



The Reticle

Gun Safety, Education, Marksmanship



Next Member Meeting



Everglades
Recreation Center:
Tuesday February
4th, Doors Open
4:30 Meeting 6:30.

Eisenhower Recreation Center: Monday
February 24th, Doors Open
5:30 Meeting 6:30.

Member Appreciation Award:
Taurus G3C 9mm Compact
12-Round Double Stack



Be polite, be courteous,
show professionalism,
and have a plan to kill
everyone in the room.

Meeting Topic:
ALL THINGS BOND,
JAMES BOND, By Don
Fraser. For all new
members, Don gives a
great presentation, well
researched. Do not miss
this meeting, you will

learn a lot about 007 and of course his weapons!



“The right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed. A well-regulated militia, composed of the body of the people, trained to arms, is the best and most natural defense of a free country.” – James Madison

Run, Hide, Fight!

VSS Club meetings have had many presentations on active shooters and what to do in those situations. Run, Hide or Fight has been a focal point of those presentations.



This article goes over details of these situations and has many links to other helpful articles and materials.

[Run Hide Fight](#)



Russian SKS Rifle



The SKS is a widely produced rifle using the popular Russian 5.62X39mm cartridge, which is also used in the AK-47. This rifle was used last year in the West Palm Beach attempted shooting of Presidential candidate Donald Trump. It is a carbine with a flip up bayonet. [The Real Russian SKS](#)



Crosman M1 Carbine



Yes, it looks like a M1 carbine but is a BB gun with advanced features that make it unusually fun to shoot. Check it out:

[Crosman M1 BB Gun](#)



Rotary Barrel Pistols

With the introduction of the new Ruger 5.7x21 pistol the rotary barrel design has come into the news again. It is a design with several advantages outlined in this article.



[Rotary Barrel Pistols](#)

KelTec PR57

Many people call a magazine a “clip” which is incorrect. A clip is used to hold cartridges that are loaded into a gun, like the PR57.

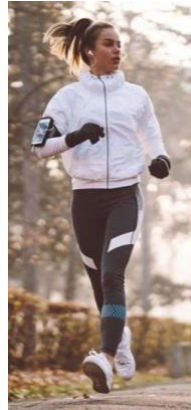


KelTec has released a new 5.7x21mm handgun, which on the surface looks ordinary, but it does not have a traditional magazine and uses a rotary barrel. This article includes a video with details.

[PR57 Keltec Stripper Clip Pistol](#)



Non-Shooting Skills



There are many skills that we can learn that are not required to draw our concealed handgun. We need to avoid using a gun, which is the last resort in many cases. Keep calm and de-escalation are the key. Also consider a less lethal option like pepper spray or a stun gun instead of a firearm. This will also minimize legal action.

Here are top five skills that are very useful: [Non-Shooting Skills Concealed Carriers Need?](#)

President Trump



President Trump is back in the White House as of January 20th and hit the ground running with many Executive Orders. President Trump and Vice President J D Vance are both strong supporters of the 2nd Amendment and will stand by our right to bear arms. [Welcome Back President Trump](#)





Instructor's Corner



By Steve Mosel

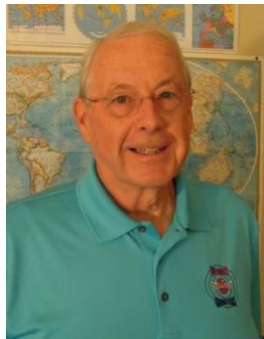
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Shooters - or anyone with good sense for that matter - SM)

“CALL TO ARMS!”

Well, possibly that title is a wee bit dramatic. But, if it gets your attention, I guess it's done its job.

At the last general meeting, we presented a well-deserved “Member of the Year” award to Don Fraser. Don followed a line of other recipients over the last seven years that have made the goings-on at Straight Shooters an



extremely worthwhile club to belong to, especially if you're active in the shooting world. The meetings, at Eisenhower Rec. Center at least, are still well attended and I see a lot of new faces there and at the club shoots. So why is it the list of honorees that deserve a member of the year award is so small? The answer is obvious: There are only a small number of members willing to put in the work to keep such a large club viable.

Just the other day, we were voicing our concerns that a member who'd been handling paperwork for one of the events may have to cut back on the time given to the club because of a lifestyle change. Hey, that happens! Along with folks moving to another state or having medical issues, etc., personnel changes. When I look out over a good-sized crowd of members at a general meeting, I keep thinking that surely, we'd easily be able to find someone willing to devote a few hours of their time. But as it turns out, that's much harder than it seems. An embarrassingly small percentage of members run the club and, in my opinion, that's not a good formula for the future health of an organization like ours.

So, here's the “call to arms” part: When you hear a plea for volunteers, give it some serious consideration. You'll be working with a fine bunch of people, dedicated to keeping what we love to do within sight. When you look at what The Villages Straight Shooters has to offer, it's a pretty sweet deal for twenty-five bucks a year. Pitch in and be a part of it!

See you at the range.



Editor's Note: Steve is correct, many of the highest profile volunteers are cutting back and VSS needs fresh blood to fill those roles. My wife, Dianne and I have been doing the VSS newsletter for about 11 years now. Previously we were both on the Board of Directors, me as a director (4-years) and Dianne as Secretary (7-years) along with years selling 50/50 tickets. It was announced at the January 27th VSS meeting that we are looking for new Directors and a Vice President.

Just look around at our meetings, we have volunteers everywhere doing various jobs supporting the Club. Plus, many of us that are supporting the Club behind the sites like the newsletter, member services, the VSS website and of course the Range Safety Officers and Instructors like Steve. RSO's and Instructors are certified by the NRA and this is a high privilege in itself. Think about your background to see if you can be helpful in supporting the club. It will be appreciated.



The time requirement for most positions is not a lot and you get to work with members with experience in many areas of firearms usage.

Here is a link to the Club services and contact information: <https://www.vssclub.org/contact-us.html>

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