

RED BRUSH RIFLE RANGE, INC.



A SAFE PLACE TO SHOOT

December 2020 Newsletter

UPCOMING RANGE EVENTS...

November MEETING

Thursday 1st

No Meeting this December!

RANGE ADDRESS

3299 West Eble Rd.
Newburgh, IN 47630

www.redbrush.org

AR-15 Match – Wed Dec 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Jason Short (812-455-3455)

6:00 PM – 8:00 PM (Weather permitting), 400 yd. Bay
400 yd. Rifle Bay **CLOSED**

IDPA Pistol – Sat Dec 5

Brad Eadens (270-854-4090)

7:00 AM – 3:00 PM, Bays 1, 2, 3, 5 & M.R.

Red Brush Steel – Sun Dec 13

Alan Cox (RedBrushSteel@hotmail.com)

Setup 8:00 AM, Registration 9:00 – 9:50 AM, Match 10:00 AM
Bays 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, & M.R. & Shelter

Precision Rifle Challenge – Sun Dec 27

Adam Leonberger (redbrushprc@gmail.com)

See Attached Flyer at the End of the Newsletter.

400 yd. Rifle Bay **CLOSED**

Precision Rifle Challenge .22 RF – Sun Dec 20

Adam Leonberger (redbrushprc@gmail.com)

7:30 AM – 3:00 PM, 400/500 Yard



RANGE HOURS

Sun – Thu 6:00 AM – 10:30 PM

Fri – Sat 6:00 AM – 12:00 AM

FROM THE PRESIDENT, JOE LUTZ

Ladies and Gentlemen, due to the surge in the Corona Virus the December general membership meeting has been cancelled. Please watch your newsletter for future information concerning the meetings.

As a result of the November Board of Elections, long time board member Mike Rehrman will be departing the board. Mike, for many years passed out the door prize tickets. Thank you, Mike, for your years of service to the club.

Kevin Snodgrass is the new board member elect. Kevin was previously on the board years ago. Others elected were Robert Lawrence, Russell Osborne, Jeff Webber, John McQuay, Francis Findley, and Dan Grimm. Mr. Brian Breedhold is the elected alternate should the need arise.

To all who attended the November meeting, thank you for observing the protocols of wearing a mask and social distancing where possible.

Respectfully,
Joe Lutz

FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT, MICHAEL RASCHE

If you are not renewing your Red Brush membership, I would appreciate it if you would send your gate card back to Red Brush Rifle Range, P.O. Box 422, Newburgh, IN 47629. These cards can be reprogrammed for new members.

Place the card in an envelope and write "Hand sort. Do not fold." above the address. Postal sorting machinery and our gate cards really do not get along. You can also give your card to any board member and they will get it back to me.

Thank you,
Mike Rasche
Keeper of the Keys to the Kingdom

FROM THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIR, MIKE MAURER

Members, the 2021 Dues Invoice went out November 5th via email. If you did not receive it, check your spam and junk filter. Please contact me if you have not received it. Red Brush 2021 dues are due no later than December 31st. Mike Maurer, Membership Chairman 812-490-0949 and mikemaurer@wowway.com

Thank you,
Mike Maurer

FROM THE RANGE OFFICER, FRANK FINDLEY

REMINDER: LEAVE THE BATHROOM HEATERS ON AND DOORS CLOSED

As we enter the winter season, the bathroom heaters will be turned on to prevent the water lines from freezing. Please do not turn them off. Also, please take a minute to make sure the doors to the bathroom are closed. These electric heaters are expensive to run and cannot protect the water lines from freezing if a door is left open.

RANGE SAFETY MONITOR PROGRAM IS NOW ACTIVE

We now have seven volunteer safety monitors. They are actively walking the range to identify ways we can make the range safer. This includes checking on range equipment and helping members. There have already been several positive experiences including:

- Helped a new member better understand his firearm and hearing protection.
- Identified an open, unmonitored gate.
- Relocated a shooter with an AR15 pistol from bay 1 to a bay appropriate for its caliber.
- Identified discharged fire extinguisher in member room. Ironically, a fire occurred at the range before this could be remedied but other extinguishers were available.

Soon the safety monitors will be identified by orange hats with “Safety Monitor” printed on them. So, please feel free to ask them questions or inform them of any potential issues you have found on the range.

CEASE FIRE WHEN WORKERS ARE DOWNRANGE ON NEIGHBORING FIELD

The field to the West of the range is actively farmed. If you are ever on the 400- or 500-yard bays and you see workers in the field who would be downrange, please call a cease fire and unload your firearms until they are cleared out.

AMMUNITION SHORTAGE – BE AWARE OF AMMO MALFUNCTIONS

With demand outstripping supply, the ammunition manufacturers are running their lines at capacity. The last time this occurred there were anecdotal reports of increases in ammunition malfunctions. These included misfires, hangfires and squib loads.

Misfires are when the trigger is pressed but the firearm fails to discharge when the firing pin impacts the primer. Hangfires are when the trigger is pressed but the firearm fails to immediately discharge but does so after a delay. If you press the trigger and the firearm does not discharge, keep the firearm pointed safely downrange and count to ten. This will give it time for it to discharge if it is a hangfire. If it does not discharge within the ten seconds, then it is most likely a misfire and you can work the action to extract the cartridge and continue shooting with other ones. Please either take your misfired rounds home with you or place them in the ‘duds’ buckets provided on some of the bays.

A squib load is when the trigger is pressed and the firearm does discharge, but at a much-reduced power. This is often accompanied by a ‘pfft’ rather than a ‘bang’ sound and a much lower recoil than is normal. If this happens, stop shooting immediately! It is possible that there was not enough power generated by the powder charge for the bullet to exit the barrel. If you fire your gun with a bullet stuck in the barrel it will likely explode. To check if a bullet is stuck in the barrel, you need to unload your firearm and run something down it from muzzle to chamber to make sure it is unobstructed. Many shooters will include a proper length piece of string trimmer in their shooting kit for checking barrels as it is stiff enough for the job but is soft enough to not damage the barrel. Cleaning rods are another common option. If you find the barrel obstructed by the bullet, you will need to drive it out. If you do not know how to do this, please seek the help of a professional gunsmith. Under no circumstance should you attempt to shoot it out with a live or blank cartridge as that will likely result in a dangerous, catastrophic failure of the firearm.

Kind regards, Frank Findley

LOST AND FOUND

Members continue to leave items behind at the range, and other members are great about finding and reporting them to me.

Please notify me if you lose or leave something valuable at the range. The same goes for finding other member's items. Unfortunately, I get both calls (finding and losing), but very few that connect.

If you take possession of found property, it must be reported within 24 hours.

Contact Mike Maurer (812-490-0949 or mikemaurer@wowway.com) or Joe Lutz (812-431-3672 or joerlutz3@gmail.com).

ATTENTION VETERANS!

VETERANS

HELP AS A "BATTLE BUDDY" FOR YOUR VETERAN BROTHERS

JOIN THE VANDERBURGH VETERAN COURT MENTOR PROGRAM
A PEER SUPPORT GROUP
**DEDICATED TO ASSISTING VETERANS RETURN TO
PRODUCTIVE LIVES**

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT GENE THWEATT
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Please know that request for information and explanation is not commitment to serve

RED BRUSH PRECISION RIFLE CHALLENGE

WHEN IS IT?
LAST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH

WHERE IS IT?
385- & 500-YARD RIFLE BAYS

WHAT IS IT?
ENGAGE STEEL STATIC AND
REACTIVE TARGETS FROM 200-510
YARDS – 100 ROUND COURSE OF
FIRE – ALL STAGES TIMED

NEW MOVING TARGET SYSTEM

SIGN IN AT 8:00am, ZERO RANGE FROM 8:15-8:45am,
SAFETY BRIEF AT 8:45, FIRST ROUNDS DOWN RANGE AT
9:00am

REGISTRATION / WEB ADDRESS

WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/GROUPS/REDBRUSHPRCS

WWW.PRACTISCORE.COM (SEARCH FOR RED BRUSH
USING THE LONG RANGE RIFLE FILTER TOGGLE)

MATCH FEE

\$20 FOR MEMBERS
\$30 FOR NON-MEMBERS

EQUIPMENT

ANY RIFLE BETWEEN .223 &
.30 CALIBER – MAX. 3200
FPS, NO MAGNUM CALIBERS
– 10 ROUND MAGAZINES
NECESSARY FOR MOST
STAGES

AWARDS

-TROPHIES TO TOP 5
OVERALL
-SEASON POINTS RACE

-END OF SEASON FINALE
WITH BANQUET AND PRIZE
TABLE

STYLE

50% PRONE OR MODIFIED
PRONE FROM A BIPOD AND
REAR BAG

50% POSITIONAL FROM
VARIOUS PROPS SUCH AS
BARRICADES, CATTLE GATES,
TIRES, ROOFTOPS, ETC.

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