

# JANUARY NEWSLETTER

## GATLINBURG SPORTSMAN'S CLUB

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## 2020

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Jan 09 Monthly Club Meeting  
Jan 18 Vintage Military Rifle Match + Rim fire  
Feb 04 GPD training on the 100 Yd Range 1-3pm  
Feb 08 Boy Scout Winterfest at 100 yd range  
Feb 13 Monthly Club Meeting  
Feb 29 Vintage Military Rifle Match + Rim fire

Monthly Club Meetings are held in the Bridgemont Room of the King Family Library in Sevierville at 6:30 PM on the second Thursday of each month.

### 2019-2020 CLUB OFFICERS

President	- Jim Wharton	NO4A@ymail.com
Vice President	- Paul Barton	tn.paulb@gmail.com
Secretary	- Mike Cravy	mcravy@aol.com
Treasurer	- Eileen Klein	gatliburgsc.treasurer@gmail.com
Past President	- Dan Blalock	danb@blalockandsons.com
Board member	- Robbie Fox	rwfox@bellsouth.net
Board member	- Rick McReynolds	mcrey5@yahoo.com
Board member	- Bill Mills	mills731@bellsouth.net
Board member	- Paul Wellborn	gatsport@live.com



## NOTICE

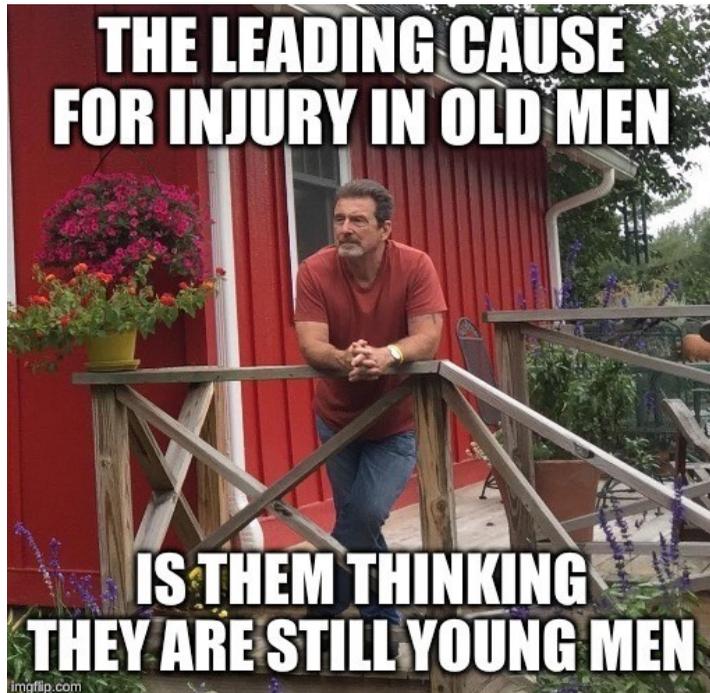
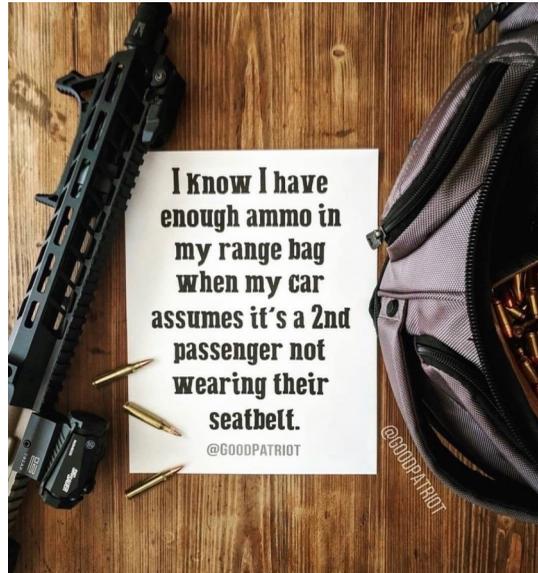
- ◆ Gatlinburg Police Dept will be using the 100 yard range from 1:00 until 3:00 pm on February 4, 2020 for tactical training
- ◆ The Boy Scouts will be using the 100 yard range all day on Saturday February 8, 2020 for their annual Winterfest event. (they will be setting up their targets that Friday afternoon as well).
- ◆ A new membership year began on November 1st. Eileen Klein and I have both double checked our list and we think that both the member rolls are correct and that the gate computer has been properly updated to open the gate with your existing ID badge. If something does not work, contact Eileen Klein for questions about payment of dues or contact Mike Cravy about your ID badge not opening the front gate.
- ◆ The Club needs a few volunteers to help with:
  1. Accounting and bookkeeping (Quickbooks)
  2. Answering the Club telephone
  3. Manage grounds keeping crews
  4. Showing potential new members our facilities



## JANUARY MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ The January meeting was held on January 9, 2020, at the King Family Library in Sevierville. Officers and directors present were: Jim Wharton, Paul Barton, Mike Cravy, Eileen Klein, Robbie Fox, Rickey McReynolds, and Paul Wellborn.
- ◆ Jim Wharton called the meeting to order at 6:24 PM.
- ◆ The reading of the November and the December minutes was dispensed and the minutes were approved as submitted.
- ◆ Eileen Klein reported that we have collected 94% of our budgeted income while spending 41% of our budgeted expenditures and 0% of our budgeted capital expenditures for this year's fiscal YTD budget. 2019 members who have not renewed their membership for 2020 have been made Inactive in the QuickBooks computer. As of 1/01/2020, we have 400 members for 2020.
- ◆ Samantha Barton reported that the next First Shots class will be held this Spring.
- ◆ Paul Barton announced that Vintage Military Rifle matches will be held on January 18, 2020 and again on February 29, 2020. Rim Fire matches will follow the rifle matches on both dates.
- ◆ Samantha Barton is preparing a list of jobs and projects that we will need volunteers to perform during a spring clean up day. Members are asked to help identify jobs that need to be done and email those job descriptions to her at [sbarton822@gmail.com](mailto:sbarton822@gmail.com)
- ◆ Mike Cravy reported that no work has been done at the new property. We are awaiting an opening in the schedule for earth moving equipment.
- ◆ Mike Cravy reported that the Boy Scouts Winterfest outing will be held on 2/8/2020 at the 100 yard range from 8am-6pm. The 200 yard range and the reactive pistol range will be open for member use on this day.
- ◆ Mike Cravy is authorized to replace the battery power backup system for the front gate computer.
- ◆ Eileen Klein announced that both she and Bill will retire from the Club's bookkeeping and CPA duties that they have preformed for the Club for the past several years. Any member willing to step into either of these jobs is asked to contact Mike Cravy or Jim Wharton to volunteer.
- ◆ The club also needs volunteer help with telephone answering duties and assisting potential new members join the Club.
- ◆ The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

## “POP’S COLUMN”



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## MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS FOR 2020

All 2019 memberships expired on November 1, 2019. And, so far, 400 of you have renewed for 2020. Thank you for your prompt payment of your dues. If you are one of the 400, your existing Range ID Badge has been activated in the gate computer for 2020 and will open the front gate. The card activation requires that each member's card must be entered by hand, so while I have checked and double checked, there is a possibility that I might have missed someone. If your ID Badge does not open the gate, call Mike at (865) 436-0271 to let him know. If you are sent to voicemail, leave a message with your name and that your card did not open the gate.

If you have not paid your 2020 dues, your ID Badge has been de-activated and will no longer open the gate. In addition, your membership has been made inactive in the Club Treasurer's books and you will be subject to a re-activation fee.

The Lord moves in mysterious ways but you don't have to. Please use your blinker.

## NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS

A change in our processing of new member applications is now in effect. This change will not affect existing members, only new members.

Effective immediately, we will only process new member applications when all of the following conditions have been met.

- ◆ ALL BLANKS IN THE APPLICATION MUST BE LEGIBLY FILLED IN. THE EMAIL ADDRESS, THE DATE OF BIRTH, AND THE SOCIAL SECURITY INFORMATION MUST BE READABLE, OTHERWISE THE BACKGROUND CHECK WILL FAIL AND IT WILL COST YOU ANOTHER \$10 TO RERUN THE BACKGROUND CHECK.
- ◆ A CHECK OR A MONEY ORDER ARE THE ONLY FORMS OF NEW MEMBER PAYMENT.
- ◆ THE PAYMENT MUST BE ENCLOSED WITH THE APPLICATION.

The application approval process may take several weeks so please allow 30 days from the date we receive your application to be notified of your acceptance or rejection.

## Charitable Contributions

The Club is a 501(c)3 tax exempt corporation, which means that donations to the Club are deductible as a contribution as allowed by law. Several members did just that last year. Every dollar of your contribution goes into the operation of the Club and support of our police and the community. There are no paid employees at the Club. So if you have a little room in your budget for charity, please consider a donation to the Gatlinburg Sportsman's Club. Eileen Klein will send you a receipt acknowledging your charitable contributions, as allowed by law.

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