

RED BRUSH RIFLE RANGE, INC.



A SAFE PLACE TO SHOOT

July 2019 Newsletter

UPCOMING RANGE EVENTS...

AR-15 Match – Wednesdays July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Jason Short (812-455-3455)

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

IDPA Pistol – Saturday July 6

Brad Eadens (270-854-4090)

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

WWII Military Rifle Match – Sunday July 7

12:00 PM – 4:00 PM

500 yd. Bay

Bowling Pin Shoot – Thursdays July 11, 18, 25

Charlie Hallam (812-424-2358)

6:00 PM – 10:00 PM, Bay 1

Range Maintenance – Saturday July 13

Jeff Webber (812-431-6226)

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

500 Yard Range Open to Members – Saturday July 13

Mike Maurer (812-305-2767)

12:00 PM – 4:30 PM

Red Brush Steel – Sunday July 14

Alan Cox (redbrushsteel@hotmail.com)

Setup 7:00 AM, Registration 8:00 AM, Match 9:00 AM
Bays 1, 2, 3, 5, 6 & M.R.

Applesseed Rifle Training – Saturday July 20

Frank Findley (812-897-4818)

6:00 AM – 6:00 PM, Pistol Bay 3

Ultimate Bench Rest – Saturday July 20

Chester Bradford (812-431-5254)

8:00 AM – 3:30 PM

Sub Gun – Sunday July 21

Mike Maurer (812-305-2767)

12:00 PM – 4:30 PM, Bay 1

Precision Rifle Challenge – Saturday July 28

Adam Leonberger (redbrushprc@gmail.com)

12:00 PM – 3:00 PM, 400 & 500 yard bays

400 yd. Rifle Bay **CLOSED**

JULY MEETING

Thursday July 11, 2019

Meetings are held on the first Thursday of

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No meeting in July
in observance of
Independence Day.

Happy Fourth of
July!

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RANGE HOURS

Sun – Thu 6:00 AM – 10:30 PM

Fri – Sat 6:00 AM – 12:00 AM

RED BRUSH

RED BRUSH GUN OF THE MONTH WILL RETURN IN AUGUST!!

SPECIAL THANKS FROM RED BRUSH

Red Brush would like to say thank you to our friend Brandon Pfeiffer at JL Farm Equipment Company in Poseyville, IN. Brandon helped the range acquire a new Kubota tractor and zero-turn mower.

If you have any lawn, garden, or farm equipment needs, contact Brandon at (812) 874-3316, or on his cell at (812) 270-3031.



FROM THE PRESIDENT – JOE LUTZ

On May 22, 2019 the Board of Directors voted to make improvements to the range. If you have visited the range recently you have noticed some of the work having already begun. In addition to approving the acquisition of a new mower and tractor, with attachments, the Board also approved necessary safety work to heighten the west berm of Pistol Bay 1, reconfigure Bay 10, improve the 500-yard rifle range firing line with a new shelter, remove and install a new shelter on Pistol Bay 1, improve drainage on Bays 1-4, and removal of the old high power rifle trailer. The cost of these acquisitions, improvements and removal total approximately \$150,000.00.

Please bear with us any delays or closures necessary for this approved work to be completed.

FROM THE RANGE OFFICER – FRANK FINDLEY

FUN HOUSE TAKEN DOWN – BAY 5 TO BE CONVERTED TO STANDARD CONFIGURATION

The fun house (also known as the tactical house) has been taken down and Bay 5 will be converted to a regular bay when cleared and reopened. The reason for removing the fun house is safety related. A committee is being formed to study if a new fun house can be constructed on our range in a manner consistent with accepted safety standards.

Here is some background on the decision to remove the existing fun house. For the last several years there have been multiple, serious incidents. During one short increment of time, the fun house took substantial damage with bullets routinely impacting its walls destabilizing it. The club invested significant money and the work time of members to completely rebuild it. Shortly afterwards, the walls were shot through again and the door was completely destroyed and shot off its hinges. To be clear, this damage was far beyond normal wear and tear from accidental impacts; this was clearly deliberate malfeasance. But other incidents have moved beyond destruction of range property to endangerment of the membership. Video has surfaced of a currently unidentified person using a .308 caliber rifle to directly shoot targets placed against a wall. And we have most recently confirmed new bullet holes in its front wall and upper levels. Further investigation showed at least some of these bullets exited to the unprotected North which was further confirmed by a hit on the nearby yard barn. We simply cannot have rounds crossing the parking areas and potentially exiting our facility.

The hope is that through a combination of encircling berms, better security, required training, and other measures the fun house or other tactical barrier option will return to Red Brush. But any proposals will need to be thoroughly vetted and tested before being implemented. In short, it will take time to investigate the options and make decisions.

REMINDER – HANDGUNS ONLY ON BAYS 6 THROUGH 10

There have been reports of longarms on bays 6 through 10. Please remember, only handguns may be used on these bays.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING AN NRA CERTIFIED INSTRUCTOR?

Red Brush occasionally hosts courses to become an NRA Certified Instructor. Recently a member came forward who would like to become a certified pistol instructor. If you are similarly interested, please email me. We will schedule it if there are enough who want to take the course.

REMINDER TO MAKE SURE FINGER IS OFF TRIGGER WHEN HOLSTERING

In the February 2018 newsletter we emphasized how a quality holster is an important piece of safety equipment for handguns. However, we also warned of the danger inherent in holstering. Recently, the national news media covered a negligent discharge by a range safety officer which was likely caused by holstering with a finger on the trigger. Here is a link to one of these articles:

<https://www.dailyrecord.com/story/news/2019/02/01/gun-safety-officer-accidentally-shoots-self-leg-randolph-nj-range/2741533002/>



FROM THE RANGE OFFICER, cont...

With this background, here is a reprint of our previous newsletter article:

Holsters are an important piece of safety equipment!

With concealed carry at record levels, safely carrying a handgun when out and about is a timely topic. And one aspect which gets too little attention is the holster. While holsters are key to comfort and concealment while carrying, they are also key to safety.

The first rule of gun safety is "Always keep your muzzle pointed in a safe direction." A quality holster secures the firearm to the body preventing it from moving and pointing in unintended directions. Some holsters are even designed with retention features which keep the handgun in place during rigorous activity such as jogging. However, while a holster secures the firearm, it still requires attention to keep the firearm's muzzle pointed in a safe direction. For example, a waistband positioned holster will keep the muzzle pointed safely down while standing and sitting, it could be pointed in an unsafe direction when laying down. The same thing can occur with other styles of holsters. Pocket holsters when sitting, shoulder holsters when bending over, and ankle holsters when putting one's feet up. This must always be kept in mind when choosing a holster style and then when carrying it.

The second rule of gun safety is "Always keep your finger off the trigger until you are ready to shoot." Most holsters are designed to help with this by entirely covering the trigger. As long as the firearm is in the holster the trigger cannot be pulled. However, this also causes a danger. **If the finger is on the trigger while holstering, the holster may cause your finger to press the trigger making the firearm discharge. So please take your time when holstering your firearm to make sure the finger is off the trigger.**

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**

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Please know that request for information and explanation is not commitment to serve

NRA YOUTH DAY

Please give a special thanks to all the club members that helped with this year's annual NRA Youth Day. Their time and dedication help make the event a success. These members also earned a 2019 workday credit for their time and efforts.

Adams, Bob	Feagley, Donald	Rasche, Mike
Althoff, John	Findley, Frank	Reynolds, Jason
Betsworth, Brad	Gobin, Bill	Reynolds, Tracy
Betsworth, Kelly	Hall, Bennett	Sanders, Mike
Blanc, Peter	Hall, Carl	Schaefer, John
Bowden, Victor	Hallam, Charlie R.	Schauberger, Tony
Braker, Andy	Hansen, Randy	Simonsen, Bob
Bredhold, Bryan	Harris, Lisa	Smith, Cory
Brunetti, Art	Haymond, Mark	Spurlock, Allen
Brunetti, Janet	Hermes, Tim	Stasi, Robert
Carter, Dean	Hile, Jay	Stiles, Kevin
Catanese, Anthony	Kalt, Robert	Stiles, Vannal
Clements, Chris	Krohn, Jason	Swartz, Ben
Clements, Tim	Lannert, Stevie	Tofani, Pete
Combs, Greg	Loy, Jesica	Wagoner, Michael
Cusic, Bill	Loy, Michael	Walter, Ed
Cusic, Jonathan	Maurer, Mike	Wazny, Patti
Denton, Clint	McKindred, "Butch" Charlie	Wazny, William
Doty, John	Mominee, Jules	Weil, Adam
Downen, Brent	Nesbith, Larry	Weil, Brent
Eames, Joe	Perry, Charlie	Wilhite, Dewayne
Estep, Miki	Perry, James	Wilkinson, Jim
Estep, Walter	Phillips, Kenny	Wilson, Rick
	Raes, Noel	Wink, Don

FROM THE GROUNDS CHAIRMAN – JEFF WEBBER

Greetings Everyone,

Weedeater season is in full swing. Due to all the rain on the last workday, the weeds won. I need your help, bring your weed eaters, hedge trimmers and chainsaws.

I will also have a need for more demolition crews. Bring your tools of destruction!

Thanks to everyone who helps keep our range in such good shape.

See you at the range, Jeff

The following Red Brush members earned a workday credit in June. Please thank them for their time and dedication to the range.

Jim Wolf	Tim Jackson	Chuck Venditti	Joe Willett
Greg Blank	Jake Magnus	Tim Church	Tim Hammers
Nick Henderson	Brandon Dilger	Paul Wunderlich	

Special thanks to Nick Henderson for bringing out his green tractor and grading the road down the 400- & 500-yard bays. That was a much needed task!

GARY'S GUNS FOR SALE!! – NEW PRICES

Gary's guns for sale - prices updated July	
Mfg. / Model / Caliber / Action	Price
Beretta Mod. 21-A .22 auto pocket pistol	\$200.00
Tarus Model PT22, 22cal. auto pocket pistol	\$100.00
Astra 600/43, 9mm Para, automatic, nickel finish	\$300.00
S&W Model M&P 1905, 38 spcl, w/lanyard 6 inch bbl.	\$500.00
S&W Model 29-3, "Dirty Harry" 44 mag., 8inch	\$900.00
Browning Buckmark .22 auto pistol w/ scope	\$300.00
Stoeger "Cougar" .40 cal. Compact 11 rnd mags NEW	\$400.00
Browning A-5 12 ga. Excellent condition !	\$900.00
Call 812-490-0949 to see Mike Maurer	

AREA GUN SHOWS

Central Indiana Gunshows

Saturday July 20, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Sunday July 21, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Stout Field National Guard Armory
Indianapolis, IN

Central Indiana Gunshows

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

Gibson County Fairgrounds
Princeton, IN

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



LOST AND FOUND

Members continue to leave items behind at the range, and other members are really 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).

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