

# VISALIA SPORTSMEN'S ASSOCIATION

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NEWSLETTER

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VSA Website: <http://vsma1.com/>

*Visalia Sportsmen's Association is a non-profit organization which is governed by the regulations set forth in The Internal Revenue Code of 1986. The section of the code which we fall under states that we are to be exclusively a social club, organized and operated for the pleasure and recreation of our members. The specific purposes of the club are: 1) to unite in the effort of solving local, county and statewide problems pertaining to the protection and propagation of fish and game and other natural resources in our area; 2) the conservation of our natural resources through the promotion and fostering of good public sentiment for better fish, game and forest management; 3) the encouragement of organized shooting activities among adult and junior members and the general public, so as to provide a better knowledge of safe handling and the proper use and care of firearms; and, 4) to take lawful steps to bring into effect those measures deemed to be in the interest of member sportsmen.*

The next **BOARD MEETING** will be TUESDAY, August 19, 2014, **6:00 pm**. If you want to present an item for discussion at a board meeting, please contact a board member to be on the agenda. (Board meetings are held on the Tuesday following the general club meeting.)

The next **GENERAL MEETING** will be THURSDAY, August 14, 2014, **7:00 PM**. Held on the second Thursday of the month, the general club meetings are open to all club members. New members are encouraged to attend the meetings to become more informed and more active in the club functions. The club is located just north of downtown Visalia at 500 E. Roosevelt Avenue, one block south of Houston Ave, just east off of Sante Fe. If you see the giant water tower...you found us!

Please contact any of the officers or board members for any issue or concern you may have regarding your Visalia Sportsmen's Association.

Club House phone # (answering machine):	559-635-7172	Jeremy Chavez – Board member:	559-302-8718
Dennis Thornbury – President	559-732-4401	Sean Vedenoff – Board member:	559-786-6184
Russ Beechinor - Vice-President	559-280-4061	Bob Maxwell – Board member:	559-733-5501
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Eddie Thomas – Board member:	530-391-8661	Mike Stimson - Board member	559-280-3020
Dirk Steelman – Executive VP ( <b>FFL operations</b> ):	559-732-7726	Robert Seitz - Sergeant-at-Arms	

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The **Bylaws Revision Committee** has finished its work and submitted a proposed set of new bylaws to the Board. They have tentatively approved these bylaws and they have been sent out to the membership for review. You should have received a copy by now. Please take some time to review them and if you have any questions, additions or changes to propose please contact an Officer or Board Member in writing before the August Board meeting. The final draft of the bylaws will, hopefully, be brought to the general membership at the October meeting for ratification. There will be no discussion at that time and no changes can be made at that meeting. Of course, the bylaws contain provisions for later changes and these can be made at any later date. However, this involves administrative procedures and time so please make your suggestions now. Thank you.

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**PHONE NUMBER FOR THE CLUB: 635-7172. FOR THE RANGE: 651-3063**

**August 2014**

**September 2014**

2 SAT Range Cleanup Day Range Closed  
 3 SUN Public Shoot Chuck Henning/Lee Miller/Lorren Lemen  
 6 WED Public Shoot Merritt Morrow/John Gerard/Keith Perkins  
 7 THURS Fish & Game Dept. - range closed all day  
 9 SAT Public Shoot Mike Benyo/Russell Beechinor/Russ Beechinor  
 10 SUN **High Power Match / Junior Hi Power Practice/4H**  
 13 WED Public Shoot Pat Irving/John Gerard/????  
 16 SAT Public Shoot Manuel Garcia/Leo Espino/Rubin Espino  
 17 SUN Public Shoot Leonard Cote/Jeff Dearborn/Galen Brummer  
 20 WED Public Shoot Harold Schmidt/Keith Perkins/Leroy Chism  
 23 SAT **High Power Special Event**  
 24 Sun **Black Powder/Jr. Rifle & High Power Practice**  
 27 WED Marty Malone/Mike Benyo/Merritt Morrow  
 30 Sat **CBRSA**  
 31 Sun **CBRSA ( Bench Rest)**

1 Mon **CBRSA ( Bench Rest)**  
 3 WED Public Jim Johnson/David Ishiski/????  
 6 SAT Public Shoot Manuel Garcia/Melissa Jones/Jonathan. Jones  
 7 SUN Public Shoot L. Cote/Jeff Dearborn/G. Brummen  
 10 WED Public Shoot M Benyo/Earl Grimes/????  
 13 SAT Public Shoot Rubin Espino/???/???  
 14 SUN **High Power Match/ Junior Hi Power Practice/4H**  
 17 WED Public Shoot Lee Miller/???/???  
 20 SAT Public Shoot Jason Garica  
 21 Sun Public Shoot Aric Price/Jim Price/Mark Price  
 24 WED Mike Benyo/???/???  
 27 Sat Public Shoot Jerry VanNess/???/???  
 28 Sun **Black Powder/Jr.Rifle & Hi Power Practice/ 4H**

Regular range hours are 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. for public shoot days. Range Safety Officers need to be on duty for the posted times. Please contact the following for more info on the special shoots scheduled at the range: **Black Powder** – Alan Reed 739-7402, **High Power/Jr. Rifle Club** – Steve Quinn 686-1945, [steveq@carifle.com](mailto:steveq@carifle.com) **CBRSA** – Dennis Thornbury 732-4401. The range schedule is subject to change without notice.

The range is closed to all other shooters on match shoot days; observers are always welcome.

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**REMINDER:** we are now in the application period for the Club's liquor license and there can be **NO alcoholic beverages** at the clubhouse or on its grounds (parking lot, etc.) for the duration of this time! The Board will notify members when the process is complete. Please observe this restriction and **do not bring any alcohol on to the property** during this time period. Thank you.

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**Range Clean-up!!** Saturday, August 2nd, is the date for the next range clean-up. Work will begin at 7:00 a.m. We need hand tools to clear out weeds on the range and we are going to need a large drill so we can replace some of the target rail road ties that are now in very bad shape. RSO's are expected to attend and all members are encouraged to be there to help. Contact Russ Beechinor (280-4061) with questions. Thanks!

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**CCW Permit Classes:** Daniel Mansergh conducts the CCW permit classes once a month, at the VSA club house. Classes are held the first Monday of the month from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. and are free to club members. There is no need to call ahead, just show up with your California ID and proof of current VSA membership. *He will not accept membership applications or renewals at the CCW class.* Non-members are welcome to attend for \$30.00 per person. Receive **Arizona or Florida CCW permit instruction** for an additional \$30.00 per person and an extra hour of class. He is approved for Tulare, Kings and Fresno Counties (Kings and Fresno County residents must qualify with their carry weapons. Range time will be scheduled at the class. No need to call first.) For more info, please call Daniel Mansergh at 559-741-3774; [danielmansergh@gmail.com](mailto:danielmansergh@gmail.com).

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## JUNIOR CLUB NEWS

### The big news this month is Justin George's performance at Camp Perry:

Justin, his father Jimmy, and little brother Kevin arrived at Camp Perry on July 13. He shot 7 individual and team matches during the next 2 weeks. His best matches were the 6 man team match where his team placed 4<sup>th</sup> out of 23 junior teams and the National Trophy Individual match where he placed 6<sup>th</sup> out of 210 juniors. His performance was very impressive.

Justin started shooting in the VSA Junior Club in June of 2012 and started the High Power program in June of 2013. Amazing progress in two years.

We will be posting complete results and pictures on the VSA website.

Anyone interested in enrolling a child or grandchild in the Junior Club or if you are an adult and wish to help us out or attend our safety training please contact me.

**Contact: Steve Quinn.** 686-1945, 471-8143, [steveq@carifle.com](mailto:steveq@carifle.com)

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**FOR SALE:** RCBS reloading dies and shell holder for .32 Special caliber. These are new in original packaging and need to go to a good home to someone who can use them. Make an offer \$\$ . Please contact Kelly Schmidt at 559-896-7806.

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**Attention RSOs!!** The range will be re-keyed in the near future. Any RSO who has not completed his/her range service commitment or who has not signed up for their days will need to do so soon in order to keep their range access. Please contact Russ Beechinor at 280-4061 if you have questions.

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The next **Hunter Education** class is scheduled for August 2nd. Registration is at Easley's Gun & Supplies, 8627 Ave 304, Suite G, Visalia. The class is free to club members (must show your membership card or you will have to pay the fee). Non-members pay a nominal \$10 fee. Information about the class is included with the registration materials. You must register at Easley's as there is no registration the day of the class. Call Loren Metzler at 280-8287 for more information.

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RSO's and members: First time minors with their family/guardian/responsible adult requesting to shoot a handgun will be required to have RSO observation. (Jan 2013)

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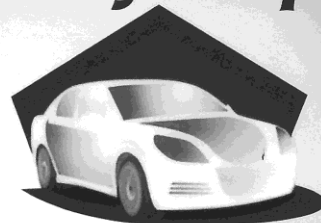
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