RED BRUSH RIFLE RANGE, INC.



February 2025 Newsletter

February MEETING NONE

Red Brush Annual Auction Night Fri Feb 7

Evansville National Guard Armory – 3300 Division Street

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...

Red Brush Annual Auction Night Fri Feb 7

See attached article.

IDPA Pistol – Sat Feb 1

Brad Eadens (270-854-4090) 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM, Bays 2- 3, 5 M.R.

Appleseed Rifle Training - Sat/Sun Feb 1/2

Ben Swartz (812-459-5097) 25 meters 6:00 AM – 6:00 PM, Bay 4

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

Tony Short (812-455-3455) <u>isetta1956@gmail.com</u> Time: 5:00 - 8:00 PM at 400-yrd (Weather Permitting)

Red Brush Steel - Sun Feb 9

Doug Kemmerer (<u>dkemmerer1192@gmail.com</u>) Signup on <u>practiscore.com</u> Setup 8:00 AM, Registration 9:00 – 9:50 AM, Match 10:00 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

Precision Rifle Challenge C.F. - Sun Feb 23

Adam Leonberger (redbrushprc@gmail.com)
Time: 7:30 Am to 3:00 PM at the 500 yd. Bay.
400 yd. Rifle Bay **CLOSED** (see Flyer)

FROM THE PRESIDENT, JOE LUTZ

Ladies and Gentlemen of Red Brush,

If you have not attended recent meetings I want everyone to know of this distressing news. In the past twelve months I have heard of two incidents where firearms were left at the range and not returned to their rightful owners. The last report from these two incidents left the firearms owners pursuing action from the local law enforcement agency.

The other concern is a recent report where a member observed another range attendee intentionally targeting the hanging plate straps and/or bolts holding the plates up on the rifle bay. Thereby, cutting the plate loose from its mountings. This is purely willful destruction of range property. The range belongs to the members. To purposefully damage the target carriers is unforgivable. This act denies other members the pleasure of enjoying the range.

All these incidents reveal the club has members with little or no respect for the other members or the range. These acts need to stop. Speaking for myself only, these individuals should not be allowed to be members of the club. I encourage everyone who witnesses such an event to assist the Board of Directors in identifying club members or guests of club members who have perpetrated these events. Gather as much identifying information as possible and report it to any Board of Director. The range is only as good as its' members make it.

Respectfully, Joe Lutz

RED BRUSH GUN OF THE MONTH

None Submitted

FROM THE RANGE OFFICER, FRANK FINDLEY

SAFETY COMMUNICATION GOAL FOR 2025: PLACING TARGETS TO KEEP ROUNDS ON BAY

In early 2024 we launched a safety communication effort on not handling firearms when people are downrange. Thank you all for embracing this message and helping spread the word. The number of reports dropped significantly throughout the year, indicating that the information was disseminated and acted upon.

Based on this success, the board has approved a new communication effort for 2025: **keeping rounds on the bay through proper target placement**. There have been several reports of rounds leaving bays through ricochets. Oftentimes the shooter was unaware that their rounds were ricocheting over the side berms and, potentially, even the back berm. It wasn't until members using other bays heard the rounds passing overhead and went looking for the source that they learned of the issue. In all the cases investigated to date, it was found that the placement of targets created the issue. So, throughout this year we will be highlighting the most common issues with target placement. Please help spread the word to other members about these.

Ground Targets

We are starting with ground targets as they are at the top of the list of occurrences. In fact, the board has considered banning ground targets at least three times in the last few years because of the number. Instead, they have decided to concentrate on education as such targets can be safely used and some members enjoy them.

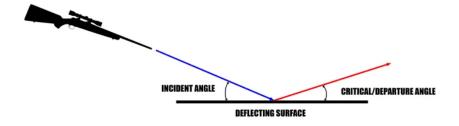
Ground targets are targets set directly on the ground and shot. The most common type is self-healing rubber "bouncing" targets, but plastic bottles and aluminum cans are also used in this manner. When shot these targets bounce to a new location, adding movement to the practice.

Example of Self-Healing "Bouncing" Ground Targets

Issues with ground targets occur when the angle relative to the ground is large. At too great an incident angle, they can deflect off the surface of the ground departing at an angle and with a velocity that can clear a berm.



RICOCHET ANALYSIS



Picture source: Bullets Ricochet More Often Than You Might Think by Richard Mann, Outdoor Life, July 2021.

Experiments have shown that even with a low incident angle of 30 degrees, the departure angle will still be in single digits. And even with the bullet being destabilized from the impact, it will travel up to 800 yards. As an example, a typical 9mm that ricochets might have a post-ricochet velocity of 900 feet per second and a maximum range of 500 yards. Also, depending on the surface, twist of barrel, and how the bullet deforms, it can veer to the right or the left in an unpredictable manner. For more information on these statistics, please see: *Ricochets: What to Know About Bouncing Bullets* by Alan Voth, Responsibly Armed Americans magazine, January 2025.

To keep bullets shot at ground targets on the bay, placement within the bay is very important. Place them close to the back berm of the bay so that any bullets which ricochet impact it on its bottom half. Also, do not place any ground targets on hard surfaces or water. These can increase the departure angle.

If you are shooting 22 LR, please consider using the Target Knock-off Stands provided by the range instead of targets on the ground. This elevates the targets, giving a more direct impact into the back berm. For more information, please see $Section\ 18$. $Other\ Targets\ E$ in the Range Rules.

We appreciate your help in spreading this information.

ALERT FOR KENTUCKY MEMBERS: ATF WARNS IT WILL SEEK ARREST AND PROSECUTION OF GUNOWNERS WITH MEDICAL MARIJUANA CARD

Kentucky Governor Andy Beshear signed an executive order providing legal access to marijuana for people with certain medical conditions such as cancer. Part of the process includes registering for a medical marijuana card when under the care of qualified medical practitioners. The goal of this system is "to ensure that patients diagnosed and suffering with severe medical conditions have access to safe, quality medical cannabis and that medical cannabis is secure in our communities. (see: *Qualified Patient & Designated Caregiver Guide*.)

In response to this, at the end of last year, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) issued a warning that Kentuckians who apply for a medical marijuana card are prohibited from purchasing, owning, and selling firearms and purchasing ammunition. These individuals will face arrest and prosecution. See:

<u>Kentuckians will have to choose between gun ownership and medical marijuana</u> by Marina Johnson of the Louisville Courier Journal.

The ATF will use firearm background check form 4473 in such prosecutions. Ironically, this is the same form violation for which President Joe Biden pardoned his son, Hunter. Albeit in that case Hunter reportedly used cocaine, heroin, and other illicit drugs in addition to non-prescribed marijuana. In explaining the pardon President Biden stated, "Without aggravating factors like use in a crime, multiple purchases, or buying a weapon as a straw purchaser, people are almost never brought to trial on felony charges solely for how they filled out a gun form." Yet, his ATF officials threatened these ill Kentuckian gun owners with exactly that type of prosecution.

Please seek legal advice from a competent attorney if your medical provider recommends treating your illness in alignment with this program. Hopefully this issue will be resolved soon with the appointment of a new ATF director.

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 <u>mikemaurer@astound.net</u>) or Joe Lutz (812-431-3672 or <u>joerlutz3@gmail.com</u>).

UPCOMING RANGE EVENTS INFORMATION

• Red Brush Rifle Range Annual Auction Friday Night, February 7, 2025 (see below)

FROM THE CIVILIAN MARKSMANSHIP PROGRAM, MIKE RASCHE

If you would like notifications of CMP gun sales, you can sign up for an email at <u>info@thecmp.org</u>. You will also receive CMP for monthly developments.

Please go to www.thecmp.org for further information.

AREA GUN SHOWS

Seymour Arms & Blade Show

Holland Kiwanis 16th Annual Gun & Knife Show

Saturday Feb 1, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Saturday Feb 8, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Sunday Feb 9, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

National Guard Armory Huntingburg Event Center

1925 1st Ave 200 E 14th St

Seymour, IN 47274 Huntingburg, IN 47542

General: \$8.00, Children under 12 Free General: \$6.00, Children under 12 Free

Orleans Arms & Blade Show

National Gun Day

Saturday Feb 15, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Saturday Feb 22, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Sunday Feb 23, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Robinson Auction House Kentucky Fair & Expo, South Wing A 8620 N St Rd 37 937 Phillips Lane Crleans, IN 47452 Louisville, KY 40209

General: \$8.00, Children under 12 Free General: \$15.00, Children under 12: \$2.00

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





RED BRUSH RIFLE RANGE ANNUAL AUCTION INFO, ROBERT F. ADAMS

Red Brush Rifle Range Annual Auction Friday Night, February 7, 2025

Located at the Evansville National Guard Armory – 3300 Division Street, where the gun shows are held.

This event is for Red Brush Members, their family or A guest. Not open to the general public.

Food, snacks and drinks are free. The BBQ is catered by Marx BBQ. Food will be served starting between 5:30 and 6:00 PM. Beer will be served until it is gone or 8:00 PM. There are many free door prizes. This year including electronic hearing protection. Everyone attending gets a door prize ticket.

The auction activities will start at 6:30 PM

<u>Doors will open at 5:00 PM</u> to unload your Merchandise. Members bring unwanted shooting sport related items to sell. Guns, gun parts, ammo, reloading supplies, dies, gun cabinets, knives, scopes, gun books, stocks, magazines, holsters, pouches, and military items are some of the articles that typically show up. Partial boxes of bullets and powder are also popular. Cheap stuff sales quickly --- somebody out there needs your scope cover, your clips and all those extra springs and gun screws. Sometimes there are free items.

Members always find some real good deals, so bring some cash. There is no commission. All we do is find a buyer for the seller. Don't worry, if you cannot use your bargain purchase, just bring it back next year to sell.

There are two ways your merchandise may be sold. Expensive items like firearms will be conducted by a live auction. The other is by a silent auction. Attached is a form for that. There will be copies of the form at the auction. Tag your items before you come with your name and if you have a minimum amount you will accept. The tables will be full of merchandise for sale. If you have multicable items of the same thing, on your form say how many available and put some under the table.

This event is paid for by your donations to Red Brush by purchasing Auction Night, Raffle Tickets.

Six Gun Raffle Packet contains six tickets for the six guns and a bonus ticket for a separate, seventh gun drawing. The packet with the bonus ticket is \$50.00. A single ticket for the six guns is \$15.00. The bonus ticket is only available in the packet. This year there are two bonus guns. First winner gets first choice. You may purchase all the tickets you want. If you want a chance to win both bonus guns you will need to purchase two packets. See the gun list below. Bring envelope address stickers instead of writing your name on thickets.

FX-9C, 9MM competition carbine. Suggested Retail is \$979. Mike Winge of Freedom Ordnance firearms manufacturing gave us a great deal. Auction night raffle tickets for this gun are \$10.00 each. You may purchase all the tickets you wish.

Reloading Primers Raffles: There will be two ticket buckets. One for the 1000 Large Rifle primers and another for the 1000 Small Pistol primers. One winner will be drawn from each bucket. Tickets are \$1.00 each. You may purchase all the tickets you want and put them in which bucket you want or both. These are hard to find and currently sell for up to \$100.00. Thanks to Mike Winge for the large rifle primer donation.

Half Pot Raffle is \$5.00 per ticket or \$10.00 for three tickets. The last half pot paid the winner received \$825.

See Gun list below:

Bonus Guns

- Smith & Wesson M&P FPC 9 MM Folding Carbine, with soft case and accessories
- Colt Python 357 Mag., 6" barrel. Stainless Steel, adjustable sight.

Six Gun Raffle

- Savage AXIS XT. 6.5 Creedmoor rifle, with scope
- Heritage, NRA commentative with gold accents, 22 LR single action, 6-1/2" barrel

- Stoeger Couger 8000 9 MM, 13 round, single and double action trigger, all blue steel
- Zasez 40 FSBL, 40 S&W, 4-1/4" barrel, single and double action trigger, all blue steel

The following two guns were previously owned by a deceased club member, brought to us by his wife, and are like new in the box.

- Taurus 1911, 45 ACP, Stainless steel, ambidextrous safety
- Tan Foglio, Witness Hunter, 10 MM long slide, 15 round magazine, adjustable sight

See Auction Item Tags Below

AUCTION FORMS

Silent Auction Item

Describe Item(s)			
Pay Owner:			
Minimum Bid Accepted (If any) \$			
Bidder	Bid	Bidder	Bid

Live Auction Item Labels

Description:	
Owner:	
Min Bid (If Any) \$	
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Owner:	
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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

<u>WWW.PRACTISCORE.COM</u> (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 RAC
- -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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