

RED BRUSH RIFLE RANGE, INC.



April 2023 Newsletter

April MEETING Thursday 6th

Board Meeting – 7:00 PM
Club Member's Meeting – 7:30 PM

NOTE: American Legion in Newburgh
corner of State Road 261 and Sharon
Road

RANGE ADDRESS

3299 West Eble Rd.
Newburgh, IN 47630

www.redbrush.org



RANGE HOURS

Sun – Thu 6:00 AM – 10:30 PM

Fri – Sat 6:00 AM – 12:00 AM

UPCOMING RANGE EVENTS...

IDPA Pistol – Sat Apr 1

Brad Eadens (270-854-4090)

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

AR-15 & 22 RF Match – Wed Apr 5, 12, 19, 26

Jason Short (812-455-3455)

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

400 yd. Rifle Bay **CLOSED for other shooting.**

Range Maintenance – Sat Apr 8

Jeff Webber (812-431-6226)

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM **Rifle Range**

Come out to help and get your hours.

Red Brush Steel – Sun Apr 9

Doug Kemmerer (see email below) Signup on practicore.com

Setup 7:00 AM, Registration 8:00 – 8:50 AM, Match 09:00 AM

6 stages and up to 2 guns per shooter. Cost is \$10.00 for the first gun and

\$5.00 for the second gun. Bays 1,2,3,5,6,7 & M.R. & Shelter also 8 & 10

Bowling Pin Shoot – Thu Apr 13, 20, 27

Charlie Hallam (812-424-2358)

6:00 PM – 10:00 PM, Bay 1

Sub-Gun – Sun Apr 16

Mike Maurer (812-305-2767)

Setup at 10:30, Event 12:00 PM – 4:00 PM, Bay 1 ([see details](#))

Appleseed Rifle Training – Sat/Sun Apr 22/23

Ben Swartz (812-459-5097) ([see below article](#))

25 meters

6:00 AM – 6:00 PM, Training Room and possibly Pistol Bay 5

Precision Rifle Challenge C.F. – Sun Apr 30

Adam Leonberger (redbrushprc@gmail.com)

Time: 7:30 AM to 3:00 PM at the 500 yd. Bay.

See [Attached Flyer](#) at the End of the Newsletter.

400 yd. Rifle Bay **CLOSED**

FROM THE PRESIDENT, JOE LUTZ

Ladies and Gentlemen of Red Brush

For those of you who could not attend the February Auction Night you will be happy to know that Red Brush will host the 2024 Auction Night on Friday, February 2, 2024, at the National Guard Armory. One of the firearms to be won by a lucky attendee is a new, stainless steel, Colt Python in .357 Magnum. Make plans now to attend.

Respectfully

Joe Lutz

RED BRUSH GUN OF THE MONTH

Smith & Wesson M&P 2 in 9mm



(stock photo)

Firearms provided by:

Randy Hansen

Winner of the Gun of the Month
Raffle may choose either firearm!
Tickets only \$10!

Stoeger, Model 8000 in 9mm



(stock photo)

FOR SALE BY OUR MEMBERS

Red Brush

Red Brush tumblers are now available for \$20 each. If interested, please send an email to redbrushprc@gmail.com.

John Wedig (ritatwedig@aol.com)

- 500 lake city once fired 223 cases- cleaned, deprimed, full length sized, trimmed to 1.75"- \$100
- 500 55 grain Sierra blitz king 22 cal boat tail bullets- 5 boxes of 100- \$100
- one pound of reloader #7 powder- unopened- \$30
- one pound of Winchester 748 powder- unopened- \$25
- 16 boxes of Remington 2 3/4 " low recoil 12ga 00 buckshot and 4 boxes of Remington 2 3/4" low recoil 12ga slugs- \$100 (5 shells per box)

Zachary Nelson (zachtnelson92@yahoo.com)

- Remington model 597 semi auto, 22LR with a 3-9 Bushnell scope asking \$350.
- Hatfield made in Turkey 20 gauge 3" chamber single shot shotgun asking \$100.



FROM THE GROUNDS CHAIRMAN, JEFF WEBBER

The first workday was a great success. We were able to clean the range from all the winter mess and also got a couple of our key improvement projects started.

I want to give special thanks to Tony Hornbeck, he volunteered to help set the foundations for our parking lot light poles. Tony showed up with 3 trucks, machinery and his whole concrete crew. They dug the foundations, set the rebar and forms and got everything ready to pour concrete. The amount of work required to do this would have taken us several workdays to complete. Please give Tony thanks for all his efforts.



I would like to thank the following for coming out and working. They are; Stewart Meier, Jason Fredrick, Brett Mansfield, Jason Krohn, Tom Donnelly, Stuart Sharp, Matthew Menke, Doug Salm, Mark Kampall, Mark Burgard, Mark Wilson, John Bertram and Dave Hetherington.

For our April workday, I need a lot of chainsaws and related brush cutting equipment, we're going to give the range a haircut. I also plan on preparing the concrete walls on bays 6 through 10 for paint, so I need some gas-powered pressure washers and a portable water supply tank setup. If you can help with this, please contact me.

Barrels, barrels, barrels.

We are going to replace our plastic barrels. We need 20 to 30 plastic barrels to completely replace our existing inventory. Our barrels have been used as targets and are in horrible condition. If you have the resources to provide barrels, please contact me. Also, I need someone to bring a Jon Boat to retrieve the barrels in the lake.

See you at the range.

Jeff Webber

YOUTH DAY, CHARLES HALLAM

The pre-registration for the June 17th, 2023, Youth Day at Red Brush will open March 1st at www.redbrush.org. The overall attendance will be limited.

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).

MEMBER APPRECIATION NIGHT / AUCTION, JEFF WEBBER

- John Doty Remington 700SPS
- Dan Livey Citadel ATA 12
- Allen Spurlock Retay GPS shotgun
- Mark Dilger Ruger 10/22
- Ricky Nuell Glock 26
- Don Furgeson S&W Victory 22
- And let's not forget to thank Mike Winge and Freedom Ordnance for their donation of a FX9 carbine for a Red Brush Members Only Raffle, that was won by Art Brunetti!
- Richard Desousa Springfield XDM 45
- Jim Stirk Howa 1500
- Pete Toffani (not pictured) won the ½ pot (over 400 dollars!)
- John Hatcher (not pictured) won 1000 CCI small pistol primers!

And FYI planning for next year's event has already started! OH and a BIG thanks to everyone who Volunteered to help out that night, please join me in thanking Jeff Webber and Joe Lutz for all their hard work planning this event! Keep your eyes on the newsletter for info on next year's Member appreciation night!



FROM THE CIVILIAN MARKSMANSHIP PROGRAM (CMP), MIKE RASCHE

The Highland Junior Shooting Club is holding a CMP Match Pistol 2700 on April 8, May 13 and June 10, 2023. The location of the range is: 13312 Bellm Rd, Highland, IL. Match Begins: 8:30AM.

For more information you may contact the match director: John LaBusier at jblphoto@yahoo.com.

The Memphis Sport Shooting Association, Inc. is holding a CMP Games GSMM on 03/26/2023. The location of the range is: 9278 Old Brownsville Rd., Lakeland, TN. Regostraropm From 9:00AM-10:00AM: .

For more information you may contact the match director: Andrew Granberry at andy_granberry@hotmail.com.

The Fern Creek Traditional HS MCJROTC is holding a 2023 KY Junior Olympic 3PAR State Championship on 04/22/2023.

For more information you may contact the match director: Roger Angel at roger.angel@jefferson.kyschools.us.

The Oak Ridge Sportsmen's Association is holding a Rimfire Sporter Match on 04/16/2023. The location of the range is: 2665 Oak Ridge Turnpike, Oak Ridge, TN. Match Begins: 8:00AM.

For more information you may contact the match director: Kyle Kirschenmann at orsacmpgames@gmail.com.



FROM THE RANGE OFFICER, FRANK FINDLEY

DO NOT USE GLASS ITEMS AS TARGETS!

One of our members found broken glass on the 400-yard rifle bay. It was clear from the debris that someone was using glass bottles as targets!

This is extremely dangerous. It is very difficult to clean up glass. The shards can easily go through shoes and into feet. Range users also commonly shoot from the prone position and glass on the range can cut into their hands. Glass can also damage vehicles driving downrange to place targets or mow.



Please do not use any item containing glass as a target! This is explicitly stated in the range rules so there is no excuse for this.

WHEN USING 'A-FRAME' TARGET STANDS, DO NOT PLACE TARGETS UNDERNEATH

In the previous months we discussed the incident in September 2018 where a ricochet off the crossbar of an A-Frame target stand caused an injury. In that instance the target backer was placed such that it covered the crossbar. We then reminded members to practice safe stand usage to minimize the chance of stray ricochets. This included posting target backers and targets well above the crossbar.

'A-Frame' Target Stand Used Right Target Backer is Placed Well Above Crossbar.

Unfortunately, the same day the newsletter went out, we received a report from a member of another bad practice. In this case, the backer was placed so that it started on the ground and covered not only the top crossbar but also the one below that and the legs! Obviously, this greatly increases the chances of ricochets.



It is important to set your target so that when you shoot at it, you will be impacting the back berm. This means that when shooting from a low position such as prone, you will want your backer and target to be close to the ground. However, you must not use the A-Frame target stands to achieve this. Instead, use the 'U-Frame' target stands which are stored on the 400-yard bay. These are designed to hold a target backer at various heights, including low to the ground. Just please return them to the 400-yard bay when you are done using them.

U-Frame Target Stands Found on the 400-Yard Bay Can be Used on Other Bays.



NOTICE: POTENTIAL AMMO ISSUE/POSSIBLE RECALL – ZSR 7.62X51MM 147 GR M80 LOT 15

There have been multiple reports of potential issues with ZSR 7.62X51 ammunition from a specific lot: #15. Four firearms have been reported as blowing up when using ammunition from this specific lot: two Springfield M1A SOCOMs, a Zastava M77, and a PTR .308 Rifle. It is still early in the process, but one online distributor has reportedly stopped shipping ammo Lot 15 and is encouraging purchasers to return it for a refund. If you have this ammunition, it is recommended that you not shoot it until the investigation is complete.

Thank You,
Frank

UPCOMING RANGE EVENTS INFORMATION

- **Sub Gun Match, Sunday April 16th** stage set up 10:30 on Bay 1, shooting starts at 12:00 noon. Pistol caliber sub-Guns only. We shoot paper and steel targets at 25 yards. Bring yours or come out to watch. Mike Maurer 812-305-2767.

APPLESEED RIFLE TRAINING, BEN SWARTZ

Project Appleseed Celebrates 17th Year at Red Brush with Special Patriots Day Shoot!

It has been 17 years since Project Appleseed began hosting classes at Red Brush. The first shoot had 157 participants and made the news, not only in Evansville but across the country. Please see the enclosed 2006 news article reprint “Gunning for tradition” from the local Evansville Courier and Press.

Every year thousands of people wanting to become more proficient with their rifles come to an Appleseed shoot. There they are taught safe handling, steady shooting positions, sling usage, the six steps of firing a shot, natural point of aim, and other skills necessary to hit standard size targets out to 500 yards. All this is done in a family-friendly, all-ages-welcomed manner without a ‘boot camp’ attitude.

But even more important than the marksmanship training, participants are exposed to stories of our country’s founders and the sacrifices they made on April 19, 1775 at Lexington and Concord. The events of this day set the colonies on a course to become the United States of America. This history, which once was a staple of grade, middle, and high school curriculum, is barely touched upon in public schools these days!

More information on these programs and how to register for an event can be found at www.appleseedinfo.org. And to see what it is like to participate in an Appleseed shoot, see this write up by noted firearms expert Massad Ayoob in Backwoods Home magazine: <https://www.backwoodshome.com/the-appleseed-project/>

This season at Red Brush will start with a special Patriots Day shoot on April 22 and 23. In addition to the normal 2-day 25-meter foundational course, additional history will be taught, and special ‘bling’ will be distributed to those who register early. This course can be shot using 22LR or centerfire rifles. As of the writing of this post, only 5 spots remained. So please register as soon as possible to ensure your spot on the line at www.appleseedinfo.org.

If you have any questions about attending an Appleseed event, please email Appleseed Instructor and Red Brush Webmaster Ben Swartz at ben@benswartz.com.

Gunning for tradition

Event hopes to keep rifle skills in focus

By JIMMY NESBITT

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Sunday, April 30, 2006

On a grassy patch of land near Newburgh, a group of riflemen dropped to the ground and aimed their weapons at a target some 25 yards away.

Crouched side-by-side in a line, they stared straight ahead and waited for the order.

"Fire!" an instructor yelled.

Bullets zipped through the air, unleashing a series of pops like a finale at a fireworks show.

The scene, some at the Red Brush Rifle Range will say, is reminiscent of the days when America's founding fathers gathered to practice their marksmanship, a skill that would come in handy during the Revolutionary War.

But, in many families today, it's a skill that isn't passed down to future generations, said Jack Dailey of The Revolutionary War Veterans Association.

But Dailey hopes to reverse that trend through a series of programs he calls the Johnny Appleseed Tour. Dailey and several other rifle trainers began touring the country in February, giving two-day workshops on basic rifle skills and techniques.

The tour came to the Red Brush Rifle Range on Saturday, where more than 120 area riflemen participated. The tour will continue there today.

Dailey hopes the participants will return home and pass along the skills they learned, "planting seeds" for future generations.

Guns have received a bad rap in the mass media, and stories of the Revolutionary War aren't discussed as much in today's history classes, Dailey said.

"We've had several generations of good times," he said. "We have all the modern distractions of computers, computer games, TV, satellite TV, all this stuff. People aren't exposed to it. There's a rich history there."

The program was sponsored by the 2nd Amendment Patriots of Southwestern Indiana. Dailey is "trying to get the young people involved so we don't lose this art and tradition," group leader Jim Tomes said.

Support for the Second Amendment is strong in Indiana, Tomes said. The turnout for Saturday's program was by far the largest of any stop on the tour, he added.

Tomes and Dailey were encouraged to see people such as Joe Holbrook, a 14-year-old from Mount Vernon, Ind., who came with his grandfather, Tom Holbrook.

The younger Holbrook learned how to shoot a BB gun when he was 5 years old. His grandfather took him into the back yard and lined up empty soda cans as targets.

Five years later, Holbrook got his first rifle, a .22. He's been hunting with his grandfather ever since. Asked what he enjoys about shooting, Holbrook answered without hesitation, "Everything."



BOB GWALTNEY / Courier & Press

ABOVE: From a prone position, over 100 men and women take aim as they work on their marksmanship this weekend at the Red Brush Rifle Range in Warrick County. The two day event is part of Project "Appleseed" a nation wide effort to improve the rifle skills of Americans under the direction of the Revolutionary War Veterans Association and organized locally by the 2nd Amendment Patriots.

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AREA GUN SHOWS

Fairbanks Gun Show

Saturday Apr 1, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Sunday Apr 2, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Fairbanks Community Center
6535 W Market St
Fairbanks, IN 47849

General: \$5.00 Children under 12: Free
18 & Under must be accompanied by an adult.

Sheperdsville Gun & Knife Show

Saturday Apr 22, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Sunday Apr 23, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Paroquet Springs Conference Center
395 Paroquet Springs Dr
Shepherdsville, KY 40165

General: \$10.00 Children under 12: Free

Columbus Arms & Blade Show

Saturday Apr 15, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Sunday Apr 16, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

National Guard Armory
2160 Arnold St
Columbus, IN 47203

General: \$6.00 Children under 12: Free

Evansville Gun Show

Saturday Apr 29, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Sunday Apr 30, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Vanderburgh 4-H Center
201 E Boonville-New Harmony Rd
Evansville, IN 47725

General: \$6.00 Children under 12: Free
18 & Under must be accompanied by an adult.

** Please confirm all dates and times of gun shows for yourself. Late changes do happen. **



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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