

**RIVANNA RIFLE AND PISTOL CLUB, INC. (NRA #C-2887)
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ANNOUNCES

THE 2023 RIVANNA RIFLE & PISTOL CLUB HIGH POWER RIFLE MATCHES

Mar 4, **Apr 1**, May 6, June 3, July 1, Aug 5, Sep 2, **Oct 7**, Nov 4, Dec 2

This is a National Rifle Association Approved Match

SPONSOR: The Rivanna Rifle and Pistol Club

RULES: Rules shall be as printed in the latest edition of the NRA High Power Rifle Rule Book.

ELIGIBILITY: Open to anyone. NRA and Virginia State Shooting Association membership is encouraged.

ENTRIES: Entries must be made the day of the match at the range. **No reservations or advance entries will be accepted.** For general information see our club web page, Facebook page (links below) or contact:

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17322 James Madison Highway	434-589-5338 Home (after 7:00pm)
Palmyra, Virginia 22963	email- stevend@nexet.net

ENTRY FEES: A single \$15.00 fee for entry in the match will be charged (\$4.50 of this fee goes to the NRA as a registration fee for the match). Anyone wishing to shoot for practice on the second relay will be required to pay a \$5.00 target fee. Competitors for record take priority for positions on the line over practice shooters. Cash or personal check made out to "RRPC" only. No credit/debit cards accepted.

SQUADDING: Two relays will be squadded at 9:00am and 11:00am on a first come basis. It is strongly recommended that you arrive at the range by 8:00am to ensure a position in the first relay and 1 hour early for the second relay. Relays are limited to 20 competitors per relay, 2 relays (40 competitors) per day. Competitors shooting for record will receive priority over all entries. Competitors reporting for the second relay must sign up on the sign up sheet at the desk. **NO NAME ON SHEET - NO SHOOT - NO EXCEPTIONS.**

SCORING: Scoring shall be done by the competitors with targetings on the frames.

CHALLENGES: The value of any shot may be challenged at no charge and the match supervisor's decision as to the shot value will be final.

SIGHTING: Ten (10) minutes unlimited single feed sighting shots any position before each relay.
This will be your only sight in period during the match.

COURSE: Mar 4, May 6, June 3, July 1, Aug 5, Sep 2, Nov 4, Dec 2 matches-

A modified National Match Course of 40 shots for score fired at 100 yards.

Stage 1: 10 shots for score, standing, single feed, SR1 target, 10 minutes.

Stage 2: 10 shots for score, sitting, SR1 target, 60 seconds, with magazine change.
See Rapid Fire Loading Procedure below.

Stage 3: 10 shots for score, prone, SR21 target, 70 seconds, with magazine change.
See Rapid Fire Loading Procedure below.

Stage 4: 10 shots for score, prone, single feed, MR31 target, 10 minutes.

Match: Aggregate of stages 1, 2, 3 and 4. 40 shots total.

Apr 1 and Oct 7 matches only-

A modified National Match Course of 80 shots for score fired at 100 yards.

Stage 1: 20 shots for score, standing, single feed, SR1 target, 20 minutes.

Stage 2: 20 shots for score, sitting, SR1 target.

This will be fired in 2 strings of 10 shots each in 60 seconds, with magazine change.
See Rapid Fire Loading Procedure below.

Stage 3: 20 shots for score, prone, SR21 target.

This will be fired in 2 strings of 10 shots each in 70 seconds, with magazine change.
See Rapid Fire Loading Procedure below.

Stage 4: 20 shots for score, prone, single feed, MR31 target, 20 minutes.*

*Match Director reserves the right to fire this stage of the match in 2 successive strings of 10 shots each, single feed, in 10 minutes each with target replaced after 10 shots.

Match: Aggregate of stages 1, 2, 3 and 4. 80 shots total.

RAPID FIRE LOADING: The following loading procedures are to be used for the Rapid Fire strings only- Upon completion of Preparation Time, a separate command will be given for all M1 Garand shooters to load on an empty chamber. All other shooters shall have actions open and magazine or stripper clip at the ready. Upon completion of M1 Garand loading Range Commands will resume and upon the Range Command "Commence Firing" M1 Garand shooters shall cycle their action to chamber the first round and commence fire, and all other shooters shall load with magazine or stripper clip, cycle action and commence fire.

RIFLE: Any center fire rifle of .22 caliber or greater capable of being reloaded during the rapid fire strings. All rifles will fire in the same rifle classification.

SIGHTS: Metallic or Optical sights are permitted. All rifles will fire in the same rifle classification.

CLASSES: The NRA classification system will be used. Individuals who have not been classified and do not have a temporary classification (i.e. have not fired any NRA competition in the last 3 yrs.) will fire in the Unclassified class. Rule 19.6, Assigned Classifications, will be used.

COACHING: No coaching on the firing line will be permitted. Coaching restrictions may be waived at the discretion of the Match Director, Match Supervisor or the Match RSO for shooting team members or when new, inexperienced, or junior shooters are on the line.

AWARDS: All awards given will be cash or NRA award points. Approximately 60% of the entry fee will be returned as awards to the overall match winner and the class winners. A class will be established by a minimum of two competitors and one additional award will be given for each three competitors in a class. If there are less than two competitors in a class they may be combined with the next higher class except High Master. No individual will win more than one award in any match.

LOCATION: The range is located just outside of Charlottesville, Virginia. From I-64 take the 5th Street exit, number 120. Competitors need to proceed south 4.2 miles on Rt. 631 (Old Lynchburg Rd.) to Deerfield Lane. A sign for the range is on the right. The rifle range is the first right after entering the range gate (look for the signs).

PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN STAPLE GUN, SPOTTING SCOPE, GROUND CLOTH AND PEN OR PENCIL.

*** NOTICE TO COMPETITORS IN 2023 ***

There are a couple of changes made for 2023, we are dropping the Jan and Feb matches and returning to a 40 (80) shot format. Participation slacked off greatly during 2022. Due to this, Match Director, Supervisor, RSO, or designee may cancel the 2nd relay of the match if 2 or less competitors for record are present before the final (Slow Prone) stage of the 1st relay. Match Director, Supervisor, RSO, or designee are permitted to make alterations to the course of fire for 2nd relay.

Due to the current political climate RRPC Match Director will attempt to hold all scheduled matches as long as it is legally possible to do so. Any updates or cancellations due to revised state law will be posted to the Rivanna High Power Facebook page and to the RRPC Club Website, please check there or call/email with questions.

NOTES: Traditionally this match has been popular so the firing positions may fill very quickly. Competitors are encouraged to arrive 1 hour early for either relay. A sign up sheet is used for positions on the second relay and will be strictly enforced. See the Range Officer on arrival to sign up. No name on sheet, no position on the line. Bring sufficient ammunition for the match. Recommendation is 80 (120) rounds to cover sighting shots and potential alibi rounds. Food and drinks are not available at the range so come prepared. The firing line is covered and concrete floored however during rainy weather the line can be subject to wind blown rain and the range may have standing water so plan accordingly with ground cover for prone firing and proper foot wear. While new, inexperienced or junior shooters are more than welcome to compete with proper guidance it is preferred that they shoot on the second relay.

THEMES: In order to make the match more interesting we have different themes on the following months. Participation in the theme match is voluntary but encouraged and makes for a great change of pace. Scores will not be for record for competitors in the theme matches. Theme matches will be shot simultaneously with the regular High Power match and will have separate entry fees, targets, scoring, and awards.

November: World War 2 Match- Bring your favorite WWII rifle of any country.
SR1 target across course, WWII competitors are not for record.

INCLEMENT WEATHER: Since this match is held almost every month of the year there is always the possibility of bad weather causing a cancellation of the match, particularly snow and ice in the Winter. If it is determined that the match has to be cancelled due to inclement weather or an announced weather emergency a notification will be posted on the Rivanna Rifle and Pistol Club homepage and on the Rivanna Highpower Rifle Club Facebook page that the match is cancelled or you may contact the Match Director or designee. My general bad weather policy is if you do not think you can safely make it to the match, then I am not holding it.

LINKS: Rivanna Rifle and Pistol Club

<http://www.rrpc.org/> Look under the High Power Rifle page and/or Club notices section.

Facebook-

<https://www.facebook.com/Rivanna-Highpower-Rifle-club-1656959194586487>

NEW FOR 2023: Due to issues outside the control of the Match Director the Rifle league has not been instituted. If there is interest and support from the competitors and support in handling the paperwork and coordination with other clubs the Match Officials would be open to starting the league. The league basically would consist of our top club shooters (number to be determined, most likely the top 4 or 5) who will compete against the top club shooters in other clubs. League Competitors for our club will have to shoot at least 5 matches at RRPC over the next 9 months to qualify with the overall championship to be held at the 80 shot October match. Remember to bring sufficient ammunition for the Apr and Oct 80 shot matches and allow approximately 1 hour additional time for each relay. Additional information on specific matches will be posted prior to the match on the Rivanna Highpower Facebook page if required.

!!! NOTICE to RRPC MEMBERS !!!

Both the Rifle Range and the Bench Rest Range are **CLOSED** to general Club use on match day from club opening until the line is cleared and released for use by the Match Director or designee. **NO EXCEPTIONS!** Rifle Match Director, Match Supervisor and/or Match RSO have total authority over the use of the Rifle Ranges. Due to Rifle activities the Rifle Ranges may not be clear for general Club use until 3pm so plan accordingly.

SMALLBORE RIFLE: The RRPC BOD has authorized (starting with the 2018 season) High Power Rifle to run a smallbore (.22 rimfire) match immediately after the regular High Power Match has concluded to determine interest in a dedicated smallbore program. This is a 40 shot prone only match not for record (at this time), 20 shots in 20 minutes each at 50 and 100 yards. The smallbore match is open to RRPC members, High Power Rifle competitors, and any others interested in smallbore competition. A modest target fee may be charged. This requires the Rifle and Bench Rest Ranges to remain under the authority of the High Power Match Director or designee until all competition is completed and the range and line are turned over for general club use.

See our club website or Facebook links above for additional information.