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### Interested in a conceal carry class?

We will be offering a BSC sponsored conceal carry class for “members only”. Class minimum size is 8 attendees and will be held on April 18 if there is enough interest. Cost will be \$50 prepaid by April 14 for the class and an additional \$10 (paid to the instructor at the class) if you wish to have the instructor take your state application required photos the day of the class.

State application fees are separate from the class and are approximately \$125. This class is a pre-requisite for the application.

If you are interested, please fill out a registration form that is available at the Clubhouse. The registration form with fees may be put in the metal envelope drop box at the club or mailed to the club address: PO Box 391, Bartlesville, OK 74005. Additional information is available on the website under ‘Classes / Training’. You may also contact Debbie Crume at (918)534-0245 (please leave a message if not answered) or e-mail her at [ddcrume@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ddcrume@sbcglobal.net) for more information.

\*\*\*\*\* **YOU WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED ENROLLED IN THE CLASS UNTIL FEES ARE PAID.** \*\*\*\*\*

### NEW TARGET/EQUIPMENT BUILDING

Weather was not corporative in February so hopefully the new building construction will start in March. The metal target/equipment building will be replacing the semi-trailer at the club entrance. Please be cautious going through that area when construction equipment is present.

### Shotgun Sports Fees Reminder

Effective as of March 1<sup>st</sup> the shotgun sports fees have been raised. The new fees are \$3 per round of skeet, \$3 per round of trap, and \$5 per round of Five Stand.

### MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Our 2015 membership drive is going well. We are over 78% of last year’s ending membership through March 1! Thank you to all who have renewed in 2015.

Newsletters and e-newsletters for 2014 non-renewals have stopped being sent. So if someone tells you they haven’t gotten a newsletter lately, this may be why?

### CALENDAR

March – Regular schedule as listed on website or mailed with your membership cards.

Fri, April 3 (Good Friday)

Morning skeet: 8:30 AM to noon

Afternoon rifle/pistol: noon until dark

Sat, April 4

Morning skeet: 8:30 AM to noon

Noon to 3 PM: .22 tactical match

3 PM until dark – rifle/pistol open time

Sun, April 5 (Easter)

Club facilities are CLOSED, no activities

Fri, April 10

Shooting facilities closed for Spring Cleanup

Sat, April 11

Shooting facilities closed for Spring Cleanup

Sat, April 18

Tentative conceal carry class pending attendance minimum. **Please allow class to have facility priority as they need on that day.**

If you have any news for the newsletter, please contact Jim Crume [jcrume@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jcrume@sbcglobal.net) (918)534-0245

\*\*\*\* Please remember, eye protection, ear protection, and safety when you are on the property \*\*\*\*

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## THE PERFECT CARRY GUN CALIBER

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As a firearms instructor and gunsmith I'm often asked, "What is the perfect caliber for a carry gun?" GEE -- that is a tough one that has caused many Clubhouse arguments. The quest for the perfect defensive cartridge is still being pursued by every manufacturer, leading me to believe that perfection has not yet been achieved.

No pistol caliber common to concealed carry is a one-shot man stopper every time. The physics are simple; a cartridge that will knock a man off his feet will also knock the shooter off his feet. *"For every action there is an opposite and EQUAL reaction"*.

**Remember the second rule of gun fighting is that "misses don't count!"** You simply must hit your target to stop the assailant. A .45ACP in a full size and weight handgun is really an easy gun to shoot but you put that .45 caliber into a tiny subcompact, lightweight gun and you have a combination that is uncontrollable for most people.

Also, remember that every bullet has a lawyers name on it, collateral damage from a miss or misses has been the ruin of many an armed encounter.

The facts clearly indicate that good shot placement is just as important, if not more important, than the caliber selected. **You must select a caliber and handgun combination that you can shoot well.** Shoot as many different guns and calibers as you can, borrowing or renting guns is a cheap way of finding that perfect combination. Practice helps, professional training helps, but the most important thing is a positive mindset to never give up and a dedication to be the best handgunner that you can.

Modern defensive ammo has made sub-caliber bullets once again viable as a personal protection round. The smaller caliber .380 and 9mm defensive rounds are now as good as the larger caliber, round nosed (ball) rounds that were once the standard of military and police departments. The ammo that typifies this group is the Hornady Critical Duty and Critical Defense, but most manufacturers have a similar offering.

Jeff Cooper the father of modern pistol craft was once asked at a church social: **"Jeff I see you have on your sidearm, were you expecting trouble? Jeff answered, "No if I had been expecting trouble I would have my rifle or shotgun."**