



JANUARY 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31-Dec  Skeet/Trap 10-1	1-Jan New Year's Day Skeet Fun Shoot New Year's Day	2-Jan  Magic City Fly Fishermen	3-Jan	4-Jan	5-Jan	6-Jan
OFFICE CLOSED	OFFICE CLOSED	OFFICE CLOSED	BRGC Office 4-6pm	BRGC Office 4-6pm	BRGC Office 4-6pm	BRGC Office 8-11am
7  Muzzle Loaders  Skeet/Trap 10-1	8  Boy Scouts	9	10	11  Archery Meeting 7 PM	12	13
OFFICE CLOSED	BRGC Office 11-1pm	OFFICE CLOSED	BRGC Office 4-6pm	BRGC Office 4-6pm	BRGC Office 4-6pm	OFFICE CLOSED
14  Skeet/Trap 10-1	15 Sporting Clays Meeting 6:30 PM Boy Scouts	16  Board Meeting 7 PM	17  Armed Women of America	18	19	20 Boy Scout Klondike - RANGES CLOSED Billings 4x4
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21  Skeet/Trap 10-1	22  Boy Scouts	23	24	25	26	27
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28  Skeet/Trap 10-1	29  Boy Scouts	30	31	1-Feb	2-Feb	3-Feb  Winter 5 Stand
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PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Greetings and Happy New Year, Rod & Gun Club Members! As we begin a new year, it is common to reflect on the past year and I find myself thinking back over the last year at BRGC. What a great year 2023 was! BRGC was home to several large competitions in 2023 that brought well over a thousand people to our Club. The people that I talked to who had not been to our range before were amazed at the terrific facilities we have, and 2023 saw numerous improvements to those facilities. Work continues on the Sporting Clays North Course and saw the completion of the first phase of the new Five Stand. Improvements at the pistol range included the addition of sunshades on the bays and the expansion of the parking area. The Skeet and Archery groups continue with their efforts to maintain and improve the ranges. The new year promises to bring even more improvements with continuing work on the new Five Stand and planned improvements at the big bore range bench area. It is a relatively small group of volunteers that spearheads all the work done at the range; please join me in thanking these members for the generous donation of their time to improve this club for all of us.

Please remember also that the rules posted on each range are there for your safety and it is important that we all read and follow them. When on the range, we are all safety officers and if you see someone committing an unsafe act, a polite reminder of the rules is appropriate. If you are on the receiving end of such a reminder, please be polite in return and take it as it is intended – firearm safety is for everyone’s benefit.

Matt Waite ([contact the Club President](#))

BOY SCOUT KLONDIKE JANUARY 20 – RANGES CLOSED

The Boy Scouts will once again be using BRGC to hold their annual Boy Scout Klondike. **All ranges are closed on this day.**

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### ARCHERY

We held our monthly meeting on December 14, we discussed our budget for bales. We also set a date for our paper target glue party. Please mark your calendar for February 10. We will start gluing at 10 AM. Come one come all, the more that help the quicker it gets done. Our next meeting will be January 11 at 7 PM in the main clubhouse. Hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

**Mike Niles** ([contact Archery Division](#))

### RIFLE AND PISTOL

**Carport awnings in the pistol bays!** Thank you to everyone who came to the work party last month and helped put up the remaining covers.

**Muzzle Loaders** will shoot on January 7 weather dependent and will use Bay 1.

**Action Pistol** and **Cowboy Action** events will start back up in the Spring.

**The Armed Women of America-Billings Chapter** will hold their monthly meeting on Wed, January 17 from 6-8 pm. All women are invited to attend. For more information go to <https://armedwomen.org>.

As a reminder, when on the rifle or pistol bench ranges, remain behind the marked line whenever anyone is downrange.

**Jen Adams** ([contact Rifle/Pistol Division](#))

### SKEET AND TRAP

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

There will be a fun shoot on New Year's Day. The shooting will start at 10:00 am. All games will be five to ten shots with prizes awarded per game. There are various games to choose from, all of which are fun to shoot.

The BRGC will be hosting the following NSSA Registered Shoots in 2024:

The Rimrock Open will be held May 3 – 5

The Yellowstone Open will be held June 7 – 9

The Montana State Skeet Championship will be held August 16 – 18

Due to the rising cost of targets, token prices will be increased on January 2, 2024, from \$5 to \$6 per token.

**Mike Schmidt** ([contact Skeet Division](#))

### SPORTING CLAYS AND FIVE STAND

Elections were held for new Sporting Clays Division officers for 2024. Butch Smart President; Gary Smith Vice President; Reid Whalen Secretary/Treasurer; Melanie McCleary will serve as BRGC Board rep; Tim Sather was newly elected to the BRGC Board.

Winter 5 Stand will start February 3<sup>rd</sup> and run through March 23<sup>rd</sup> in the new 5 Stand building.

The Main and North Courses are open to shooting to members who have a prepaid target card. Target cards can be purchased at the sporting Clays Clubhouse during a scheduled appointment with either Gary Smith (696-5450), Mike Davis (698-6493) or Phil Gill (696- 3875).

**Butch Smart** ([contact Sporting Clays Division](#))