



Board of Directors & Officers:
President, Mark Farabee
Vice-President, Peter Milli
Secretary, Ken Curfman
Treasurer, Darwin Hawkins
Board Members:
Dick Klovstad, Bill Schroeder
3 Director positions unfilled

Inquiries-comments-
suggestions should be
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September 2016 Update

I encourage you to become an active member of BASA this year, are you ready? There is an application for membership included. If you are a Charter Life Member or a paid annual member give your copy to a friend and ask s/he to become a member of BASA.

There could be some shooting activities available for the BASA ranges this fall!

A deer hunter sight-in for late October/early November, some recreational practical pistol and bullseye shooting for members and the non-member public, a fall 2016 small bore rifle league and a "field day" for FAS/Hunter Ed trainees. These activities may all be possible and an active (paid) BASA membership is the key. When the membership starts to grow and there are volunteers ready to get involved, then these and other activities become possible. A paid annual, \$50.00 or an annual family membership \$75.00 will be valid through late summer or early fall 2017. The Charter Life Membership is no longer available but a Life Membership is available for \$600.00.

Volunteers will be a major part of the success story for BASA well out into the future!

In fact, if you look back up to the top of the page you will notice the board of directors is seeking 3 new directors. The board meets once a month and each member will need to be involved as an executive officer or chair a standing committee. Make contact via the email address above or send a PM at our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/BemidjiShooters. All of the recreational and competitive shooting activities we will offer will require some volunteer efforts. We will need to answer questions, provide directions, collect event fees, provide range control, do range maintenance, building and grounds cleanup, build target frames and shooting benches, etc. I'm sure most everyone reading this gets the picture.

The work on the BASA range critical infrastructure is progressing at a normal pace.

The work in the NRSSP started in September 2015, ended in December 2015, restarted in April 2016 and continues even at the writing of this newsletter. Most of the Phase one critical infrastructure site work (berms, shooting bay floor(s), firing lines, fence and parking area with access road) is now completed (a few days lost to rain delays in July) and the work will continue with the building of the overhead enclosures and site prep for the

BASA range building. (The BASA board has agreed to make use of the existing trap and skeet clubhouse at their old site and move it onto our range facility within the NRSSP.) It is possible but not very likely that the building could be moved the very last part of November or early December, weather permitting. The Trap and Skeet club will need time to transition out to their new building and that will take some time and volunteers.

There will be a Friends of the NRA banquet in Bemidji this fall at the Bemidji F.O.E. Please consider supporting the FNRA with a ticket purchase, sponsorship or a donation of some kind. **BASA was awarded \$1,800.00 in small bore and youth shooting supplies from that organization.**

In closing, Thanks to all of you that have supported BASA through these many years without a range for our shooting activities. A rifle-handgun range facility is now a reality for BASA, we need only to step up and grab the brass ring.

Even though our web site is in need of updates, please visit the BASA web site; www.bjishooters.org for info about BASA and keep in touch on Facebook too.