



THE FIRING LINE

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Roanoke Rifle & Revolver Club ~ P.O. Box 12453 ~ Roanoke, VA 24025

April 2015

LAST CALL

LAST CALL FOR MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS!

Dues Payments: If you have not paid your dues for 2015 you should do so immediately. Dues that have not been paid by April 1, 2015, will result in deactivation of your gate card.

As you probably know, we have capped the total membership at 550 and we are very close to that number. If dues are not paid or arrangements made prior to April 20, 2015, you will be dropped from the membership. If you want to be reinstated, you will have to fill out a membership application, attend another orientation, pay all back dues and fees and pay another initiation fee *if* memberships are available at the time. We expect to start a waiting list by the end of April. You must return the invoice that was mailed to you in January. If you have misplaced the invoice or if you need to make payment arrangements, call Jim Sharrow 540-389-9832 or 540-330-7775 and we will work with you. **Please don't wait** - when we have reached 550 members you will be placed on the waiting list.

All Class 3 Devices Require a Permit issued by the Board of Directors in addition to the Federal Permit which is required by Law.

Class 3 Weapons as defined by the NFA and CFR, Part 479 include but are not limited to the following:

Machine Guns, Silencers and any part designed and intended for fabricating a silencer, Short Barreled Rifles, Short Barreled Shotguns, and Destructive Devices as defined by ATFE.

If you do not have your Federal paperwork as well as the permit issued by RRRC, please do not bring these to the Range – NO EXCEPTIONS.



Has it ever occurred to you that many happenings of our club activities and matches don't get reported or find their way into print in our club's newsletter? We have over 50 scheduled matches a year plus scheduled training events, such as the High School and Women's Only Bullseye, informal gatherings and outside participation, such as NRA banquets & Commonwealth Games. For "The Firing Line" to give you what you want – *club news* – you'll have to send "The Firing Line" what we need – reports on your matches, activities, book reviews, equipment reviews ("I found this works for me..."), photographs.

You get the idea. ***If nobody writes, nobody reads!***

Articles can be submitted in any form – handwritten, typed, or emailed (this is the easiest way). Match Reports need to be concise with basic information (the match name & date) but then write about the winners of the classes, or about club members having a good time, or any unusual or interesting event that took place. How about a little history on how the match got started at RRRC?

Even this information in skeletal form will be of tremendous help to our fellow members and schedule planners in future years. Give it a try! Just submit your article by the deadline date listed under "Highlights from the Board Meetings" on page 2 in each newsletter. If room allows, articles will be published – just like this one! Hope runs high that Roanoke Rifle and Revolver Club members will know what's going on because club information is shared from members to other members. Thanks for reading!

Submitted by Bucky Moore

[Send your submissions to "The Firing Line" editor at back2bac@cox.net.]

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Rest in Peace.....Harvey Bulaski



Highlights from the March Board Meeting

"Freedom isn't free" - just ask any soldier!
Visit: www.anysoldier.com

Highlights from the March Board Meeting:

- All Class 3 devices require a permit issued by the Board of Directors in addition to the Federal Permit which is required by law.

Monthly Board Meeting - 7:00 PM - Next Meeting: April 21

The monthly RRRRC Membership meeting will be held at the Roanoke Rifle & Revolver Club clubhouse. The Board of Directors strongly encourages members to attend. We look forward to seeing you at our meetings held on the third Tuesday of each month. ***If you are interested in what is being discussed - attend the meetings.***

Visit us at www.roanokerifle.com or call (540)330-7775 for information and business.

"The Firing Line" submission deadline: Monday, April 27th.

2015 Gun Show Schedule

C & E Salem Civic Center: Sat - 9am-5pm; Sun - 10am-5pm

REMINDER: SPEED LIMIT ON GUN CLUB DRIVE AND CLUB ROADS IS 10 MPH!! SLOW DOWN! Thank you for respecting our neighbors.

Important Reminder: We remind you that this is **YOUR** Club and **YOU** have the right **and** obligation to question anyone that you believe is not a member. Guests **must** be accompanied by a member while on Club property – **No Exceptions!!**

July 18-19 / September 19-20 / October 31-November 1

Showmasters—Berglund Civic Center: Sat - 9am-5pm; Sun - 10am-5pm
August 29-30 / October 24-25

Please contact Al Steed, Jr. at SWVAgunshows@vcdl.org to help represent VCDL at our local gun shows.



**Roanoke Valley Friends of NRA Banquet
August 22, 2015 @ Salem Civic Center.**

RENEW YOUR NRA MEMBERSHIP @ WWW.ROANOKERIFLE.COM



Renew your NRA Membership on-line through our website! You'll save and you'll be supporting RRRRC through this NRA link.

What a Winter

Well, I don't know about anybody else, but there were a couple of days this winter where for the first time in my life, I thought about moving south when retirement comes. I am sorry that we had to close the club for what seemed like an eternity but the continuous rain and snow left the ground so saturated that at times we had several inches of standing water on A and C range and B was just a bucket of mud. I appreciated that everyone who called me was very understanding about our not wanting to open the club too soon and suffer a large amount of damage to the roads and ranges. It's not the first time we have had to close the club for an extended length of time due to weather. But hopefully that's behind us and we can get out and enjoy the beautiful spring season.

As expected, Harvey's absence is being felt virtually everywhere. As it stands, Jim has made contact with the local schools that we hosted and we are now organizing our help for the first high school visit on Tuesday, March 31st. Many of those who have helped in the past have already reached out but if you want to help or be on the call list for the high schools, please contact Jim and let him know. He would also like to verify your contact info.

We Have Some Great Members

One last thing. We are truly blessed to have some of the members we have that unselfishly give so much of their time and are always pitching in. Last Saturday morning, I hosted a Boy Scout Rifle Merit Badge class. Because we had just reopened the club, I anticipated that many members would want to use the club so I got to A range early in hopes of finishing up before things got crowded. When I arrived, several of the Cowboy shooters were getting ready to start setting up for an upcoming match. When they found out what I was doing, not only did these gentlemen stop and wait till my class was over but Gary Feazelle set up his spotting scope and proceeded to help me mentor the Scouts through their qualification. We were able to qualify them all in what must be record time. For anyone who may not know, Gary was a Coast Guard Marksmanship Team member and over the years, the USCG has had some of the best shooters in military competition. Just saying. I really appreciated Gary's help.

Charlie

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Utah Concealed Carry Firearm Permit Training

Virginia and 35 other states recognize the Utah Concealed Firearm Permit. That widespread recognition makes it good to have as an interstate traveler. Utah permit holders may legally carry while driving through many contiguous states. Those who plan on carrying out of state may find it very useful to have this as a second permit.

The 4-hour class required to apply for this permit will be offered at the RRRC clubhouse. Interested applicants should already hold a Virginia Concealed Carry Permit and have completed NRA First Steps Pistol or an equivalent pistol class. All necessary materials will be furnished. Club members and non-members are welcome.

Cost is \$55.00. Current course dates are: April 12, and June 14. Class time: 2:00–6:00 pm.

Please contact Charles Woolwine at cwoolwine2@cox.net for details.

NRA Pistol / Concealed Carry Class – *NEXT DATE To Be Determined*

9:00 AM until 5 PM on Saturday & 9:00 AM until 4 PM on Sunday with Range Time on both days.

Pre-registration is required. A \$20 deposit is needed before the class to secure your enrollment. The cost for this class is \$130 and includes handguns and ammunition. You are encouraged to bring your own handguns and ammunition, as well.

For additional information on this 2-day course, please call **Rod Carter or Beth Christopoulos on (540) 989-1776.**

NRA Basics of Pistol Shooting – Date: TBA / Roanoke Rifle & Revolver Club / 8:45 am – 5:00 pm

Qualifies for Concealed Carry Permit ~ Range Time Included on premises >30% Hands-on training
~ Pistol, *ammunition, targets provided

540-354-7941 ← Register → rokisky2@cox.net

CURRENT AVAILABLE WORK HOURS FOR MEMBERS



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Every year we are faced with members who claim that work hours were not made available to them. For this reason, we will be posting assignments as they become available throughout the year to ensure that all members are aware of these opportunities. Please contact me for further information regarding any of the listed positions, or to discuss duties in further detail. Assignments will be filled on a first come, first serve basis.

Jackie Lapradd - 540-797-3961 - John3-16@cox.net

NOTICE: I DO NOT ACCEPT OR ANSWER "BLOCKED" OR "UNKNOWN" CALLS!

GUN SHOWS 2015

The new year has brought with it another opportunity to get a portion of your work hours by attending the table at the upcoming show. As always, we will initially be reserving these positions for our elderly/physically disabled members; however, if there is a lack of response we will offer these positions to all members in good standing. Members are expected to interact with the public, be able to answer questions, and promote the Club in a positive manner. If you are simply looking to get a free pass into the show and a place to put your coffee while walking around browsing, then this assignment is NOT for you. We expect complete participation from those who sign up for these positions.

ROAD AND RANGE MONITORS

This program was a huge hit with the general membership, Match Directors, as well as our neighbors. Because of this, we will be continuing to monitor the roads and ranges for many of our 2015 matches. I would like to add that virtually 100% of the members that participated in this program commented that it was quite an enjoyable way to get in their work hours. I urge you to please consider signing up so that we can keep this program running.

MATCH NEWS

Small Bore Modified – We are seeking anyone who participated in Small Bore matches who can help Jim Sharrow organize the match on **April 4th**. **The Match is a "GO."** Please call Jim at 389-9832. Thank you.



IDPA

March's match was our third "Puddle Duck Classic." The first two "Puddle Duck" matches were held last year, in what could only be described as monsoon conditions. March's match continued this tradition, with 42 shooters braving the rain to test their skills against four challenging stages that included reloading with retention, strong hand shooting, and engaging targets from inside a vehicle. March's match was also the first match to be held under the new IDPA rulebook. Some of the changes include an increase in the number of non-threats per threat target, and the return of reloading-on-the-move when behind cover. In addition, two new divisions have been created, Compact Carry Pistol (CCP) and Back-Up Gun (BUG). I've received many questions about the new BUG division. In a nutshell, it will be open to both semi-autos and revolvers (3.60" and 3.00" minimum barrel lengths); minimum caliber is .380, with a power factor of 95; and division capacity is 6 rounds (semi-autos will be required to start 5+1, with additional magazines holding 6 rounds). For more information on the new rules please visit www.idpa.com.

With the addition of the new BUG division, you may be asking what is going to become of the annual IDPA BUG Match? Nothing but a name change. It will now be the annual "Defensive Pistol BUG Match." Division capacity will remain at 5 rounds (so that J-frames can still compete), and all centerfire will still be welcome (.32 Autos, etc.).

I have some fun stages planned for the **April 11th** match, and hope to see you there. Also, keep **May 9th** free on your calendars for the annual **VCDL** match. Match fee is \$20, and includes a prize table and a hotdog lunch.

Hope to see you at the next match, **Simon LeRay, Match Director, S_LeRay@yahoo.com**

HIGH POWER



Good weather has finally arrived and our March match has come and went. We shoot the 3rd Saturday of every month. We seem to be getting a few newcomers, so don't think you will be the only one! Remember, nothing teaches rifle marksmanship better than High Power. Almost any rifle is accurate enough for our scoring rings, so it all comes down to the shooter's skill. Registration is around 0800; rounds go downrange at 0900. Hope to see you on the range!

Our next match is **April 18th • Range C •**

Robert Wilson, 540-875-7554; rawilsonw@yahoo.com

MATCH NEWS (con't.)

BEND of TRAIL Posse Foils the Ketchum Gang

“I can’t believe it took me this long to find out about Cowboy Action Shooting” (CAS™).

“I enjoy the heck out of this sport.” Those were the words of a shooter who joined our posse last year. He continued, “And the members of this group are the best bunch of people you’ll find anywhere.” We hear that over and over. We shoot every 4th Sunday, weather permitting, and welcome new shooters. Sometimes our matches have a theme that is factual, placing us in a living history situation, playing out situations as they really occurred; sometimes it is whimsical fiction. In any case, CAS is a way to practice your gun handling skills with rifle, revolvers, and shotgun and the same time have fun doing it. Target shooters from other disciplines often say that is good to be able shoot guns at steel targets and feel no pressure from competitors. We often hear, “The friendly banter of the guys and gals that compete is one of the best parts. They will do anything in the world to help you score better.” Doesn’t surprise me. After all, “It’s the cowboy (and cowgirl) way.”

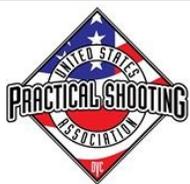


Contact info for Tommy Wills, (aka Rowe-A-Noc), Match Director, rowe-a-noc@mikesweather.org—540-890-6375



The March match welcomed 20 shooters and two support personnel. Under perfect weather conditions, we banged and clanged our way along to prevent train robbery and apprehend Blackjack Ketchum and the Hole in the Wall Gang. When the smoke cleared, and scores tallied, Wild Mustang (Dwayne Nuckols) came out on top overall, followed by Red Rider Slim (Gary Feazelle) and Buena Vista Kid (Frank Fox). Top Lady Shooter was Thundercolt (Cheryl Donlon). Five members of the posse had a clean match (hit all targets in the right order) and for the first time in recent history, a couple - Sue Hell No and Rue Barb (Brozonsky) - both shot cleanly. They were joined by Red Rob, Doc Keepum, and Sagebrush Sackett. Thanks for support work goes to Duke City Marshal (aka Lefty), Ms Mustang plus Red Rider Slim, Cedar Creek John and Smilin’ Sam who set targets.

Lookin’ forward to seeing you at the next match on **Range A, April 26!**



USPSA

Come on out & join us – **April 25th. Sign-up @ 9 am;**

Shooter’s Meeting @ 9:45 am; First shots fired @ 10:00 am.

For information contact: **Brent Lorton, (540) 309-5597; blorton@vt.edu.**



Just A Little Housekeeping

- Be advised, suppressors (silencers) are classified by ATF as Class 3 items just as are machine guns, and short barreled rifles and shotguns and must be registered with the clubs Class 3 director before bringing them to the range.
- Anyone who has participated in the Modified Small-bore that Harvey organized, please contact Jim as he is trying to keep this going and needs general information & help.
- Please be considerate and pick up any objects that you use as targets when plinking. Cans were left lying around on B range after someone shot them and then just left them for others to pick up.

2015 Clays Range Safety Officer Work Days

Remember your work date! If you cannot serve or if you're interested in serving as a Clay's Range Safety Officer, Contact Sam Mayes at (540) 343-8889.
Please notify Sam of any schedule changes.

| Month | Date | Day | Pullers |
|-------|------|-----|--------------------------------|
| April | 4 | SAT | Tim Noell Ed Wood |
| April | 5 | SUN | Charlie Hurd Gary Martin |
| April | 11 | SAT | Rob Couch Tony Harrell |
| April | 12 | SUN | Rob Couch Tony Harrell |
| April | 18 | SAT | John Flick John Davis |
| April | 19 | SUN | Barney Laverty Lisa Laverty |
| April | 25 | SAT | Tom Grooms Shawn Marshall |
| April | 26 | SUN | Tony Howell Rob Couch |



| Month | Date | Day | Pullers |
|-------|------|-----|---------------------------------|
| May | 2 | SAT | Bill Wehner Tracy Scheffling |
| May | 3 | SUN | Barney Laverty Lisa Laverty |
| May | 9 | SAT | Tom Grooms Shawn Marshall |
| May | 10 | SUN | Joe Nicosia Gary Martin |
| May | 16 | SAT | Butch Morris Pat Brooks |
| May | 17 | SUN | Butch Morris Randy Kuehner |
| May | 23 | SAT | John Davis Bill Wehner |
| May | 24 | SUN | Chuck Tyma Ed Wood |
| May | 30 | SAT | O.V. Rutledge Phil George |
| May | 31 | SUN | Phil George Wayne Parker |

Skeet Workers: We have two volunteers who will serve as last resort substitutes for you in the event that you cannot find a replacement for your scheduled work date. They are **Wayne Parker (540) 989-8761** and **Phil George (540) 982-1998**. **Remember, if you do not work your date, you will not receive credit for the work hours.** Thank you for being conscientious Skeet/Trap & 5 Stand Range Safety Officers.
Others are depending upon you!!!

If you want to become a **Clays Safety Officer** - please contact:

Adam Keen at (540) 598-6803 or
Barry Mountcastle at (540) 314-2529.



OOPS!

STILL LOST!! If anyone finds a plain gold band, please contact Greg Hart at groundhog.slayer@yahoo.com or call at 540-793-5970.



NEW RAFFLE - Kel-Tec PMR-30 .22 Magnum



RRRC is selling raffle tickets for a chance to win a Kel-Tec .22 magnum Pistol. This is a special National Rifle Association Serial # Edition, complete with 2 magazines and a hard case. **Proceeds will benefit RRRRC Shooting Programs.** Tickets are on sale through July 15, **2015**, or when all tickets are sold! A limited number of only 500 tickets is available. **Each ticket is \$5 or 5 tickets for \$20.** To purchase your ticket (s) or to obtain additional information, contact Bill Padgett at (540) 353-7050 or at handymanBillP@cox.net.
Thank you for supporting RRRRC programs!

\$ MARKETPLACE \$ Vendors - For Sale - Wanted

- **Adams Custom Rifles:** Custom built & long range precision rifles. Dennis Adams (owner/FFL 07, (540) 819-5874, website: Adamscustomrifles.com, email: dennis@adamscustomrifles.com
- **Ken's Leathercraft:** Custom made holsters. Want or need something "special"? Built to buyers specifications at very competitive prices. Stop by at 6760 South Indian Grave Road, Boones Mill, VA 24065-(540) 774-6225 or at www.Kensleathercraft.com and let us know what you need.
- **Trader Jerry's (2 locations to serve you):** Aaron Cochran at trader@netscope.net, 724 W 4th Street, Salem, VA 24153, (540) 389-8095 or Chad Cochran at #34 Claypool Hill Mall, Cedar Bluff, VA 24609 or (276) 964-4867. Call for quotes or special orders, no deposit! "We love to match prices, just ask"!!
- **Trapper Dan Trading:** 15780A Stewartsville Road, Vinton, VA 24179 (540) 492-2562 or TrapperDanLLC@Verizon.net
- **W & M Gun Repair:** Eddie Webster at 3607 Alean Road, Boones Mill, VA 24065, ewebs2550@aol.com or (540) 420-0795 or (540) 334-5923.

FOR SALE: 1) Ruger Blackhawk 357 Magnum Single Action 6.5" barrel with Case - Mint Condition - \$495
If interested, please contact Chuck Parkhurst: 540/721-1109 or greylock6@gmail.com

FRIENDS OF NRA FUND RAISERS



Friends of NRA will be holding two fund-raisers to raise funds to support Youth and Women Shooting Sports.

5-Gun Winner Take All Raffle - \$10 a ticket.

Raffle runs until 4-15-15. Only 500 tickets!

FNRA Calendar - \$50 - 52 drawings, one a week, starts March 2015. 3,000 printed!

Contact Al Milton (540) 797-7777 or Bill Padgett (540) to purchase tickets for both!

The "Firing Line" Allies of 2015 - Thank you to all who have contributed!

For a generous contribution of \$10 per year, you can become a **2015** patron of "The Firing Line". Your donations will offset the cost of printing and mailing. A list of "Allies" will be published in each issue.

The dates shown indicate when the pledge expires.

Send the name you want published and payment to: **Roanoke Rifle & Revolver Club**,
P.O. Box 12453, Roanoke, VA 24025. *Many "thanks" for all of your support!*

January 2016

Donald Nichols
James Tobey
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Tom Grooms
Richard Lavinder
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Henry Bulaski

June 2015

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August 2015

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Anonymous

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John Reed

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December 2020

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The purpose of our club will be to provide a common meeting place where all manner of firearms enthusiasts may gather to enjoy their avocation.

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

We are affiliated with the National Rifle Association (**NRA**), Civilian Marksmanship Program (**CMP**), National Skeet Shooting Association (**NSSA**), National Sporting Clays Association (**NSCA**), National Bench-rest Shooters Association (**NBRSA**), Virginia Shooting Sports Association (**VSSA**), United States Practical Shooting Association (**USPSA**), Single Action Shooting Society (**SASS**), Virginia Citizens Defense League (**VCDL**), and International Defensive Pistol Association (**IDPA**).

Schedule of Events

Tuesday, April 21, 2015 ~ Membership/Board Meeting @ 7:00 PM

Location: Roanoke Rifle & Revolver Club Clubhouse at 1305 Gun Club Road, Hardy VA (540) 330-7775

- ➡ **HIGH SCHOOL - MARCH 31st; RAINDATE – APRIL 2**
- SMALL BORE MODIFIED** April 4
Call Jim Sharrow to assist: 540-389-9832
- DEFENSIVE PISTOL** April 11
Simon LeRay, S_LeRay@yahoo.com
- HIGH POWER** April 18
Robert Wilson, 540-875-7554 rawilsonw@yahoo.com
- USPSA** April 25
Brent Lorton, blorton@vt.edu
- BEND OF TRAIL** April 26
Tom Willis, 540-890-6375, rowe-a-noc@mikesweather.org

Up On The Hill!



Skeet/ Trap/ 5 Stand

*Weekly: Saturday & Sunday
 from Noon—5:00 p.m.*

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