



Membership Meeting

Thursday, September 19th, 2013



Agenda



Club Business

- **Announcements**
- **Political Hysteria**
- **Education Update**
- **Gun Shows**
- **Club Activities**

Program

- **NRA Winchester
Marksmanship Program**
- **Florida Gun Laws**
- **The Law of Self Defense**
- **Concealed Carry Insurance**

Announcements



- **PP&G – Darrin’s Range**
 - Open before year end
- **Ammo Availability Improving**
 - .22LR CCI for \$3.99/Box 50 - .08/rnd
- **Kel-Tec factor tour – Interest??**



ATTENTION CRIMINALS & TERRORISTS

Over 170,000 Idaho Residents Have A Permit to Legally Carry A Concealed Weapon, About 60% Of The rest of the Population Is Armed But Have Not Bothered to Purchase the License As It Is Not A Requirement To Carry A Firearm. Understand, A Substantial Portion Of The Population Is Armed And Prepared To Defend themselves And Others Against Acts of Criminal Violence.

YOU HAVE BEEN WARNED!

However, California, New York and Illinois have disarmed their citizens for your convenience.

Political Hysteria



- **Texas Open Carry Demonstrations**
- **Presidential Executive Order**
 - **Ban on (Re)importing of military weapons**
 - **Latest of 23 EOs relating to firearms**
- **Nullification loses by 1 vote in Missouri**
- **Colorado Recall of 2 anti-gun successful**

Political Hysteria

- **Sarasota City Commission**
 - **2014 Priority to Repeal Stand-Your-Ground**
- **California – Ban pending on all guns with a detachable magazine**
 - **Other anti-gun bills pending**



Education Update

- **Basic Pistol Shooting Class**
 - **Wed., Sept 11th – 10 students**
 - **Mon., Oct 14th – 6/16**
 - **Wed., Nov 13th – Open**
 - **Mon., Dec 9th – Open**
- **Enroll on website education page**



- *Open to ALL Villagers*
- *Qualifies for CWFL*

Local Gun Shows

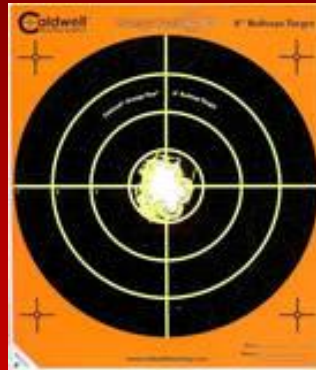
- **Sept 28-29** Deland, Volusia County Fairgrounds, Sat 9-5 & Sun 9-4, \$5
- **Nothing until December**



Club Activities

- **Shooting Events**

- **Tue., Sept 24th**
 - **Ocala Forest**
- **Fri., Oct 4th**
 - **Gun Range 44**
- **Tue., Oct 24th**
 - **Ocala Forest**



- **Seminars**

- **Wed., October 16th**
 - **Winchester Prgm**
- **Wed., November 20th**
 - **For the Ladies**
- **Wed., December 18th**
 - **Reloading Hands-on**

Winchester/NRA Marksmanship

- **Something for Everyone**
- **Self Paced Shooting Activity**
- **Develop Your Skills**
- **Reward Your Achievements**



Disciplines

- **Pistol Qualification**
- **Defensive Pistol I & II**
- **Conventional Bullseye - Pistol**
- **Smallbore Qualification - Rifle**
- **Rimfire Rifle Qualification**
- **4 Position Rifle**
- **High Power Rifle Qualification**



Skill Levels

- **Pro-Marksman**
- **Marksman**
- **Marksman 1st Class**
- **Sharpshooter**
- **Expert**

- **Distinguished Expert**



Pistol Qualification



Pro-Marksman

- **Position**
 - Benchrest – Two Hands
- **Distance - 15 feet**
- **Target – 9” Diameter**
- **Course of Fire (9” Tgt)**
 - 10 Targets/5 shots/target
 - All shots within ½” of edge

Marksman

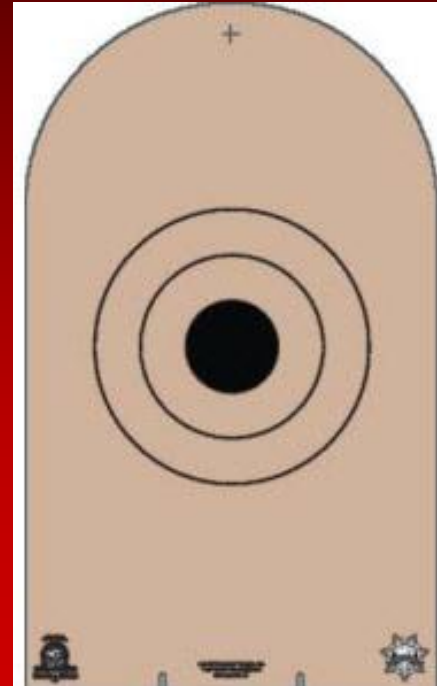
- **Position**
 - Standing, 2 hands
- **Distance 15 feet**
- **Target – 9” Diameter**
- **Course of Fire (9” Tgt)**
 - 10 Targets/10 shots/target
 - All shots within 1.5” of edge

Pistol Qualification

Marksman 1st Class

- **Position**
 - Standing, 2 hands
 - Strong & Weak side stages
 - 5 Targets/10 shots – 6 min
- **Target AP-1 @ 30ft**

23" X 35"



Program Implementation



- **Administered by VSS Instructors**
- **Monthly Shooting Sessions**
- **Fee(s) to Participate**
- **Awards Available on Completion**
- **Website Pgm Details & Achievement Pages**
- **Club Provides Targets**
- **Initial Participation Limited**

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- **Seminar Program**
 - **Wed., October 16th**
 - **Program Details**

Personal Protection Laws



- **Florida Laws – Overview**
- **The Law of Self Defense**
- **Concealed Carry Insurance**

Personal Protection Laws



- **NOTHING** in this presentation should be construed as legal advise

Personal Protection Laws



- **Source materials for this presentation are from documents and books authored by practicing lawyers.**

Personal Protection Laws



- **Material is presented “as is”
written without opinion or bias
added.**

Florida Gun Laws

Subject/Law	Long Guns	Handguns	Statutes
State License to Purchase	No	No	None
Firearm Registration	No	No	790.335
“Assault Weapon” Law	No	No	None
Magazine Capacity Restriction	No	No	None
Owner License Required	No	No	None
Carry Licenses Issued	No	Yes	790.06, 790.25

Florida Gun Laws

Subject/Law	Long Guns	Handguns	Statutes
Open Carry	No*	No*	790.053
State Preemption	Yes	Yes	790.33
NFA Weapons Restricted	No	No	None
Peaceable Journey Laws	No	No	None*
Duty to Inform	No	No	None**
Safe Storage (re: Minors)	Yes	Yes	790.174

The Law of Self Defense



- After a “personal defense” incident occurs, how does the legal system determine if you acted in self defense?

The Law of Self Defense



- **Sample Scenario**
 - You are legally carrying a concealed firearm.
 - You are verbally threatened. The attacker pulls a large knife and moves towards you aggressively.
 - You “fear for your life or great bodily harm.”
 - You are able to draw your gun and shoot.

The Law of Self Defense



- **What are the first steps?**
 - **DO NOT LEAVE THE SCENE!**
 - Put the gun away – hands empty
 - **The police & EMTs are called and arrive.**
 - “Attacker” declared dead at the scene
 - “Attacker” is now the **“Victim”**

The Law of Self Defense



- **Next Steps**
 - **You will be disarmed & handcuffed while police begin the investigation. Mirandized.**
 - **What should you say to the police?**
 - **Brief statement of Facts. NO emotion.**
 - **Point out evidence that might be overlooked**

The Law of Self Defense



- **Next Steps**
 - **Request attorney before formal questioning. making a written or taped statement.**
 - **ID Attorney NOW, keep number with you.**
 - **What are the issues the investigation will assess to determine if you acted in self defense ?**

The Law of Self Defense



- **Self Defense Criteria**
 - **Innocence**
 - **Imminence**
 - **Proportionality**
 - **Avoidance**
 - **Reasonableness**

Innocence



- **NOT “Innocence” as in “Not Guilty”**
- **Innocent of being the “aggressor”**
 - **Didn’t start, forcible sustain, or escalate the confrontation**
- **Aggressor’s actions must be “provocative”**

Innocence



- **Provocative Act**

“An affirmative, unlawful act reasonably calculated to produce an affray foreboding injurious or fatal consequences”

- **Examples**

- **Words alone – Yes**
- **Words + Slight physical contact – Yes**
- **Physical force only - Yes**

Innocence



- **Sustaining the Confrontation**
- **Mutual Combat**
- **Escalation**
- **Regaining Innocence**
 1. **You must stop the conflict**
 2. **You must withdraw**
 3. **You must effectively communicate that you are withdrawing**

Imminence



- An attack is “Imminent” if it is about to occur so quickly that it can’t be avoided in any other way than with force.
- Moral Justification: Necessity
- Must be within the “Imminence Window”

Imminence



- **The AOJ Triad**
 - **Ability**
 - **Opportunity**
 - **Jeopardy**

- **Ability**
 - **Is attacker able to hurt you?**
 - **Is attacker armed?**
 - **Are there multiple attackers?**

Imminence



- **Opportunity**

- Can the attacker get to me?
- Is he armed with a gun or a contact weapon?
- Can you avoid or escape?

- **Jeopardy**

- Is there an indication of intention?
- Does not have to be announced
- Does the attacker stop or back off when warned?

Proportionality



- **The force used in self defense cannot be greater than the force used to threaten you.**
- **You cannot meet non-deadly force with deadly force.**
 - **There are exceptions: Kidnapping, Aggravated Assault, Rape, Attack in your Home...**

Proportionality



- **Deadly Force**

- **Projectile Weapons**
- **“Contact” weapons**
 - **Knife, Club, Baseball Bat...**
 - **Other weapons based on how they are used**

- **Non-Deadly Force**

- **Most likely scenario**
- **Continuum of force**
 - **Verbal commands**
 - **Non-lethal weapon**
- **Duration of Force**
 - **Stop when threat stops**

Avoidance



Duty to Retreat

- **17 States**
- **Retreat is Required before using deadly force**
 - **Exceptions: Not Safe, Make Worse, Protecting Another**

Stand Your Ground

- **33 States**
- **Applies only in legitimate self defense**
 - **May fail reasonableness test**
 - **Where you have a right to be**

Avoidance



Castle Doctrine

- Intrusion portends use of deadly force
- Removes duty to retreat
- Homeowner using force shall not be prosecuted
- Prevents civil cases by criminal's survivors

Other Factors

- Includes auto & place of business, other locations “where you have a right to be”
- Must meet other hurdles
 - Not be aggressor

Avoidance



- Avoidance, in practical application, refers to taking advantage of a safe avenue of retreat before resorting to the use of force against an attacker.

Reasonableness



- **Umbrella principle overlaying the rest.**
- **Requires that everything you think, say, and do in self defense be reasonable.**
- **Defendant has “Presumption of Reasonableness”**

Reasonableness



- **Objective Reasonableness**
 - Did you, under the circumstances, do what “Reasonable Ralph” would have done?
- **Subjective Reasonableness**
 - You must actually believe what you did was reasonable given the circumstances.

After the Fact



- **Consciousness of Guilt**
 - A guilty person acts differently than an innocent person.
- **Consciousness of Innocence**
 - You report the incident, you cooperate, you're not aggressive, positive reputation

So, what's the Verdict?



- **Met all of the “hurdles” ? = Self Defense**
 - **You walk!**
- ***Fail any one* of the 5 hurdles – Indicted!**
 - **May not be able to claim Self Defense**
 - **Breakout the checkbook, savings, IRA, ...**
 - **Craft a Legally Sound Strategy**

So, what's the Verdict?



- **If Indicted you could be charged with:**
 - **Homicide**
 - **Voluntary Manslaughter**
 - **Involuntary Manslaughter**
 - **Aggravated Assault**
 - **Battery**
 - **Brandishing**

The Cost of Self Defense



- **Retainer (\$5,000 - \$25,000)**
- **Bond (if given)**
- **Attorney Fees (Hundreds of Thousands)**
- **Expert Witnesses, Private Investigators**
- **Appeals**

Concealed Carry Insurance



Srvc/Ins	Out of P	Limits	I, A, EW	Attny Net	Ann \$\$	Nation
CCW Safe	None	Unlim	Yes	Yes	\$99	Permit
CHL Protection	None	Unlim	No, CR A	None	\$129	Permit
US Law Shield	None	Unlim	No, Attn	13 Sts	\$131	13 Sts
Armed Citizens Network	None	\$5-10K	No, Civ A U find CR	None	\$125	All 50
USCCA	Reimb	\$25-300K	No, Civ A U find CR	Net	\$127	All 50
NRA	Reimb	\$50-250K	No, U find Cr & Civ	None	\$165	All 50

Company/Website	Other Items	Supt Staff/Svc Extras
CCW Safe ccwsafe.com	None	48 hour Critical Response Team. CSI Expert, Former Homicide detectives, Former medical examiner, Advisory panel, phone notification, firearms and weapons of opportunity covered
CHLProtection Plan chlpp.com	Self Defense- Firearms only covered	Management team comprised of professional business people who believe in 2nd Amendment.
Texas/ US Law Shield uslawshield.com	No fees covered for government fees, investigators fees, expert witnesses. self defense- firearms only covered	Newsletter, Texas range coupons and seminars
Armed Citizens network armedcitizensnetwork.com	The board investigates each incident and decides how much financial support to give to member, firearms only covered	Monthly online journal, shooting industry professionals, Advisory board, legal seminars, DVD's
USCCA Self Defense Shield usconcealedcarry.com	Self Defense Firearms only covered	Inside residence, insurance covers you, your relatives, and anyone under 21 in your care. Magazine subscription, private forums, travel utility, member directory
NRA Self Defense Coverage locktonrisk.com	reimbursement only on dismissal or acquittal	NRA Membership Benefits

Information Sources



Literature/Books

- *The Gun Owners Guide to Insurance for Concealed Carry and Self-Defense* - C. Monge
concealedcarryinsurance.com
- *The Law of Self Defense* – A. Branca
- *Florida Firearms Law, Use & Ownership* 7th Ed - Gutmacher

Internet Sites

- handgunlaw.us
- usacarry.com
- concealedcarrylaw.net
- ccwsafe.com
- usconcealedcarry.com
- lawofselfdefense.com



**ANY
QUESTIONS?**

Fun & Games



50/50

Upcoming Events



Member Events

- **Tues., Sept 24th – Ocala Forest**
- **Sept 28-29 Deland Gun Show**
- **Fri., Oct 4th – Gun Range 44**
- **Wed., Oct., 16th – Seminar**
 - **Winchester Marksmanship**

Next Member Meeting

Thursday, October 17th

- **Club Business & Updates**
- **Marion County Sherriff – Chris Blair**
- **History of Targets**