

BRSC News

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- The BoD are asking for members to become Committee Chairs for groups & special events / competitions at BRSC. 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
- Annual Meeting Postponed Until Feb. 7th, 2021

Blue Ridge Shooters Club

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2021 Va. Gen. Assembly Gun Related Bills

Virginia House Bill 961

Prohibiting sale, transport, etc., of assault firearms, certain firearm magazines, silencers, and trigger activators; penalties. Expands the definition of "assault firearm" and prohibits any person from importing, selling, transfering, manufacturing, purchasing, or transporting an assault firearm. A violation is a Class 6 felony.

Virginia Senate Bill 353

Outdoor shooting ranges; prohibited adjacent to residential areas; exceptions; civil penalty. Prohibits the operation of an outdoor shooting range, defined in the bill, within 500 yards of any property zoned for residen-

tial use unless the Range Design Criteria developed by the U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Health, Safety and Security have been met. The bill provides that any person who violates the provisions of this section is subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$1,000 nor more than \$100,000 for the initial violation and \$5,000 per day for each day of violation thereafter.

The Virginia General Assembly along with Gov. Northam will be making a run at our Constitutional Rights again in 2021. The General Assembly will convene in just a few short weeks and they already have over 400 items added to the agenda including both of these bills from 2020.

Gun owners and citizens all over Virginia will be asked once again to stand up for our rights. The first step is to vote. The second step is educate your family & friends on just how important it is to be represented in our state government. The third step is to get involved, whether it is calling your representatives, emailing your State Senators, maintain a presence on social media that pertains to these bills. Be Proactive.

Blue Ridge Shooters Club is an apolitical organization and will not affiliate with a particular political party but we will stand for our Constitutional Rights. We will stand for the Freedoms that made our Republic a Free land of Free people. More to come...

Gen. George Washington - Winter of 1777

During the winter of 1777 to 1778, Washington camped with his troops at Valley Forge, nearly twenty miles north of Philadelphia. Images of bloody footprints in the snow, soldiers huddled around lonely campfires, and Washington on his knees, praying that his army might survive often

come to mind when people hear the words "Valley Forge." But truer images of the place would show General Washington using the time between December 1777 and June 1778 to train his men and to fight to maintain his position as the head of the Continental Army. As his army

marched into Valley Forge on December 19, Washington hoped that his officers and soldiers, with "one heart" and "one mind," would surmount the troubles that lay ahead of them. Promising to "share in the hardship" and "partake of every inconvenience,"

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There are three scoring rings, a 100, 50 and 10 points. The score is the warst ring the bullet hole buckes. If it doesn't cross the line, it counts.

"Democracy is two wolves and a lamb voting on what to have for lunch.

Liberty is a well-armed lamb contesting the vote!"

-Benjamin Franklin

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2021 Inaugural BRSC 22LR Benchrest Matches

Starting January 9, 2021, we will be hosting the first of our monthly Bench Rest shooting competitions. The competition will allow anyone with a firearm chambered in 22LR to compete in one or more classifications. The rules are simple and targets will be provided by the club.

What do I need?

The equipment requirements are minimal, more than likely if you ever shoot at the club, you already have what you need. You're going to need a firearm chambered in 22Long Rifle, 50 rounds of ammunition to score (and you want a few more rounds for sight-in and "sighters"). If you bring 100rd of ammo, you're going to be good to go.

What can I use?

Here's where the accessories come into play. You may use a front rest, a rear rest or both, provided that they are TWO SEPERATE pieces. No monolithic rigs, no Lead Sleds, no bolting your rifle to the table. This is a shooting competition after all.

Who am I shooting against?

We're going to have two clas-

ses. A "Factory Rifle" and "Custom Rifle" class. A factory rifle is just that, a rifle that came from the factory with its original barrel, action and stock. You can replace the trigger, and whatever optic you choose (or not use, its up to you) on the rifle. Custom Rifles are just that; anything goes. Factory Rifles will shoot with Factory Rifles only, Custom Rifles will shoot with Custom Rifles only.

What are we shooting?

We're shooting the ARA official rimfire target. This is a large paper target with 25 "bulls" for score. You will shoot one round per target, and move on. You have 20 minutes from when the timer is starts to shoot your card. Once that is done, the next relay comes to the line for their turn to shoot. The targets will be placed at the 50 yard line.

What's in it for me?

Now here's where we talk about the prizes. We are charging \$10 to shoot the match with 50% payback to the prize pool. If we have 5 participants, we're doing a \$25 first place. If we have 7 shooters, we're doing 1st and 2nd

place, and if we have 10 shooters, we're going to have 1st 2nd and 3rd place prizes. The rest of the money goes back to the club. If your class doesn't have the minimum number of participants, there will be NO prize. We're not going to stop anyone from coming in and clearing the targets with their super custom built gun, but if there's no competition, then there's no payout.

This should be a great time to come out and shoot with your fellow club members as well as a chance to win a cash prize. These will be held every month on the second Saturday at the club, starting at 12PM with registration at 11:30AM. Depending on the number of shooters, assume 1 hour per relay and each relay will host up to 6 shooters



BRSC 22LR Bench Rules

Shooting will be done at 50 yards.

Targets will be ARA official targets and scored using ARA rules.

Match will consist of 2 target cards for a total of 50 shots, 25 per card with unlimited sighters. Each card will be shot in a maximum 20 minute time limit.

Entry fee will be \$10 per class.

There will be a draw for starting bench assignment ½ hour before match start time.

Bench rotation after the first card is completed.
There will be a relay system so each shooter
will complete one card before any shooter
completes the second card.

Two piece rests only. Front and rear rests may not be attached in any manner. Bipods are

allowed

There will be two classes, Factory Rifle and Custom Rifle.

Factory Rifle class will be any 22LR rifle that is factory produced and readily available. Factory Rifle must use the factory supplied barreled action and stock. Forearm can be no wider than 2 1/4" at its widest point. Any optic system can be used mounted as originally designed by manufacturer.

Custom Rifle class will be any other 22LR rifle without limitations.

Winners will be determined by the aggregate of both cards.

In the event of a tie score, the winner shall be determined by comparing the targets of the tied

competitors. Beginning with Scoring Box 1 of the 2nd card the competitor with the highest score for that box shall be the winner. If still tied, continue comparing shots from box to box in numerical order, until the tie is broken.

The Club will offer a 50% payback to the winners of each class as follows.

1st Place must have minimum 5 shooters for award, \$25

1st and 2nd Places for 7 shooters, \$25 and \$10 respectively

1st, 2nd and 3rd Places for 10 shooters

Gen. George Washington - Winter of 1777

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Washington moved with his closest

aides into a two-story stone house near Valley Forge Creek. He spent much of his time writing to Congress, demanding more supplies for his men. As he fought to maintain his position as the Commander-in-Chief, Washington received key support from several officers. General Henry Knox who wholeheartedly agreed with his choice of Valley Forge as the army's winter

encampment and built fortifications on its hills to defend against British attacks. Two younger generals—Nathanael

Greene and Anthony Wayne—took on the task of scouring the countryside for horses, cattle, sheep, and hogs for the Continental Army. The Marquis de Lafayette, a young French nobleman, organized officers. Baron Friedrich von Steuben, a Prussian military officer, provided important training for the American troops. As the drillmaster of Valley Forge, he taught the soldiers

how to use the bayonet, and most importantly, how to re-form lines quickly in the midst of battle. By the early spring conditions at Valley Forge greatly improved. Washington appointed General Greene as the new Quartermaster General and he set up an efficient operation for bringing supplies into the camp. Finally, on June 19, the Continental Army—better trained and more determined than ever—marched out of Valley Forge. Washington, who proved his leadership, remained their commander. Together

they headed for New Jersey where they would make a stand against the British army.





BRSC—Board of Directors

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 them-

selves available to be a part in those improvements. We encourage all membership to be a part of what we are doing. Come to BoD meetings held the Sunday before the Regularly Monthly Membership Meeting @ 4pm at the Clubhouse.

Board of Directors...

President - Jim Wood

Vice-President - Richard Elias

Treasurer - Jeff Grossman

Asst. Treas.—Jeff Wilson

Secretary - Hugh Bouchelle

Asst. Secretary - Val Martz

Members at Large -

Van Truslow

David Wright

Gary Hayes

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 & guests.









December 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
			Firearms Training	Trap Shooters		
			Double A Tactical	1pm		
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Membership Meeting			Firearms Training	Trap Shooters		
2pm			Double A Tactical	1pm		
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
			Firearms Training	Trap Shooters		NRL Shoot
			Double A Tactical	1pm		9am
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
				Trap Shooters	Merry	
				1pm	Christmas	
27	28	29	30	31		
BoD Meeting			Firearms Training	Trap Shooters		
4pm			Double A Tactical	1pm		

January 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Membership Meeting			Firearms Training	Trap Shooters		BRSC 22LR Bench
2pm			Double A Tactical	1pm		Rest Match 11:30am
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
			Firearms Training	Trap Shooters	Lee-Jackson Day	NRL Shoot
			Double A Tactical	1pm		9am
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	MLK Day		Firearms Training	Trap Shooters		
			Double A Tactical	1pm		
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
			Firearms Training	Trap Shooters		
			Double A Tactical	1pm		
31						
BoD Meeting 4pm						



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BRSC Presidents "State of the Club" Address



2020 has been quite a rollercoaster ride full of ups and downs, twists and turns. Here at BRSC it has been nothing but good news and good deeds. We have worked hard making improvements to an already great club proving that it is not the club that is successful but the members who participate in its growth and operation. A list of improvements made by our BRSC family...



- 1. Major clean up of grounds
- 2. Added storage for Grounds & Events
- Remodeled & Painted Clubhouse & Out Buildings
- 4. Replaced Lighting in Shoot House
- Installed New Heater and Insulated Ceiling in Shoot House
- Added 2 New Outdoor Shooting Positions at Shoot House
- 7. Repaired Pavement from 2019 gate



- Procured Landscaping Services & Planted Shrubbery
- 9. Installed Range Boundary Markers
- 10. Rebuilt SAS Props
- II. Purchased New Mower
- 12. New Safety & Regulation Signage for Club Grounds
- 13. Added more matches for regular scheduled competition
- 14. Added to the Building/Reserve Fund (total amount will be finalized in the EOY Financial Report)

BRSC has grown over the last year only with the help of members who look at our club as their "happy place". A big thanks to the BoD, participating members and new Grounds Committee Chair, Chris Bowring and ever faithful assistant Bruce Puhle for all the hard work to improve the image, operations

and overall experience for members & guests at BRSC.

Next year will be our 50th Anniversary and we look forward to improving further with projects to celebrate such a milestone. I hope everyone appreciates the hidden paradise we have and will continue to be active in our club.

Thank you for everything you have done & Thank You for being the finest group of friends in shooting anyone could ever ask for.



Jim Wood President, BRSC















