



Greetings, friends and comrades!

We would like to take this opportunity to formally invite you to attend, and compete in the 13th annual Veterans Invitational Rifle Competition. This event was started back in 2011 in order to raise money to donate to the Veterans Home in Mexico, MO for purchasing comfort items for the Veterans living there. We have done a tremendous job over the years of accomplishing that mission. Today we carry out our mission with a slightly altered objective. The idea is to use our funds to more directly support Veterans in need from our own area, keeping in mind that many Veterans in need of assistance do not reside in a Veterans home or a nursing home. Some may not have a home at all.

If you choose not to compete or are unable, but would still like to make a contribution to the fund, or if you are interested and would like more information then please contact any of the following:

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If you do plan to attend, please RSVP to one or more of the above contacts.

**13th ANNUAL VETERANS INVITATIONAL RIFLE COMPETITION**

David C Berti Shooting Range. Clarence Cannon Dam South Spillway, Mark Twain Lake

**Saturday, September 13th. Registration begins at 9am**

RAIN OR SHINE. THE EVENT WILL ONLY BE CALLED OFF FOR EXTREME WEATHER.

\$20.00 per shooter for entry. CASH ONLY

In years past, the winning rifle team took home the "traveling trophy" and returned with it the following year so that when a different team won, the new winning team would take it home that year, and so on... That travelling team trophy has been retired and is on display in a very nice display case at American Legion Boots-Dickson Post 174 in Palmyra, MO. Come by and see it any time.

**RIFLE EVOLUTION:**

Rifle teams consist of 4 shooters. Their scores will be combined for a final overall team score.

Every shooter's own individual score will also be tallied, and the top four individual shooters will be recognized with awards and prizes.

Shooters may use any semi-auto or bolt action US Military issue rifle, or a reproduction of any semi-auto or bolt action US Military issue rifle, utilizing open / iron sights only.

No optics allowed other than spotting scopes during the practice evolution only.

Shooters need to supply their own 12 rounds of ammo for score. They should also bring more rounds to use during the practice evolution. Minimum of 30 total rounds suggested, depending on how confident they are of the zero on their rifle.

Each rifle shooter will be issued 3 targets and as such will have a practice evolution to fire as many rounds as they want in 15 minutes sitting at a benchrest from 50 yards. This is their time to adjust their sights and solidify the zero on their rifle. For score they will have 10 minutes to fire 10 rounds sitting at a benchrest from 50 yards, and later they will also have 5 minutes to fire 2 rounds standing from 25 yards.

No part of the rifle or ammunition magazine may rest on the bench while shooting.

Spotters helping to zero their rifle, and spotting scopes are allowed ONLY during the practice round. Spotter may advise and/or physically help with sight adjustments during the practice round. They may not do or say anything to help while a shooter is firing for score.

## **PISTOL EVOLUTION:**

Pistol shooters are competing individually and will be scored separately from the rifle scores. Treat them as two separate events altogether.

Once all pistol scores are tallied, the top three shooters will be recognized with awards and prizes.

Shooters may use any centerfire handgun of their choice (let's steer away from the "pistol braces" on this one). If you don't know what that is, good, you don't have one and won't argue to try and use it. Also, NO RIMFIRE calibers.

On the pistol evolution we **are** allowing the use of optics / dots. There will **not** be separate classes for irons and optic sights, they will compete against one another. Use whatever sights you feel most capable with.

Shooters need to supply their own 30 rounds of ammo for score. They should also bring more rounds to use during the practice evolution. Minimum of 40-50 total rounds suggested, depending on how confident they are of the zero on their pistol.

Each pistol shooter will be issued 3 targets and as such will have a practice evolution to fire as many rounds as they want in 10 minutes standing behind a table at 7 yards. This is their time to make adjustments and solidify the zero on their pistol. For score they will have 5 minutes to fire 20 rounds standing behind a table from 7 yards, and later they will also have 5 minutes to fire 10 rounds standing behind a table from 12 yards. Shooters will not draw from a holster. They will load and make ready on command and assume a modified ready position as demonstrated by an RO, and await the FIRE command from range personnel.

## **AFTER-ACTION REPORT (AFTER AWARDS HAVE BEEN GIVEN):**

-Find range personnel and let us know how we did. Criticism is the best way to let us know what areas we need to improve upon.

-If you have ideas regarding the competition that you would like us to consider for the future, please convey them to us. If you feel like you would be an asset to this mission and would like to help in the future, let us know.

-If you have any insight on a group or person that we could offer support to, let us know.

- Find Boots-Dickson and Norfolk-Smith VFW on Facebook, or on their websites

[www.boots-dickson.org](http://www.boots-dickson.org)

[www.palmyravfw.org](http://www.palmyravfw.org)

-Spectators are encouraged to come watch and support this event. All that is required is ear and eye protection, and a positive attitude!