

FEBRUARY 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30-Jan	31-Jan	1-Feb	2-Feb	3-Feb	4-Feb	5-Feb
Trap Games 11 AM						
Skeet/Trap 10-3	Boy Scouts					Winter 5 Stand
OFFICE CLOSED	OFFICE CLOSED	OFFICE CLOSED	BRGC Office 4-6pm	BRGC Office 4-6pm	BRGC Office 4-6pm	BRGC OFFICE 8-11am
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Trap Games 11 AM						
Muzzle Loaders	Sporting Clays Meeting 6:30 PM					
Skeet/Trap 10-3	Boy Scouts			Archery Meeting 7 PM		Winter 5 Stand
OFFICE CLOSED	BRGC Office 11-1pm	OFFICE CLOSED	BRGC Office 4-6pm	BRGC Office 4-6pm	BRGC Office 4-6pm	OFFICE CLOSED
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Trap Games 11 AM						Winter 5 Stand
Skeet/Trap 10-3	Boy Scouts	Board Meeting 7 PM	Well Armed Woman	Billings 4X4 Club		Archery Glue Party 9 AM
OFFICE CLOSED	BRGC Office 11-1pm	OFFICE CLOSED	BRGC Office 4-6pm	BRGC Office 4-6pm	BRGC Office 4-6pm	OFFICE CLOSED
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Trap Games 11 AM						Winter 5 Stand
Skeet/Trap 10-3	Boy Scouts					Cowboy Action Match
OFFICE CLOSED	OFFICE CLOSED	OFFICE CLOSED	BRGC Office 4-6pm	BRGC Office 4-6pm	BRGC Office 4-6pm	BRGC OFFICE 8-11am
27	28	1-Mar	2-Mar	3-Mar	4-Mar	5-Mar
Trap Games 11 AM						
Skeet/Trap 10-3	Boy Scouts					Winter 5 Stand
OFFICE CLOSED	OFFICE CLOSED	OFFICE CLOSED	BRGC Office 4-6pm	BRGC Office 4-6pm	BRGC Office 4-6pm	BRGC OFFICE 8-11am

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As we move into the middle of winter, a certain amount of doldrums sets in resulting in lethargy and outright laziness. What to do? Well, check all your hunting gear and make sure it is ready to go. I have employed a "bag" system, I have all the items I need for a given activity in one bag ready to go. All my muzzle loader stuff in one bag, my PRS stuff in a backpack etc. It is a good system and worth doing if you haven't already. If you are a reloader, get with it! Now is the time to load those shells you undoubtedly will shoot in the coming summer. You archers can clean your gear and check the tune on your bow, maybe even check how your broadheads are flying with a little paper test. Set the backpacking tent up in the living room and check it for tears and leaks. Sort through your fly boxes and organize your flies, tie new leader on your fly line and give the fly line a good cleaning and treatment. You get the idea, it is not as good as going hunting or fishing, but it is still enjoyable and gives you ample opportunity to recall your adventures from last season. Speaking of recall, start a hunting and fishing journal, reading it years later is great and you can include lots of valuable information regarding tactics, places, and people. **Mac Clark** (contact the Club President)

MASTER PLAN IMPROVEMENTS – UPDATE

The warmer weather in January has enabled Knife River to make significant progress on the construction of the new pistol bay, the parking area expansion, and the Sporting Clays north course access road. The grading work is mostly complete and the remaining work including gravel, concrete, and seeding will take place in late winter or early fall as nighttime temperatures permit. We will continue to keep the membership updated of progress and the expected timeframe that the ranges will be closed. The Board apologizes for any inconvenience this work causes, and we are sure that the membership recognizes the importance of continuing to improve our Club's facilities.

Matt Waite (contact the Club Vice President)

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ARCHERY

The next archery meeting will be Feb. 10th at 7pm in the main clubhouse. Come meet some of your fellow archers! If you enjoy archery and want to help improve what we do with the course come to the meetings and share your ideas. We will be having a paper target glue party on Feb. 19th starting at 9am. Mark your calendars and come up and help your archery division. **Mike Niles** (contact Archery Division)

RIFLE AND PISTOL

Muzzle Loaders will shoot on February 6th weather permitting and will use Bay 1.

Action Pistol may hold a fun match sometime throughout the winter. Watch your emails for news. They have a great year planned for 2022, look at the matches planned here: <u>http://www.magiccityactionshooters.org/matches</u>

Cowboy Action will hold an event February 26 weather permitting.

The Well Armed Woman-Billings Chapter will hold their monthly meeting on Wed, Feb. 16th from 6-8pm. All women are invited to attend. For more information go to <u>twawshootingchapters.org</u>.

Jen Adams (contact Rifle/Pistol Division)

SKEET AND TRAP

Skeet and Trap facility is open on Sundays from 10 AM to 3PM to members and public. Skeet fields 1, 2 and 3 are available to members every day. Tokens can be purchased from the desk worker or from the vending machine located on the east wall of the building at any time.

Token prices have changed and are now \$5 each which pays for one round of skeet or trap.

Sunday Trap games starting Jan 23rd and running to Feb 27th. Starts at 11:00 AM. 5 shots for \$5.00

Mike Hammond (contact Skeet Division)

SPORTING CLAYS AND FIVE STAND

Winter 5-Stand League will begin on February 5th and continue every Saturday through the end of March. The cost is \$30 each day for fifty targets with \$5 going back to class. Registration will start at 9:30 am with the first squad starting at 10 am. Signup sheets for squads are available at the Sporting Clays clubhouse.

There will be a division meeting on February 7th at 6:30 PM, all BRGC members are welcome to attend.

A Spring Shotgun Tutorial will be held on April 2nd. This will be for people who are beginning shooters and may be interested in shooting in Sporting Clays League but have not had much experience. We will have a safety and etiquette discussion followed by live instruction with small groups of students with instructors at basic sporting clays targets. We will have information on how to sign up for this in mid-February.

Spring Sporting Clays League will start on Thursday evenings on April 7th and run through June 30th.

We do have ammunition for 12-gauge shotguns available for use on the course for \$11 per box.

Richard Lewallen (contact Sporting Clays Division)