



The Reticle

Gun Safety, Education, Marksmanship



Next Member Meeting



**Savannah Rec Center –
Monday, September
11th- 6:45 to 8:15 pm.
Doors open at 6:00 pm.**



**Member Appreciation
Award: S&W 442
Airweight 38 Special**

**Eisenhower Rec Center – Monday, September
25th- 6:30 to 8:00 pm. Doors open at 5:30 pm.**



**Member Appreciation
Award: Tel-Tec P17 and
500 Rds of Ammo (.22 LR)**

**September Topic: "Personal
Security in the Home" by Steve Mosel and Floyd
Dunston**

**Please note the change in location to Savannah
Rec Center for the first meeting of the month.**

Civilian Marksmanship Program 1911 Pistol Sale

VSS is affiliated with the CMP and they are offering round 4 sale of coveted surplus 1911 pistols, accepting orders beginning September 1, 2023 through September 30, 2023. There are limits on how many you can purchase, but we are all allowed at least one if you have not purchased previously. The purchasers will be selected by lottery.

View details on the CMP 1911 Pistol Program on the CMP website at <https://thecmp.org/sales-and-service/1911-information/>.

Defunding Hunter Education

The current federal executive branch of our government has proposed to defund scholastic archery and gun hunting education programs, under the misnamed federal "Bi-Partisan Safer Communities Act (BSCA)". How does defunding hunter safety programs make anyone safer?

This BSCA law was opposed by the NRA in 2022.

This law passed last year and is now enabling the executive branch of government to pursue crazy gun control initiatives: [Gun Control Overreach](#)

And more details: [More Gun Control Overreach](#)

NRA Armed Citizen News

The link below is for the NRA armed citizen news, great stories that are never published in the mainstream



media, but important for all law-abiding citizens to hear about: [NRA Armed Citizen](#)

UN's Global Gun Registration

As reported in the March 2023 edition of The Reticle, John Shewchuk, retired USAF weather officer gave a presentation at the VSS club meeting on Gun Control and Climate Change. John called out the UN for creating an official "Disarmament Handbook." This handbook states: "Disarmament is especially important for climate protection."



There is now a push for the United States to sign on to the UN “Small Arms Treaty” which calls for the global ban on guns for terrorists, insurgents, rouge states and gang members. All of us in

the US know that this type of gun control only restricts the use of guns by law abiding citizens. Look at our largest cities that have gun control, gangs freely shoot innocent citizens while law abiding citizens are the ones getting shot.

We are the United States of America with a constitution that gives us the right to bear arms, we are not like other counties in the UN. This treaty must not be signed by the US.

ATF Targeting FFL’s for License Revocation

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Since early 2021 the Executive Branch of our federal government has been targeting FFL’s (Federal Firearm License) holders for license revocation. Below is an NRA news story about this topic from March 2022: [ATF Targeting FFLs](#)

This effort is continuing, and the ATF has a list of FFL removals, for 2021 and 2022. 2023 is not listed on their website yet. Here is a link to the ATF website with a list of FFL’s license revocations in 2021 and 2022: [ATF Enforcement Policy](#)

As with the Hunter Biden illegal gun purchase, the ATF is not going after the people lying on the ATF form 4473.

The Reticle published an article in the July 2023 edition about the enhancements to the form 4473. These enhancements were added to reduce the gun “straw purchases”. We are now questioning the ATF’s actions. Are they really going after straw

purchasing of guns or are they just going after legal FFL operations, reducing the sales of legal guns?

So far, our club FFL, Jeff Greenwood of Villages Armory has not been affected, but he is concerned with the ATF actions, especially since he is a home FFL operation. Here is a link to Jeff’s contact info: [VSS FFL Transfer Services](#)

Here is a NRA article on the lack of enforcement of actual gun criminals like Hunter Biden: [Ignoring Actual Gun Criminals](#)

72 Percent Own a Gun for Protection

The NRA published an article reporting on a survey of gun ownership. Here is a link to that interesting story: [72-Percent Own a Gun for Protection](#)

Colt Single Action Reproduction

Many of us enjoy shooting the old “cowboy” guns like the Colt single action army. The Cimarron Model P is a reproduction of original Colt.



This link is a written and video review of this interesting gun: [Cimarron Model P](#)

Shotshell Innovation



Interesting story with video on the Winchester shot gun shell innovation. Winchester shotgun shells

ammunition is researched and upgraded to modern technology: [Shotshell Innovation](#)





Instructor's Corner



By Steve Mosel



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SO, YOU WANT TO CARRY!

This is a review of my part of a lecture we recently presented at a general meeting. It is in the form of a test we gave to the attendees, but I have not included most of the answers that we went over at the live event. If you did not attend the lecture, see



how you do. For questions that you cannot answer or would like to be clarified, please consult any of our instructors.

Are you taking part in any defensive training beyond just shooting at the line?

Do you understand where you may not legally carry in the state of Florida?

Do you understand why you should not “brandish” your firearm or fire a “warning shot”?

Do you possess the mindset to bring extreme violence to a warranted situation?

Do you understand your options for Concealed Carry insurance? Do you know how to deal with law enforcement if pulled over?

Do you know how to deal with law enforcement if you are involved in a shooting?

Do you know how to choose a modern firearm, with all the bells & whistles?

Have you chosen appropriate holsters/belts for daily carry?

**Do you regularly practice the following?
(Sight alignment & sight picture/red dot usage – Trigger control – Stance – Grip – Dry fire –**



Drawing/Re-holstering – Loading/unloading/making safe – Field stripping and cleaning your weapon – Handling misfires/jams)

Have you purchased appropriate clothing to conceal your firearms?

Do you understand the options for concealed carry placement of your firearms?

Springfield Hellcat Pro

We know from Steve’s August VSS club “So You Want to Carry” presentation that Steve carries a Hellcat Pro. Here is the NRA gun of the week review with video of the Hellcat Pro: [Hellcat Pro OSP](#)



“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

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