



The Bullet-IN

River Bend Gun Club is a club for members, founded in 1958. Issue No. 281 February 2021

Update for RBGC Members and Staff Regarding COVID-19 Revised Protocols

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In the interests of doing all we can to help reduce club member’s and staff’s exposure to COVID-19, the Board of Directors and I have enacted some additional requirements that will be in effect through February 28, 2021. These temporary requirements are posted on the club web site landing page and are titled “Notice to All River Bend Gun Club Members COVID.” They are also posted at the end of this article.

Every single Board Member and I understand that these temporary requirements may cause some inconvenience and disappointment just as I’m sure all of you understand how important it is that the Board of Directors, the club staff and I have your full cooperation to help reduce the number of people coming onto club property and reduce exposure to COVID-19. Please do not bring non-member guests with you to the club during the month of February.

Because all shooting venues, training classes, New Member Orientations and Tactical Rifle certifications are canceled and the Sporting Clays ranges are closed, the gate will be closed seven days a week during February. Please be sure to bring your gate card with you when you come to the club because the old #2020 code was deactivated last year. In the event that you are unable to locate your gate card, you may request a replacement card from the Club Manager. Replacement gate cards are available for \$25 each.

Why is this necessary? The 7 day average of COVID-19 infections reported in Dawson County is twice as high as it was six months ago, the COVID-19 vaccine is not widely available and it appears that this situation will not get better any time soon. Several Board Members and staff were recently exposed to COVID-19. In order to keep the club open, the Board of Directors voted to take steps to enact additional restrictions through February 28, 2021 to help reduce COVID-19 exposure at the club by reducing the number of people using club ranges and facilities. Please review the updated document detailing the specific safety steps approved by the Board. We are doing everything within reason to avoid the situation where we are forced to close the club because too many of our staff and management have contracted COVID-19.

If you use the link below to the GA Dept. of Public Health web site and scroll down through the data, numbers and graphs displayed, you will see that the COVID-19 infection rate in North GA and in Dawson and surrounding counties is continuing to increase and is currently twice as high as it was on August 1, 2020.

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<https://dph.georgia.gov/covid-19-daily-status-report>

During the entire year of 2020, the Club Manager received only four reports from club members who tested positive for COVID-19. There were two reports from members who competed in two Light Rifle matches in the summer and there were a husband and wife who tested positive after competing in an Action Pistol match during the summer. All of them recovered.

Now, we have a Board Member and three club members who attended the Action Pistol RO Workshop on 1/16/21 who all have COVID-19 symptoms and have tested positive. In addition, another Club Officer who was not there is recovering from COVID-19 after approximately 10 days of serious illness. Everyone who attended the Range Rules Revision Committee meeting on 1/17/21 and everyone who attended the Special Board meeting that followed was exposed to COVID-19. So far, none of the others in attendance are showing symptoms and several of us have tested negative.

Because the ACRO and ACRO II who facilitate the New Member Orientation (NMO) classes were both exposed during the Range Rules Revision Committee meeting on 1/17/21, the NMO classes were canceled until further notice to prevent potential exposure for new members and spouses who were scheduled to attend on 1/24/21. They were all notified via email from the Assistant Club Manager on the morning of 1/21/21.

We believe that these temporary, additional restrictions will limit exposure to COVID-19 for club members and staff. Several shooting venues won't start shooting until March and this may be the best time to temporarily reduce club shooting venues, activities and traffic in the hope that vaccine availability improves, and infection rates decline. The Board approved these additional restrictions through February 28, 2021 and will reevaluate the situation in late February. We are doing our very best to help protect your and your family's health and the health of Club Management and staff.

Will Owensby

Notice to All River Bend Gun Club Members

Revised February 1, 2021

In accordance with current CDC guidelines and Georgia Governor Brian Kemp's Executive Orders related to the Coronavirus, COVID 19, the following temporary requirements are in effect until further notice. These actions are undertaken to help protect your safety and the safety of everyone on club property.

Club members who fail or refuse to comply with these temporary requirements may be putting themselves or others at risk and may be asked to leave club property immediately.

If you or a family member are feeling unwell or you suspect you were recently exposed to COVID-19, do not enter club property. Turn around and go home immediately!

Social distancing is required and enforced everywhere on club property. Facial coverings for the mouth and nose are strongly encouraged. Mass gatherings of more than 50 people are prohibited on club property.

Only club members and family in the same household are allowed to visit the club. Non-member guests are not allowed under any circumstances unless authorized in advance by the Club Manager or CRO. This will remain in effect until March 1, 2021.

All New Member Orientation classes, training classes, Tactical Rifle certifications and regularly scheduled shooting venues are canceled until March 1, 2021.

The Sporting Clays range is closed until March 1, 2021.

Club Members and family are required to sign in legibly on every range used. Club members are required to display their membership badge at all times except when competing in a scheduled shooting venue and are required to keep family members and guests with them at all times while on club property.

Club Members: You are responsible for ensuring that all family members you bring onto club property observe and adhere to all RBGC Range Rules, temporary requirements, and safety protocols without exception. You are responsible for their actions and safety and for your own.



Official Club Business

Highlights of the December 2020 Board of Directors Meeting

President Will Owensby presided over a quorum of seven Board members. Also attending were four club officers, the Club Manager, and the Assistant Club Manager. The meeting was convened at 6:59PM on Monday, December 14, 2020. The meeting was held at RBGC's Gene Mowell Conference Center on club property.

A quorum was confirmed, the proposed agenda was amended and adopted, the minutes of the November 9, 2020 Board meeting were approved, and the following officer and manager reports were presented and accepted:

Treasurer Secretary Chief Range Officer Club Manager Shotgun Manager

Board decisions made, actions taken, and items of interest:

- Treasurer Geoff Rhines reported that November FYTD income was \$710K, an increase of approximately \$97K versus the same period in FY 2019.
- November FYTD expense was \$398K, an increase of approximately \$6K versus the same period in FY 2019.
- Cash in the bank as of 11/30/20 was \$438,68 including \$85,201 in Capital Reserve Fund, and includes \$56,968 CARES Act PPP Loan proceeds received 5/12/20.
- Club Secretary Erica D'Amico reported that the membership total for December 2020 was 2,050, an increase of 121 members from the 1,929 active members in December 2019.
- The number of Senior Members in November 2020 was 175 (8.54% of RBGC membership).
- There were 18 new members approved by the board.
- Assistant Chief Range Officer II Charles Iracondo reported that 12 of 14 shooting venues submitted Match Reports for November. Total entries were 418 (143 members, 271 non-members, and 4 juniors) and November match income was \$15,675 with \$2,016 paid to the club.
- Non-competition range use in November totaled 2,348 (1,901 members and 447 guests).
- New Member Orientation was held on 11/22/20 for 24 prospective members and spouses.
- During November, 10 members were certified for Tac Rifle. A total of 136 members and spouses have been certified in 2020; a total of 392 since inception.
- Charlie Butler was recommended and approved as ARO for Buffalo Rifle.
- Club Manager Bill Illg reported that the maintenance staff is spending time clearing up limbs and trees which came down in the last storm.
- The power pole located between AP Bay 3 & 4 has been move off the hill and is no longer a trip hazard.
- Additional smaller gravel was laid on AP bays 1 & 2.
- All of the new range signage has been installed.
- The sign in box for AP Bay 5 was moved closer to the range sign for that bay.
- AP Bay 5 is closed due to water stains on the berm face.
- Split seasoned firewood was delivered for Shotgun Hill's outside heater.
- The Dawson County business license was renewed and received.
- The NRA membership for our club was renewed.
- Kings III fixed the Emergency box on MP2 by installing a new board.
- New range flags have been placed on the High Power Rifle Range. One of the old flags was moved to the old black powder range and the other to the Silhouette range.
- The board approved \$2,310 for two plate racks (1 plate and 1 pin).
- Shotgun Hill Manager Bill Wettingfeld reported that shotgun range use in November was 614 shooters (484 members and 130 guests). 2,062 rounds were fired during the month with 56 cart rentals. Total November revenue to the club was \$13,894.
- Cowboy Hill Rehabilitation Committee Chairman Mike Currier reported that since Recoil LLC completed their work, there is no longer any need to change the bays. Committee is currently working on getting estimate for paving; once paving is complete, range rules will be updated. A new connex will be installed.

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- Infrastructure Committee Chairman Bill Illg reported that four Honda 2200 inverter generators were purchased for \$4,830 to replace personally owned generators the club has been using during outages for the last few years. These machines run almost 8 hours on a gallon of gas and are safe for sensitive electronics and any two of these machines can be linked together to create a 30-amp service if required. With two of these machines, we can keep the Shotgun Hill emergency box, computer, register, phone, printer, Wi-Fi modem, credit card terminal and trap field running., (Skeet field 1 and the Sporting Clays course are running on 12v batteries, so they will be working as well). The other two machines power the Club Managers and Assistant Club Managers offices including the emergency box, phones, computers, printer, Wi-Fi modem and radio recharging station.
- The club has purchased a hand crank rotary barrel pump for getting gas or diesel from our tanks, when the power is out.
- Public Relations Committee Chairman David Norcross reported that the December email for the Bullet-IN reached 2,054 recipients with only 1 bounced recipient. 57.4% of members opened the Bullet-IN, and 41% read the Bullet-In.
- Range Maintenance Committee Chairman Steve Hardin reported that the bullet bounce back issue on HP may be resolved with the work that Recoil LLC performed. Also discussed were possible remedies for the Bullseye Range where bullets hit the top and bullets go up.
- Bill Illg reported that Recoil, LLC Range Remediation recovered 4500-5000 pounds of lead and two 55 gallon drums of copper from the HP range.
- The board unanimously voted to stop all sleeping in club property buildings. Only primitive camping and RV hookups allowed. CRO will notify all Range Officers of policy.
- The Membership Database and Renewal Automation Project Committee was formed.

Regular monthly Board meetings are called to order at 7:00 PM on the second Monday of each month in the Gene Mowell Conference Center. RBGC members and families are cordially invited to attend.

Membership Statistics

	Dec 2020	Nov 2020	Dec 2019
Annual and Non-Resident Members	1,675	1,660	1,582
Life Members	194	194	194
Senior Members	175	174	147
Corporate Members	2	2	2
Honorary Members	4	4	4
Total Active Members	2,050	2,034	1,929
Member Applicants for Board Approval	18	14	10
Total of Active Members and Recommended Applicants	2,068	2,048	1,939

New Members Approved

Jeremy Absher, Canton	Adolfo Garcia, Cumming	Bernard Scott, Roswell
Chris Banks, Cumming	Joe Garcia, Alpharetta	Ken Stone, Roswell
Watson Bryant, Atlanta	Tyler Johnson, Chamblee	Jim Strange, Cumming
Richard Busby, Dawsonville	Todd Krauser, Milton	Don Vermillion, Dawsonville
Walter Byrd, Cumming	Erik Reedinger, Ball Ground	Josh Williams, Atlanta
Peter Damjanovic, Jasper	Jonathan Roper, Atlanta	John Zirkelbach, Cumming

FEBRUARY 2021

ALL EVENTS FEBRUARY EVENTS HAVE BEEN CANCELED DUE TO RECENT RISE IN COVID CASE.

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 HP-200-yards only	2	3 HP-200-yards only	4 HP-200-yards only CB-2 Closed	5 HP-200-yards only CB-2 Closed	6 HP-200-yards only CB- Cowboy Action SH- Sporting Clays Match CR/ AP3- NRA Basic Pistol Class
7 HP-200-yards only CB- IDPA	8 CH-Board Meeting 7 pm *Cowboy hill will be closed at 5:30	9	10 CR/ AP3- NRA Basic Pistol Class	11	12	13 HP-Work Day MP1- Benchrest CR/AP3- NRA Defensive Pistol Class
14 CB- Steel Challenge 	15 	16	17	18	19	20 AP- Action Pistol HP- Hunter Rifle Tactical Rifle Certification* 2pm-4pm (AP)... * RSVP REQUIRED with CRO by email to: cro@rbgc.org
21 AP- 3-Gun	22	23	24	25	26	27 CB- USPSA MP2- 100 Yard Match/Clinic SL- Buffalo Rifle
28 CR- New Member Orientation SL- Buffalo Rifle						

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- (be) - Bullseye Range
- (bp) - Black Powder Range
- (cb) - Cowboy Range

- (CR) - Gene Mowell Conference Room
- (hp) - High Power Range
- (mp1) - Multipurpose 1
- (22rr) - Rimfire Range
- (smp2) - Skutle Multipurpose 2
- (sp) - Sporting Clays

- (sh) - Shotgun Hill
- (sl) - Silhouette

MARCH 2021

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4 CB-2 Closed	5 CB-2 Closed	6 CB- Cowboy Action HP-M1A SH- Sporting Clays Match CR/Rimfire Plinking Range Youth Rifle
7 CB- IDPA	8 CR-Board Meeting 7 pm	9	10 CR/ AP3 - NRA Basic Pistol Class	11	12	13 SL- High Power Silhouette HP- HP XTC MP1 - Benchrest CR/ AP3 - NRA Basic Pistol Class
14 CB - Steel Challenge HP - HP 600x3	15	16	17  Happy St. Patrick's Day	18 CB-Glock Match	19 CB-Glock Match	20 CB-Glock Match AP- Action Pistol HP- Hunter Rifle Tactical Rifle Certification * 2pm-4pm (AP) ... *RSVP REQUIRED with CRO by email to: cro@rbgc.org
21 CB - Glock Match	22	23	24	25	26 BE-Regional BE Match	27 BE-Regional BE Match CB- USPSA MP2- 100 Yard Match/Clinic RF- Smallbore Rifle Prone SL- Buffalo Rifle
28 BE-Regional BE Match CR-New Member Orientation RF- Smallbore Benchrest SL- Buffalo Rifle	29	30	31			

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Classified Ads

Ammo and equipment for sale

Otis "Elite" #1000 Gun Cleaning System (In carrying case)

Brand New

Amazon sells this for 129.99 (free Shipping)

You are urged to go to the Otis website to get more details and better photos and check the price.

This system cleans all caliber rifles , pistols and shotguns. There are over 40 gun cleaning components which include bronze bore brushes, optics care, patches, etc and a gun cleaning guide.

Comes in a lockable case.

1/2 price....\$65.00 or best offer

NEW!

Savvy Armor for Women

Black pistol case with outside zipper pocket

\$7.50

NEW!

GPS Wild about Shooting

Aqua pistol case

\$7.50

4 Glock 23 High Capacity Magazines (13 round)

will also fit in a Glock 27

Like New Condition

\$20 each (firm)

.40 Cal Ammo (factory new) to Trade for 9mm (factory new)

400 rounds of Winchester Ranger 180 Grain FMJ (In 100 round bulk lots)

100 rounds of Winchester Hollow Point (100 round bulk lot)

(outright purchase of the ammo is possible if trading is not an option)

Contact Lyle Schroeder

lylebob@aol.com

photos of all items available upon request

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Classified Ads

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6mm,7mm,7mm-08 Remington Items - All NEW		
Item	Quantity	Price
* 6mm MATCH bullets		
Hornady HPBT 105 grain	97	\$15
Sierra HPBT 95 grain	97	\$20
Barnes HPBT 105 grain	97	\$15
Buy All for		\$40
Bullets (7mm)		
* Hornady Vmax 120gn	100	\$20
* Midway Spitzer BT 150gn	90	\$15
* Midway Spitzer SP 150gn	90	\$15
* Speer HP TNT 110gn	100	\$15
Buy All for		\$50
Ammunition (7mm-08 Rem)		
* Prvi PSP 140gn (factory)	20	15
* New Handloads Spitzer 150gn	20	15
Buy All for		\$25
30-30 Winchester Ammo and Brass		
* Used Brass (Remington Brand)	100	\$15
* Used Brass (Mixed Brands)	39	\$5
* Handloads - 110 grain Spire Point	24	\$12
* Handloads - 125 grain Hollow Point	20	\$10
* Factory WW150 gr Soft point	11 of 20	\$8
* Factory Federal 150 gr SP- FN	24 *	\$18
* Factory Federal 150 gr SP- FN	24 *	\$18
Buy All for		\$60
Note: (*)The factory Federal ammo is a "Value Pack" which is 24 rounds.		
Contact "Ron" ph: 770-928-7820 email: rfdahl45@gmail.com		

Rock-Ola .30 cal M-1 carbine, blue finish, 2 standard magazines & pouch, 1 fair condition 30rd banana clip, 450rds of ammo. \$1700.00. Will sell only to someone with a valid concealed carry permit.
Lyle Schroeder
lylebob@aol.com



WANTED - Shell Holder
Looking for RCBS #16, or Hornady #8, or Lyman #12 Shell Holder.
Please text, or call and leave message for Art at 770-328-3808.

Please submit classified ads to newsletter@rbgc.org no later than the 28th of the month.
Ads appear for two issues unless additional time is requested.



Shotgun Hill Hours:

OPEN Thursday - Sunday 10am - 6pm last round must begin prior to 5:30 pm

CLOSED Monday - Wednesday

Club Hours:

Club hours are from sunrise to sunset (specific times for specific dates are listed on the RBGC and other weather sites) on all ranges except the shotgun ranges, which are open late on certain days of the week, light and weather permitting (check the website for scheduled days and hours of operation). Evening shooting (until 9:00 p.m.) will be scheduled periodically on the lighted field. Check the website or contact the shotgun Manager for current schedules.

Newsletter Information:

When submitting articles, please remember to include a couple of pictures if possible.

Email to newsletter@rbgc.org **Deadline is the 28th of the Month.**

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