

# BRSC News



## Special points of interest:

- If you are interested in new events at BRSC please attend BoD meeting or speak to a board member.
- Please "Like" the Blue Ridge Shooters Club Facebook page to keep up on all things BRSC
- Springtime means more members at the Club on A more Regular Basis. Remember— Safety is Rule #

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## Spring Work Day - A Big Success

Spring work day has come and gone but can be seen in significant accomplishments in the aesthetics of our club. The biggest project of the Spring Workday was to paint the 100yd Shoothouse, Outhouse and Trap Machine Building. All were completed with the diligent and tireless work of Chris Bowring. Chris worked not just the allocated Workday scheduled time but worked three complete 8 hour days to make sure it looked the best it could. The cinder block building required priming before painting due to it being bare cinder block. This task was des-

perately needed and thanks to Chris, it is now a reality. Everyone let him know how much it is appreciated when you see him. Chris also wants everyone to know that he met an unofficial BRSC member while painting...a large Timber Rattler who now wears a large strip across his head that is the same color as the building, courtesy of Chris' paint gun. Please be advised that "Stripe" is around and caution should be used until he is found and removed from our membership rolls.

Van & Chester hand built shelves that fit in between

the shooting positions inside the 100yd shoothouse. These shelves make having your shooting supplies at arms reach which comes in very handy from time to time.

The new Range Rules & Range Safety signs were also installed by David, Richard, Jim & Barent. These signs made by Shenandoah Signs came out great and are a good way for infrequent members and guests understand that Safety is Rule #1 at Blue Ridge Shooters Club.

Look for Workday pictures on Page 4...

### Organized Activities at BRSC:

## NRL22 Course of Fire

Submitted by, David Wright

Blue Ridge Shooters Club is more than a place to sight in your rifle, hone your handgun skills, or converse with friends over coffee. We also host many regular events for club members and the public. One of those is our precision 22LR

shoot, affiliated with the National Rifle League, the NRL22 Monthly Course of Fire shoots. What this organization does in its short history, is to bring a nationally competitive sport to a wider audience. The

format is a short competition, with 100 yard distances, using about a box of 22LR. The scores are posted per club, and winners in each division are entered into the organization's monthly prize drawings.

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### Blue Ridge

### Shooters Club

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# NRA Opposing Bidens Gun Control Agenda



“What country can preserve its liberties if their rulers are not warned from time to time that their people preserve the spirit of resistance? Let them take arms.”

— Thomas Jefferson

The National Rifle Association (NRA) is gearing up for a fight against President Joe Biden and Democrats’ gun control agenda. The organization is taking a multi-pronged approach to opposing the gun control bills and nominations that are coming out of Washington.

The NRA plans to drop \$2 million in efforts to oppose Biden’s nominee for Director of the Department of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF), David Chipman. The money is also part of a broader plan to oppose the president’s gun control agenda. Chipman is a gun control activist and lobbyist who previously worked for Giffords and Everytown for Gun Safety. He also worked on the Branch Davidian trial, which was part of the ATF’s botched raid in Waco, Texas.

“Joe Biden’s nomination of Chipman, a radical gun control lobbyist, shows exactly how far his administration will go to restrict the rights of law-abiding gun owners,” NRA’s Director of Media Relations, Amy Hunter, told The Daily Wire. “Americans should not be forced to live in fear in a political climate in which government leaders are outrightly hostile to a fundamental and guaranteed freedom enshrined in our Bill of

Rights.”

“The NRA is all-in on this fight. Our members are engaged, we are fighting and educating lawmakers on the Hill, and we are spreading our message across the airwaves,” Hunter explained. “We will fight Chipman’s nomination and the bad bills that now are in the Senate. And this is just the beginning. We will continue to respond to threats as they come, and we anticipate a very active spring and summer.” The organization is focusing on states with moderate Democrats and Republicans who can likely be swayed on the gun control front, including West Virginia Sen. Joe Manchin (D), Maine Sen. Susan Collins (R), Montana Sen. Jon Tester (D), and Pennsylvania Sen. Pat Toomey (R).

The gun-rights group also dropped \$600,000 on digital advertisements in Maine, Arizona, Montana, West Virginia, North Carolina, Florida, and Pennsylvania. Each advertisement encourages voters to contact their senators to voice opposition to Biden’s anti-Second Amendment agenda. In Maine, West Virginia, and Montana, the NRA dropped \$400,000 on a television ad buy. Each ad is targeted to the individual state and senators representing them. Residents are encouraged to contact their senators to voice opposition to Chipman’s nomination. An ad-

ditional \$500,000 was set aside for mailers urging residents to contact their senators. Those mailers are being deployed in Maine, Arizona, Montana, West Virginia, North Carolina, Florida, Pennsylvania, Utah, Alaska, Wisconsin, Ohio, and Indiana. The NRA is also reaching individual gun owners via targeted text messages, 16 in-person town halls, and multiple digital town halls. The first town hall, in West Virginia, included a visit from State Attorney General Patrick Morrisey (R).

The organization has also zeroed in on state and local initiatives that protect Americans’ Second Amendment rights.

“While we face challenges on the federal level, our hard work at the state level has paid big dividends,” Hunter told The Daily Wire. “So far this year, NRA-backed constitutional carry bills passed in Utah, Montana, Iowa, and Tennessee. For the first time ever a constitutional carry bill has passed the Texas House.”

“We have worked to pass and/or strengthen ‘no duty to retreat’ laws in Arkansas and South Dakota,” she explained. “And, we’ve gone across the country state-by-state passing emergency powers bills that ensure firearms and ammunition retailers will not be closed during a state of emergency — most recently, that passed in Kansas.”

“The NRA is, as always, leading the charge to protect America’s right to self-defense at the federal, state and local level,” Hunter said.



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They have a TON of good sponsors, from Athlon to Vortex, Thunderbeast Arms to Timney, and smaller vendors specializing in PRS style accessories. The NRL22 was started in 2016 with its first full season in 2018.

Blue Ridge Shooters club was the first club in Virginia to host regular matches, starting in May 2019. Since that date, we've continually hosted matches every third Saturday at the club. We've had some very good turnout and there are some very good shooters in the area that regularly travel to our club, to shoot with, and compete with us.

## Organized Activities at BRSC: NRL22 Course of Fire

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We've also had several new members join our club after shooting at the matches.

The monthly course of fire is published in advance, prior to the start of the month. A standard "Course of Fire" is five stages, using standardized targets, and sometimes, standardized barricades or props. Each stage is timed with a two minute limit. Some stages require you to shoot prone off your bi-pod, balanced off a truck tire, perhaps on the 2nd rung of a stepladder, or in some cases, offhand unsupported. The stages are always

different. The ranges you have to make your hits are from 25yd to a maximum of 100yd, many times, multiple ranges are in the same stage. This is a challenging, yet fun event.

All you need is a rifle, scope and ammunition to come out and shoot a match. We'd love to have you out there with the rest of our members and to meet some new shooters.

Check the NRL22 out : <https://nrl22.org/>

## NRA-ILA Statement on Gun Control Bills

### H.R. 8 and H.R. 1446



FAIRFAX, Va. - Jason Ouimet, executive director of the National Rifle Association Institute for Legislative Action, released the following statement Thursday after the House passed gun control bills HR 8 and HR 1446:

"These bills are a transparent attempt by gun control advocates in Congress to restrict the rights of law-abiding Americans under the guise of addressing the violent criminal culture in America. The truth, however, is that neither of these bills will do anything to solve that problem. By giving full power to unelected government bureaucrats to indefinitely delay and prevent lawful firearm transfers, H.R. 1446 could ultimately destroy the Second Amendment rights guaranteed to every law-abiding American by turning it into a privilege enjoyed by a select few. H.R. 8, so called "universal" background checks, cannot be enforced without a federal gun registry, will not prevent crime, and will turn otherwise law-abiding citizens into criminals for simply loaning a firearm to friends or family members. If Congress is serious about the safety of law-abiding citizens, it should have passed concealed carry reciprocity so that Americans can safeguard themselves and their families across state lines and throughout our country during these dangerous times."



# Blue Ridge Shooters Club 50th Year Anniversary

2021 Marks the 50th Anniversary of the Blue Ridge Shooters Club.

The Board of Directors are grateful to Chris Bowring for volunteering to be the Anniversary Celebration Coordinator. This is a milestone for any organization and the fact that it is our Golden Anniversary means we should celebrate doing the things that make Blue Ridge Shooters Club so successful and enjoyable...we're going to shoot and we're going to eat! Below is an agenda of things we are planning for the Golden Anniversary. If you want to help, have any suggestions or just let Chris know what a great job he is doing, you can contact him by using the information at the bottom of the flyer.

## Blue Ridge Shooters' Club 50-year Celebration!

1971-2021

A week of competition at the club range during  
**September 20-25, 2021**

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| <b>MONDAY 9/20 (Pistol):</b>     | 9:00AM Bullseye<br>1:00PM Steel Challenge |
| <b>TUESDAY 9/21 (Rifle):</b>     | 9:00AM Small bore<br>1:00PM High Power    |
| <b>WEDNESDAY 9/22 (Shotgun):</b> | 9:00AM Trap<br>1:00PM Skeet               |
| <b>THURSDAY 9/23 (Cowboy):</b>   | ALL Day                                   |
| <b>FRIDAY 9/24:</b>              | Rain-date, compile scores                 |
| <b>SATURDAY 9/25:</b>            | Banquet & Awards Ceremony                 |

Entry fee for all members: \$50.00  
(covers one or all competitions)

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## Board of Directors Notes

The Board of Directors are constantly looking for new ways to improve our club in all ways possible. The Board is only

successful when the membership makes themselves available to be a part in those improvements. We encourage all membership to be a part

of what we are doing.

BoD meetings held the Sunday before the Regularly Monthly Membership Meeting @ 4pm at the Clubhouse.

## Blue Ridge Shooters Club T-Shirts & Hats



You asked for it...You got it!

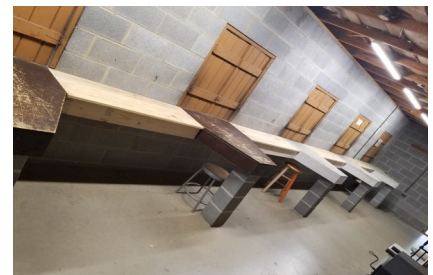
BRSC now have T-Shirts & Hats for sale. Hats & T-Shirts are \$20 each or you can buy the pair for \$35. These are unisex sizes and available up to 3x (while supply lasts). These are a first come, first serve item where sizes are concerned. Once these are gone we will be able to order more variety in styles and sizes.

All profit will be used for club improvements, club events and offering more variety in BRSC branded items for members



## Workday Pictures

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# **Make Sure to follow Blue Ridge Shooters Club Facebook— @Blueridgeshoots**



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## **BRSC Presidents Notes...**

Spring is here and summer is just around the corner! There is a lot planned this year for Blue Ridge Shooters Club especially in celebration of our 50th Anniversary. The club has grown quite a bit in the last couple of years and we are making improvements in the property and events that will hopefully guarantee another 50+ years. If we continue to create, host and encourage competitions such as the .22 Bench Rest, National Rifle League, Cowboy Action and other events we will be doing our part in not just participating but also growing interest in all levels of shooting sports.

Getting the youth involved is extremely important to our sport/recreation/future. We want to provide a safe and inviting place for all our members, guests and competitors. I am getting more & more phone calls, emails and messages of inquiring people who hear we have a good thing going on and want to be a part of it. If we let the interest in firearms and firearm safety die then we let a part of America die...lets keep up the good work.

Also, I just want to remind everyone now that the warmer months are upon us that there are a lot of critters that consider Blue Ridge Shooters Club

and the surrounding area their home.

Please be aware of these critters and remember that we share the property with them. There has been a Rattle Snake sighting near the shoot house...just like incoming artillery has the right-of-way, so do Rattle Snakes and other venomous creatures. Maintain your Situational Awareness while at the range and remember they don't want any part of you just like you don't want any part of them. Safety First!



- Jim