

# The Fusilier The Bullseye

Newsletter July 2023

## From the President:

Greetings. 2023 marks our 2<sup>nd</sup> year post Covid, and a return to normalcy for our families throughout the area and the shooting community. Because of this, the range has gotten even busier throughout this year, which is exciting and encouraging to see.

I would like to thank everyone for continuing to be safe throughout the year. It is important that as we grow in our membership and offer new types of shooting disciplines at the range that we continue to adhere to all the safety rules and to police ourselves. With that said, please ensure that you fully read and understand the Range Rules that you will be acknowledging for this year's annual renewal. There have been some changes and additions to them from years past. Again, thank you for continuing to create a safe environment at the Range.

If you are not yet aware, we went live with our 1000 yard range this year, and the feedback from the members and the shooting community has been nothing but positive. With the members' feedback, we will continue to improve this range in the coming years. (Further details about this range in this newsletter.)

Now, more than ever, we are witnessing pressure on our lawmakers concerning our 2nd Amendment rights. We encourage everyone to bring our youth, and those that have never experienced shooting, to experience the Range as your guest (allowed 2 guests). The future of the 2a, in many ways, hinges on our next, and current generations understanding this Constitutional Right and its

importance.

I'd also like to personally thank the Executive Board and all of our members that have contributed to the Range's success and growth. Whether it's on a committee, participating on an ongoing project, donating equipment, being a Match Director/running matches, as an RSO, or helping on our monthly work day; the Range could not function as effectively without you volunteering. Thank you!

Looking forward to another great year, and hope to see you at the range!
Be safe and shoot straight,
Greg Schexnailder
President

# **Annual Meeting**

Friday September 8: Please join us for this year's annual membership meeting Friday, September 8, starting at 6:30pm. The meeting will be held at the Arnaudville Community Center 291 Guidroz St, Arnaudville, LA 70512. You will be able to turn in your renewal forms and payment at the front door. Food and refreshments will be served. Items for discussion include:

#### Club Guns to be sold in a

Silent Auction: During last year's Annual Member Meeting, it was voted on by the members to sell the guns owned by the club. The guns will be sold as a silent auction during the Annual Member Meeting and only available to Fusilier Complex members. There will be 8 individual guns up for auction: Ruger MK I Target 22lr 7" barrel, Ruger MK I T512 5-1/2 in barrel 22lr, High Standard model 107 Tournament 22lr, 3 - Dan Wesson 22lr

6rd 4" barrel revolvers, Remington 510 Target Master Lyman sights, single shot 22lr bolt action rifle & Mossberg 140K Target Rifle bolt action 22lr. The winning bidder will receive a receipt at the close of the annual meeting and will need to go to Bayou Teche Guns to submit ATF form 4473 before taking possession.



# Flag Pole Cleaned &

Remounted with Light: You've all probably seen the flag pole erected at the Green Range. But, have you noticed the improvement? Special thanks to Olivier Hebert who offered to take down the original flag pole, clean it up, repaint it and then remount it. We now have a flag pole which can properly fly the U.S Flag. Additionally, the pole was mounted on a hinge at the base so it can be lowered for maintenance should the need arise. A light was also installed so Old Glory will fly 24hrs a day.

Renewal Period Open: The annual membership renewal period is now open online. The renewal period is July 1, 2023 – Sept 30, 2023 for the 2023/2024 membership year. If you have previously paid your membership through the website, you will do so again this year. In addition to paying



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your renewal, you will also need to acknowledge range rules, liability waiver, re-enter your NRA number and upload a new image of your NRA card or mailing label from your NRA magazine

We have created an account for all members who submitted paper renewals. Simply login with your username (firstnamelastname) all lowercase and no space. If you are not prompted to enter a new password, click 'Forgot Password' and you will be able to enter a new password. Now is a great time to log into your account and confirm your profile by verifying your mailing address, email, phone etc.

Long Range: After many years of discussion and rumors, the Long Range is open!

Saturday May 6, the long range opened for the first time with members going through the qualification requirements. The day started out overcast before turning into about 45 minutes of downpour rain. This was not enough to stop all of those who have waited for so long. Forty-two members were able to qualify on this day and since then there are approximately 100 members have completed the long-range requirements. At this time, we are continuing to hold qualifying sessions on the first Saturday of the month starting at 11:00am, (immediately following work day activities). Qualifying is currently scheduled through Sept 2023 and more sessions will be added to the schedule. Private

qualifying sessions will become available in the very near future. The qualifications for the long range are:

- 1. Must Confirm zero.
- 2. Must impact a 2.5 MOA Steel target at 400 yds then 600 yds with 3 of 5 rounds minimum per target.
- Assessor may coach shooter on wind and misses
- If shooter fails to qualify will recommend a clinic. If assessor chooses to educate the shooter may re-shoot.
- 5. Dialable turrets on scope
- Use of Ballistic Data Card or Ballistic App
- 7. Scope with known holdover reticle
- 8. Adjustable Iron sights (High Power Shooter)
- 9. Known muzzle velocity
- 10. NO Red Dot optics

The complete set of Long-Range Rules have been added to the General Range Rules which are available on the website. The long range will see improvement in the coming years as phase 2 planning will begin. The opening of the long range wasn't easy and could not have been done without the help of our volunteers and longrange committee and we are thankful for giving their time and attention to making this happen. The Long-Range Committee members are: Ken Comeaux, Ronnie Domingue, Dustin Flint, Lou Buatt, Creig Shute, and Gabe Camalo.

### **Executive Committee**

Elections: Next year will be time once again for elections of the Executive Committee. All positions will be up for election and this will be the first time under the new by-laws which were approved by member vote at the Annual Meeting in 2021.

Work Day: As a reminder the first Saturday of each month is work day at the range. THANK YOU to those who have showed up lending a hand. This is greatly appreciated, and we encourage anyone who wishes to help out to come and lend a hand with maintaining your club. The Range operates on a 100% volunteer basis. We won't turn down anyone offering to lend a hand.

Did you know you can earn credit towards your membership renewal? You can earn a \$10 credit each month which will count towards your annual renewal. Be sure to sign in when you come to work day to receive this credit.

Thank you all for your continued support and we look forward to many years of continued success and shooting fellowship.

### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Greg Schexnailder, TFC President.
Marcel Bergeron, Vice President
Brandon Ardoin, Treasurer
Keith Phillips, Range Officer
Stevie Bernard, Training Officer
Mike Brazda, Ordinance Officer
Jaime Guidry, Secretary