

RED BRUSH RIFLE RANGE, INC.



September 2025 Newsletter

September MEETING

Thursday 4th

Club Member's Meeting – 6:30 PM
Board Meeting – After the General
Meeting

Education/Training Building
at the Red Brush Range

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...

AR-15 & 22 RF Match – Wed Sep 3, 10, 17, 24

Tony Short (812-455-3455) isetta1956@gmail.com

Time: 5:00 - 8:00 PM at 400-yrd (Weather Permitting)

IDPA Pistol – Sat Sep 6

Brad Eadens (270-854-4090)

9:00 AM – 1:00 PM, Bays 2- 3, 5 M.R.

Practical 2 Gun Match – Sun Sep 7

Matt Horton (812-480-3709) matt.horton.work@gmail.com

12:00 AM – 6:30 PM, Bays 3, 4 ([see Upcoming Events](#))

500-yard rifle range – Wed Sep 10, 24

The 400-yard range will be closed.

7:30 AM to 11:30 AM. ([see Upcoming Events](#))

IDPA Pistol Evening Match – Thu Sep 11

Brad Eadens (270-854-4090)

3:00 PM – 8:00 PM, Bays 4 & 5

Bowling Pin Shoot – Thu Sep 11, 18, 25

Charlie Hallam (812-424-2358)

6:00 PM – 10:00 PM, Bay 1

Range Maintenance – Sat Sep 13

Jeff Webber (812-431-6226)

08:00 AM to 12:00 PM Rifle Range Closed for Workday

Come out to help and get your hours.

Red Brush Steel – Sun Sep 14

Doug Kemmerer (dkemmerer1192@gmail.com) Signup on practiscore.com

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. **See the [Steel Challenge Championship & Reloading Components Sale](#) ([see Upcoming Events](#))**

Bays 1,2,3,5,6,7,8,10 & WTF

Appleseed – 25 Meter Event – Sep 20 & 21

Ben Swartz, 812-459-5097, ben@benswartz.com

Time: TBD. ([see Article](#))

Bay 4

Sub-Gun – Sun Sep 21

Mike Maurer (812-305-2767) (mikemaurer@astound.net)

Setup at 10:30

Event 12:00 PM – 4:00 PM ([see Upcoming Events](#))

Bays 1

Precision Rifle Challenge C.F. – Sun Sep 28

Adam Leonberger (redbrushprc@gmail.com)

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

400 yd. Rifle Bay **CLOSED**

FROM THE PRESIDENT, JOE LUTZ

It's that time of year again to notify members of the upcoming November BOD election.

The election for the Board of Directors will be held at the November 6th meeting. Each year seven of the twenty-one positions are open to those individuals wishing to run for the Board. Those members 21 years and older, in good standing for thirteen months, wishing to run for the Board of Directors may do so. Those interested need to contact Club Secretary **Russell Osborne, (812) 431-5703, or any Board member by October 23, 2025.**

Respectfully,
Joe Lutz

FROM RED BRUSH STEEL, DOUG KEMMERER

Although me and my team put on a great event each month at Red Brush Rifle Range, this coming October, Red Brush has the honor of hosting the **2025 Wirthwein Guns Indiana State Steel Challenge Championship Presented by American Reloading October 10-12, 2025.**

You can see how you can become a sponsor in the [flyer below](#). HOWEVER, because this is being presented by American Reloading, they will be offering factory ammunition in several different caliber and reloading components at this event. These will be the cheapest prices available anywhere in the country by far!! Common caliber will be available as well as small primer for \$35 per thousand large primers for \$50 per thousand a good selection of gunpowder for \$15 a pound new brass and different caliber extremely cheap, mostly factory primed brass and possibly some projectiles. These prices will be unbeatable, and selections will go quickly. Please stop by the American Reloading booth at this event. **These sales will be Cash and Carry!**

FROM THE GROUNDS CHAIRMAN, JEFF WEBBER

I want to thank Joe Lutz, Roger Brandel, Mark Dilger, Troy Billman, Todd Shelton, Patrick Sullivan, Robert Stasi, Tom Neeley, Anethy Jones, Greg Blank, Ryan Cosby, Matt Gehlhausen, Mark Buddemeyer, Matt Rice, Keith Toone, Jarad Antczak, David Stasi, Doug Kimmer, Mark Slow and Caleb Frey for helping me for the August workday.

There are only 3 workdays left this year! Sept 13th, Oct 5th & Oct 25th.

For the next workday I have more painting that needs to be finished. We will be painting the shelters bays 1-5 as needed. Bring you ladders please. Also, I need weed eaters/brush cutters for the front fence and along the 500 bay.

I have many other tasks, so please come out and help.

See You at the Range.
Jeff Webber

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@astound.net) or Joe Lutz (812-431-3672 or joerlutz3@gmail.com).

RANGE OFFICER, FRANK FINDLEY

What Is 'Scope Bite' and How to Avoid It

We have had three reports from members of 'scope bite' over the last year so I thought it might be a good idea to bring it top-of-mind. Scope bite is a term used to describe the painful injury caused when a rifle's scope or sights hits a shooter's face—typically the area around the eye—during recoil. This usually happens when the shooter's eye is positioned too close to the scope, and the rifle's backward motion on firing causes the scope to hit the face. It often results in bruising, cuts, or even more serious injuries around the eye socket, hence the term "scope bite" or "scope eye." See this video as an example: <https://youtu.be/wVv8xrTrRJw>



Avoiding scope bite comes down to a few key safety practices. First and foremost, always ensure proper eye relief—this is the safe distance between your eye and the rear lens of the scope. Most modern scopes have recommended eye relief distances, usually around 3 to 4 inches. Adjust the scope's position on the rifle so that you have a full sight picture without needing to lean in too close. Additionally, use a shooting stance and grip



that helps control recoil effectively, especially with high-powered rifles. See this video when you don't have a Lastly, if the rifle has a collapsible stock make sure that it is extended to the length used for adjusting the scope position. Taking these precautions will help you shoot safely—and save your face from a painful bite.

As a final note, while scope bite usually occurs with a magnified optic, it can also occur with iron sights. For example, one of the recent instances at Red Brush occurred when an auxiliary tang sight was folded down.

Sig Sauer P320: Not Banned from Red Brush but May be Restricted by Certain Leagues

More calls and emails have been received on this topic than any other. For those who aren't aware, there have been several high-profile incidents which have brought into question the safety of the Sig Sauer P320 and military

variants such as the M18 pistol. Sig Sauer has released a statement on this here: <https://www.sigsauger.com/blog/p320-information>. Some shooting schools, organizations, and ranges have banned the use of the P320 while the investigations are ongoing.

Here is our status:

Members may continue to use the Sig Sauer P320 at the range. However, some Red Brush leagues and events may restrict their use. Please reach out to the league chair for information on its status.

This is consistent with incidents like this in the past. For example, in 2019 a dangerous issue arose with a small number of Smith & Wesson's M&P 15-22s. Due to a bolt manufacturing issue, these rifles could experience inadvertent discharges, the firing of multiple rounds with one pull of the trigger, and out-of-battery discharges. At that time, they were not banned from the range, but some leagues and trainers did forbid their use while the issue was being investigated and resolved.

The main issue with a general club ban is that it is difficult to know where to draw the line. Many historic firearms have far less safety features than the Sig Sauer P320. For example, the early Colt revolvers aren't drop safe, the sears can shear releasing the hammers causing the firearm to discharge. Yet, we had many years of them being safely used in cowboy action shooting league events and by the general membership. In the case of the Sig Sauer P320, the lack of definitive information makes it even harder to justify such a severe policy as a total ban.

Red Brush leagues and events have the authority to restrict equipment for any reason they deem necessary for the safety of their participants and to maximize participation. Potential safety issues with the Sig Sauer P320 have recently gained a lot of visibility in the media. Because of this, some individuals are reluctant to participate in events if these firearms are in use. Given this, leagues may choose to restrict the use of Sig Sauer P320 if their organizing bodies request it, it is believed they cannot be used safely, or their use is perceived to be a hurdle to getting people to participate.

APPLESEED, BEN SWARTZ

Appleseed – 25 Meter Event – Sharpen Your Marksmanship at the Two-Day Appleseed Event!

September 20th and 21st on Bay 4

Join us for an exciting two-day Appleseed event focused on improving your marksmanship and understanding the heritage of our nation's founding. Taking place at the 25-meter range, this event is perfect for shooters of all experience levels, whether you're new to rifles or looking to fine-tune your skills. Our knowledgeable instructors will guide you through fundamental techniques in rifle safety, sight alignment, and trigger control, ensuring you leave with improved accuracy and confidence.

But Appleseed is about more than just marksmanship. Each session weaves in the powerful story of the American Revolution, giving participants a deeper connection to the principles of liberty and the individuals who fought for it. Don't miss this opportunity to combine history, skill-building, and community at a truly unique event. Grab your rifle and your passion for history and join us at the range!

Here is a link to the How to Prepare document:

<https://appleseedinfo.org/pdf/How%20to%20Prepare%20-%2025m%20Rifle.pdf>

You can sign up at:

<https://appleseedinfo.org/location/?locationid=152&eventid=10012>

FROM THE DNR, JIM MICHAUD

I would like to thank Jeff Webber, Kathy Herron and Doug Kemmerer for their assistance with the shooting part of the program on Sunday. I heard from every child that shot how much fun it was. Especially from the 4-year-old who took the class. Her mother took an application to join Red Brush due to their experience.

We held our annual class on Saturday and Sunday August 16th and 17th. There are now 10 new hunters keeping our hunting sports alive and 1 4-year-old who earned a Certificate of Attendance, which allows her to hunt with a parent or guardian until she turns 12 and takes the class again.

The board seems delighted with this class and has asked to have it more often. My team and I are looking into this as DNR would like each county to hold a minimum of 2 classes per year in the county. Our issue is getting classes scheduled where we get the most participants. Fortunately, no other classes in our areas, or surrounding counties, have shooting as part of the class.

If you would like to become a DNR Hunting Instructor, you can request an application from the District 7 HQ at icodist7@dnr.IN.gov or (812) 789-9538. Besides a background check, part of becoming an instructor is to teach 2 hours at a DNR class. I can easily work you in our next class to get this done. You will also need to attend a camp the last Friday, Saturday and Sunday in August, within the first 2-years of becoming an instructor.

Thank You,
Jim

AREA GUN SHOWS

Sheperdsville Gun & Knife Show

Saturday Sep 20, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

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

General: \$10.00, Children under 12 Free
Under 18 must be accompanied by an adult

Newburgh Gun Show

Saturday Sep 20, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Sunday Sep 21, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

American Legion Post 44
711 State St
Newburgh, IN 47630

General: \$5.00
Children under 18 free w/ Paid Adult

National Gun Day & JAG Military Show

Saturday Sep 27, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Sunday Sep 28, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Kentucky Fair & Expo, South Wing A
937 Phillips Lane
Louisville, KY 40209

General: \$15.00
Children 12 and under \$5.00

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

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

History of the M1917 Enfield

A detailed close-up of the receiver and trigger assembly of a Remington-Union Model 1875 lever-action rifle. The receiver is made of polished metal, showing the internal lever mechanism and the ejection port. The trigger is a simple, curved lever with a spherical tip. The rifle is mounted on a wooden stock, which is visible on the right side of the frame. The background is a plain, light-colored surface.

		MILITARY SURPLUS RIFLE ORDER FORM	
		PURCHASER IDENTIFICATION (Used for Background Check)	
		Please Note, This form uses certain signature technology that requires a minimum Internet such as Chrome, Firefox, Edge, and Mozilla. However, if you are direct security settings such as McAfee and BitDefender will block the script used to update the application. Other browser versions may also have issues.	
		PRODUCT SELECTION & QUANTITIES	
		Select the quantity for each product you want to receive. Please check mark or X for products you don't want. Limit of 12 Rifle's/cvs. There are firearms listed as "Discontinued". A more detailed description of what that means and the associated processes followed can be found here:	
9	X	RMSRFLDRG - .30-06 Reclaimed M1 Garand Field Grade rifle.	
9	X	RMSLEXPERHC - .30-06 Reclaimed M1 Garand Expert grade rifle.	
9	X	RMSLXEXPERHC - .30-06 Reclaimed M1 Garand Expert grade rifle.	
9	X	RMSLXPINTHARDC - .30-06 Reclaimed International Remington M1 Garand Expert grade rifle.	
9	X	RMSLXPINTHARC - .30-06 Reclaimed International Remington Expert grade rifle.	
9	X	RMSLXPINTHARC - .30-06 Reclaimed M1 Garand Winchester Expert grade rifle.	
9	X	RMSLOEXPWHRC - .30-06 Reclaimed M1 Garand Winchester Expert grade rifle.	
9	X	RMSLBACTHRF - .30 Bolt action 1917 Field grade rifle.	
9	X	RZSM40NNS - .22 Bolt action rifle without bow or rear sights.	

Customers can now order online in one place—just complete the form, upload eligibility documents, and submit. You'll *immediately* receive a confirmation email. Once your order is ready to process, we'll send you a unique code to log into the CMP eStore, confirm, and pay securely. Your order will then ship within a few days.

UPCOMING RANGE EVENTS INFORMATION

- **500-yard Precision Rifle Steel Open Member Days – Wed Sep 10, 24:** The 500-yard range will be open for members interested in shooting steel targets of various sizes at known distances. This will occur 1-3 weekdays per month. Set up will begin at 07:00 and break down at 11:30. These days will be posted on the calendar in the newsletter of the respective month. The 400-yard range will be closed during this time. We will do our best to coordinate this with the range schedule so that bay 4 is open for those interested in shooting paper etc. Eric Craig and Tom Ancona will be overseeing and acting as Range Officers' for the 500-range on these days. We encourage anyone interested in long range shooting to come out and get involved! It should be a fun time and learning opportunity for everyone who chooses to take part (regardless of experience). We do ask that you have your rifle zeroed prior. We will be shooting steel only and spotting target impacts from the firing line. The line will remain hot unless target failure or other necessary reasons to go cold.
- **Red Brush Steel – Sun Sep 14:** We shoot the 2nd Sunday of every month. The minimum number of rounds is 200.... if you don't miss. Standard safety equipment (eye pro, ear pro) required. If you shoot a .22 rifle or pistol you do not need a holster. Center fire pistols and revolvers require a holster. Your long gun, rifle or pcc, need to be cased. .22 pistols need to be cased.

Basic match format: there will be 6 or 8 stages. Each stage is 5 targets. Each stage is shot 5 times, with the slowest string being dropped. The farthest targets will be 35 yards. 7 of the 8 stages require no movement. One stage, outer limits, requires movement on the clock but you only move 6 feet.

There is a great YouTube video that explains most everything:

https://youtu.be/fni4BlduAyy?si=acBXgm4TA_ttWz-c

Red Brush will also be holding the 2025 Wirthwein Guns Indiana State Steel Challenge Championship Presented by American Reloading October 10-12, 2025. ([See Below](#))

- **Sub Gun Match, Sun Sep 21:** 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.

INDIANA STATE STEEL CHALLENGE CHAMPIONSHIP



2025
Wirthwein Guns
Indiana State



Presented by
American Reloading



October 10-12, 2025
Red Brush Rifle Range
3299 West Eble Rd.
Newburgh, IN 47630



All 8 Stage, Tier II match,
SCSA sanctioned under SCSA Rules.
You MUST be a USPSA member
to be eligible to register.

Registration on Practiscore
There will be NO walk-on registration.
\$40 per gun, limit 2 guns per flight



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