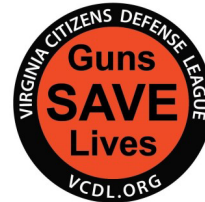




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Looking for Training in all the Right Places

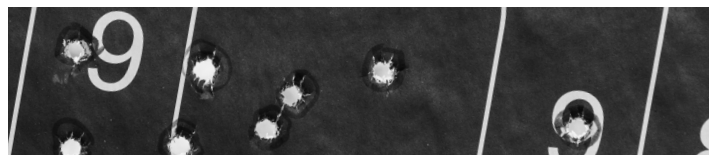
by William Moore

One major issue for those who are new to guns, want to try something different, or are concerned about self defense is finding information or training. Basic firearms instruction is available from a variety of sources. However, we have to be careful about the source. These days there are many “experts” with digital video gear and a YouTube account. Caveat emptor.

I’ve been a shooter for about 60 years and was employed in an armed status for over 30 years, including as a certified instructor. I’ve participated in some outstanding training and some less-than-outstanding training. Even then, I always learned something. There are different ways to accomplish a task—some may be more suited to you, others to others. When you find materials or techniques that differ from your current training, give them an honest try and see if they help. Many years ago, I was at a handgun course where the instructor showed a different grip on the handgun and explained the advantages. At the time, I thought “*I don’t have that problem, I will ignore this.*” That night while cleaning my firearms, one of those little internal voices we occasionally hear spoke to me, saying, “*You’re blowing two-thirds of your gross monthly pay on this course. The least you can do is try it.*” I did, and have been using and teaching the technique ever since.

Many instructors will encourage you to broaden your training experience. Others feel they’ve been to the mountain top and received the One True Way. Take from them what benefits you and leave the rest. **One warning: if you see instructors who repeatedly demonstrate unsafe gun handling, leave.** Disputing credit card charges, stopped check fees, or other collection

expenses are sure to be less costly than possible injury recovery. I’ve seen gruesome ER photos that have influenced the length and content of the safety briefings I deliver.



Where to find training

The National Rifle Association certifies instructors in a great many firearm-related sports or activities. They also maintain lists of certified instructors that can be searched at www.nra.org to find instructors in your area and what they’re certified to teach. Local gun shops and gun clubs are another source of help, depending upon your interests. If you’re interested in the various gun games, there are competitors who will also do training.

Some renowned instructors with international reputations also do books and/or instructional videos, which you may find helpful. However, with books or videos, you get no supervision to make sure following properly and you can’t ask questions. The one area where books and/or videos can be a big help is in the legal requirements for the lawful use of deadly force. The usual advice to just ask a lawyer misses an important point: use of force law is a specialized legal practice. Whoever did your divorce, real estate closing, traffic offenses, or will probably isn’t the person you want standing between you and prison. A video or book can be used in court to show exactly what your training was.

Having mentioned gun games above, there are a great many “action” shooting sports. These include Action Shooting International, International Defensive Pistol Association, United States Practical Shooting Association, and various groups that do three-gun competition (handgun, rifle and shotgun). They’re generally geared toward defensive firearms use, but some scenarios are highly influenced by Hollywood and would be fatal in the real world. If you view them as a chance to practice defensive shooting and movement, they can be a good practice tool. If you decide to chase trophies, that’s another story. **THEY ARE NOT TRAINING!** Most local gun clubs who host such events generally welcome newcomers and will work with you.

For a list of online and printed resources, see sidebar on page 6.

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](https://www.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.



From the Editor

I love history. When I was a boy, the USA celebrated its Bicentennial year, and my family followed the Freedom Train, visiting Washington, D.C., Philadelphia, and New York City. I devoured Revolutionary War trivia and re-played John Paul Jones' legendary battle with the *Serapis* on my bedroom floor.

It's probably not surprising that I eventually became a gun owner. Guns are tools, yes, but they form a critical part of the American story. One could tell this story with recipes, vehicles, or fashion. Chris Kyle did a bang-up job using firearms.

Pat Webb provides a short history lesson on page 6, one that reminded me of another "destructive device" that was privately purchased and turned the tide of history. After Colonel Theodore Roosevelt's fabled assault up San Juan Hill, his Rough Riders were pinned down by Spanish machine gun fire. What saved the intrepid cavalry were M1895 Colt-Browning machine guns purchased by family members, including those of William Tiffany, one of Roosevelt's men. These guns may have come from Bannerman's, the Manhattan gun store that sold Class III devices over the counter. But they did not come from the government!

Mark Ching
Editor

The President's Pen

A Less-Than-Lethal Option for "Prohibited" Spaces

When anti-gun legislators took over the General Assembly in 2020, they passed several laws that either made guns prohibited in certain areas or gave government entities the ability to prohibit guns in places under their control.

Currently, you can't carry a firearm into any state agency space—for example, the DMV, ABC stores, Capitol Square, the General Assembly Building, and the Capitol Building. You also can't carry in a rest stop building. Sixteen cities and counties out of 194 localities (so far) have banned guns in places such as parks, recreation and community centers, government buildings, and at permitted events and adjacent streets. Also, school boards can ban guns on their non-school property and buildings. You can see which localities prohibit guns and where those guns are prohibited on the VCDL website: vcdl.org/page/virginia-carry-information.

I, for one, want to carry a gun everywhere I legally can. If I can't carry a gun, then I want the next best thing. A knife, pepper spray, and some impact weapons are options. The trouble is they require you to be within contact range of your assailant. Pepper spray can blow back into your face if the wind conditions are wrong when deployed. Knives and impact weapons would not be all that useful against a stronger, faster, meaner assailant or if there are multiple assailants.



I found an interesting tool that's not banned in the above places except the Capitol and the General Assembly Building currently. It's called a Byrna Launcher. It looks like a firearm and is available in a variety of colors: black, gray, orange, flat dark-earth, yellow, and pink. I chose black, as I absolutely want it to look like a firearm!

The Launcher uses a CO2 cartridge to launch .68 caliber kinetic balls or balls containing chemical irritants in powder form at 300 fps. It is usable out to 60 feet, so you have one of the advantages a firearm gives you—the ability to stop an attacker at a safe distance.

Byrna offers four types of projectiles:

- A chemical irritant based on oleoresin capsicum (OC)
- A more powerful chemical irritant based on OC and tear gas (CS)
- A kinetic round that is inert, but hits hard, leaving a large and painful welt
- A training kinetic round that is inert and dissolves when wet. Perfect for practicing in your backyard. The next rainstorm will remove the used training rounds

The launcher has the point-and-click interface of a handgun, including a safety if you want to use it. I found it to be plenty accurate, especially at 25 feet or less, but not past 50 feet. It still had a good "punch" at 60 feet, but accuracy was poor.

There are various accessories available for the launcher, including holsters. I chose two: one for inside-the-waistband and a leather outside-the-waistband holster. You can get a starter kit with the launcher, a case, two five-round magazines (The launcher holds five rounds—don't top off magazines), some CO2 cartridges, and some OC, solid kinetic, and dissolvable kinetic balls for around \$400.

To learn more about the Byrna SD Launcher described above, go to: <http://byrna.com>.

Philip An Cleave

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 April 30, 2022.

CHANTILLY, Dulles Expo Center

Jun 17-19 | Jul 22-24 | Sep 30-Oct 2 | Nov 18-20

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

Sep 10-11 | Dec 3-4

FREDERICKSBURG, Fredericksburg Expo & Conference Ctr.

Oct 22-23 | Dec 10-11

HAMPTON, Hampton Roads Convention Center

Jun 25-26 | Jul 30-31 | Sep 10-11

HARRISONBURG, Rockingham County Fairgrounds

Jul 16-17 | Oct 29-30 | Nov 26-27

LYNCHBURG, Macy's at the River Ridge Mall

None scheduled at this time

RICHMOND, Richmond Raceway Complex

Jul 9-10 | Aug 5-7 (Outdoor Sportsman Show)

Aug 27-28 | Nov 12-13

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

Oct 15-16

WEYERS CAVE, Weyers Cave Community Center

None scheduled at this time

WINCHESTER, Winchester Sportsplex

None scheduled at this time

WOODSTOCK, Woodstock Moose Lodge

None scheduled at this time

WYTHEVILLE (NEW SHOW!), Apex Expo Center

Oct 15-16

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SGK Gun Shows www.sgkshows.com

Showmasters www.showmastersgunshows.com

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Richmond Jan 8-9

Twyman Andes, Seldon Denton, John Gosney, Robert Hofrichter, Dave Morgenson, Samuel Penn, Steve Rochkind, Patrick Schrek, Gary Shoemaker, Jenifer Shoemaker, Bob Williams

Fishersville Jan 29-30

Wayne Erskine, Gary Gillmore, Seth Hower, Jim Kiser, John Rokisky, Bob Schmidt, Dave Schullery, Thom Verga, Matt Watson, Mike Watson, Charles Winkler

Fredericksburg Jan 29-30

Matthew Brewer (THANK YOU for the short notice back-up), Steve Giese, Bruce Jackson, Jorge Marol, Gary Shoemaker, Jen Shoemaker, Jim Thompson, John Walt

Chantilly Feb 4-6

Jack Braddon, Dwin Craig, Kelly Foster, Sara Kirby, Andrew Larson, Gary O'Brian, Manny Perez, Alex Rogge, Carl Simchick, Keith Webster, Brian Wrenn

Fishersville Apr 9

Seth Hower, Jim Kiser, Gaert Sime, Thom Verga

Fredericksburg Mar 12-13

Brenda Barker, Scott Barker, Jake Biller, Steve Giese, Vincent Ikley, Bruce Jackson, Theron Keller, Sarah Kirby, David Lee, Jorge Marol, Ed Marshall, Kyle Remppies, Steve Rochkind, John Walt

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 XII

Welcome back to our series on getting the most out of our range time. In this edition, we're going to "leave the range," so to speak.

My aim in this series of articles has always and only been to help Virginians increase their own proficiency to prepare them for carrying a concealed firearm safely and with confidence. Choosing to carry a firearm — or even merely to own one — is a deeply personal choice. Doing so without adequately preparing endangers you and others. It has been my hope to provide the reader with helpful food for thought to prepare himself or herself and do it right.

If you've gone through that preparation to the degree you are comfortable with, now is the time to consider the last equipment choice before you head out in public, lawfully carrying.



Size, caliber, and weight. Basically, I want the biggest and most powerful gun I can reasonably carry. But, it always comes down to a trade-off. As a general rule, a big gun is easier to shoot accurately than a smaller gun. That's just simple Newtonian physics. Don't just fall for the trap at a gun shop when you see the latest, smallest gun in the display. It may be easy to hide, light weight, but if you can't reliably and accurately fire it, it's really not helping you, and it may be putting you in more danger than you might realize. If you are forced to use a firearm to defend yourself, you want a gun you know you can reliably present and hit the target you're aiming at.

Concealability. The size compromise should factor in how concealable your gun is. That may be driven by how you dress, what time of year it is, etc. Yes, I'm serious. In my case, I've been working from home for nearly 20 years, and in the summer, I'm more often than not wearing a t-shirt and shorts. While I love a good OWB holster, that's not always feasible for me. So in the



Firearm Selection

That's right. We've discussed equipment choices in the last couple articles here. We've described holsters, belts, and myriad other tools to help us learn. What firearm should you carry when you carry?

Sorry, I can't answer that for you. Just as carrying is a deeply personal choice, so too is selecting the right firearm for your needs. I can tell you what I carry, but what works for me isn't necessarily the right choice for you.

What I can do is to discuss here some of the criteria you might want to consider in making your own personal selection. Some of the issues may seem obvious, but I suspect not all of them will be.

Selection Criteria

Here, in no special order, is my list of things I feel are important. Bear in mind, as I said above, I am principally discussing concealed firearms. If you're going out hiking in (say) bear country and will be open carrying a firearm — bears don't care if it's concealed or not — your selection criteria might be completely different, as well it should be.



summer, I use a high-quality kydex pocket holster. That means, among other things, I can't fit my 1911 in my pocket. I need a gun that meets my attire needs. You may prefer prioritizing your firearm, holster, and clothing differently than I do.

Reliability. My every day carry (EDC) gun is my self defense tool of choice. I don't modify it. It is a factory produced reliable tool, after all. I also clean it periodically and keep it well lubed and

maintained. I expect it to be ready if and when I need it. Before I carry any firearm, I ensure it has proven its reliability to my satisfaction. For me, that means firing no fewer than 500 rounds without a hitch. I also fire a couple of boxes of the ammunition I carry to ensure my gun cycles that ammunition just as reliably as it does my range ammo. It's also a good idea to give your EDC some range time. Make sure it remains in a proper functioning state and clean out the dust that naturally accumulates inside a carry firearm. This goes double if you use a pocket holster!

Price. In theory, price should not matter when selecting a tool that you're relying on for protecting your life, but in practice it does. I want to say something pithy like "don't skimp," but that just doesn't feel right. Buy the firearm that meets all your other criteria, first and foremost. You might consider a used firearm if it is in good shape and meets all those other criteria. You may just save a few dollars that way. But, if it comes down to A vs. B, and both meet all your needs, there's nothing wrong with saving money. That said, a cheap firearm that isn't 100% reliable isn't worth it. Walk away.

Capacity. How much ammunition do you want to have with you? Are you comfortable with carrying spare magazines in a mag holster? Again, personal choices. On the other hand, there are some small carry guns with very low capacities that are otherwise great choices for all the above reasons. A five-shot .38 Special "snubby" revolver is very small and easy to conceal in a pocket. On the OTHER hand, I know many people who aren't comfortable with anything less than a "duty size" semi-automatic with a 17-round magazine in the gun and two spares. That's quite a big difference in capacity. Only you can answer what is right for you. If you have spare magazines or speed loaders for that little revolver, have you practiced reloading them quickly and



under pressure? (For those who travel to other jurisdictions, you may also factor in any capacity laws in those other jurisdictions. Washington, DC, is one such place — magazines are limited to 10 rounds in DC for lawful concealed carriers.)

Availability of magazines, holsters, etc. Finding a perfect firearm for your needs, only to learn that holsters for it are all but impossible to find, can be pretty inconvenient. Getting a custom made holster can be pricy as well. On the other hand, selecting a mainstream gun allows you to try different holster options easily and relatively inexpensively. I rotate between holsters as I change my attire during the year. It's great to have a firearm that affords me that easily.

So, what do I carry? After several years of trying different guns and options, as well as having a "winter gun" and a "summer gun," I finally found a single firearm that suits me to a T. My preferred EDC is a SIG P365-SAS. A standard capacity magazine for it is 10 rounds, and extended capacity mags are readily available. I can fire it accurately and reliably. I live in northern Virginia,



so I generally opt for it being highly concealed so I can just go about my business without drawing undue attention to what I'm carrying. I also "cross the moat" into DC from time to time and maintain a DC permit, so the P365 enables me to do that. And, I travel out of state on business fairly frequently and have set up a Pelican case so I can lawfully check my firearm in with my luggage on commercial flights. The P365 is by my side and within reach all the time it lawfully can be. I should add I'm 6'3" and in the mid-200 pound weight range. But hey, that's just me. You do you.

Graduation Day

That pretty much brings us to the end of the path I laid out a couple years back when I first started this series. If you've followed along with me and tried some of the things I've suggested here, I'd like to think you're better prepared now to carry a firearm than before we started this journey. To all of you, I'd like to simply say thank you for hearing what I had to say.

As always, I love hearing from people who're reading this series. If you disagree with me on something or another, please tell me more. If you agree, that's fine too. Bring it! Heck, you might even talk me out of "retirement" to write an errata edition or another in the series. I'm certainly not opposed to that. My email address is ken.vanwyk@vcdl.org.

Above all, stay safe out there. Remember one of my favorite guiding principles:

Train to learn a new skill;

Practice the skill to make sure you got it right;

Drill drill drill to make sure you cannot get it wrong.

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

From the Secretary's Desk

The General Assembly legislative session for 2022 has come and gone, but there is still much to do. We're facing potential for Clinton-era gun control on the federal level, and we're looking at new political districts in Virginia.

How will these new districts affect our rights? That remains to be seen. There is still a chance that the House of Delegates will be up for election in 2022, but we won't know until this summer. And many of the Congressional districts are changing in dynamics as well.

What we do know is that the Virginia Senate is going to stay the same until the 2024 session of the General Assembly. But that doesn't mean that we can't get things done. It just means it will be harder.

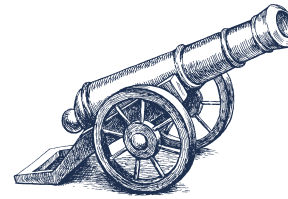
VCDL and the VCDL-PAC are working behind the scenes. VCDL, with the help of Executive Member (EM) Matt Gottshalk and his employer, Big Picture, Inc., has produced some short videos to educate the public on the truth about gun control. One of those is about the importance of having uniform laws across the state. We've also been able to produce videos on why it's vital to be able to carry everywhere we go, even in government buildings. You can find these hard-hitting pieces on our YouTube channel ([YouTube.com/c/VirginiaCitizensDefenseLeague](https://www.youtube.com/c/VirginiaCitizensDefenseLeague)) and our website. We'd appreciate you sharing them on your social media. We'd appreciate even more if you could spare a small amount to help us get these in front of people who have never heard of VCDL.

A bunch of small donations add up quickly, and help us educate others, which helps protect your rights.

We know that times are hard. That's why we are starting the \$2.00 for the 2A program. If you can spare \$2.00 per month it would go a long way, when added with others, to helping us fund projects like this. You can visit [VCDL.org/Donate](https://www.vcdl.org/Donate) and sign up for automatic donations. We hate to ask, and if you've been a member for long you know we seldom do. But this is important enough that we felt it necessary.

Whether you're able to or not, we still appreciate your membership. And we will continue to work hard to defend your right to defend yourself.

Patricia Webb
Secretary/Treasurer



Excuse me, Mr. President, but you COULD buy a cannon in the 1700s

by Secretary/Treasurer Pat Webb

Very recently Joe Biden said, "When the Second Amendment was passed, it didn't say anybody can own a gun and any kind of gun and any kind of weapon. You couldn't buy a cannon when this amendment was passed. So no reason why you should be able to buy certain assault weapons."

I wonder if the President flunked history or if he was just making stuff up. Let's think about this for just a minute.

When the colonists decided that they weren't going to be ruled without having a say-so in the government, they did not have a national arsenal to rely on. In fact, the guns and cannons that were used in the Revolutionary War were predominantly owned by private citizens and companies.

Furthermore, Article 1, Section 8, Clause 11 of the Constitution gives Congress the power to "declare war, grant Letters of Marque and Reprisal, and make Rules concerning Captures on Land and Water."

What is a Letter of Marque and Reprisal, you ask? It is permission for private vessels to engage in warfare against our enemies.

The point here being that our government depended on private individuals and companies for weaponry. In addition, the young government had just won freedom from tyranny through use of private arms. They wanted to ensure that if tyranny raised its ugly head in the future the people would be able to squelch it once more. They also understood that having an armed populace would be a deterrent to those who would attempt to subvert our Republic.

It is interesting to note that while many have called for the repeal of the Second Amendment, saying that it is outdated, I've never heard anyone call for the repeal of the ability of our government to grant the Letter of Marque and Reprisal. That kinda makes me wonder.

And, for what it's worth, you can still own a cannon today, and they're not even subject to a NICS check!

William Moore recommends these resources with international reputations.

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The VCDL Supports the King George 4H Shotgun Club

The KG4HSC is an active 4-H Club that has provided shooting education to young people between the ages of 9 and 19 since 2015. The Program is led by trained 4-H shooting instructors and shotgun enthusiasts who have many years of coaching experience. The Club supports the youth of King George County and surrounding counties where there is nothing similar available. The Northern Virginia Gun Club (NVGC) sponsors our 4-H Club and we receive grants/contributions from NRA (FONRA), VCDL, VSSA, and local merchants. We also have an active fund raising effort by our members/parents.

The KG4HSC had a very successful season in 2021. We completed our 2021 Season 30 September conducting 24 practices/meetings at NVGC with fourteen 4-H members and six 4-H volunteers/coaches. The Club participated in three offsite shooting contests and conducted two community service activities. Three of our 4-H volunteers were formally trained as Certified 4-H Instructors in Shotgun and one of our 4-H Shotgun Instructors also became certified as an ATA Shooting Coach Shotgun Level III.

Two of our 2021 KG4HSC Team Members, John Parker and Kendall Rhodes received significant recognition for their 2021 Season Trap shooting performance. For the 2021 ATA Shooting Year (1 September 2020 through 30 August 2021), Kendall Rhodes and John Parker received the Virginia ATA/AIM Top 500 Target Awards. Additionally, they were selected to the 2022 AIM ALL STATE Trap Shooting Team for Virginia. John was selected as a team member in the Junior Gold category and as Team Captain with a season average of 94.63%. Kendall was selected as team member in the Junior Gold category with a season average of 93.38%. Their awards consisted of Certificates and Patches.

All of our goals for the 2021 Season were accomplished. We have begun raising funds for our 2022 Season. We hope VCDL will continue to support our efforts.





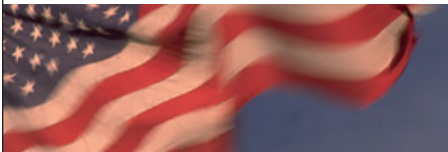
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the full five years of your Concealed
Handgun Permit if you apply for
renewal at least 90, but no more than
180, days prior to expiration of your
current permit. (Section 18.2-308.010)

EXPIRES	RENEW IN
January	August–October
February	September–November
March	October–December
April	November–January
May	December–February
June	January–March
July	February–April
August	March–May
September	April–June
October	May–July
November	June–August
December	July–September