

BALDWINSVILLE ROD & GUN CLUB, INC.

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President's Message

Welcome to Summer! Our club is in full Summer mode, the shooting is great and the grounds crew is mowing! Despite the really rainy spell and now the drought, the grounds look great and we have accomplished quite a few projects. If you have not been to the club lately you will be surprised as you pull into the driveway. What's this?? Yes we have a new gate! Out with the old padlock and in with a new electronic, power gate! Since you don't have to leave your vehicle to unlock, then lock the gate behind you I know you will be smiling! Keep that smile on your face because we now have new video cameras in place!

Summer is a busy time for everyone. Graduations, Weddings, Vacations, Family events, yard work, etc., all consume our time. Please be sure to set aside a little time to come out and enjoy **YOUR** club.

Joe Bill, President

Club Improvements

We have made some significant improvements to the club this year. The new power entry gate is the most obvious. Thank you to Arrow Fence for the nice installation. New video cameras and a recorder have been installed. There will be 10 cameras when fully installed. Next time you are in the clubhouse check out the views on the system monitor. Also in the clubhouse we have purchased and installed an AED. This Automated External Defibrillator is mounted in a cabinet just inside the clubhouse door. It will be available for emergency use whenever the clubhouse is open. We will also be widening the driveway entrance on Gunbarrel Road, this will make it easier for large vehicle to access the parking lot. Thank you to all the member volunteers who made these improvements happen.

Monthly Meetings, Memberships, Dues

Club meetings are held on the first Thursday of every month at 7:00 pm at the clubhouse on Kingdom Road. All members are welcome! Memberships are available at the club at our monthly meeting or monthly on the first and third Saturday mornings from 10:00am to Noon. Dues are \$80 yearly, students \$40. New members please follow the instructions on the web page under "Membership Information". If you are a current member we strongly encourage you to renew by mail, the renewal application form is attached to this newsletter, mail it in with your payment. A new membership card and the gate combination will be mailed to you.

Shooting Sports

The rifle/pistol/archery range is open 7 days a week unless a special event is scheduled. Shooting hours are Monday to Saturday 8am until 15 minutes before sunset. Sundays 10am until 15 minutes before sunset. On

Saturdays Trap, Skeet, and 5-Stand Sporting Clays start at 9am and are done around 1:00pm. On Wednesdays the Trap and Skeet fields are open at 10:00am. Trap and skeet are \$4 per round, and Sporting Clays is \$5.

Trap practice is held on Mondays from 5:30PM to 7:00PM

Sporting Clays is open on Thursdays starting at 4:00PM

The Archery range is open, no broad-heads please. A harness is REQUIRED if shooting from upstairs.

The NRL-22 matches are usually on the last Saturday of the month at 9 AM. *Check the club calendar for exact dates*.

Shotgun Championship

Our annual shotgun competition was held on June 10th. The weather was great. Turnout this year was a little low, but a fun day was had by all. The event requires each participant to shoot a round of Trap, Skeet, and Sporting Clays for a possible score of 75. This year's champion is Matt Kadlubowski with a 65. Second place is shared by Dave Urban and John Kleaka with 64. Third place is held by Bryan Comanici with 60. This is a fun shoot, join us next year, the Championship Date is June 8, 2024

Club Grounds

The all volunteer grounds crew usually does mowing and other chores on Monday mornings from 8am til Noon. Ranges will be closed as needed to allow them to work safely. Please be considerate if the range is closed when you get there. Anyone is welcome to come out and help. The grounds look great. A big **THANK YOU** to the crew!

Tri-County Trap League

The Tri-County trap League is in full swing. We are the Host club this year. Two shoots have already been held at our club, the third will be on June 28th. The shoot off at will be at Baldwinsville on Saturday August 5th. All ranges will be closed for that event.

We are looking for members to shoot with us in the trap league. You don't have to be an expert trap shooter to join. Dust off that shotgun and come out to shoot. There are several opportunities to practice at our club. We have trap practice on Mondays starting at 5:30pm. On Saturday and Wednesday mornings the trap field is open for practice year round. If you want to learn about trap, come out on a Saturday or Wednesday morning, we will teach you. For additional information or questions contact our team captain, Dave Urban. Send an email to the club bvillerodandgun@gmail.com and he will contact you.

Club Calendar and Events

The best way to know what is going on at the club is through the calendar on the website: <u>Events Calendar</u>. Listed there are times and dates for organized shotgun practice, NRL-22 matches, Tri-County Trap league schedule, SU Forensics class schedule, Meetings, range closures, special events and more. It is a great resource, check it out.

Power Gate

Here are a few facts and tips on the new entry gate.

- Enter the gate code on the keypad and be sure to hit the # Key. The gate will open.
- Wait until the gate fully opens please.
- To exit, pull up to the gate. The sensor in the ground will trigger and open the gate, wait until the gate fully opens please.
- The gate will close automatically behind you in 20 to 30 seconds. There is an electric eye that will prevent the gate from closing on a vehicle or person in the gate path.
- If you need to open the gate from inside for example to allow a guest into the lot. There is a secondary keypad inside the gate, located on the large black operator box, enter the gate code and # key.
- The gate operates on 12 volt batteries and will not be affected by short term power failures.
- In the rare case of a gate emergency (you are locked in). Try the code inside and outside. Please do not try to manually open the gate. We will have 2 phone numbers on the large black operator box. One of those members will come out to open the gate manually.
- If you have any questions, send an email to the club or stop in the clubhouse on a Saturday, someone will be glad to help you.

A few notes on Safety

- Please wear eye and ear protection on all ranges.
- Please keep all guns on the rifle pistol range pointed downrange. Use extra care when going to
 and from your vehicle or the parking lot. Keep guns pointed skyward and not toward anyone on
 the range.
- Do not place targets on the ground or on the target support posts/rails. Make sure your bullet will impact the berm, not skip off the ground or fly over the top.
- No birdshot, buckshot on the rifle/pistol range. Slugs are ok.
- No guns (including air guns) on the Archery range.
- On the Shotgun ranges, please be aware of your gun muzzle. Only load when on a station to shoot. Keep the action open and barrel pointed safely at all other times.
- On the Shotgun ranges, No shot larger than #7 ½ are allowed. That means no #6, 5, 4, 2, 0, 00 etc. This is especially true on the patterning board. Only #7 ½, 8, 8 ½, 9, are allowed.
- On the shotgun ranges, please be aware of people walking downrange on the rifle/pistol ranges. Stop shooting and wait until they are clear before continuing.
- If someone is being unsafe, please politely say something. Safety is everyone's responsibility.

Be safe, Shoot straight!

See you on the range!