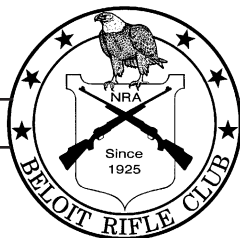


HOME ON THE RANGE



Fall

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SIGHT-IN DAYS

(Rain, Snow or Sunshine)

Sight In Your Rifle At The Beloit Rifle Club
\$10.00 for the first rifle and \$5.00 per gun thereafter.
Immediate family members under age 18 - \$5.00 per gun.

Beloit Rifle members are there to help you.
Minimum charge for experienced scope mounting.
Approved targets & shooting benches are provided.

PISTOLS • RIFLE • SHOTGUN • BLACK POWDER IN LINES • FLINTLOCK & CAP CARTRIDGE

Nov. 6 & 7 **8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

Nov. 13 & 14 **8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

Nov. 17 (Wednesday) **8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

ALL SHOOTERS WILL BE REQUIRED TO SIGN A DISCLAIMER
AND MUST ADHERE TO BELOIT RIFLE CLUB SAFETY RULES.

~RAFFLE~

Raffle Drawing November 17, 2021 4:00 p.m. at B.R.C.

1st Prize - Savage Axis II 6.5 Creedmoor
2nd Prize - KelTec Sub 2000 9mm
3rd Prize - Winchester SXP 12ga.

4th Prize - Ruger LCP Max .380
5th Prize - RCBS Explorer Reload Kit
6th Prize - Centerpoint Heat 425 Crossbow

Ticket Prices: \$2.00 each, or 10 for \$10.00 Lic. #R0003180A-47722
(Winners must be 18 or over and legally eligible to own a firearm per State and Federal regulations.)

From the Club President

Hey Everyone!

I hope you had a great summer and early fall! Mine has been good but busy like pretty much everyone. As you know we have a lot going on down at the club. I would encourage you to come to the board meetings the 1st Wednesday of the month to help stay on top of decisions and be part of the conversations. We have 50 board members that work together to make the decisions for the club and everything is voted on by majority rule and lead by Robert's Rule of Order. We have a Rules Committee that all rules go through first and then brought before the board for approval once terminology has been set. A great one to join if you want to be an active participant to the rules of the club. Speaking of joining the board! If you want to join the board the sign up sheet for running for a position will be posted in November on the club house wall after sight in days are over.



So the question I'm sure a lot of you have is what is going on with the new indoor range! From my last email you know it was board approved to purchase- 34 yes's to 1 no. A purchase agreement was written and accepted for a price of \$285,000.00. We have been meeting with architects to see who we want to hire to help us get the building prints. It has been narrowed down but the range in which their fees are coming in are so varied it is going to take more investigating when they were asked to do the same exact thing. We have our shipping company approved by the board, so now just waiting for it to be finished packaging up on that end and we will get it trucked up here. If you have been out to the club, you have seen the new pole barn that was installed to hold it until we can build a

building. The new building will be a great asset to the club once the new indoor range is up and running too.

As far as the finances go. I'm still trying to work out numbers so when we come to you with our projected expenses and goal that we want to meet, we are as accurate as possible. We don't want to be coming back a year later needing more. So doing our best to get those numbers from all angles before we set that goal number. We are setting up a fundraising committee to brainstorm and implement ideas to raise this money so not all of it is on the club members. If you have experience in this, please contact me to join! We have had several approach us about getting started donating. We are changing banks soon so once it is complete we will give details on how you can do that. We will be able to accept monthly or what ever time frame works for you and trying to figure out the best way to accept electronically. So stay tuned!

While we have had extremely positive feed back and excitement on this new step for our club, we do have a few members that are not so happy about this direction. Those that feel they will never use the range or it doesn't apply to their discipline of choice or we don't need anything that fancy, I would like to point out a few things. I hope you can be open enough to hear it. While our name is the Beloit Rifle Club- that is not the only thing we are about. Look around our club. We are rifle, shot gun, pistol and archery. About every spectrum of shooting sport there is, right? We are not and should never be about one discipline. Our name really should be Beloit Gun Club or Beloit Gun and Archery Club anymore because our forefathers had the foresight to plan for the future. This includes current members and board members... they looked to the future and did an amazing job with their resources in continuing to grow our club. Every change they made was a risk in it's own way. Now if you take away our dis-

ciplines and the numbers of members that shoot a specific discipline only- do you realize that we have more 'general' members than discipline shooters? Members that don't shoot in a competition matches. They come out to just enjoy the shooting sport on their own or with friends. They are who help make our club go round too and help spin it more because there is more of them. We wouldn't be able to have the discipline ranges that we have with out them- do you realize this?. I've not heard from them... 'well it's not what I shoot so we shouldn't do it or I won't support it' when it comes to upgrading or expenses on a discipline range. Just because it isn't your thing doesn't mean it isn't a Beloit Rifle Club thing and when you took that pledge and paid your dues for the 1st time- you became Beloit Rifle Club. It is about 1,100 members now that own this place equally and we are about majority rules and ultimately what is best for the club as a whole. Period. As for this new range being too fancy for Beloit Rifle Club? Anyone who uses the indoor range (2nd most used range in the club), know that what we have is antiquated. It was great for when it was built, but it was built primarily for Bullseye Pistol shooters. Lead only bullets. Built by club members own hands with donated materials at a time when membership was limited to two hundred members I believe. I take my hat off to them. Fortunately and unfortunately times have changed. Can you imagine trying to build that range now the same way? It couldn't happen. We have so many restrictions on us compared to then. Plus the need to rely on member only help? It isn't the good old days anymore. Ammo has changed, firearms have changed, ventilation has changed. All the codes that have to be met. Our back stop is not bullet proof and our ventilation... well yea about that. When the Long Range Planning Committee started 4 plus years ago, we made it a goal to make sure this range could get the optimum use by our members. All members- not just a discipline.

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We wanted enough lanes for there to always be lanes available for member use. A back stop that could handle and contain larger hand gun calibers and rifles, a ventilation system that is up to code. Ultimately- safety. Where do we put it to get optimal space, work around our flood plane, work around utilities? We zeroed in on the Action Target System very quickly and the idea of a two story building into the hill. Just as quickly we realized we needed to save a whole lot of money. As we all experience too, the price just keeps getting higher the longer it takes. This isn't something that had no thought put into it. Many have been planning for years. When the opportunity to buy this used range became available... it made it feasible. With membership working together – it makes it doable. That is the attitude we have to have. What can we do to get this done and what can I do to help? It is our turn to take the chance, make the change for the future- ours, our kids and grandkids. Doesn't matter if you are one of old timers that was instrumental in where we are today or a brand new member – We are the Beloit Rifle Club!

God Bless and Shoot Straight!
Julie



From the Chief Range Officer

Fall is here. To some it means sighting in hunting guns, to others it means making accommodations for the weather and not shooting as much outdoors. With 1100 members more or less, we have lots of different views, likes and dislikes. Most importantly we have a wonderful facility. Please appreciate it, follow the rules, and make an effort to and be nice to other members.

A rule that must be followed is having the warning lights on when going down range on the general range and the 100/500 yard range out back. No handling of firearms when the buzzer and or lights are on. This applies even when you are alone. On the range.

The monthly meeting is usually on the first Wednesday of the month at 6:30 or as posted on the calendar. Please consider attending a meeting to see some of the work put in by the volunteers who make the club function so well. You will also have a chance to get a better understanding of the workings of the club and contribute your opinion.

It will soon be time for prospective members to have their application in. The application can be downloaded for the web page. If you know someone who wants to join, it is not too soon to introduce them to other members so that they can get a second sponsor. Sponsors are responsible for the actions of the new members so don't be surprised if a cosponsor might want to observe the potential member on the range before signing.

If you are on facebook, we do have a members only page to join. It is called BRC members and is literally that. Members only. Requesting to join requires answering a couple of questions but it is a shortcut to information and requests for help etc. Hope to see some new faces there.

Thank you for reading and don't hesitate contacting me if you have problems or questions.

Lee Thompson, CRO BRC

BELOIT RIFLE CLUB

Youth/NRA Instruction

We recently held our Brownell Youth Sports Fest at the club. While I was walking around, talking to people and taking pictures it reminds me of what we are about on so many levels. Teaching the youth and sharing our knowledge with the next generation for the shooting sports. I'm proud to be part of such an amazing group of people. From the leadership pre-planning to execution and all the volunteers it takes to run a youth sports fest working together to make it happen... it is amazing to see. Thank you Brad, Robbie, Brad and Tom for your dedication to the program. Thank you to all the volunteers that come out to help make it run so smoothly. And while we made it happen again, I think we can all say that we truly missed Jean's smile and energy but I sure do know we made her proud. You are missed our friend.



Silhouette

The 2021 outdoor summer .22 rifle Smallbore Silhouette shooting season ended on Thursday, September 30th. Attendance was light this year. I am sure that the COVID-19 pandemic situation and the ammo shortage had an influence. We had 3 to 8 shooters every evening. We had some new shooters this year, too. I am sure that everyone that came out to shoot had a great time.

Our third 80 round monthly Saturday match of the 2021 season was held on Saturday, July 24th. Craig Stevens was the winner in the Standard Rifle (Heavy) Class, hitting 59 out of 80. Craig was also the match winner in the Hunter Rifle (Light) Class hitting 53 out of 80.

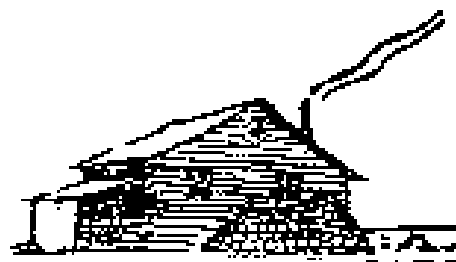
Again this year, the Beloit Rifle Club hosted the Wisconsin State Smallbore Silhouette Championships, which was held on Saturday August 21st. Beloit Rifle Club members did very well this year. Club member Tim Jaedike won two State Championships for the fifth year in a row. He is the State Champion in Hunter (Light) Class, hitting 56 out of 80. Tim also won the State Championship in the Standard (Heavy) Class, hitting 61 out of 80. Craig Stevens is the Senior State Champion, hitting 52 out of 80. For the second year in a row, Rattlers Air Rifle Team member Savana Estvander is the Junior State Champion. She hit 22 out of 80. Congratulations to everyone!

Our final 80 round monthly Saturday match of the 2021 season was held on Saturday, September 18th. Craig Stevens was the winner in the Standard Rifle (Heavy) Class, hitting 47 out of 80. Craig was also the match winner in the Hunter Rifle (Light) Class hitting 49 out of 80.

Thanks to everyone that helped to make our 2021 season a success. I need to thank everyone that came out to shoot with us. Thank you to the volunteers at the state Championship and the monthly Saturday matches. Thank you to the grounds crew and the people that work 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 2022 indoor winter .22 rifle and pistol Silhouette shooting season is scheduled to begin on Monday, January 3rd, and it will end on Monday, April 25th. We shoot paper silhouette targets on the indoor range. Come out and join us any time between 5:00pm to 6:30pm. 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, do not forget about our annual "Frosty Iron Match", scheduled on Saturday, January 22nd, 2022. Check the Beloit Rifle Club web page for further details. Plan to come out for the day and join the fun! Be safe and have a great 2021!

Steve Schmalz, Silhouette Director 608-362-7172



Black Powder Lodge Calendar of Events for 2021

August 7 - Saturday 10:00 a.m. - WMLA Sanctioned "Shotgun Shoot"

August 15 - Monthly Shoot / 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

September 18 - Saturday 10:00 a.m. WMLA Sanctioned "Lou Braggo" Chunk Gun Shoot - CGM 60 Yards

September 19 - WMLA Sanctioned "Hunter's Match" 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

October 15, 16, 17 - "ED Le CRONES" Turkey Shoot - WMLA Program "B" Shoot. Friday & Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and Sunday 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

November, 2021 - No Shoot (Deer Hunting)

December 17, 18, 19 - WMLA Sanctioned "Frost On The Lodge" Shoot - Program "B" Shoot - Friday & Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and Sunday 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Harley Whitt (608) 921-1542 or Charlie Brown (608) 290-2978
GPS - 851 Philhower Rd., Beloit, WI 53511

Center-Fire Benchrest & 100/500 Meter Range Complex

Standard Operating Rules For 500 Meter Range

1. Red Badge Certified Members Only. Red Badge must be worn.
2. All Shooters must sign in prior to shooting. (A sign-in sheet will be in the shed next to the guest sign-in sheet. Sign in with date, name, time in/out.)
3. All shooting to be done from the bench top only. (No prone or standing are allowed on the 500 meter portion of the range.)
4. No hand guns allowed. Only rifles or bolt-action pistols.
5. Every time prior to using 200/300/500m range, rifle and ammunition must be sighted in at 100 yards. A 5 shot 3 inch group must be held to move to 200/300/500m distances.
6. Minimum muzzle velocity must exceed 2300 ft per second. If in doubt do not shoot until you can get chronographed.
7. Only BRC provided steel targets allowed.
8. When 'cease fire' is called, properly display Hot/Cold sign with warning light. "Cold" means it is safe to go down range. Warning lights to be on when range is cold. "Hot" means the range is active. Do not go forward of the firing line.
9. No handling of firearms when range is Cold.
10. All firearms must be racked or cased & off the firing line with bolts open or chamber indicated and magazines removed when range is Cold.
11. Benchrest, BR-50, CMP and Highpower disciplines have control of the entire firing line during their matches. All lanes will be closed to non-participants at that time.
12. Check website for the times when the disciplines have matches scheduled.

500 Meter Range

The 500 Meter Range consists of 18 shooting benches, the first 12 are for general use by all members and their guests. The benches are numbered 1 thru 18 from left to right.

BENCHES 13 THRU 18 ARE POSITIONED FOR USE OUT TO 500

METERS AND ARE ONLY TO BE USED BY THOSE BRC MEMBERS WHO HAVE GONE THROUGH THE QUALIFICATION PROCESS FOR THAT RANGE. NO GUEST IS ALLOWED TO USE THIS PORTION OF THE RANGE.

The following club members are authorized to qualify members on the 500 Meter Range:

Bruce Nygren: 815-978-9767
 Chuck Mongan: 815-721-3967
 Julie Wagoner: 815-639-9174
 Kyle Schleim: 608-921-6520
 Everett Bennett: 815-389-3302
 Bill Larson: 608-317-6919
 Norm Larson: 815-543-6882
 Bill Ruck: 608-364-0345
 Bill Powell: 608-931-1343
 Paul Schuler: 815-519-2141

The qualification process is posted in the club house and on the bulletin board at the 500 meter range. That process is:

1. Shoot a 3 shot group a 100 yards to verify rifle zero.
2. Obtain bullet weight and velocity.
3. Calculate the necessary sight change to impact at 500 meters (547 yards).
4. Prove proper sight adjustment from calculations in step "3" by shooting another 3 shot group at 100 yards with the calculated adjustments made to your sights. The group should be 9 inches to 17 inches high depending on bullet speed and weight.
5. After the rifle is properly adjusted to strike high at 100 yards, the shooter to be qualified must fire 4 shots at 500 meters; all shots must strike within a 20 inch square steel plate. More than 4 shots are allowed as needed.
6. Upon completion of the above orientation, the member's name and \$5.00 processing fee, will be forwarded to Jon Nortemann. A special "RED 500 Meter" badge, with the members name will be made for the member to wear. The member will also have his/her membership card signed to substitute for the badge until it arrives.

THE 500 METER RANGE IS FOR QUALIFIED BRC MEMBERS

ONLY! NO GUESTS! We have over 290 members qualified. Before members may use the shorter range target boards, 200 meters, 300 meters and steel targets, which co-exist on the 500 Meter Range, they **MUST BE QUALIFIED AT 500 METERS.** Guests are not allowed to use the shorter ranges on the 500 Meter Range at any time or the 500 meter target boards and steel targets. **NOTE: ONLY QUALIFIED BRC MEMBERS ARE ALLOWED TO USE THE 500 METER RANGE, BENCH POSITIONS 13 THRU 18 REGARDLESS OF THE RANGES AT WHICH BACKSTOPS AND TARGET BOARDS ARE INSTALLED.**

I will be qualifying members to use the 500 meter range on any Wednesday morning that the 'Wednesday Morning Group' shoots, between 9:00 AM and noon. You may call the other 9 members to set up other times if needed.

If you are shooting a caliber that is damaging our steel targets and/or range facilities, PLEASE STOP. This club belongs to each BRC member and needs to be treated with respect. Normal wear and tear is expected but should not be accelerated. Thank-you.

Remember: These Are Rules

1. No unintended discharge of a firearm.
2. No rounds to leave the range.
3. Wear your safety glasses and hearing protection.
4. ALL members, whether new this year or a 40 year plus veteran have a duty to see that our rules and procedures are followed. Politely remind each other if infractions are observed. We have a "jewel" of a club. Please keep it that way. THANK YOU!
5. No 50 BMG's to be used on Club grounds at any time!
6. Always wear your Membership Badge.

Email or call if you have questions.

Paul Schuler 815 623 2268

Email: pschuvett9@aol.com

Safe and Accurate Shooting

Every barrel and action is a law unto itself. No two are alike!!

Black Powder Lodge

Back in June the Black Powder Lodge held the 2021 Sgt. York Over the Log Shoot/W.M.L.A. 60 yd. CGM Shoot (CGM - Chunk Gun Match).

We sent the proceeds, which was a little over two hundred dollars, to the Sgt. York Patriotic Foundation. I wrote an article for our newsletter about the results and the nice letter Sergeant York's great granddaughter sent, thanking the club.

Then in July I received in the mail a package containing a medal. Along with a letter explaining about the medal.

I accepted the medal for the Beloit Rifle Club and I'm enclosing a copy of the letter along with some pictures of the medal. You may note: that the medal received was 78 of 100 medals made. I think it was great that the York Foundation thought of us. (The Beloit Rifle Club) when they were giving out these medals to the different organizations. I am sure that there must be way more than one hundred of them! (Organizations) That has helped them in the past. I surely hope that the Wisconsin 2022 Sergeant Alvin C. York Shoot will be as good or even better than the ones in the past.

Most Sincerely,
Limb Bacon / Harley Whitt
Historian / Black Powder Lodge

I would personally like to thank Deborah York, Sgt. York's great granddaughter for thinking of the Beloit Rifle Club when sending out the medals. Thank you! Harley Whitt



July 9, 2021

Beloit Rifle Club Inc., c/o Mr. Harley Whitt

Dear Harley and Friends at the Beloit Rifle Club,

We are so glad to hear from you and thankful for your donation! It is great that you were able to have your shoot this year. Things are slowly but surely getting back to normal around here. Our tourism has been up at the Sgt. York State Historic Park, and we are thankful for the ability to add programming and educational events back on site.

Please accept the enclosed medal as a gift from us. It was commissioned by New York City's East Side World War I Centennial Celebration Commission and created by artist Joel Iskowitz. The medal depicts Sergeant Alvin York, York Avenue in Manhattan and highlights not only Sgt. York's military heroism but also his education and humanitarian work afterward. The reverse of the medal honors the role of women in the medical and humanitarian aspects of the war as well as the extensive social changes of this era of history including the suffragist movement.

My great grandfather would have been so honored to know that people still remember him today and take the time out of their busy lives to visit his home and continue his legacy in action. He would be humbled to know his story still inspires and encourages others. The Sgt. York Patriotic Foundation's purpose is to promote Education and Opportunity and honor our veterans in the footsteps of Sgt. York's life work. We advance and perpetuate Peace through education and service to others, upholding the fundamental tenets of the Medal of Honor: Courage, Commitment, Sacrifice, Patriotism, Integrity and Citizenship.

On July 3rd, we hosted the Sgt. York Play live on the steps of Sgt. York's house. It was a wonderful day full of celebration for our amazing country and our freedoms. We appreciate your donation to help us keep Sgt. York's legacy alive to inspire others!

Sincerely, Deborah York, MS, LPC



Sergeant York Medal front and back

BELOIT RIFLE CLUB, INC.

Date of Application _____ Name _____
Last First M.I.
Address _____
Street City State Zip
Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Birth date _____
E-Mail _____ NRA Membership Number _____
(Please Print carefully, or Type) ("**Applied For**" is NOT acceptable)

APPLICATION MUST BE MAILED BEFORE THE FIRST OF JANUARY
POST MARKED - December 31 or earlier.
THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS

NRA NUMBER MUST BE ON THIS FORM! It is your responsibility to obtain and maintain that membership. Failure to do so will result in loss of club membership.

Sponsorship: You need two (2) sponsors. Sponsors must be full, not probationary, members. Sponsors may sponsor only one (1) applicant per year.

Probationary Status: If admitted to the Beloit Rifle Club you will be a probationary member for two (2) years from your entrance date. No applicant may sponsor a new member until full membership status is attained. New Beloit Rifle Club members must attend and complete "one" of "three" orientation sessions offered during the first year of their membership or renewal of membership will not be possible.

Service Hours for Dues Reduction: During the first year of your probationary membership, if you choose to volunteer sixteen (16) hours of service to the club, your dues for the following year will be reduced. These 16 volunteer hours, are only for the first year of your probationary membership. If you choose not to volunteer to help out at the club, the cost for renewal will be appropriately higher.

I have read the Beloit Rifle Club rules and agree to obey them. My sponsors and I have reviewed the club facilities and I understand the operating procedure on each range. I have not been convicted of a felony in Wisconsin or in any other of the 49 States and I realize that a public records background check will be conducted.

Signature of Applicant

Signature of Sponsor (1) _____ Signature of Sponsor (2) _____

Print Sponsors Name _____ Print Sponsors Name _____

Sponsors NRA Number _____ Sponsors NRA Number _____

SEND NO MONEY!!

NEW MEMBER FEES will be paid on the
Second Wednesday in March
(Amount is Subject to Board action)

MAIL TO:

BRC Membership P.O. Box 975 Beloit, WI 53512-0975 (revised 01/2020)