID-19) is active. This is a temporary requirement to suspend activities that are not necessary to sustain or protect life. Michigan's Stay Home Stay Safe Order is now in place through April 13, 2020. Per this order, only Club Members will be allowed on Club Grounds. All members must follow the requirements of this order -- "Individuals may leave their home or place of residence, and travel as necessary: To engage in outdoor activity, including walking, hiking, running, cycling, or any other recreational activity consistent with remaining at least six feet from people from outside the individual's household."*

Any questions regarding the above or other Club business, please contact Jason Grimm at (269) 927-1793 or (269) 876-0198.



It has come to our attention that someone has been using high caliber pistol rounds to shoot the steel targets on the pistol range. Because of the damage being done, we are now limiting the largest caliber allowed on that range to 45 Long Colt.

## RANGE SAFETY CLASSES

May 4 - TBD

June 1 - TBD

July 6 - TBD

August 3 - TBD

September 14 - TBD

October 5 - Jim Hausmann

November 2 - Jim Essig

December 7 - TBD

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### NOTICE:

*The Executive Board / September Membership meeting is being moved from September 2nd to September 9th.*

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## 2020 Action Pistol Dates Announced

Hello AP Shooters:

The outdoor Sunset Coast Regional is scheduled for May 16, 2020. The State of Michigan Championship will follow on May 17, 2020, to be held at the Berrien County Sportsman's Club. Note: Club members can register at a discount for \$40.

*Check the May newsletter and club website for updates on this event.*

*Martin Prillwitz*



## REMINDER:

**Hunting or shooting of any animals  
on club property is not allowed.**

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### **CMP SHOOTS FOR 2020**

Below are the dates for the 2020 CMP program at Berrien County Sportsman's Club. All shoots this coming year that are on Sundays will start at 8 a.m. on the rifle range, except for the "Saturday" Aug. 22 shoot, which will start at 7:20 a.m.

Please note that all shoots are on the second Sunday of the month, except for October shoot, which will be on the first Sunday.

Added this year, there will be two shoots in August. The regular Poker Shoot on Aug. 9, and a 200-yard shoot. For questions, call Gene Herrman (269) 465-5026.

***Due to the recent national health concern, the May 3 CMP Shoot will not be held. The next scheduled shoot will be held on July 12, and that will be a Rattle Battle. Any changes to this cancellation notice will be posted on the club website.***

***Thank You, if you have any questions feel free to call Gene Herrman at:  
(269) 465-5026***

**July 12, 2020** - Rattle Battle

**Aug. 9, 2020** - Poker Shoot

**Aug. 22, 2020** - 200-yard shoot

**Sept. 13, 2020** - CMP or Poker Shoot

**Oct. 4, 2020** - Military Bold Shoot

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## A FEW NOTES ON RANGE ETIQUETTE

Just a little note on some things that we need to consider when we are using the rifle ranges at the club. Please respect the club rules when you are on the ranges.

If you have a guest, explain the rules to them before you begin. Make sure you are signed in at the clubhouse prior to shooting. The use of our ranges is a membership privilege, so once used they should be left in the best condition that we can possibly leave them.

There are trash barrels for shot expired or unwanted targets, and a misfire tube by the target house for any misfires you may have. If you see debris that was left from another shooter or was blown by wind onto the range, please take a moment to remove it. You will save Jerry the time of removing it before he mows the range.

Please police your brass or shotgun hulls from the range. We know that it is impossible to find all of your rifle brass, but please do your best, as this can also cause problems for Jerry when he mows.

When placing targets on the range, they need to be set so that you are shooting into the back berm. Please take the time to aim and make sure you do not shoot the wooden frames that hold the targets. It is very easy to get slivers when moving or setting the wooden target holders that are shot up. When placing our targets we need to make sure that they are set high enough, so there is no chance of the shot impacting the ground before hitting the back berm, as this could cause a ricochet.



Before we shoot, we need to make sure we know where our shot will impact. All shots should be shot perpendicular or straight on the backstop. With these ideas in mind we will keep our club ranges safe and clean for all our members to use.

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*Gene Herrman*

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## CAMPGROUND LOTS AVAILABLE

Several lots in the Berrien County Sportsman's Club Campground are now available. The lots have electricity and campers have access to running water and toilets. The campground offers a dump station. The vacancies will be filled on a first-come-first-served basis. The cost is \$100 per month or \$1,200 per year. To reserve the open lot, or for more information, call Les Herrman at (269) 429-9962 and talk to the machine. I will get back to you in the order that calls come in. Please leave me valid phone numbers.

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