

HOME ON THE RANGE



Winter

2019

Membership

Payment of Annual Dues: Sunday, February 9, 2020 from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. at Boundaries Bar & Grill

Most of the payment of dues occurs on Dues Collection Day, February 9, 2020. Bring your 2019 Membership Card (with credited work hours), range/padlock key, copy of current NRA membership status and dues payment. It is important to remember that your range/padlock key will not work after February 9, 2020. If you do not have a current key to exchange, a new key will be \$5.

Dues Structure for 2019

Regular Member	Dues	First Year Member
8 HRS	\$110.00	16 HRS
7 HRS	\$125.00	15 HRS
6 HRS	\$140.00	14 HRS
5 HRS	\$155.00	13 HRS
4 HRS	\$170.00	12 HRS
3 HRS	\$185.00	11 HRS
2 HRS	\$200.00	10 HRS
1 HRS	\$215.00	9 HRS
0 HRS	\$230.00	8 HRS
	\$245.00	7 HRS
	\$260.00	6 HRS
	\$275.00	5 HRS
	\$290.00	4 HRS
	\$305.00	3 HRS
	\$320.00	2 HRS
	\$335.00	1 HRS
	\$350.00	0 HRS

If you cannot make this first collection, there are several alternate dates to renew at the Beloit Rifle Club clubhouse. These will be posted on the entrance gates.

Alternate Dates for Dues Payment

February 22 - Saturday	11:00 am - 1:00 pm.
March 04 - Wednesday	4:00 pm - 6:00 pm.
March 22 - Sunday	11:00 am - 1:00 pm.
April 01 - Wednesday	4:00 pm - 6:00 pm.

Renewal Through the Mail

To pay your dues by mail, please submit the following: Failure to do so could result in loss of membership:

1. **2019 Membership Card** and range/padlock key (with credited hours).
2. **Photocopy Of Your Current NRA Membership Status**, (Mailing label from your magazine has all this information, just clip and send)
3. **Dues Payment** (Check/Money Order Only – NO CASH!)
4. **\$5.00 Mail-in Handling FEE** (just add this to your dues payment – membership will NOT be processed without this)

REMINDER: Your range/padlock key will need to be sent in when mailing in your BRC Membership card, NRA membership status and payment. Membership card and new key will be mailed to you. Your checks will be cashed after Feb. 9, 2020. Include your E-mail address if you want confirmation that your check has been received.

MAIL TO:

JON NORTEMANN

1831 ARROWHEAD DR., BELOIT, WI 53511-3809

If above conditions are not met, your membership will not be processed. This option should be exercised only as a last resort. We will make every effort to process the mail renewals as quickly as possible. This process for mail renewal has been done for many years and a processing time of one to two weeks should be expected.

We are also requesting that payments be made by check or money order, whenever possible. Remember: Your dues must be paid by April 1, 2020 before the club meeting. The Board has decided that since current members have 5 opportunities to pay their dues and also have a mail-in option to pay dues, any member not paying their dues by April 1, 2020 will be required to go through the new member application process if they wish to continue their membership.

Please call Jon Nortemann (608) 751-0413 or David Steenblock (608) 754-8501 with any questions.

From the President

**Merry
Christmas
and
Happy
New Year
everyone!**



I'm going to keep this one short! Surprising I know.

We had a great sight in days in November. It went really well. I want to thank all of the volunteers who helped make it happen. Each and every job worked is important and it takes team work to pull it off. So thank you and we will see you next year. Remember the sign up sheet goes out at the Sept board meeting every year.

I also want to thank our board for all the time they put into making what we do happen. All the disciplines we have and all the up keep and building that we do yearly... wow- you all ROCK! We really do have a good team, even with the few hiccups we can run into, to have over 50 board members work together and accomplish what we do- we are doing good.

Lastly, I want to thank our members. We have such an amazing club but we couldn't do it with out you. Each and everyone of us contributes in some way and I hope we can all sit back and look at what we have and appreciate it.

Can't wait to see where we go in 2020!

See you at the Annual Meeting and Election on Jan 8, 2020!

God Bless,

Julie Wagoner, President

From the Chief Range Officer

We are at the end of a good year and looking forward to the next. As usual, there are too many volunteers to thank to be able to name them all. They keep this great organization running smoothly. I appreciate all of them and so should you. Feel free to thank members that are helping out. If you are looking to volunteer, I would suggest checking the schedule for the few remaining events. Check with the discipline head that is running them and see if they need help.

Gun safety. Read your Rule Book or call someone if you are not sure. We have had some damage to different parts of the range from inappropriate ammunition use and deliberate targeting of club property. If you see damage, let someone know. Bullets need to impact inside of the backstops. We have some members that place targets in front of the impact area. Don't do that.

Another thing that I would encourage members to do is be aware of where their muzzle is pointing. Even with a No Blue Sky range, the muzzle needs to be pointed down range before the firearms are loaded.

Questions, comments or complaints, contact myself or the director in charge of the range you are referring to.

Lee Thompson
Chief Range Officer
shootbrc@gmail.com or 608-290-3335
Call/text

New Membership for 2020

Any prospective member for the Beloit Rifle Club, must get their application to the membership committee before December 31, 2019. They must be post-marked no later than December 31, 2019. Make sure they are filled out completely! Two valid signatures and a valid NRA number. If either of these items is missing, or determined to not be valid, the application will be returned! The new member will then have to wait until next year to begin the application process. Please be careful with these items. Criminal background checks will be made on all Wisconsin applicants. All Illinois applicants must show a current F.O.I.D. card when being proposed for club membership in March. Applications turned in after that date will be for the "2021" membership group. All applications must be mailed in or given to Jon Nortemann, or David Steenblock, at club functions. Do not attempt to deliver the applications to us at our homes.



Silhouette

The 2019 outdoor summer .22 rifle Smallbore Silhouette shooting season ended on Thursday, September 26th. Attendance was good again this year. We had 5 to 8 shooters per evening. We had some new shooters this year, too. Everyone that came out to shoot had a great time.

Our third 80 round monthly NRA sanctioned match for the 2019 season was held on Saturday, July 20th. The weather was terrible, attendance was light, and only 3 shooters participated. Dave Alling was the match winner in Hunter (Light) Class hitting 24 out of 80.

Again this year, the Beloit Rifle Club hosted the NRA Wisconsin State Smallbore Silhouette Championships, which was held on Saturday August 24th. Beloit Rifle Club members did very well this year. Club member Tim Jaedike won two State Championships. He is the State Champion in Hunter (Light) Class, hitting 58 out of 80. He also won the State Championship in the Standard (Heavy) Class, again hitting 58 out of 80. Club member Dennis Loertscher is the Senior State Champion, hitting 47 out of 80. Club member Johanna Oksnevad is the Woman's State Champion, hitting 44 out of 80. Great shooting, everyone!

Our final 80 round monthly NRA Saturday match of the 2019 season was held on Saturday, September 21st. Craig Stevens and Brock Tokach tied in the Standard Rifle (Heavy) Class, both hitting 47 out of 80. Craig was declared the match winner based on the tie breaker.

Craig was also the match winner in the Hunter Rifle (Light) Class hitting 48 out of 80.

Thank you to everybody that gave their time and energy to make our 2019 season a success. We need to thank everyone that came out to shoot with us. Thank you to the volunteers at the state Championship and the monthly NRA Saturday matches. Thank you to the grounds crew and the people that worked to keeping the sand berms free of grass and weeds. We have a first class, high quality Silhouette shooting range. Plan to come out next summer and enjoy it with us.

The 2020 indoor winter .22 rifle and pistol Silhouette shooting season will begin on Monday, January 6st, and it will end on Monday, April 27th. We shoot paper silhouette targets on the indoor range. Come out and join us any time between 5:00pm to 6:30pm or so. Bring more than one gun, if you want to. This is a great chance to practice your offhand rifle and pistol shooting skills. Remember, these evenings are informal and meant to be low pressure fun. Finally, don't forget our annual "Frosty Iron Match", to be held on Saturday, January 18th, 2020. Check the Beloit Rifle Club web page for further details. Plan to come out for the day and join in the fun!

Be safe and have a great 2020!

Steve Schmalz
Silhouette Director
608-362-7172



Annual Meeting and Election

JANUARY 8, 2020

7:00PM

@ BOUNDARIES BAR AND GRILL

The Board of Directors has voted that there will be no nominations from the floor and that is in accordance to our by-laws. We will not be following past practice. Write-ins are allowed.

The election ballot is posted on the wall in the club house if you would like to sign up for a position on the board.

Please plan on attending the annual meeting. We must have a membership quorum to vote on and pass the Board's actions from 2019 and for the election of the 2020 Executive Board and the Board of Directors.

BELOIT RIFLE CLUB

Sight-In Days



Rimfire Benchrest

Greetings from Rimfire Benchrest.

Everyone had a good time this year. We had shooters from ages 12 to 87 years old. For those of you who don't know, we shoot every other Saturday starting in May thru September. The hours are 0800 to 1000 am. The dates for 2020 will be poster later.

This year's winners are as follows: ARA 1st Place - David Hobbs, Jr., 2nd Place - Butch Puerner, 3rd Place - Dennis Munn. Barnyard 1st Place - Dennis Munn, 2nd Place - Dick Greensides, 3rd Place - Howard Meier.

The picture starting left to right: Howard Meier, Dick Greensides, Dennis Munn, David Hobbs, Jr., and Butch Puerner.

The 2020 preseason meeting will be April 11, 2020 at 0900 in the clubhouse. Weigh-in for Barnyard rifles will be at this time.

Any questions, call Dennis Munn @ 815-633-6831

Upcoming BRC Dates

New Member Applications **POST MARKED** no later than December 31st 2019.

2020

January 8th: Annual Meeting and Election Night @ Boundaries Bar & Grill 7:00 pm.

January 15th: Directors meeting for scheduling events for 2020 @ Club House 6:00 pm

February 5th: Budget Meeting (5:30) & Board Meeting (7:00pm) @ Boundaries Bar & Grill

February 8th: Annual BRC Club Swap Meet- 1st come 1st serve for tables (members only for tables) @ BRC Club House 7am – 3pm.

February 9th: Annual Dues Payment Day @ Boundaries Bar & Grill 8am – 4pm

March 11th: New Member Induction Night @ Boundaries Bar & Grill 7pm start.



2019 B.R.C. BENCHREST LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

BRC By-Law Proposed Changes

The By-law committee composed of Ed Armstrong, Gary Larsen, Jon Nortemann, Larry Abbott and Julie Wagoner has proposed the following changes in the by-laws to the Board of Directors. It will be voted on by the board at the February 5, 2020 board meeting. This is memberships notification of proposed changes in accordance to our By-laws. (Changes shown in bold and/or strike through)

ARTICLE II

Members, Voting Rights and Dues

2.4 Determination of Membership Dues. All members of the Corporation shall pay annual dues (excludes current active life members). The amount of such dues shall be determined at the 1st general meeting of the year by the board of directors and shall be based on the operating expenses of the Corporation during the preceding year.

ARTICLE III

Meetings

3.3 Special Meetings. Special meetings of the members may be called by the President, the Board of Directors or by demand in writing by a member, stating the object of the proposed meeting, and signed by five ten percent (5% 10%) of the members entitled to vote.

3.4 Place of Meetings. Meetings of the members may be held at any place within Rock County, Wisconsin.

3.8 Quorum; Action. ~~One twentieth (1/20)~~ Ten percent (10%) of the number of members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Every act or decision done or made by a majority of the members present at a duly held meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act or decision of the members, unless the law, the Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation or these Bylaws require a greater proportion.

(c). Any applicant or member with a Felony, who can not legally own a firearm, can not be a member. Any member who is under felony inditement will have their membership suspended until final hearing within the Justice system.

ARTICLE IV

Directors

(a). The number of Directors of this Corporation shall be **Thirty (30) or such number as may be designated from time to time by the Board of Directors, but no less than three (3).** Except as otherwise provided herein with respect to the terms of the initial Directors, each Director shall hold office for a term of one (1) year or until such Director's successor shall have been duly elected or until such Director's death, resignation or removal, except the Rules committee which shall be composed of four (4) members. One member shall be elected each year for a three (3) year term and shall be the number three (3) members of the committee, the other members to move up one slot. The member at the top of the list shall be the chairman. The number (4) member of the committee shall always be the Past President and will not change position. Directors may be re-elected to serve more than one term in office.

(d). A Nominating Committee shall consist of three (3) members, two (2) appointed by the President with the Vice President acting as chairman of this committee. This committee shall name at least one person for each of the four (4) officers and the members for each of the disciplines, with space provided below each name for write-in's **during the election.** ~~nominations from the floor.~~ The Nominating Committee shall remain active for one (1) year or until a new Nominating Committee is appointed, and shall provide names for director approval to fill vacancies.

(e). ~~In the event a person wants to be nominated but can not be present the night of elections, that person can be nominated by petitions. The petition shall be signed by fifteen (15) members in good standing, showing the name, address and membership card number and be delivered to the election steward three (3) days before the election. The petition shall also show what office or committee the person is interested in. There will be no nominations from the floor. must have prior approval.~~

(a). Only one director per discipline and one named assistant director has a vote. No discipline shall receive more than two votes.

BELOIT RIFLE CLUB

BRC By-Law Proposed Changes...continued

ARTICLE VI

Match Rules

~~(a) All rifle and revolver or pistol competitions held by the Corporation shall be governed by the rules and regulations laid down by the National Rifle Association of America, approved by the National Board for the Promotion of Rifle Practice and the Secretary of the Army.~~

6.1 Any and all firearms competitions help by the corporation must be approved by the Board of Directors and/or governed by the rules and regulations laid down by the national ruling body of the discipline conducting the competition.

ARTICLE VIII (Being added to by-laws)

Miscellaneous

(b). Remaining assets shall be distributed to the National Rifle Association or any successor qualifying under Section ~~501(c)(4)~~ **501(c)(7)** of the Internal Revenue Code or its successor provision.

ARTICLE XIII

Life Membership Qualification and Procedure

A. Person sponsoring a candidate for Life Membership shall fill out an application and present the application to the rules committee and be present, at the time of application submission, for an interview with the rules committee. Applications are available from any Rules Committee member; check your membership card for member's names.

B. Must have been a member of the Beloit Rifle Club for 15 consecutive years and it is recommended that the member also be a Life Member of the National Rifle Association. Sponsoring person must also be a member of the Beloit Rifle Club for at least 15 years.

C. Must have been a member of the board of Directors of the club for at least 3 of those years, if on the executive portion of the board, or 5 of those years as a discipline/assistant director. Applications must be turned into Rules Committee on or before October 1.

D. During those 15 continuous years, the individual must have made a significant contribution to the club. That contribution can be in the form of facility development, generation of a revenue stream to help the club support the area of their discipline, any major improvement to their discipline that enhances the value of the club, or in other words, a significant contribution.

E. The rules committee will review all applications, interview sponsors and vote as to if qualifications have been met. They will make up a list of approved candidates for Board approval. The committee will also create and forward a letter to those sponsors who have submitted candidates who have not met the qualification standards and will indicate why they have not met them.

F. Applications and sponsor interviews must be completed before the December meeting where the candidates will be listed for the Board to vote. There will be a maximum of two (2) awarded each year. This is a maximum not a requirement. Life Membership is not to exceed 2.5% of the total membership, or a maximum of 25.

G. Applications are available from the Rules and/or Membership committee.

BENEFITS

A life Member of the Beloit Rifle Club shall:

- A. Be excused from the work hours,
- B. Be excused from paying the annual amount of dues,
- C. Shall have all of the rights of regular dues paying members,
- D. Shall continue with these benefits until death or relocating to an area where their ability to attend club meeting and functions becomes a logistic inconvenience,
- E. Be encouraged to attend meetings and activities as health permits,
- F. Be willing, as health permits, to assist the Club in projects where their past expertise has aided the completion of a project.

Great Job on the Safety Wall

Great Job Guys!

This summer the Safety Wall between the Main Range and Archery Range blew down. The Range Construction Team promptly removed the damaged wall and prepared the area for a new cement block wall. This involved removing trees, extending the area for the new wall and laying a crush rock base down. A crane was brought in and the team collected the new blocks and installed a cement safety barrier wall. This project was completed in about two months time. Thanks to everyone who participated!

Wally and Brad
Range Construction



Welcome to Rattlers 1st Tournament

Welcome to Rattlers first ever tournament. This is the start of our fourth year as a team and we have many skilled air rifle shooters. We are ready to travel and compete as a team. Waukegan, Illinois is the first tournament we have traveled to. We will have a team at the Illinois State Tournament in January and again in the Wisconsin State tournament in April. These are exciting times to be a Rattler Air Rifle teammate. We are a positive, hard working group that supports each other in every way possible. Thank all of you for your donations and good will toward our youth. These kids are our future and you helped make it happen. Coaches Larry and Dennis.

