

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."

Range Closed

The rifle range will be closed for improvements beginning after the high-power match on Saturday, August 4 through Sunday, August 12.

Don't Be Locked Out!

An electronic "fob" is now required to gain access to the club facilities. If you have not yet picked up your fob, they are available for \$10 at the regular membership or board meetings. Contact VP Bob Bossi if you have any questions at bossirf@earthlink.net or (434)409-6314

Cowboy Action Shooting

At the cowboy action shoot on July 14 there were some mighty nice shooting irons. Most highly prized were a pair of Colt 45s, completely engraved and with gold inlays. Beautiful! Also used at the match was a pair of Smith and Wessons. The shooting went great with Dunderburg drifter filling in for Doc Sawdust as the marshall. Twelve shooters participated with Tye River Man finishing first, Blue Ridge Grizz second, and Red Logan third. Virginia Ranger drew an Ace to pick up the Tombstone trophy.

The next match will be on September 8th. The fee is \$10 for RRPC members and \$15 to the public. Please come to the setup at 7:30 am, followed by a safety meeting at 8:30 followed by the match at 9:00. Come on out and see the beautiful original guns and replicas.

The Rivanna Ranger Company is now a Single Action Shooting Association Affiliated Club. More information will be presented at the next RRPC meeting.

Virginia Ranger aka Richard Dickman 434-973-8759

The regular meeting will start at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 9. There will be a cook-out before the meeting.

This month's board meeting will be on Thursday, August 16, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Anyone desiring to bring an issue before the board is welcome to do so during the meeting.

Fun Day

All who came out for RRPC's Fun Day event on June 30 had a great time. A large crowd enjoyed great fellowship, great food, and some darned fun shooting. Collections were shown off, unusual firearms were ogled, and the youth and young at heart knocked down silhouette targets. There was a fun game of western "card game" action. Candidate for Commonwealth's Attorney, Denise Lunsford, shook hands, kissed babies and showed that she has a steady aim with a high-power match rifle. There was a tomahawk throwing set-up that was challenging fun for young and old alike. It was a great day and hearty THANKS! are due all those who worked to prepare for the event.

Friends of the NRA

The Rivanna Friends of the NRA is preparing for our annual fundraiser and social on Friday September 28, 2007. This event will take place at the Elk Lodge. The dress is informal. Dinner menu is chilled mixed green salad, hot rolls, roast beef top round with gravy, herb roast chicken, vegetable medley, oven roasted new potato's/wild rice pilaf, ice cream with hot fudge. There will be a cash bar.

The event includes: a live auction, silent auction, women's table, door prizes and bucket tickets.

The proceeds from these events around the Commonwealth of Virginia enable the growth of youth shooting programs, women's introduction to shooting sports, firearm training program for the community, range development and instructor education.

We need and appreciate your support of this event by participating in one or more of the following ways:

- Purchase tickets to the event
- Make a tax-deductible donation
- Purchase raffle tickets

For further information, please check the calendar page or call Linda Moore 296-0651 or e-mail llm8d@yahoo.com

"History does not long entrust the care of freedom to the weak or the timid."
—Dwight D. Eisenhower

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Changes for Concealed Carry Permits

We are told by Debra Shipp of the Albemarle County Circuit Court (and candidate for election as Clerk of the Court) that the County is no longer requiring fingerprints for renewals of concealed carry permits. This brings Albemarle County into compliance with Virginia law. Thanks for the good word, Debbie.

Check out these fun internet sources:

The Second Amendment Sisters has a link to a great song on their web site; www.2asisters.org. The song, *A Dyin' Breed In My Land*, by Royal Wade Kimes, has a fine message about the Second Amendment.

Tom Gresham does a weekly national radio show on gun interests. It airs on XM radio but can be heard anytime at his website, www.guntalk.com.

Consider this story

When you consider HR 2640 (the McCarthy Bill) and Virginia Governor Kaine's recent decree for a mental health denial of second amendment rights based on a mental health "assessment" by any "authority". This is from a story in the Harrisburg, PA Patriot News as relayed by the GOA:

Newspapers last month reported that Horatio Miller allegedly said that it could be "worse than Virginia Tech" if someone broke into his car, because there were guns there. It is not clear whether he was making a threat against a person who might burglarize his car, or if he was simply saying that the bad guy could do a lot of damage because of the guns he would find there. Nevertheless, Miller was arrested, but not charged with anything.

The comment Miller made was certainly not the smartest thing to say. But realize, we don't incarcerate people for making stupid statements in this country -- at least not yet. Miller was a concealed carry permit holder who, as such, had passed vigorous background checks into his past history. Miller does not have a criminal record.

Regardless, the county district attorney did not like what he had said, so, according to the Harrisburg Patriot News on June 21, **"I contacted the sheriff and had his license to carry a firearm revoked. And I asked police to commit him under Section 302 of the mental health procedures act and that was done. He is now ineligible to possess firearms because he was committed involuntarily."**

Pennsylvania is operating exactly the way Rep. McCarthy's bill (HR2640) could treat all Americans. You might be thinking, I've never had a mental illness... I'm not a military veteran... I've never been on Ritalin... hey, I have nothing to worry about under the McCarthy bill. Right? Well, think again.

Buy or Sell

For Sale: Browning 7mm-08 rifle. Includes a 3-9X Redfield scope. Excellent condition. Asking \$525. Contact Fred Mariutto at (434)589-5136 after 5:00 PM.

August Gun Shows

8/4-5	Old Dominion, Dale City
8/10-12	Outdoor Sportsman Classic Roanoke
8/18-19	Showmasters, Roanoke
8/25-26	Showmasters, 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 June meeting:

Roger Burchett, Patricia Zinnanti, Kenneth Jonson, Jake G Perkovich, James A Leech, Leonard L Johnson, Kyle G Stamper, Edward J Citelli, James R Longenecker, Philip N Lawton, Thomas Penn Webster, Ross M Hemp, Steven J Crauch, Benjamin Wisegarver, Anton J Dagner, Charles F Wood, Gary A Becker, John S Watson, William "Junior" Pannell, Brian W Wood, and John Ball, Jr.

The following were voted in as new members: Fred Garber, Mark Pruett, Hal Brownfield, David Moyers, Garlin Mills, Timothy Joyner, Patricia Joyner, Joseph Brown III, Durette Williams, Kevin Kersten, John F Hunt, and Jim Walkup. All were 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

"Character, in the long run, is the decisive factor in the life of an individual and of nations alike."

-President Theodore Roosevelt

Rivanna Rifle & Pistol Club, Inc.-Calendar of Events

August 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 12-2 High Nooner's Bulls Eye Pistol Trap 4:00	2 <i>ACPD</i>	3	4 High Power rifle match Rifle Range Closed
5 Rifle Range Closed Skeet & Trap 1:30-5:00 Bulls Eye Pistol 4:00	6 Rifle Range Closed	7 Rifle Range Closed	8 Rifle Range Closed 12-2 High Nooner's Bulls Eye Pistol Trap 4:00	9 Rifle Range Closed <i>ACPD</i> Membership meeting 7:30	10 Rifle Range Closed	11 Rifle Range Closed
12 Youth 4-6 5 Stand Sporting Clays 1:30-5:00 Rifle Range Closed	13	14	15 12-2 High Nooner's Bulls Eye Pistol Trap 4:00	16 <i>ACPD</i> Board Directors meeting 7:00	17 Newsletter deadline	18 IDPA
19 Skeet & Trap 1:30-5:00 Bulls Eye Pistol 4:00	20	21 <i>City SWAT</i> New Member Orientation Newsletter Printing	22 <i>City SWAT</i> 12-2 High Nooner's Bulls Eye Pistol Trap 4:00	23 <i>ACPD</i>	24	25
26 Youth 4-6 Skeet & Trap 1:30-5:00	27	28	29 12-2 High Nooner's Bulls Eye Pistol Trap 4:00	30 <i>ACPD</i>	31	

Plan Ahead: **Friends of NRA Dinner: September 28**

Rivanna Friends of NRA –
September 28, 2007 Banquet
Place -Elks Lodge
Doors open at 5:30 PM

Raffle Tickets
30 Guns in 30 days tickets \$30 each.
Winner's Choice raffle \$5 for 1, \$10 for 3
\$20 for 7, \$50 for 18

Dinner tickets - \$30 each or \$55 couples
Sponsors package w/2 dinner tickets \$250.
Sponsors package no dinner tickets \$200.
VIP Table- 10 tickets - \$275.

Make checks payable to **FNRA**,
Linda Moore, 2349 Moore Lane,
Scottsville, VA 24590

Individuals	\$30 _____	30 Guns in 30 days	\$30 _____	Name	_____
Couple	\$55 _____	<u>Winner's Choice</u>	\$ 5 _____	Address	_____
Sponsors	\$250 _____		\$10 _____		_____
VIP Table	\$275 _____		\$20 _____	Telephone #	_____
			\$50 _____	E-mail	_____
Total _____					

Donations and Underwriting (\$50 & up) are Tax Deductible

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