Effective January 2021, new insurance regulations require accompanied guests of members to sign a Guest Waiver before they utilize the range.

## Who needs to sign??

1) Any adult guest of a paid member.

Grandparents can still bring their grandchildren but if the parents of the grandchildren come to the range, those adults will need to sign a guest waiver.

Waivers are available on the website – marshfieldriflerange.com – and also in the mailbox on the range. The waiver will need to be signed and deposited into the locked and labeled mailbox at the range. Or if you know you will be bringing a guest in the future, that guest can sign a waiver and you can mail the waiver to the PO box listed on your membership card.

**NO HUNTING** on the range property. Safety is the biggest issue and leaving entrails for undesired scavengers. If you have questions, please contact a board member listed on your membership card.

# **NOTICE ABOUT RENEWALS:**

Members: I get calls and emails about renewing. "I DIDN'T GET MY RENEWAL NOTICE...." is how the call starts......

<u>Read the bottom of your membership card – MEMBERSHIP RUNS FROM</u> JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31.

Since notice is sent out in September for the annual all-member cookout in October, that cookout notice serves as the RENEWAL NOTICE for membership dues coming due on or before December. And obviously from the calls, people aren't reading the cookout notice.

**TO RENEW:** Come to the cookout and renew **OR** send a note with your name and stating any/or no changes to your contact information that is on file [i.e., address, phone, email], along with a check for \$85.00 to the P.O. Box 528 mailing address listed on your membership card. If there are major changes in your information, please print and fill out a new application form that is on the website under "Membership". You will not get a receipt but you will get a membership packet in the mail at the end of December.

If you do not renew at the cookout, you need to do so before the end of November because once the cards are ready for the December mailing, I won't do any more until January when the 2d wave of renewals hit the fan. Target date for mailing is December 21.

## **GATE COMBINATION:**

 Continue to use the old combination until it doesn't open the gate and THEN use the NEW combination located on your NEW membership card. DO NOT alter your new card in any way. Gate changes on or after January 1 each and every year.

Please READ all the information contained in your new membership packet. And read the card. Range Rules are printed on the backside of your membership card and are posted at the range. If you still have questions, please contact a board member listed on your card or email the club secretary listed on the website: marshfieldriflerange.com – under the "Contact Us" tab. <a href="marshfieldshootingclubinc@gmail.com">marshfieldshootingclubinc@gmail.com</a>

### A REMINDER FOR ALL MEMBERS

NOTE: The HANGING PISTOL, RESETTABLE PLATE and DUELING TREE TARGETS are for HANDGUNS / HANDGUN AMMO ONLY and are to be shot at from the pistol booth. DO NOT SHOOT FROM THE GRASS. ---- NO AR STYLE PISTOLS OR SIMILAR FIREARMS ARE TO BE FIRED FROM THE BOOTH OR GRASS AT THESE TARGETS. Natural selection may occur and we are not responsible.

NO SHOTGUNS ALLOWED IN THE RIFLE OR PISTOL BOOTHS. Shotguns are to be fired in the open field to the right of the buildings and gate. Bring your own targets or contact Rodney Thoms regarding the use of a thrower. Bring your own discs that disintegrate.

**NO** rifles, rifle ammo, or handgun that fires rifle ammo are allowed in the pistol booths.

You may use your own personal target stand for shooting. You may also use one of the many target stands provided on the range. The provided targets have a spread of 24 inches....feel free to bring cardboard for those targets. Rifle and handgun only.

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CONSTRUCTION NOTICE: If there is EVER any construction, equipment of any type, mowing, maintenance, special events on the range -- THE RANGE IS CLOSED PERIOD TO SHOOTING until the special event, workers and/or equipment have cleared the range and work is completed. WORKERS, SPECIAL EVENTS and MAINTENANCE TAKE PRECEDENCE over any open shooting at any time. Notice will be sent via email and Range Closed sign will/should be up on range gate.

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BATHROOM SHED --- The well water has been tested by DNR and is safe to drink. The bathroom has a flush toilet and running water. The door has a keypad combination that matches the gate combination. The door will lock automatically after you use the facilities and close the door. Bathroom shed will be closed and water shut off for the season by November (or earlier depending on weather). Please use the new handicap porta potty located to the right of the bathroom shed on the gravel when the bathroom shed is not available.

**HOURS OF OPERATION:** The range is open Sunup/Sunrise to Sundown/Sunset. Hours are also posted on the sign to the right of the gate.

#### THIS IS IMPORTANT ---

It was brought to our attention – more than once -- that the gate was closed and chained but the padlock was left open.

When you are at the range make sure you lock the gate, both while you are on the range and when you leave. This gives you some protection when you are on the range from someone just walking in whom is not a member and it protects the range from the same when no one is there. And yes, it seems a pain but it is a RANGE RULE that needs to be followed. WHEN YOU LEAVE, make sure the free end of the chain is wrapped around the gate rail and the padlock is locked through the free end of the chain and the chain itself, securing both gates closed. **SPIN THE ENTIRE DIAL**...not just one or two numbers.

If you ever see the chain wrapped but not padlocked, CONTACT a board member immediately! Then please lock the gate yourself.

To lock the combination lock -1) Make sure the numbers are lined up with the correct combination; 2) Push the shackle into the lock and be sure it is seated; 3) Hold the shackle in the lock and **spin ALL** the numbers; 4) Check to make sure it is locked.

If you EVER have a problem with the lock – yes, it has happened – please CALL a board member listed on your membership card <u>immediately</u> or CONTACT us through the email listed on the website --- marshfieldriflerange.com

[marshfieldshootingclubinc@gmail.com] --- in the "Contact Us" tab so we can take care of the lock as quickly as possible. You can also call a board member or email us if you see any problems on the range so it or they can be handled as soon as possible...i.e., people on the range without a membership card, tree down, target down, etc.

If you want to bring a guest you are welcome to do so while you are on the range [just make sure they sign a guest waiver] but **DO NOT** leave the gate/lock open for your buddy for later. If you invite a guest, **YOU [the member] need to STAY with the guest** until you both exit the range (significant others included). **DO NOT** share your card or gate with anyone. **Anyone caught violating this rule will lose their membership. That has happened.** Anyone caught on the range without a membership card OR who is not with a current member will be prosecuted as trespassing.

You can ask for a member's membership card and if they don't or can't produce it, they are to leave the range immediately. That is in the rules. If they don't leave, call the Webster County sheriff. If you see someone who is not a member, please try to get a photo of their car/license plate and *inform the board immediately!* Talk to the people and try to get their name(s) if you can. These non-members are trespassers if they are not with a paid member of the club.