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## Buffalo Creek Gun Club, Inc.

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Thanks to all of the members and guests who attended the 2015 BCGC Annual Membership Meeting on January 17. We had 130 in attendance, a 75% increase over last year's Annual Meeting. Those that could not attend missed a great event. I hope you will attend next year.

We gave away about 30 Door Prizes including, a Lyman .54 caliber Muzzle Loader, donated by BCGC Member Gregg Randall, won by BCGC Member Jim Barkdull; an H&R .22 Target Rifle, donated by BCGC and won by BCGC Member John Carter; a High Power Shooter's Cart, donated by Polly Starr and won by BCGC Member Del Befus. Thanks to all of the members who donated the many other items (too many to list here).

The "Silent Auction" consisted of three rifles; an H&R .22 Target Rifle won by BCGC Member Bob Carter, with a winning bid of \$475; a Kimber .22 Target Rifle, which was also by Bob Carter, with a winning bid of \$400; and a Savage 93R17 Rifle, donated by BCGC Charter Member Ed Keller with the intent that the proceeds will go to the Juniors Program, and won by BCGC Member Devin Weekley, with a winning bid of \$250.

Our 2015 BCGC Raffle for the CMP H&R M1 Garand Rifle being won by BCGC Member Pete Jend. Thanks go out to the 62 members and 7 non-members who purchased the 250 Raffle Tickets. This Raffle earned \$3,235 for your Club.

BCGC Member Dave Sullivan gave an eloquent presentation on long time member Jim Starr, now deceased. Jim was instrumental in producing the best Juniors shooting program in the nation. His time, effort and dedication, positively influenced the lives of many young shooters and he will forever be remembered by this Club and the High Power Shooters throughout the community. The Club will soon erect a Red Flagstone in on the 600 yard shooting line in his memory.

Thanks,

Owen Maddox

President, BCGC

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## Upcoming Events

### Memorial Day Weekend.

The range opens to the public.

For a full listing of upcoming clinics, matches, and shooting events, be sure to visit our website:

[BCGC.COM](http://BCGC.COM)



## Buffalo Creek Steel Challenge

By: David Stockton

Clank, Clank, Clank. What is that sound you hear? It's the sound of lead hitting a steel plate.

In the event you have not heard the news, the BCGC has formed a Steel Challenge Club (SCC) as a separate entity within the overall Buffalo Creek Gun Club. There were three competitions held during the last three months of 2014 and they were open to all club members. As word got out, participation increased quite a bit. In fact, during the December match we had 22 shooters.

The Steel Challenge Match is a way to test your marksmanship skills while controlling the surge of adrenalin created during any competitive event. You are really shooting against the clock at a predefined course commonly known as a "stage." A stage consists of five plates, one of which is a stop plate. If a plate is missed the shooter gets a 3 second penalty if he/she chooses to go to the next target without a successful hit. The "stop plate" signifies the end of the string or round. If the "stop plate" is missed the shooter incurs a 30 second time scored, which is the maximum allowed.



The meets welcome shooters of all skill levels; they are fun and can be lively. We abide by SCSA rules for our matches with a couple of exceptions to assist less experienced shooters. For instance, in matches outside our club shooters must draw their pistol from a holster. Recognizing that not everyone is comfortable with that, we allow shooters to have their guns drawn and pointed at a designated safe spot prior to the clock starting if they choose to do so.

Again, it is a timed event - the whole idea is to have a bit of fun and to test your skills in a semi-stressed event. The target arrays are about 12 to 25 yards from the shooting box. They look smaller than they are but you can hit them with a single attempt. You'll find three people on the course during a shooters round - the shooter, the Safety Officer who is also the time keeper and a score keeper.

The plan is to have two competitions per month starting in March. We will have one on the first Thursday and third Saturday of each month.

One of the ranges will be closed between 11:00 am and range closure to accommodate the event. Also, there will be a class held in the spring to teach you how to shoot in a competitive environment. I along with the members of the BCGC SCC want to encourage you to participate in these matches. I can't tell you how much fun it is. YOU just have to come out and experience it for yourself. Match sign up on the BCGC website is mandatory and shooters who have not previously participated in a Steel Challenge Match will attend a safety briefing at 10:30 am.

Hope to see you there.



## Sign up now to volunteer!

For those of you who want to ensure you get your choice of "work days" in for 2015, you can go to the BCGC website: [bcgc.com](http://bcgc.com) and click on the "GunShow Schedule" or "GateKeeper Schedule", pick your desired work days & email them to Sam Morris or Dabney Crump.

## Kids are our future!

Increasing the numbers of young shooters is vital to the long term health of shooting sports.

BCGC has recently partnered with the 4H program to allow use of the range by their shooting program.

The .22 Rimfire Benchrest matches are a natural for introducing young shooters to competition. These matches are also a great way for older shooters interested in competition to improve their skills.

While these new programs are fantastic, BCGC still needs a Junior's Director. Anyone interested is encouraged to contact the board.

Another great way to get kids involved is through the AR clinics. AR15's are low recoil, high fun factor rifles. Check out the BCGC website for more information.



## In the Community

### Missouri Bullet Company

Missouri Bullet Company gives BCGC members a 5% club discount on all orders.

The following discount code has been set up for our club:  
bcgc-gc

The discount code should be entered in the promo box during check out (exactly as shown) in order to receive the 5% club discount.

<http://www.missouribullet.com/>

816-597-3204

### NRA Membership Renewals

For a 1 year membership go to our website: [bcgc.com](http://bcgc.com) You save \$10 and the Club gets an additional rebate from the NRA. If you want a multi-year extension for a much better deal, call Owen Maddox, NRA Recruiter, at 720-250-6075. Not only do you save a lot on the membership, but the Club also gets a good rebate.

### T-Shirts are available:

You can take a look at our T-Shirts on the tab "BCGC Tradin Post."

Short Sleeves: \$15 each

Long Sleeves: \$20 each



## BUFFALO CREEK GUN CLUB INTRODUCTION TO .22 RIMFIRE BENCH REST SHOOTING

This is an introduction to .22 rimfire benchrest shooting using the USBR 50 yard target - three sighting and 25 record bulls. This match will generally follow the US Rimfire Benchrest Association Rules.

We will have eight positions setup at 50 yards for the experienced (Target Class) shooters and four positions set up at 25 yards for new shooters. Any .22 rimfire rifle with any sight may be used.

The course will consist of unlimited sighters and 25 shots for record.

Front rest, if used, must be topped with some form of sandbag. Sandbags must be made of leather or cloth. Front and rear rests, if used, will not be connected to each other, the bench or the rifle.

One round only will be loaded directly into the rifle or one round may be loaded into a magazine and the magazine reloaded for every shot.

This will be a relay match capable of accommodating a total of 12 shooters per relay - eight at 50 yards and four at 25 yards.

### **MATCH SCHEDULE:**

- Competitor target assignment 8:45 to 9:00
- Equipment setup, instruction, unlimited sighters and target replacement - 9:00 to 9:30 (First Relay)
- 25 shots for record with unlimited sighters 9:30 to 9:55
- Cycle will repeat if there are additional relays

### **EQUIPMENT NEEDED**

- .22 rimfire rifle with appropriate ammunition
- Eye and ear protection
- Sand bags and rest if desired
- Empty chamber indicator (will be provided if you do not have one)
- Spotting scope, binoculars or rifle scope capable of seeing .22 rimfire holes at 25 or 50 yards.