



**The Fusilier
Complex**

The Bullseye

Newsletter July 2024

From the President: Greetings, 2024 has been a very busy year at the Range. This marks the second year in a row that we have reached the one-thousand-member mark. I would like to thank everyone for continuing to be safe throughout the year. Barring a few isolated instances, the Range continues to be a safe and a welcoming place for members and their guests. With some of the Range Rules infractions, the members involved were handled appropriately and all moved on from them as a learning experience. (Further details about safety are in this newsletter.) It is very important as we grow in our membership, that we continue to adhere to all the safety rules, and to help police each other. (Everyone is an RSO, and should politely help and point out to their fellow members if an unsafe act has or is going to occur. If it is pointed out that you have created an unsafe environment, take that feedback politely as well, and please learn from it.) 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. As you are aware, we went live with our 1000 yard range last 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, and those that have never experienced shooting, to experience the Range as your guest(s) (allowed 2 guests). The future of the 2A, in many ways, hinges on our current, and next generations understanding this Constitutional Right and its importance. How are we helping to get the youth and the community more involved? Thanks to the match directors of the organized shooting events, children 12 and under shoot for free. We now also have both the St Martin and the St Landry Parish 4-H Trap/Skeet teams and the St Landry Parish 4-H Archery Team utilizing our ranges to practice. The Range has also hosted many non-profit benefit matches through the year. Some of the organizations were The Louisiana Pediatric Cardiology Foundation, the St Landry VFW/American Legion, and the St Landry Parish Youth Rodeo Association. We also hosted for the first time, a Get to Know the NRA event. All were considered a success, and look forward to partnering with us again next year. 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 13: Please join us for this year's annual membership meeting Friday, September 13, 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, some of the club owned guns were sold to members via silent auction during the Annual Member Meeting. This year the club is again going to auction more of the club guns. There will be 7 individual guns up for auction: 1. MOSSBERG - 140K - 22 RIFLE 2. REMINGTON - 510 - TARGETMASTER 3. REMINGTON - 510 - TARGETMASTER 4. RUGER - MK1 - 22 PISTOL 5. HI-STD - SUPERMATIC - 22 PISTOL 6. DAN WESSON - 15 - 22 REVOLVER 7. DAN WESSON - 15 - 22 REVOLVER 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.

Renewal Period Open: The annual membership renewal period is now open online. The renewal period is July 1, 2024 – Sept 30, 2024 for the 2024/2025 membership year. If you have previously paid your membership through the website, you will do so again this year. In addition to paying 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

Now is a great time to log into your account and confirm your profile by verifying your mailing address, email, phone etc.

Long Range:

The long range opened for member use May 2023. Since opening day, additional improvements have been made. The firing deck has been leveled with crushed concrete and a cover has been installed across the firing line. In the coming months artificial turf will be installed.

The long range does require members to qualify before given access.

Qualifying sessions are offered on a quarterly basis on work days. The designated months for long range qualifications after work days are Feb, May, Aug, and Nov. Private qualifying sessions are available by contacting our Chief Range Officer Keith Phillips to schedule a private session.

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.
3. Assessor may coach shooter on wind and misses
4. If shooter fails to qualify will recommend a clinic. If

assessor chooses to educate the shooter may re-shoot.

5. Dialable turrets on scope
6. 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.

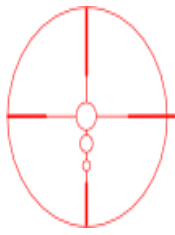
Executive Committee

Elections: This year is scheduled as an election year for all Executive Committee positions. All current Executive Committee members are running for re-election. In accordance with the election by-laws approved in 2021, any Fusilier Complex member who wants to run for office must submit their name and the position being sought by June 1 of the election year. There were no names received from any members seeking to challenge any committee position. As a result, all current committee members will retain their position for another five-year term.

Safety Reminder: Over the last several years there has been a steady increase in membership and unfortunately, we also have seen an increase in the number of safety infractions. For the most part these infractions were easily corrected. You have probably noticed our

Chief Range Officer has spending more time at the range. When able to interact with members and guests any safety infractions are called out or compliments and gratitude for using the range with the range rules in place. As you are renewing your membership this year, please download a copy of the range rules to keep for reference in your range bag. Some of the safety infractions noted this year:

1. 1 – Hot Line/Cold Line violations. For the Line to be “COLD”: a. **The Red Light “ON” indicates a COLD LINE.**
A. - All firearms must be UNLOADED.
 - a. All actions must be OPEN.
 - b. Magazines must be REMOVED from the firearms.
 - c. All firearms must be placed in racks or on back bench.
 1. Pistols may be carried in a holster so long as they are not handled in any way while the line is COLD.
 2. Shoulder holsters must be designed, constructed, and worn so that the firearm is always pointed at the



deck/ground. No horizontal carry allowed.

2. While the Line is COLD, there is ABSOLUTELY NO CLEANING – MOVING – LOADING – OR HANDLING of firearms in any way.
 - a. Loading of magazines or clips is allowed but must not be placed in a firearm while the Line is COLD.

Read this section of the range rules again for clarity.

2 – Speeding on range roads. The speed limit on all range roads is 15 m.p.h. Driving faster only leads to ruts and “washboard roads”.

Try this test, as you are driving to the range start counting as you pass a power pole and watch your speedometer. If you get to the next power pole in less than 10-11 secs – you are speeding.

3 – Muzzle Discipline. This is really one which is most frustrating to our range officers and most dangerous for all of our members. Please ensure your muzzle is pointed down range or in a safe direction. Be mindful of your own body/limbs when handling your firearm so you do not muzzle yourself.

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.
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