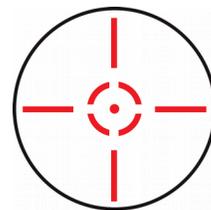




The Reticle



Gun Safety, Education, Marksmanship

July, 2015

Sumter County Sheriff's Department

The club was pleased to have Lt. James Haworth speak to the member meeting on Monday, June 22nd, 2015. Lt. Haworth is the head of the Criminal Investigations Division for the Sumter County Sheriff's Department.

Lt. Haworth's presentation is posted on the club's website on the "member meetings" page.

In his presentation he covered the new Senate Bill 290 covering the right to carry during an emergency evacuation and the Uniform Crime Report for Sumter and nearby counties. It was noted that the crime rates for Sumter County are about 40% of the rates in nearby Lake and Marion counties.

Following the crime statistics, Lt. Haworth, discussed the current concealed carry laws including encounters with law enforcement while carrying, unintentional display, and locations legally banned from concealed carry. He mentioned that you may legally enter businesses with a "No Firearms" posting but must leave if asked to do so.

He concluded by offering a lengthy list of Resources for Information. Overall a very informative and enjoyable meeting.

How to be a Hit with the Ladies?

Simple, teach 'em how to shoot better and then get out of their way! The ladies seminar on Stance & Grip was a well attended success, at least to a sampling of attendees. Now, time to go to the range and practice those new skills!

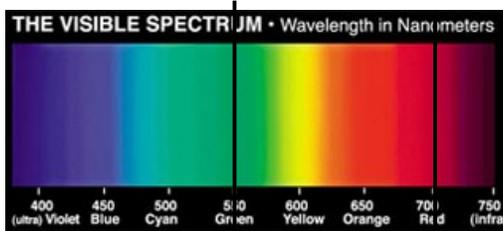


It isn't easy being Green!

The first laser ever fitted for a gun was in 1984 in the movie "Terminator", a brain-storm of the producer. It was huge!

Laser technology has come a long way since then. The early lasers were red, based on a ruby, which allowed them to be small, run cool, and be easy on a small battery.

Green lasers, on the other hand, were just the opposite – large, hot, and battery hogs. But, the color green is much more visible to the human eye. Big Advantage.



As you can see, green is in the center of the human visual spectrum which makes it easier to see in both daylight and at night. With the advances in technology, green lasers now perform efficiently, and are now comparable to a red laser in size and battery usage.

Most all manufacturers now offer green laser options with numerous mounting techniques for your gun. Most are around \$200. Viridian, Inc. was the pioneer with green lasers.

Usually fitted to a carry gun, where you use a "point" shooting method, lasers allow you to more quickly acquire the target, and certainly add an intimidation factor. Police reports show hits on target with the first shot up 300% with a laser. Try one.

Reagan Carried!

It was recently revealed by author Brad Meltzer that President Ronald Reagan carried a gun in his briefcase almost every where he went after the 1981 attempted assassination.

He said "I trust these (Secret Service) people around me, but I want to be prepared."

A Secret Service person also confirmed that he even took his gun on Air Force One. My kind of POTUS!



Shooters of the Month

4th Thursday - June 25th



Early Section
Marcelino Maldonado



Late Section
Dan McConnell

And the **Glock 42** Winner at Eisenhower was...

Walter Anderson



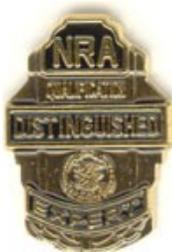
Villages Straight Shooters

Winchester Achievements

Distinguished Expert (June, 2015)

Pistol Qualification

- John Moore
- Les Zlott



Defensive Pistol I

- Bruce Kanvin
- Steven Moretti

The Seminar



The next seminar is on Wednesday, July 15th from 2-3 pm at the Sea Breeze recreation center. The topic will be "Hunting in Florida."

Over the past few years quite a few members have expressed an interest in learning more about hunting in Florida.

For the July seminar, we are pleased to have Matt Northett with West Shore Outfitters to discuss the year round hunting opportunities in the central Florida area.

Matt will cover licensing requirements and most all other aspects of hunting including hogs, deer, alligators, and even bow-fishing.

Even if you are not an active hunter, this should be a very interesting and informative session. Make your reservations now!



Website: westshoreoutfitters.com

The Safety Corner

Ear Protection is, of course, required at all club shooting events. Your ears are damaged permanently by sounds greater than 85 decibels (db). The sound levels at indoor ranges are worse than outdoor ranges but both well exceed 120 db.

The decibel scale is a logarithmic scale where a difference of 10 decibels is a ten fold difference in sound levels. A 3 db difference is roughly double the sound level.

Virtually all headsets come with an "NRR" rating. NRR stands for the "Noise Reduction Rating." Typically you will find that less expensive headsets have lower NRRs, around 15-20 db. The better headsets will be around 25-26 db. A higher NRR is better.

When teaching the basic pistol classes, our instructors were encountering a problem where students at the range were unable to clearly hear the coaching directions offered by the instructors because of the headsets. A solution was found!

New headsets handle the sound profile electronically such that you can hear a normal level of conversation on the range while people are shooting but the shooting sounds are cut off at about 85 db.

The club has done a thorough search and evaluation of available protective headsets and found a clear winner.

The Howard Leight model 1902 electronic headsets, shown below, are the best we've found. The NRR = 30db. Noise Cutoff = 80db, volume control, and an automatic cut-off to save the batteries.

Outstanding! These headsets are available at the product table for our cost of \$70 or on-line at Amazon. *Your ears are worth every penny!!*



Check the website frequently for the latest news and updates:

www.vssclub.org

"Though defensive violence will always be 'a sad necessity' in the eyes of men of principle, it would be still more unfortunate if wrongdoers should dominate just men."

- St. Augustine

Upcoming Club Activities

1st Friday, July 3rd – 9:00 to 10:00 am at The Gun Range on US 44 in Leesburg. Targets provided. Please show up 15 min. early for range safety briefing. Floyd Dunstan is the Shoot Manager. \$10

1st & 3rd Tuesdays, July 7th & 21st – 9-10 & 10-11 am at Gun Range 44. Winchester Pistol Qualification shoots. Become a Distinguished Expert!

4th Thursday, July 23rd – Two Sessions 8:45 – 10:30 & 11:00 to 12:30 at Ocala Sportsmans Assoc. Dave Agnew is the Shoot Manager. 1 RSO/10 shooters. \$10

Reservations Required



Next Meetings

4th Monday, July 27th – 6:30 to 8 pm at Eisenhower

1st Friday, August 7th – 7:30 to 9 pm at Mulberry Grove.

The main topic for both meetings will be "**The Laws of Self Defense.**"

Plus club News, Announcements, Awards, 50/50, and Gun Raffles!

The raffle guns will be Smith & Wesson 642, .38 Special +P, Carry Revolvers with custom grips. Check the website for details.

All Villagers Welcome!

