

**The Fusilier
Complex**

The Bullseye

Newsletter July 2026

From the President: Hi Everyone,

The 2025–2026 year has been an incredibly busy and exciting one at the Complex! As the club has grown, so has the amount of information we need to exchange with all of you. This year's annual newsletter is a bit longer than year's past. Please take the time to read the whole newsletter as this information is important to every member.

Thanks to the hard work of so many people, we've kicked off and completed several major improvement projects (you can read all the details further down in this newsletter).

Celebrating Our Growth

- **A Growing Community:** For the fourth year in a row, our community has blown past the 1,000-member mark—and we've officially welcomed our **1,200th member!**
- **More Ways to Shoot:** Because we're constantly expanding our ranges and shooting disciplines, we're drawing in passionate shooters from all across the state (and even out of state), while keeping our longtime members coming back.
- **Shoutout to our Match Directors:** More of you than ever are stepping up to run diverse and exciting

competitive events. It's a fantastic sign of how vibrant the Fusilier Complex has become.

Keeping Our Range Safe & Enjoyable

With over 1,200 members sharing the space, keeping everything safe and orderly is the most important job we have. To help protect everyone, we've fully rolled out our security camera system, which has been a huge help in spotting and correcting rule violations before they become real problems.

To make sure the range stays a safe haven for all of us, please keep these updates in mind:

- **Accountability Matters:** We're taking a very firm stand on safety for both members and guests. While a friendly reminder or conversation solves most issues, we have had to issue suspensions, ask members to retake the Safety Orientation, and, in a few rare cases, revoke memberships.
- **No Excuses on Safety:** With a group this size, we have to enforce a zero-tolerance policy for serious safety infractions. Because we're dealing with firearms, "I didn't know" just can't be used as an excuse anymore.
- **Take 10 for the Team:** When you renew this year, please

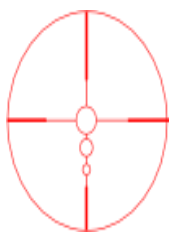
don't just "check the box" or click through the safety acknowledgment without looking. Take 10 minutes to open the link and refresh your memory on **all** the range rules.

- **We're All in This Together:** Think of every member as a Range Safety Officer. If you see someone doing something unsafe, please politely point it out. On the flip side, if someone gives you a heads-up about a safety issue, let's take that feedback gracefully and use it as a learning moment.

A Quick Reminder on the Guest Policy

There is absolutely nothing better than seeing families and kids out on the range, getting excited about the sport. We love it when you use your **two-guest provision** to introduce newcomers to shooting! However, let's keep the spirit of the rule in mind:

- The guest pass isn't meant to be a way to "share" a membership with a regular shooting buddy.
- If you find yourself bringing the same friend out every week or every other weekend, they aren't really a guest anymore (unless they live under your roof!).
- In those cases, please encourage them to take the



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next step and officially join the club as a member.

To Our Volunteers: Thank You!

The Fusilier Complex runs entirely on volunteer power. A handful of folks dedicate hours every single week to keep this place beautiful and running smoothly, and we owe them a massive thank you:

- **The Executive Board & Project Leads:** Thank you for guiding our growth and keeping our big projects on track.
- **The First-Saturday Crew:** A huge shoutout to everyone who comes out for our monthly workdays on the **first Saturday of the month**. You guys do the heavy lifting to keep the range in pristine shape.
- **Our Builders & Directors:** Thank you to everyone who has built or donated equipment, run matches, or kept watch as an RSO. We couldn't do it without you.

Want to pitch in? As we grow, we always need more hands on deck. We will never turn down an offer to help! Whether you want to join a workday or help out with a specific project, please let us know.

Thank you all for making this a safe, successful, and fun year. See you out on the range!

Warm regards,

Greg Schexnailder - President

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Annual Meeting

Friday August 28: Please join us for this year's annual membership meeting Friday, August 28, starting at 6:30pm. The meeting will be held at the Arnaudville Community Center 291 Guidroz St, Arnaudville, LA 70512. For those paying their renewal cash or check, 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:

Renewal Period Open: The annual membership renewal period is now open online. The renewal period is July 1, 2026 – Sept 30, 2026 for the 2026/2027 membership year. Your membership is paid through the website. Log into the website and at the top of the screen you will click "RENEW." 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.

As you interact with your fellow

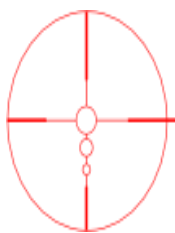
club members, remind them of the renewal and to verify their account information.

Skeet Range: The skeet range construction is complete and ceremonial first shot is scheduled for Saturday July 11 starting at 11am. The skeet range will have opening remarks along with training session for members to begin using the skeet range, purchase skeet rounds, and a tour of the high & low house. The Executive Committee would like to extend a heart felt THANK YOU to the Shotgun Committee who pulled together the ideas, information and did much of the leg work before turning it over to the Executive Committee to begin the construction.

Long Range:

The long range continues to see an increase in the member use year to year. A few new enhancements this year include: 1 – Electrical service has been added along with a new strobe for use with cold line procedures. 2 – An amendment to our Long-Range rules which allows for a qualified long-range member to take a Fusilier Member who has not yet qualified to the long range to help train to become a long-range qualified member.

Member's guests who are not a member of the Fusilier Complex are



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not eligible for this exception. 3 – Extended the range with a 1200yd target berm. 4 – Artificial turf was installed on the long range firing line to give some comfort when practicing from various shooting positions. 5 – Rain gutters were installed to help minimize erosion from the rain run-off from the awning. 6 – Multiple shooting props added for practicing new positions. 7 – Following the success of last year's long range training session and mini match we now have a long-range precision rifle style series of match for positional shooting. This style of match has gained attention from across the state and has even gained new Fusilier Complex members from out of state. For those are interested in using the long range, qualifying sessions are offered on a quarterly basis during 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 complete set of Long-Range Rules have been added to the General Range Rules which are available on the website.

Security Cameras: During last year's annual membership meeting the subject of security camera installation across all ranges was discussed. This has been completed and all cameras are in use. This is a security measure to allow the Executive Committee to review visual evidence should an incident be discovered or reported. So, while you are at the range Smile – you're on camera

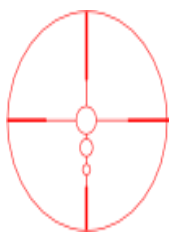
Club Matches: The Fusilier Complex is a social club and as such it has been very encouraging to see several members get together and form various club level matches to bring members together and introduce shooting sports to the next generation as well as non-fusilier members who ultimately join the range. Some of these matches include: American Rifle AR15, Whirling .22, Rimfire Precision Style Positional Matches, (to include LA Pediatric Cardiology Foundation fundraiser as well as VFW/American Legion St Landry Parish fundraiser), Silhouette Invitational, Long Gong Challenge, Action Steel, and Centerfire Precision Rifle Style Positional match. There is also an Across the Range style match being designed and will have more information on it in the coming months.

New Fans: You may have noticed new fans have been installed on the combo line. These are mounted to awning posts and will be replacing the larger shop fans which are starting to fail over time. These new fans are being evaluated for additional use across the other ranges.

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 – 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.



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- 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.

While the Line is COLD, there is ABSOLUTELY NO CLEANING – MOVING – LOADING – OR HANDLING of firearms in any way.

- 2. 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.

Modifications to increase rate of fire

- E.G. – Force Reset Triggers, Binary Triggers, etc. are not permitted at the Fusilier Complex. Additional details are in the range rules. Please be sure to read this section thoroughly when you review the range rules during your renewal.

Range Maintenance: This year we added an additional 220 tons of

limestone as part of our road maintenance. Please be mindful of the 15-m.p.h. speed limit on all range roads. This will help minimize limestone from being pushed to the grass which is damaging to the mower. The mower blades for the zero turn and bush-hog required multiple blade sharpening or replacements this year as a result of repeated rocks in the grass / shoulder areas.

GATE CARD: We now have a way for you to order a new gate card from the website if you need a replacement. Simply log into your account. At the top of the menu board click “EXTRAS” > “ORDER NEW GATE CARD” and follow the instructions. Once complete, Black Hawk will be notified. A new card sent and your old card will be deactivated to prevent someone else from using it.

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.

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