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Lobby Day is Over. Now What?

The work of advancing Virginia's gun rights continues throughout the year. by Secretary/Treasurer Patricia Webb



VCDL Board Member Ed Levine (center) with Delegates Tim Anderson and Nick Freitas. Photo by Ed Levine.

We've seen another Lobby Day come and go, but what happens next? Surely this can't be the end of the cycle, right?

VCDL holds this annual event on MLK Day every year for good reason. The General Assembly is just gearing up for a new session. Most of the bills have been filed and we have a good sense of where the session is headed.

Committee assignments have been made and the bills are just starting to work their way through the process. This means it is early enough that we can potentially have influence, and far enough along that we know what we're up against.

During the next several weeks bills are assigned to committees and subcommittees. This is where we have the ability to voice our

VCDL Public Meeting Dates Planned

VCDL holds live virtual monthly meetings on the third
Thursday of each month. These meetings are broadcast on
YouTube.com/c/VirginiaCitizensDefenseLeague
at 8:00 PM Eastern Time.

In person meetings have also resumed, and we are working on a permanent location in Northern Virginia to hold monthly meetings. Watch the Events at vcdl.org/events/event_list.asp and the VA-ALERT for meeting notices.

If you want to schedule a meeting in your area, simply find a location that doesn't prohibit guns and can accommodate at least 50 people, select three potential dates, and email president@vcdl.org to coordinate.

stance and fight for our rights. VCDL has boots on the ground at these meetings, standing up for freedom at every opportunity.

You can participate in this process as well. If you are close enough to attend in person, we encourage you to do so! You don't have to speak if you're not comfortable with it, but just being there shows that there is major interest for or against a bill.

If you're not able to attend in person, there is now the ability to testify remotely via Zoom. The system is not perfect and doesn't have the same impact as being physically in the room, but it does make it possible for those in the farthest reaches of the state to play an active role.

You can also watch the meetings live or watch the recordings at a later time. All of this information can be found on the General Assembly's legislative information system, lis.virginia.gov. You can also find contact information for the committee members and for your own representatives on this site.

If a bill is approved by a subcommittee it goes to the full committee where a few things can happen. The committee can decide the following by a majority vote. A bill can be:

- Passed by for the day (it will be considered at a later date)
- Passed by indefinitely (probably dead for the year, but can be brought back by a motion from someone who voted on the prevailing side)
- Referred to another committee, such as finance
- Reported out (advances to the floor of that body for full consideration)
- Laid on the table (dead for the year)

At any stage of this process the bill can be amended, but the amendments must be in keeping with the title of the bill. So, unlike Congress, they can't tack a free milk for kittens clause on a bill regulating skateboarding in parks. But they could amend the skateboarding bill to also cover roller skates.

If a bill makes it to the floor of the originating chamber, it is read three times and debated each time. Amendments can be made at the first and second reading, and votes are taken each time. On the third reading, if it is approved by majority vote, it then goes to

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From the Editor

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In our last issue, we featured a quotation about Harriet Tubman, a woman who knew the necessity of bearing arms. I found the above image in a Google search and felt it perfectly captured Tubman's readiness with a gun.

Except that's not Tubman in the picture. VCDL member Patricia Shepherd informs me that's Mary Fields, another American hero who was the first Black woman to run a U.S. Post Office route. Like Tubman, she rarely went unarmed on her rural Montana deliveries. When the state made it illegal for women to enter saloons, the mayor of Cascade exempted Fields.

Thanks, Patricia, for the catch.

Mark Ching Editor

The President's Pen

Gun Rights Gains Means the Fight is Just Beginning

On November 2, 2021, gun owners voted in large numbers and, consequentially, the elections in Virginia went extremely well. Pro-gun legislators now control the Virginia House of Delegates by a two-vote margin. The new Lieutenant Governor and Attorney General are openly pro-gun. The new Governor said little about guns during his campaign, but he did make it clear he supports the Second Amendment in at least one video. He never spoke in support of gun control, leaving VCDL cautiously optimistic about his future actions on guns.

Luckily for the gun controllers, the Virginia Senate was not up for election in 2021. For now, the gun grabbers control the Senate by ONE vote. That means the Senate can stop pro-gun bills from making it to the Governor's desk. Conversely, the House can stop gun-control bills, leaving gun laws mostly in a stalemate.

This is not to say that we can't get pro-gun bills signed into law, but they will be few and far between until after the elections in November of 2023, when both the House and Senate will be up for grabs. Adding another layer of complexity to those elections, the election maps have been redrawn.

You can track the gun bills in the General Assembly by visiting http://vcdl-lis.org.

Gun owners MUST stay engaged and they MUST vote in every election. The stakes are too high. Complacency is NOT an option!

Finally, the entire Congressional House of Representatives is up for election this year on November 8! If the election goes well, then the House of Representatives could be in the control of pro-gun legislators. That is a critical firewall for protecting our right to keep and bear arms for the next several years, especially if the Senate remains in control of the gun grabbers.

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the other chamber—House bills go to the Senate and Senate bills to the House. There is a deadline for this, called Crossover Day. If a bill hasn't been considered and approved by Crossover Day, it is dead for the year.

Once the bills cross over they go through the entire process again: subcommittee to committee to floor. If a House bill is amended in the Senate and then approved, or vice versa, the legislation goes to a committee that hashes out the differences, and it's sent back to the floor for final approval.

If and when bills make it through, they go on to the Governor. He can sign the bill, in which case it becomes law on July 1, he can veto the bill, or he can amend the bill. If he amends or vetoes, the legislation goes back to both bodies where they can approve or override the changes or veto. If the Governor does not sign, change, or veto a bill, it becomes law without his blessing.

This is a simplified version of the process, but I hope it gives you a better understanding of how laws are passed and how we can work to safeguard our freedoms. It is important that we all play an active role in the process. After all, if we don't, someone else will make those decisions for us—and we may not like the results!

UPCOMING GUN SHOWS AND EVENTS

If you'd like to work a show, email the coordinator and ask to be put on the mailing list used for volunteers. Volunteers get free admission to the show, and some vendors offer discounts to other vendors, including our volunteers. Verify all schedules; this list is correct as of January 25, 2022.

CHANTILLY, Dulles Expo Center Apr 22-24 | Jun 17-19 | Jul 22-24 | Sep 30-Oct 2

CHESAPEAKE, Chesapeake Conference Center Oct 29-30

DALE CITY, VFW Post 1503 None scheduled at this time

DOSWELL, Farm Bureau Center at Meadow Event Park None scheduled at this time

FISHERSVILLE, Augusta Expo Apr 9-10 | Sep 10-11 | Dec 3-4

FREDERICKSBURG, Fredericksburg Expo & Conference Ctr. Mar 12-13 | Apr 30-May 1 | Oct 22-23

HAMPTON, Hampton Roads Convention Center Mar 19-20 | Jul 30-31 | Sep 10-11

HARRISONBURG, Rockingham County Fairgrounds Oct 29-30

LYNCHBURG, Macy's at the River Ridge Mall None scheduled at this time

RICHMOND, Richmond Raceway Complex Mar 26-27 | Jul 9-10 | Aug 5-7 (Outdoor Sportsman Show) | Aug 27-28

ROANOKE, Berglund Center None scheduled at this time

SALEM, Salem Civic Center May 21-22 | Jul 16-17 | Oct 8-9

VIRGINIA BEACH, Convention Center Apr 9-10 | Oct 15-16

WEYERS CAVE, Weyers Cave Community Center None scheduled at this time

WINCHESTER, Winchester Sportsplex None scheduled at this time

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RANGE TIME By Board Member Kenneth van Wyk

This series began in the Fall 2018 issue. Back issues are found at VCDL.org/page/defender-newsletter

PART XI

co-written with Executive Member Tess Ailshire and Member Kristi Horton

Welcome back to our series on getting the most out of our range time. In our last edition, we discussed holster (and carry equipment) choices in general. I got some great feedback on that article—so much so that I wanted to dedicate a separate article to carry equipment choices just for you ladies.

As you might imagine (or hope), my own experiences with ladies' carry equipment are scant, as in non-existent. So, to overcome that hurdle, I enlisted the assistance of a few lady friends who do carry. I'd like to especially thank Executive Member Tess Ailshire and Member Kristi Horton for their contributions here (along with some of you who preferred to go nameless)!

And I'll repeat my caveats that this article is not a product review, and it is by no means comprehensive. Instead, we are trying to give you some things to consider in the hope you'll do your own research to find out what is going to work best for **you**.

Why all the fuss? We're all humans, right?

NEWS FLASH! Women are different from men!

When it comes to carrying a firearm, though, this is something only recently being addressed in the product market, with some notable exceptions no doubt. Wouldn't it be easy if women were all (relatively) V-shaped from shoulder to hip, with any extra baggage carried in the front? Then accessories manufacturers could treat women's carry with the two or three most common styles and be done.

They're not, though. Not only are various body types at issue for women's carry, but women are constrained by fashion expectations or choices as well. Men wear suits—or they wear pants with front and back pockets and a belt; even most of their casual clothing involves a belt and has pockets. Most women's fashions lack pockets or any sturdy way to connect a holster. This disadvantage can be exacerbated by a need for proper concealment. Carry at the waist is relatively uncomplicated for most men. Even waist carry is different for women; since women



tend to be higher-waisted than men, women tend to have a round abdomen. Also, women tend to have round hips, so carry at the waistline can be problematic by not providing enough room for a smooth upward draw. Furthermore, carry at the waistline (along with other methods) can result in printing, which defeats the purpose of concealment

and may introduce additional hazards from clothing or one's own anatomy. And, we're talking about carrying on a daily basis here, not competitive shooting sports where belts and holsters are more popular, even among the ladies.

So for this discussion let's consider waist/belt carry out. That's an oversimplification, but we haven't room to cover that as well as the various options unique to women. Let's mention just one: the Mag-jic holster, that clips to the pants using very strong magnets. All that aside, let's start at the top.

Shoulder Holsters



These are an option not unique to women. They can work well, though, under blazers or suit coats for the professional, under casual jackets, or openly. A major disconcerting detail for both women and men, though, is that most shoulder holsters keep the firearm pointed behind the wearer, thus sweeping others behind and to the sides of the wearer. There are vertical holsters, but they're rare and expensive as well as hard-to-find for many models. A draw from a shoulder

holster to a shooting stance without sweeping the side involves contortions not conducive to speed or accuracy.

Bra Holsters

These come in two general forms. One holds the firearm just beneath the breasts, at the wearer's front center. The other clips to the bra at the underarm. Both can be as convenient as the shoulder holster for those who have made the decision that safety trumps propriety. A big deterrent to these holsters is that one may have to show a little too much of one's body to draw the firearm. This deterrent can be somewhat mitigated with practice, or with very careful selection of clothing. The center-front type points downward and is contraindicated for pregnant women, who are then pointing a firearm at their baby bumps. Neither works well with high-collared, long-sleeved blouses, and all these types depend on choosing a bra with enough heft to support the weight. Bra holsters also tend to be limited to the smaller pistols also tend to be limited to smaller magazine capacity.

Belly Bands

Belly bands please some of the detractors of waist carry or bra carry. They can be positioned to carry anywhere from hip height

to just below the breast. Depending on the carry height chosen, they can require the wearer to show as much flesh as a bra holster for a smooth draw. Some belly bands allow the wearer to position the firearm at a different angle rather than straight up or down. If a woman chooses fashion over (or equal to) convenience, belly bands are available with soft fabric, and lace covering, to be slightly more feminine. These softer bands are better at holding smaller firearms.

T-shirts

There are a few concealed-carry t-shirts available for women. Most are designed for men, and for full-size firearm carry. These t-shirts are made of form-fitting material, so they hold the firearm close to the body, generally under the arm. Like shoulder-holsters, they require a cross-draw, and thus if the firearm is needed, a sweep is a necessary action. Some have straps for the firearm; some have pockets. The pocket type can allow the firearm to move out of position if the firearm is too small for the pocket.

Containers Attached to the Body

This category includes containers that attach to the body. These have been familiar to cyclists and motorcyclists, but only recently have come into style for women (thanks to the steampunk movies). These range from bags similar to fanny packs to dropstyle bags positioned on the thigh just below one's hips. These containers do not require one to carry them and are not easily separated from the body. Aside from a strap that attaches the drop-style bags to ones thigh, at least one additional attachment is available: two clips to one's belt, a strap where the bag IS a belt that wraps the body at the hips or waist, or a cross-body strap. The method that attaches the back in at least two places reduces



the risks inherent in off-body carry. Some disadvantages to this method are that they may not work as well for one wearing shorter styles of shorts or for those wearing skirts or dresses. Some benefits can be easier access and fewer barriers to a smooth draw. As with other devices, the materials and

construction of containers attached to the body can greatly affect the safety and comfort of the device.

Purses, Briefcases, and Other Off-body

There are hundreds of options for women to carry the firearm in a purse or similar container. Most experts will acknowledge off-body carry takes a significant amount of planning and additional awareness; if one's purse or bag is snatched, the firearm is gone as well, and most bags also contain ID, address, perhaps phone, credit cards, and keys—not a thought to make one sleep well at home should this happen. Sometimes, off-body carry is the only option, and the gun you carry is always more useful than the one at home in your safe.



In choosing any carry method, it's important to think about not only how one wants to carry, but also about one's unconscious habits. If you have a habit of putting your purse down a lot during the day, consider a cross-body bag or a method that straps the bag in some way to the body (some security purses and totes have an additional

strap that encircles the body). It can be helpful to identify a carry method that provides a separate compartment for the firearm. Look for solid construction, for seams that won't come apart, for double-stitching over flimsy straps, and the like. Some concealed-carry purses have tiny locks. Most of us look at those locks and scoff, but if you're travelling someplace that requires a firearm be "locked" in a container, that purse meets the letter of the law. If your firearm has to be locked separately from ammunition, you can put the magazine in a separate compartment, and practice drawing, loading, cocking, and firing. Slower than almost any other carry, but better than no carry at all.

Thigh Holsters



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These can be wonderful for women who wear skirts or dresses. They take a bit of practice, not only for drawing, but walking! They position the firearm for a draw that is no more complicated than sweeping a cover garment. Unless they're fitted tight enough, they can require some additional structure to keep them in place. Like bra holsters, finding an appropriate place to practice a safe draw can be difficult as the draw may require more body exposure than one desires.

Ankle Holsters

These are also not unique to women and can be a good option for someone flexible enough to reach it in a stressful situation. Someone who spends most of the day seated for work may find this a really convenient option. There can be some drawbacks with this option. Firearms at ankle height are subject to greater exposure to dust and dirt (or snow, salt, and sand). Furthermore, the logistics of a safe draw present more potential hazards, and draw from an ankle holster should be practiced frequently.

Firearm

I said I was going to cover firearm selection in this edition, but I postponed that for this more detailed discussion for the ladies.

If you missed any of our earlier articles in this series, you can get them from VCDL by visiting vcdl.org/page/defender-newsletter.

Lastly, I'd like to call out to those of you who have followed this series. I invite your feedback and would like to hear from you about topics we still have not covered and would like to see us cover. Please contact me by email and let me know. My email address is ken.vanwyk@vcdl.org.

From the Secretary's Desk

Lobby Day 2022 was, well, interesting. It is the first year ever that I didn't have to wait in line to get into the building. It was also noteworthy that I didn't see the Demanding Mommies. Anywhere.

Let's face it, the weather was horrid. It was cold. It snowed. There was ice. It sucked.

And yet, VCDL showed up. Why? Because our rights don't take off for bad weather. I want to thank all of you who took the time—no, MADE the time—to attend in person. And those of you who called your representatives because you couldn't make the trip.

It stinks that we couldn't hold a rally this year, but Lobby Day isn't really about the rally. That part is a bonus. Granted, it is the favorite part for many—okay most—of us, but the real point is face time with our elected representatives.

Moving forward, VCDL has definite legislative goals. We will get the gun ban in Capitol Square repealed, along with reinstating statewide preemption and more. But it will take time and all of us working together. Lobby Day is a major part in getting our message out to the legislature.

I know some people think that what we do doesn't matter, but how many groups can say that they are so effective that a state legislature passed a law to try to silence them? Not many. In fact, I don't know of any!

Others think that because the 2021 elections saw a shift towards a more friendly legislature that we can relax. We know that's not true! First off, when things are going our way that's when we need to work hard to get good bills passed. But the reality in Virginia is that we still have a Senate that has committees stacked with anti-rights members. And if a bill doesn't get out of committee, then it dies.

But all is not lost. VCDL will continue to press for good legislation and fight the bad bills. And there is still a chance to get some good bills through this year with your help.

Regardless of the outcome, we will never give up. And we will continue to hold Lobby Day every year. So I hope you are marking your calendars right now for January 16, 2023 and putting in for time off. I'll be there, will you?

Patricia Webb Secretary/Treasurer



Delegate Wren Williams, Malcolm Jack Blundell and Daniel Arnold Photo courtesy of Arnold

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Delegate Marie March meets with VCDL members (from Del. March's Facebook page)



Delegate Marie March and VCDL President Philip Van Cleave (from Del. March's Facebook page)



VCDL recognized on House Floor by Delegate Glenn Davis Photo by Pat Webb



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Virginia law provides that you can get the full five years of your Concealed Handgun Permit if you apply for renewal at least 90, but no more than 180, days prior to expiration of your current permit. (Section 18.2-308.010)

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