

VOLUNTEER RIFLE & PISTOL CLUB

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Jim Robinson

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2026

CLUB MEETINGS: Meetings are usually on the first **Thursday** of each month. The Board of Directors meets at 7:00. Membership meets at 7:30.

Due to the holiday range closing, the January meeting will be on January 8, 2026. Prospective members should be at the gate at 7:00 and wait until someone lets you in.

At the annual meeting last month, all officers were reelected. For directors, Doug Estep, Rob Mitchell and Jana Neely were reelected. Bert West was elected to complete Wes Anderson's term and Jim Robinson was elected to fill a vacant director seat.

RANGE CLOSINGS: Dec 23 through Jan. 5; Feb. 6-8. Ranges are closed for maintenance the first full weekend and the Friday before.

BENCH REST: Tuesday, Thursday, Sunday 1pm-4:30pm; Saturday

10am-4:30pm. Stand-up pistol range is now open. Targets at 3, 5, 7 yards.

CLAY TARGET PROGRAMS:

Saturday and Sunday 1-4:30 p.m. Check in by 4:00.

Tuesdays To allow more time for shooting, club members may enter the range at 6:00 for maintenance and clean-up on the shotgun range. Shooting will start at 6:30. VRPC members only (no family or guests).

Thursdays: beginning at 6:30 VRPC RSOs-only program.

Directors: Dave Simmons and Rob Mitchell

Trap: Joe Pate, manager

Skeet: Dave Simmons manager.

5-Stand: Howard Buhl, manager.

RANGE SAFETY OFFICER CLASS: Doug Estep is going to hold a class to certify range safety officers, if there is enough interest. Contact Doug at 865-607-4099.

BULLS-EYE: Inactive. Contact Bert West at 603-682-3427 or Westmmc@gmail.com

ACTION PISTOL: Pistol range opens one Sunday afternoon each month. Informal match begins at 1:00pm. Matches focus on various aspects of shooting. **Bring 100 rounds, a strong-side holster and extra magazines or speed-loaders.** Details to be provided in a future e-mail. Contact James Wagner for details, 865-789-3178 or Smglshftf@gmail.com Let us know if you have suggestions for shooting events.

January 18 and **February 15**: We'll have stages focusing on defensive shooting. See future e-mail for details.

Dates are subject to weather and TWRA closures for training. Details in upcoming emails. Matches typically cost \$8 cash, plus TWRA fee for non-members.

HIGH POWER PROGRAM: The High Power program is inactive at this time. Call John Little for information, 865-742-6839. Or check the club website, under News & Calendar.

For additions to the newsletter, contact James Wagner at Smglshtf@gmail.com or 865-789-3178 for information. Note new phone number and e-mail address.