The Firing Line

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Important Notice to Members - *In Case You Missed It!*

Any memberships that have not been renewed by April 10, 2017 will be automatically dropped!

On February 21, 2017, the Board of Directors voted and passed a measure to limit the Membership to **500** to ensure that we do not exceed the carrying capacity of our property and safeguard the natural environment of the property.

At present we have exceeded the maximum limit. We currently have 523 members. Spouse Memberships will no longer be offered to new members. Persons interested in joining will be placed on a first come–first serve waiting list and will be contacted when memberships become available.

This will in no way affect Existing Members and Spouse Members as long as they renew their membership and obey all Range and General Rules and Regulations, including the Ethical Rules and Standards. If memberships are dropped, these membership openings will become available to new members ***once we have dropped below the 500 member cap.***

We want to work with our members and if you need to make special arrangements you must call Jim Sharrow 540-389-9832 as soon as possible. ***April 10th is the Deadline!***

Remember – If you are dropped from membership and reapply, you will be placed on a waiting list, and you will also be required to pay the initiation fee and dues upon reinstatement.

Please Note the Following Range Closings

girl scouts of virginia skyline

Friday, April 7th - *late afternoon* Range C (NBRSA Set Up)
Saturday, & Sunday, April 8th & 9th - NBRSA
Saturday, April 22nd - 8 am –12 Noon
Range C & Skeet Fields (Girl Scout Adventurers)

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Highlights from the March Board Meeting

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

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1. April 10th is the deadline for membership renewals.

Monthly Board Meeting - 7:00 PM - *Next Meeting*: April 18
The monthly RRRC Membership meetings are held on the third Tuesday at the RRRC clubhouse. The Board of Directors strongly encourages members to attend. ***If you are interested in what is being discussed - attend a meeting!***

Visit us at www.roanokerifle.com or call (540)330-7775 for information and business.
"The Firing Line" submission deadline: Friday, April 21

SPEED LIMIT ON GUN CLUB DRIVE AND CLUB ROADS IS 10 MPH!! SLOW DOWN!
Thank you for respecting our neighbors and your fellow members.

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

2017 Gun Show Schedule

C & E Salem Civic Center: Sat - 9am-5pm; Sun - 10am-5pm
April 29 & 30; July 15 & 16; October 28 & 29; December 16 & 17

Showmasters –Berglund Civic Center: Sat - 9am-5pm; Sun - 10am-5pm
August 19 & 20; October 21 & 22

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

Important Military Dates
April is Month of the Military Child
April 5, 2017 – Gold Star Wives Day
April 14, 2017 – Air Force Reserve Birthday
April 23, 2017 – Army Reserve Birthday

RENEW YOUR NRA MEMBERSHIP @
WWW.ROANOKERIFLE.COM

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

The President's Corner

My fellow members,

Spring has arrived!

I hope this month finds each of you in good health and ready to enjoy another year of visiting the range to do a bit of shooting, participating in your favorite disciple, or just meeting old friends at the range and swapping tall tales.

While this winter gave us enough warm days to ward off full blown cabin fever, it's still nice knowing that the coming mild temperatures will give us an opportunity to visit more often.

Spring has always been my favorite season and I am always taken aback by the sheer beauty nature offers us as she wakes up from a long winters nap. I find that most times when I visit the range during this time of year, I spend most of my time just taking in the sights and sounds that are all around me. Walking the grounds, catching a glimpse of the newborn wildlife that abounds on the property, the splendor of the trees going from just having buds to full blown leaves. In my eyes, regardless of what you believe in, it is truly a magical time and it is my hopes that each of you can find the time to separate yourselves from the worries of everyday life and be able to appreciate the often overlooked wonders that our club offers if we just choose to look for them.

I am pleased to report that March's board meeting did not include any new damages or unsafe range practices! Since last month's article I have received numerous phone calls and emails from concerned members who were unaware of the activities that have been going on in the past and are now actively keeping an eye on other members using the range while they are there. In my mind, this is the ideal solution to the problems that have nagged the club for so long. Policing ourselves, without interfering or detracting from those who are following the rules is a great way to insure that our club will be available to the next generation of shooters and firearms enthusiasts.

In other news, as many of you already know, we are hosting the Girl Scouts this month in an effort to promote the shooting sports within the youth community. Since Harvey Bulaski's passing, our youth programs have dropped dramatically and I am thankful that we have this opportunity to provide a safe and fun time for the young ladies who will be visiting the club. If you know of any other youth organizations or groups that would enjoy or benefit from visiting our club, please don't hesitate to call me about the possibilities of arranging an outing.

Lastly, I'd like to thank Stan and Bill for attending the board meeting last month. I always enjoy hearing from the general membership and appreciate the positive input that is often provided by these members.

Until next time,

Jackie Lapradd

How does a bullet ricochet? Target material. **Bullets** are more likely to **ricochet** off flat, hard surfaces such as concrete or steel, but a **ricochet** can occur on almost any surface, including grassy soil, given a flat enough angle of impact.

To report Infractions, call anonymously:

330-7775

2017 RANGE WORK HOURS

We currently need people to work the following matches:

October 27	**Set up for 2nd NBRSA Match**
October 28 & 29	**NBRSA Match**
November 4	**2nd Egg Shoot**

There are still a few Range Officer dates, however these are in October and November. Your enthusiastic response to our work hours needs has certainly made my job easier.

Thank you,

Hugh English, 540-330-7730, hfeinva@aol.com

Please <u>Mail</u> all workhours to:

Jim Sharrow
1705 Commerce Street
Salem VA 24153

No emails please!

MATCH NEWS

APRIL 1ST - FIRST SMALL BORE MODIFIED .22 MATCH - NO FOOLIN'!

This is how it works: There are 3 courses of fire: 2 rifle and one pistol. Entry fee is $10.00 American. This is a "shoot what you brung match." We are not going to be sticklers about equipment. This is a fun match for beginners and experienced shooters alike. Hope to see you on Range A. Come on out & give it a try! **Robert Helms, 389-3993**

NBRSA Virginia State Championship Match - April 8 & 9

RRRC is proud to once again host this prestigious state championship match. Please be aware that Range C will be closed late afternoon on Friday, April 7th, to allow for set up.

Match Director: Gil Gross, (276) 634-0082 (home); (276) 732-2328 (cell)

March Classifier Yields 26 Class Promotions

The March Classifier Match was a great success. Sixty shooters came out to compete in the New IDPA Classifier. The new rule of a full second penalty for -1 has really put the emphasis back on accuracy, and it clearly showed in the results. Overall there were a total of 26 class promotions (9 Marksman, and 17 Sharpshooters). Congratulations to those shooters who got promoted!

Also, remember to mark your calendars for **May 13th** for the **Annual VCDL Benefit Match**. Match fee is $25 and includes 8 stages (including some from the 2017 S&W Indoor National Championships), hotdog lunch, and prize table. There will also be an opportunity to get work hours in on the Friday before the match as help will be needed with match set-up.

Online registration closes will close at 8pm the Friday before the match. Match day registration/check-in will be closing at 10am. If you are an IDPA member, please remember to provide your IDPA member number during registration.

Hope to see you at the April match,

Simon LeRay, Match Director, S_LeRay@yahoo.com

HIGH POWER

OUR FIRST MATCH had awesome weather, good attendance, and tons of fun. The next one will be April 15 (tax day!). So come on out and blow off some steam, and remember those taxes help us enjoy our freedoms in this country that many in the world don't have. High power (and other target games) is something many people in the world can only dream of. Freedom is a terrible thing to waste!
Registration 0800, rounds downrange around 0900.

I hope to see YOU on the range! **Robert Wilson: rawilsonw@yahoo.com, 540-875-7554**

USPSA

The next match will be **Saturday, April 22nd. Location: Ranges A & B Sign-up is at 9 AM. Shooter's Meeting is at 9:45 AM. Match starts at 10 AM.**

Get your gear ready for a fun time! John Gaylor - 362-7520.

BEND OF TRAIL

Cowboy Action Shooting at the Roanoke Rifle and Revolver Club

IT WAS A BEAUTIFUL DAY at the Range (03/26/17). Overcast but pleasant and the rain held off until we were finished. The Cowboys brought in Spring with smiles. **We will be shooting on the 4th Sunday of each month now through October.** Many attended the "Range Officer I & II Classes last weekend held at the Range for Cowboy Shooters. It's not mandatory but this shows the dedication of those who enjoy our Sport and want to know the rules and follow them and to increase their fun and especially the Safety aspect of our Sport. **The 4th Sunday, on A Range, Safety meeting at 9 AM and first round down range at 9:30 AM.** Come watch us..... Come join us as we dress in 1800's clothing, use guns similar to those used to "Tame the West" and relive history, as we enjoy our 2nd Amendment Rights.

RRRC has something to offer everyone. Come on out and watch the different shooting venues. You may find a new shooting sport you can enjoy along with what you do now.

Got questions? Give me a call: **Tom Wills, aka Rowe-A-Noc SASS 64745L TG Regulator. Match Director, 540.890.6375; Rowe-a-noc@mikesweather.org**

The Roanoke Valley Friends of NRA Committee, VAW-1

25th Anniversary Friends of NRA Banquet

Saturday August 19, 2017 • Salem Civic Center

Doors Open at 4:30 PM • Buffet Meal Served at 6:00 PM

Raffles, Games, Buckets, Live and Silent Auctions

Our committee was started by RRRC members. Our committee was the first to charter in Virginia! We have held 24 events over the 25 years of the program. Thank you for your support!

For more information, contact: Al Milton, 540-797-7777 Cell Phone

2017 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	1	SAT	Tony Harrell Rob Couch
April	2	SUN	Tony Harrell Rob Couch
April	8	SAT	Tony Harrell Rob Couch
April	9	SUN	Joe Nicosia Spencer Rowe
April	15	SAT	Chuck Tyma Ed Wood
April	16	SUN	Barney Lavety Lisa Lavety
April	22	SAT	Shawn Marshall Tom Grooms
April	23	SUN	Joe Nicosia
April	29	SAT	Larry Parmer Adam Keen
April	30	SUN	Larry Parmer Alan Smith

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May	6	SAT	Larry Parmer Adam Keen
May	7	SUN	Ed Wood Joe Nicosia
May	13	SAT	Shawn Marshall Tom Grooms
May	14	SUN	Alan Smith Spencer Rowe
May	20	SAT	Shawn Marshall Tom Grooms
May	21	SUN	James G. Hart Steve Glass
May	27	SAT	Adam Keen Steve Glass
May	28	SUN	Alan Smith

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!!!***

Clays Safety Officers

If you are interested in helping organize special shoots or assisting with Clays in any manner, we could use your help this year!

Sam Mayes (540) 343-8889

If you want to become a Clays Safety Officer please contact Michael Adamczyk:
Email: **mjadamczyk@cox.net**; cell: 770-262-6145.

Our 2017 Firearm Raffle Calendars are available! They offers 56 chances to win a firearm beginning in March 2017 thru February 2018. They make great gifts for the shooting guys and gals! And they support the Roanoke Valley Friends of NRA.

Contact:
Al Milton
540-797-7777 Cell Phone

$ 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

Gung Ho Four (4) Pistol Range Box; Heavy leather shooting coat (size 46) and glove for High Power. Contact: Steve @ 540-330-7961.

POWDER FOR SALE
IMR700X - 8 lbs kegs - $99.00; IMR700X - 1 lb cans - $12.00; Accurate #2 - 1 lb cans - $16.00;
Contact: David Esmond, 301-996-5651

Firepower Tactical extends a warm welcome to members of the Roanoke Rifle & Revolver Club. Members who present a form of membership from your club get a 10% discount on simulator range time at **Firepower Tactical**. 3783 Peters Creek Rd., SW, Roanoke (near Brandon Ave). Thanks, **Wes Boozer 540-892-0694**

The "Firing Line" Allies - Thank you to all who contributed in 2016! Join up in 2017!

For a generous contribution of $10 per year, you can become a **2016** 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!*

March 2017
Dennis Sulka

August 2017
Anonymous
Rod Carter
O.K.Dixon
Ol' Kennebec Tater

October 2017
John Reed

January 2018
Ace in the Hole
Collins, James
Crump, Julia
Duke City Marshal
Gregory, Matthew
Grooms, Thomas
Hogan, Gailon
Juranich, John
Kinsey, David
Maxey, Loren
Mayes, Sam
Miller, Ray
Nichols, Donald
Niederlehner, James
Reb Rob
Sharrier, David
True Blue
Via, Theresa
Waring, Roger
Worley, Robert

February 2018
Adkins, Richard
Bowles, Thomas
Cook, Donald
Devil Dawg
Jennings, William
LaPradd, Jackie
Majure, David
Pietrowski, Barbara
Rhudy, Robert
Stadler, Don
Willoughby, Joe

March 2018
Hilliker, Ernie
Patton, Don

June 2018
Eddie Webster

August 2018
Lavinder, Richard – In Memory
Reed, John

January 2019
Borlik, Patrick
Collins, James
English, Hugh
Sharrow, Jim
Smilin' Sam

December 2020
Harvey Bulaski - In Memory
Kathy Bulaski

January 2021
Steed, Al

January 2022
Ed Winstead

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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.

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Schedule of Events

Tuesday, April 18, 2017 ~ Membership/Board Meeting @ 7:00 PM

Location: RRRC Clubhouse (540) 330-7775

SMALL BORE MODIFIED .22 **APRIL 1**
Robert Helms, 389-3993

DEFENSIVE PISTOL **APRIL 8**
Simon LeRay, S_LeRay@yahoo.com

NBRSA **APRIL 8 & 9**
Gil Gross, (276) 634-0082 (home); (276) 732-2328

HIGH POWER **APRIL 15**
Robert Wilson, 540-875-7554, rawilsonw@yahoo.com

GIRL SCOUT ADVENTURERS **APRIL 22**
Beth Christopoulos, 540-989-1776, back2bac@hotmail.com

USPSA **APRIL 22**
John Gaylor, 540-314-2231, jgaylor129@aol.com

BEND OF TRAIL **APRIL 23**
Tom Wills, 540-890-6375

Up On The Hill!

Skeet/ Trap/ 5 Stand

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

Clays Range Manager:
Michael Adamczyk: (540) 314-2529