

Sights & Action

The official newsletter of the Rivanna Rifle & Pistol Club
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Founded in 1950, the Rivanna Rifle & Pistol Club is a private, 100 acre shooting facility organized and maintained by member volunteers.

The club is located in southern Albemarle County, 4 miles south of I-64 on Old Lynchburg Rd (the extension of 5th St in Charlottesville).

Affiliated with:

National Rifle Association

National Shooting Sports Association

Virginia Shooting Sports Association

Civilian Marksmanship Program

International Defensive Pistol Association

Amateur Trap Association

"To promote the sport of shooting; to educate the public on firearm safety and responsibility; and to uphold and defend the 2nd Amendment."

American Legion Match

There will be an American Legion Air Rifle Match at the club on May 4th and 5th. Friday evening and all day Saturday.

ATA Trap Match

A trap-shooting match is planned for May 26. This will be an ATA certification match. Please note that both shotgun fields will be utilized for this event. For more info, contact Mike Kreynus.

Cowboy Action Shooting

The next shoot is scheduled for May 12 with set up at 7:30 and starting at 9:00. Cost is \$10 for members and \$15 for non-members. Bring lunch and plan for fun.

For additional information on Cowboy Action Shooting contact the Virginia Rangers at rdickman@ntelos.net or 434-973-8759

First Steps Class

The "First Steps" intro pistol class is held the 4th Thursday of each month from 6:00 to 9:30. The cost is \$15 for members and \$30 for non-members. The date this month is May 24. To register or for more info, contact Jim Miller at 977-3708.

RULE REMINDER!

Any commercial groups using club facilities MUST have prior board approval, even if club members are involved.

Another Rule Reminder

Be sure to turn off all lights, heat, etc and be sure doors and gates are locked when you are finished using club facilities. We will be instituting a new entry system in June. We will be issuing fobs, the cost is \$10 per. We are targeting 04 June and after that date you will not be able to gain access without a fob.

The regular meeting will start at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 10.

This month's board meeting will be on Thursday, May 17, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Anyone desiring to bring an issue before the board is welcome to do so during the meeting.

Don't Get Locked OUT!!

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The Board of Directors will be issuing fobs and taking your \$10 on the following dates/times: 12,19,26 May// 02 June 0800-1100 . (all Saturdays)

Additionally, 10 & 17 May 1930-2100(general membership and BOD meetings) the Board will be on site with fobs.

After that date you will need to contact the membership committee to make arrangements to get your fob.

We are not planning to mail the fobs, as this would be a great expense and time commitment. At that time we would like to update our records and would greatly appreciate you printing this memo and filling out the info beforehand, (it will also save an enormous amount of time).

If you could come with a check, or exact change that too will expedite the process. Checks should be made out to RRPC.

Contact VP Bob Bossi if any questions.

Women on Target

There is a "Women on Target" event scheduled for June 23, from 8:45 till 4:30. The cost will be \$20 for members and \$30 for non-members. Guns and ammo are provided. There will be events for pistol, rifle, cowboy and black powder. A "Refuse to be a Victim" class is to be included. Class size limited to 25. Contact Josephine Sandow at 434-975-0440 of j sandow@aol.com.

FREE COOKOUT MAY 10

The board will provide and cook the food beginning at 6:30 for the first club cookout of the season. This will be before the membership meeting.

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Prayers for Virginia Tech...

and all the friends and families who are grieved by the recent senseless murders. This tragic event brings to mind a Bill brought before the 2007 General Assembly by Delegate Mark Cole. This Bill would have enabled Concealed Carry Permit holders to carry on the Virginia Tech campus. The Bill was killed in the Militia, Police and Public Safety Committee by Jim Scott, Paula Miller, and Roslyn Tyler. One cannot help but wonder how this tragic event might have ended differently if even one of the students or teachers had possessed a firearm for defense. Next year, maybe self-defense by law-abiding Americans will be considered more seriously.

Another loss mourned

Rivanna Rifle & Pistol Club member Theodore G. (Teddy) Kennedy, 64, of Crozet, Virginia, passed away at his home Thursday, April 5, 2007.

Teddy graduated from Albemarle High School and was a retired Maintenance Superintendent with the Virginia Department of Transportation after over 30 years of service.

He was a member of King Solomon's Lodge #194, AF and AM, The Lynchburg Scottish Rite Bodies, the Rivanna Rifle and Pistol Club, The National Rifle Association, The Gunsmithing Association of America, and the Single Action Shooting Society.

He will certainly be missed.

HR 1022

Be aware of a new "Assault Weapon Ban" introduced in Congress as HR 1022. This would be substantially more restrictive and punitive than the previously ended ban on "ugly" firearms. You are urged to contact your representative and voice opposition to this proposed infringement on the American right to keep and bear arms.

Buy or Sell

For sale: Leupold VX-III 1.75 – 6 X 32 rifle scope \$299.00 Chuck194494@hotmail.com
434-286-3702 Marshall Johnson

May Gun Shows

5/19-20 C&E, Richmond Showplace
5/25-27 Old Dominion, Harrisonburg

To place a classified ad, email newsletter editor, Fred Newsom, at fred@newsomandco.com or call 434-974-7688. Members only.

New Members

The following were introduced as prospective new members at the April meeting:

Luke Wright, Hal Brownfield, Robert Brooks, Suzanne Brooks, William Robbins, Daniel Megginson, Michael Bournos, and Moe Tun.

The following were voted in as new members: John Bennett, Thomas Epps, Thomas Widdows, Richard Saunders, Russell Ryalls, Earl An and Ryan Dunn. All approved pending payment and service.

Please contact Luther Morris, chairperson of the membership committee, if you have questions or comments about membership or prospective members. jfmlgm@earthlink.net or (434) 295-2902

"Laws that forbid the carrying of arms...disarm only those who are neither inclined nor determined to commit crimes...Such laws make things worse for the assaulted and better for the assailants; they serve rather to encourage than to prevent homicides, for an unarmed man may be attacked with greater confidence than an armed man."

– **Thomas Jefferson** quoting 18th century criminologist Cesare Beccaria in "On Crimes and Punishment", 1764

Rivanna Rifle & Pistol Club, Inc.
Calendar of Events

May 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 12-2 High Nooner's Bulls Eye Pistol	3 <i>ACPD</i>	4 American Legion air rifle match	5 High Power rifle match American Legion air rifle match
6 Skeet & Trap 1:30-5:00 Bulls Eye Pistol 4:00	7	8	9 12-2 High Nooner's Bulls Eye Pistol	10 <i>ACPD</i> Membership meeting 7:30 6:30 Cookout- FREE FOOD	11	12 Cowboy Action Access Fobs available 8-11
13 Youth 4-6 p.m 5 Stand Sporting Clays 1:30-5:00	14 <i>City Sheriffs</i>	15 <i>City Sheriffs</i> New member orientation 7p.m	16 12-2 High Nooner's Bulls Eye Pistol <i>City Sheriffs</i>	17 <i>ACPD</i> <i>City Sheriffs</i> IDPA set-up Board Directors meeting 7:00	18 IDPA State Championship Newsletter deadline	19 IDPA State Championship <i>Alb Sheriffs</i> Access Fobs available 8-11
20 Skeet & Trap 1:30-5:00 Bulls Eye Pistol 4:00	21	22 Newsletter Printing	23 12-2 High Nooner's Bulls Eye Pistol	24 <i>ACPD</i> 6-9:30 PM, NRA First Steps Class	25	26 ATA Trap Shoot Access Fobs available 8-11
27 Youth 4-6 p.m. Skeet & Trap 1:30-5:00	28	29	30 12-2 High Nooner's Bulls Eye Pistol	31 <i>ACPD</i>		

Commonwealth Cup Match, May 17-19 (indoor & lower ranges closed)

Plan Ahead: Women on Target, June 23
 Fun Day, June 30
 Friends of NRA Dinner: September 28
 ATA Trap Match, May 26

"Sic Semper Tyrannis"
 "Thus always to tyrants"
 Virginia state motto, adopted July 5, 1776