

HOME ON THE RANGE



FALL

2024

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**

November 9, 10, 16, 17, 20

(Hours: 8:00 a.m. - 3:45 p.m. Each Day)

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

~RAFFLE~

Raffle Drawing November 20, 2024 4:00 p.m. at B.R.C.

1st Prize - Tikka T3X 7mm-08

2nd Prize - Sig Sauer 365

3rd Prize - S&W BodyGuard 2.0

4th Prize - Ruger MK IV 22/45

5th Prize - Winchester SXP 20 ga.

6th Prize - Ruger 10/22

Prizes can be exchanged for credit towards another purchase @ Mid-City Guns

From the Club President

Your new indoor range is done!!

After a year of construction the new indoor range is complete and open for use! We had a great grand opening and so much excitement from our members. Congratulations to the members who made history by being the first people to shoot in the range. Among those shooters was Everett Bennett who is our longest standing club member. He joined in 1964 and has seen a lot of changes in the club through those 60 years!

There are so many people to thank for making this project a reality. To save some trees, I'll keep my thanks to groups. First off, thanks to the members of the long term planning committee. There were many meetings gathering ideas and figuring out what would best serve the club and that team did it with enthusiasm! The Board of Directors accepted the vision and made sure it wouldn't become too much of a burden to the club by overspending. Then there were the members who constantly stepped up to help with different parts of the project, ranging from sorting small parts, to unloading heaving equipment, to helping with the install of the range equipment, to cleaning and preparing the range for use. Then there is you as a member of this club. None of this could have happened without members!! I'm not just talking about those who donated financially, but also the rest for just being part of this organization. With our numbers and the small cost of membership we are able to make investments like this over time. It took decades for the club to grow to its current status and this new range just adds that much more value.

Now here is a reminder of the limitations of the range. No incendiary/tracer ammo, no steel core ammo. Mixed metal jacketed ammo (wolf, Tula) is NOT allowed in the new range or on any steel targets around the club as it will damage AR plate steel. Projectile speed CANNOT exceed 3,388 feet per second, kinetic energy CANNOT exceed 3,600 foot pounds of force.



First Shooters on the New Range: From left to right: Jeff Goode, Maripat Bliss-Ribbon, George Brunson, Scott McConnell, Julie Wagoner, Everett Bennett, Gina Koch, Alex Kienbaum, Kyle Schliem, Tim Coppernoll.

Be mindful of your projectile path (the line from muzzle through target to backstop) and where the bullet is impacting after it pierces the target. This is especially critical when you set up a target for someone else who may be smaller or taller than you. Damage can be done to the floor from having the target too low or damage can be done to the trolley system from having the target too high. The limits of this are increased the closer the target is to the firing line. We will be adding to the backstop a yellow line showing the upper limit and a red line showing the lower limit of where your shoot through impacts can land within.

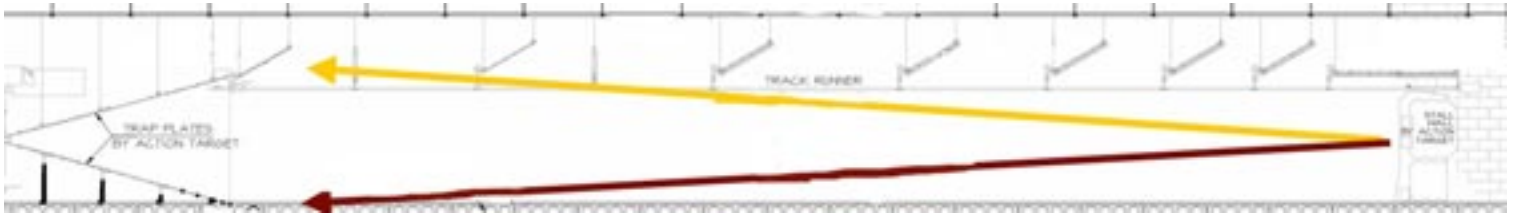
Kyle Schliem
President, Beloit Rifle Club
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Ribbon Cutting for Grand Opening of New Range

BELOIT RIFLE CLUB

Opening Day of BRC's New Indoor Range



Cowboy Action



This year we proudly hosted the Wisconsin State Championship. We had our best turnout to date with 119 shooters signed up of which 17 were club members. Even though our first day was very rainy every shooter stayed and came back to a beautiful day of shooting on Sunday. This event wouldn't be possible year after year without the dedication of club members who come out to prepare the range prior to the shoot and the help and support of members who come out to show their support by assisting with side matches, trash removal, painting of the targets, food prep and any other duty our ramrod Jim has for them.



We finally completed all of the coverings for our loading and unloading tables which is very much appreciated by all those who come out to shoot at our monthly matches. I can't stress enough that the support and dedication of club members is what makes this all possible. I for one am truly grateful to have such a fine crew and don't see how it would ever get done if it wasn't for them.



A reminder that our cowboy matches are held on the 1st and 3rd, Saturday of the month. If you want to come out to see what it is all about, we sure would love to have you. There is a safety meeting at 8:45 and shooting begins at 9:00. Eye and Ear protection are mandatory so make sure to bring yours along. We do have a few extra pairs if you happen to forget.

Ladies In Arms

Ladies in Arms starting up again in September! We focus on shooting fundamentals- stance, grip, sights, breathing, trigger pull and follow thru. Firearm safety, terminology, care and handling/manipulation. How to deal with misfires and malfunctions. Defensive shooting, conceal carry and laws that go with it. We have ladies from ages 12 into their 80's in the group and it's a great way to be with other ladies learning. From brand new shooters to experienced shooters. If you would like to join us please fill out the survey on the brc website under disciplines/women's shooting group. You will meet once a month on Tuesday nights for one and a half hours, .22 semi-auto pistol, ammo and target provided for \$10.00 per class or if you bring your own ammo \$5.00. Any questions you can email JulieBRC@yahoo.com.



From the Chief Range Officer

Club activities are in full swing. Now is a good time to look for volunteer hours. Check the calendar for events you might be interested in helping with and contact the director in charge to see if they have any need for help. There is still a need for Construction and Groundskeeping help as well. I am looking for some assistance at various times for a member that is familiar with the range who would be willing to submit a survey after a visual inspection. Contact me for details.

Oscar Mike is a Non-Profit that helps disabled vets stay active in adaptive sports. They use our Main Range for a couple of hours several times a year. They have completed their season this year and wanted to say how extremely thankful they are to the BRC and the club volunteers who helped them.

Members who bring guests must pay the fee and sign them in before they shoot. It is very important to have them sign the waiver sheet and have them wear a guest badge. Return the guest badge when you sign them out. Thank you for your cooperation.

Do you use the Outdoor Pistol Range? Do not move the target frames on the 25 yard line so that two are directly next to another. This results in the target that is out of sequence lining up with the frame at 50 yards. This has resulted in damage to the 50 yard frames.

There is a lot of excitement about the new Indoor range. If you have questions, please ask someone before you shoot. The rules are in the Rule Book.

Feel free to contact me with your concerns and questions. If you call please leave a message if I don't answer or text me.

Lee Thompson CRO BRC, 608-290-3335



Black Powder Lodge

Calendar of Events for 2024

October 18, 19, 20, 2024

Ed Le Crones "Turkey Shoot" WMLA Program "B" Shoot
Fri. & Sat. 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. & Sun. 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

November, 2024

No Shoot - Deer Hunting

December 13, 14, 15, 2024

WMLA Sanctioned "Frost On The Lodge Shoot" Program "B" Shoot
Fri. & Sat. 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and Sun. 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 Bench Rest & 100/500 Meter Range Complex

Center Fire Bench Rest

Center Fire Bench Rest Matches will be conducted on the following dates and are open to all BRC members. There is NO fee to participate. Matches are held from 9:30 AM - 12:00 noon. These are informal Matches. They will be conducted on:

July 15, July 29, Aug 5, Aug 19

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.)
4. Every time prior to using 200/300/500m range, rifle and ammunition must be fired at 100 yards, a 2 shot 3 inch group must be held to move to 200/300/500m distances. **Please note that now once you have gotten your red badge, you only need to fire 2 shots at 100 yards to proof your rifle's zero before shooting on the 500 meter range.**
5. MINIMUM MUZZLE VELOCITY MUST EXCEED 2300 FT PER SECOND. If in doubt do not shoot until you can get chronographed.
6. Only BRC provided steel targets allowed.
7. 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.
8. No handling of firearms when range is Cold.
9. All firearms must be racked or cased & off the firing line with bolts open or chamber indicated and magazines removed when range is Cold.
10. Bench rest, 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.
11. 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	815-742-1718
Kyle Schlein	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
Charlie E. Brown	608-290-4842
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 \$10.00 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 300 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 10 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!!
Paul Schuler

Black Powder - W.M.L.A. 2024 Big Game Report

There are two entries for 2024 as of 7-28-24

Black Bear: (none)

Whitetail Deer: (none)

Wild Turkey: (Spring) - (two)

Wild Turkey (Fall) - (none)

Canadian Goose: (none)

Predator entries: (none)

A Wild Turkey: (A Tom) was harvested on May 1, 2024 by Richard Mezera of Montello, Wisconsin and witnessed by Andrea Bulgrin. The turkey weighed 22.5 pounds. It had a 10-inch beard and 1-inch spurs. Richard's turkey had a total measurement of 62.5 points. Richard harvested the turkey around 6:30 a.m. at a distance of 18 yards using a Navy Arms 12 gauge double barrel muzzle loading shot gun. Congratulations to Richard Mezera and Thank You for entering the 2024 W.M.L.A. Spring Turkey, Big Game Awards Program.



Richard Mezera

A Wild Turkey: (A Tom) was harvested on May 1, 2024 by Jerry Gosda of Janesville, Wisconsin. Jerry harvested the turkey in Adams Co. Wisconsin and was witnessed by: Mike Anderson and Rick Stanton. The turkey weighed 26 & 3/4 pounds with a 11 & 1/4 inch beard. One spur was 1 & 1/8 inches long and the other spur was 1 & 3/16 inches long. The total score was 74.8 125 points. Jerry harvested the turkey using a muzzle loading 12 gauge double barrel shotgun with one shot at a distance of 30 yards. With that score! It moves Jerry Gosda into second place in The W.M.L.A. Big Game Awards Wild Turkey Record Book. Congratulations to Jerry Gosda on your accomplishment and Thank You!, for entering The 2024 Spring Turkey W.M.L.A. Big Game Awards Program.

Respectively submitted by: Harley J. Whitt, W.M.L.A./Big Game Chairperson!



Jerry Gosda

W.M.L.A. Big Game Record Book as of July, 2024

Place: Name: Year: Score: Locality of Harvest:

Black Bear:

1. Russell Hotz: 2011 20 & 13/16 Price, CO
2. Jerry Gosda: 2009 20 & 1/16 Barron, CO
3. Gordon G. Haberman: 1984 19 & 13/16 Ashland, WI
4. Larry Dahl: 1992 18 & 13/16 Westboro, WI
5. Rod Martin: 2007 18 & 5/8 Chippewa, WI

Whitetail Deer:

1. Charles L. Wilke: 2006 12pt. 171&6/8 Fondulac, CO
2. Norman Hotz: 2015 12pt. 164 & 0/8 Crawford, CO
3. Don Jones: 1984 10pt. 146 & 7/8 Tunnel City, WI
4. Charlie J. Brown: 1996 10pt. 144 & 6/8 Iowa, CO
5. Scott Donovan: 2022 12pt. 138 & 5/8 Sauk CO.

Wild Turkey:

1. Dick Mezera: 2011 76.5 Waupun, WI
2. Jerry Gosda: 2024 74.8125 Adams CO
3. Gordon Lukes: 2006 72.875 Ogema, WI
4. Sam Bohy: 2005 70.25 Spencer, WI
5. Charles L. Wilke: 2006 67.5 Fondulac, CO

Canadian Goose:

1. Dwight Claggett: 1996 10 lbs. Waupun, WI
2. Ed Putnam: 1993 9 & 3/4 lbs. County, N/A
3. Charles L. Wilke: 1993 9 lbs. 6 oz. Fondulac, CO
4. Nancy Putnam: 1993 9 lbs. County, N/A
5. Bill O'Conner: 1994 8 lbs. Warrens, WI

BELOIT RIFLE CLUB

Membership

This is a reminder regarding membership responsibilities for both dues paying members and prospective new members. Anyone sponsoring a prospective new member must get the application to the membership committee before December 31, 2024. Applications turned in after that date will be for the "2025" membership group. All applications must be either mailed in or given to Jon Nortemann, or James Searing, at club functions. Do not attempt to deliver the applications to us at our homes.

A few reminders regarding current members. **The small padlock key will also be used as the main gate key.** We are changing the padlocks again this year. That will go into effect February 9, 2025. Your current padlock key will not work after February 9, 2025. If you do not have a current key to exchange, a new key will be \$5.00. I have included a payment schedule so that you can determine your cost for renewal.

DUES STRUCTURE FOR 2025

(Based on \$25.00/work hour) - All Members

8	HRS	\$130.00
7	HRS	\$155.00
6	HRS	\$180.00
5	HRS	\$205.00
4	HRS	\$230.00
3	HRS	\$255.00
2	HRS	\$280.00
1	HRS	\$305.00
0	HRS	\$330.00

PAYMENT OF DUES: Most of the payment of dues occurs at the **Dues Collection Day, February 9, 2025.** Remember also that dues collection will be at **Boundaries Bar and Grill.** Dues will be collected from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. **It is important to remember that your range key, padlock key, will not work after February 9, 2025.** If you cannot make the first collection, there will be alternate dates for you to renew, collection on those dates will be at the Beloit Rifle Club clubhouse. We have included a chart of the alternate payment days and the times of collection for each of those days.

Alternate Dates For Payment of Dues:

February	- 22	- Saturday	11:00 am	- 1:00 pm.
March	- 5	- Wednesday	4:00 pm	- 6:00 pm.
	- 16	- Sunday	11:00 am	- 1:00 pm.
April	- 02	- Wednesday	4:00 pm	- 6:00 pm.

DEADLINE: 02 APRIL 2025 - Before Club mtg.

These dates and times will be posted on the entrance gates. Check for the next renewal time and date, should you miss the first one. **We are also requesting that payments be made by check or money order, whenever possible. Remember: Your dues must be paid by the April 3, 2024, club meeting.**

NOTE: Century Group members are not required to do the "8" work hours.

RENEWAL THROUGH THE MAIL: If you exercise the option to pay your dues by mail, please submit the following: Failure to do so could result in loss of membership:

- 1. 2024 Membership Card** (with credited hours).
- 2. Padlock Key** - Tape your key to your Membership card. Lost keys are \$5.00.
- 3. Photocopy Of Your Current NRA Membership Status,** (Mailing label from your magazine has all this information, just clip and send) ***Not Required of NRA LIFE MEMBERS***
- 4. Dues Payment** (See Dues table printed above-Check/Money Order Only - NO CASH!)
- 5. \$5.00 Mail-in Handling FEE** (*just add this to your dues payment - your membership will NOT be processed without this fee*)

REMINDER: When mailing, our padlock key will need to be taped securely to your BRC Membership card. Your NRA membership status and payment are also required. A new BRC Membership card and padlock key will be mailed to you. Your checks will be cashed after Feb. 9, 2025. 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.

REPEATING!! All 2025 new membership applications must be turned in BEFORE December 31, 2024. They must be postmarked no later than December 31, 2024. 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 processed for club membership in March.

REPEATING!!

The Board has decided that since current members have five (5) opportunities to pay their dues and have a mail in option to pay dues, any member not paying their dues by Wednesday in April 2, 2025, will be required to go through the new member application process, if they wish to continue their membership.

If you have specific questions or are confused, please call and we will attempt to clarify.

Jon Nortemann / James Searing
608-751-0413 / 779-537-3831

Membership Co-Directors for the Beloit Rifle Club

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/POST MARKED, BEFORE THE FIRST OF JANUARY THERE ARE 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. Qualified club members may sponsor two (2) applicants 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 during the first year of their membership or renewal of membership will not be possible.

Service Hours for Dues Reduction: During the first, and succeeding years of membership, if you choose to volunteer eight (8) hours of service to the club, your dues for the following year will be reduced. If you choose not to volunteer to help 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 for 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 1831 Arrowhead Drive Beloit, WI 53511 (revised 02/2023)