

Trigger Times



Country Pond Fish & Game Club - Newton, NH

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www.cpfgc.com

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Ongoing & Upcoming Events

(Unless otherwise indicated, all events and activities are Open to the Public)

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

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Indoor Work Parties

Mondays, 17:00



Trap Shooting

Tuesdays - 17:00, Saturdays - 13:00, Sundays - 09:00



Trap Doubles Tournament

Wednesdays thru 6 September
17:00



Airgun Metallic Silhouettes

Saturday, 19 August, 10:00



Steel "Practice Plates" Shoot

(CPF&G Club Members Only)
Tuesday, 22 August, 17:00



Centerfire Pin Shoot

Thursday, 24 August
19:00



3-Gun Action Shooting

Saturday, 26 August, 12:00
thru Sunday, 27 August, 18:00



Country Pond Amateur Radio Group

Monday, 28 August, 18:30



Airgun Metallic Silhouettes

Saturday, 2 September, 10:00



Indoor Range Lead Reclamation

INDOOR PISTOL & ARCHERY RANGES CLOSED
WEDNESDAY, 6 SEPTEMBER, 06:00
thru
THURSDAY, 7 SEPTEMBER, 22:00

Board of Directors Meeting

Thursday, 7 September, 19:00



Granite State Bowhunters Tournament

Sunday, 10 September



Steel "Practice Plates" Shoot

(CPF&G Club Members Only)
Tuesday, 12 September, 17:00



.22 Pistol League Organizational Meeting

Wednesday 13 September, 19:00



Centerfire Pin Shoot

Thursday, 14 September
19:00



Airgun Metallic Silhouettes

Saturday, 16 September, 10:00



Steel Plate Shoot

Sunday, 17 September, 09:00



Amateur Radio License Exams

Tuesday, 19 September, 19:00



Monthly Members Meeting

Thursday, 21 September, 19:00
Your attendance would be appreciated.



National Hunting & Fishing Day Open House

Saturday, 23 September, 10:00 - 16:00



RANGE CLOSURES

are listed on the website
“Coming Events” page

**SHOOTING ON A CLOSED RANGE IS A
SERIOUS SAFETY VIOLATION.
THERE WILL BE CONSEQUENCES.**

**MEMBERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR
KNOWING WHEN RANGES ARE CLOSED**

Labor Day



**Monday
4 September**



**23 September
02:50 EDT**

CENTERFIRE PIN SHOOTS



**THESE SHOOTS ARE
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**



2023 SCHEDULE

Thursdays, 19:00, Indoors

12 JAN	26 JAN	9 FEB	23 FEB
9 MAR	23 MAR	13 APR	27 APR
11 MAY	25 MAY	8 JUN	22 JUN
13 JUL	27 JUL	10 AUG	24 AUG
14 SEP	28 SEP	12 OCT	26 OCT
9 NOV	28 DEC		

For more information, email pins@cpfgc.com

CPFGC Members: \$5.00 Nonmembers: \$10.00



MONTHLY MEETING 21 September

Keep in mind that 2024 Club Dues will be set at this Meeting



Granite State Bowhunters 3-D Archery Match

10 September 2023
07:00 - 15:00

This Event is Open to the Public

For more information, contact
Richard Tuite at 603-793-9003 or archery@cpfgc.com

**DEFEND THE 2ND AMENDMENT AS IF IT'S A
MATTER OF LIFE AND DEATH...**



BECAUSE IT IS!



AIRGUN METALLIC SILHOUETTES



Clubhouse Main Hall, 10:00 - 13:00
Every Month
FIRST AND THIRD SATURDAYS

**THESE SHOOTS ARE
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

For more details, go to <http://www.cpfgc.com/airgun.html>
or email airguns@cpfgc.com

More Than Just A Gun Bucket: How to Choose A Good Holster

Could your holster choice really be more important than your gun?

by Chris Cypert - 1 February 2023

To select an optimal, quality concealed-carry holster, it's important to remember that a holster is more than a gun bucket. It must meet specific requirements for safety and retention. Most mass-produced handguns can be used effectively for self-defense as long as the user's skill is up to par, but a poor holster can be a serious liability. Modern handgun choices have never been better, but unfortunately, for every quality holster out there, it is easy to find several that have serious flaws that make them sub-optimal for everyday carry. It's important to consider the criteria of safety, retention, and ease of use when selecting a holster in order to avoid ending up with the common box of discarded, unsatisfactory holsters like you might find in the garage of many experienced concealed-carriers.

Let's start with a broader question: Do you really need a holster? Sticking an unholstered handgun in your waistband is unsafe and the gun can shift in ways that make it much harder to use as effectively when needed. Other options beyond a naked gun in a waistband include off-body carry in a bag and storing the firearm in your car. However, off-body and car-carry present challenges and issues that can be easily solved by carrying on-body in a quality holster, and that's what I recommend whenever possible.

What's Important?

Location, Location, Location

Selecting a holster, we must first determine the location of carry. Common methods include outside-

the-waistband (OWB), inside-the-waistband (IWB), and Appendix IWB (AIWB). Other methods like cross-draw, small-of-back carry and shoulder holsters are less common and may have limitations such as difficulty in training safely on a public range without pointing the muzzle at other shooters, slowing your draw and having the draw being more easily disrupted by an attacker. Ankle holsters may be suitable for backup guns or other specific applications, but for most people, OWB, IWB or AIWB is recommended.

When choosing between OWB, IWB and AIWB, consider concealment, comfort, and fast, reliable access. OWB is comfortable but harder to conceal, IWB is more concealed but less comfortable and AIWB is concealed and fast, but may be less comfortable for some body types. The key is to consider your lifestyle and pick the method that offers the right balance of concealment, comfort and safety for you. Each method has its pros and cons, and it's essential to experiment to find what works best for your personal wardrobe, body shape, and lifestyle.

Material Issues

The two primary materials used in holsters are leather and Kydex. Leather is traditional and comfortable, but requires break-in and can absorb moisture and wear out over time. Kydex is cheaper, impervious to moisture and requires no break-in period, but can be harder on a handgun's finish and less comfortable against the skin. Both require

inspection and maintenance to ensure they are in good condition. Regarding hybrid holsters, which are typically made of Kydex outer shells on inner leather backers, I suggest choosing a holster made of one material. Hybrid holsters can develop issues with retention and safety over time; as the leather side of the holster breaks in, retention is negatively affected, and the leather sweat-guard often curls outward becoming an obstacle and potential hazard while holstering. If you do choose a hybrid holster, regularly check retention and the condition of the sweat-guard and replace if necessary.

It's essential to choose a holster that is specifically made for the make and model of your handgun. Universal holsters may seem like a good idea, but they often have issues with retention, trigger guard coverage, and other essential aspects of holsters. Because of these issues, it's better to invest in a holster that is tailored to your specific firearm.

Choose Safety First

Whether OWB, IWB or AIWB, leather or Kydex, there are three non-negotiable criteria to look for in a holster. First, the holster must completely cover the trigger guard of the gun, preventing anything from activating the trigger while the gun is holstering. Any holster that fails to do this (with extremely rare and application-specific exceptions) is not a safe holster. One caveat is that holsters for weapon-mounted lights (WML) by necessity leave a small gap around

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the trigger-guard, and there is no avoiding it. If a WML is essential, then this gap must be tolerated and the additional risk mitigated by increased awareness of the space around the gun as it rests in the holster.

Another essential quality for a holster is that it retains the firearm securely and keeps it in a secure position against the body without excessive shifting or movement. A popular social media test of shaking the holster upside down and declaring it inadequate if the gun falls out is not a reliable way to measure retention, because it does not replicate actual carry conditions. Quality holsters designed for OWB, IWB or AIWB, gain retention not only from internal tension on the gun, but also from added external tension placed on the gun by the belt when the holster is worn. If the gun does not shift or come out of the worn holster when jumping up and down vigorously, the retention is probably adequate. If not, it's time to find a new holster.

A critical aspect of retention is keeping the gun and holster attached to the body. To avoid having the holster come out with the gun during the draw stroke or falling out of waistbands during vigorous movement, choose

holsters with secure attachment points such as closed loops, pull-the-dot loops or heavy duty metal clips. All of these should be sized to the belt properly and quality metal clips should have an "underhook" that grabs the bottom of the belt. Some plastic clips can be a problem as they may not be secure enough during vigorous movement and are more prone to breakage, so if you use plastic clips (and there are a handful of quality options out there), make sure you pressure test them through serious training.

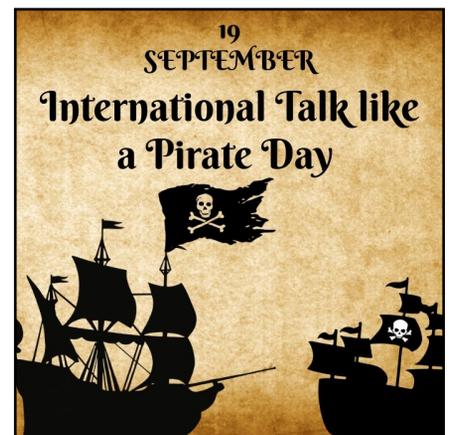
Reholster With Confidence

A holster's mouth must be stiff enough to remain open when empty and mounted on the belt, in order to facilitate safe holstering. Holstering is the most dangerous part of gun handling as the shooter is moving the muzzle of a loaded gun near their body. A holster that collapses when the gun is drawn, which often requires use of the support hand to manually reopen it for holster, increases the likelihood of pointing the muzzle at the support hand or other parts of the body when distracted during long training sessions. Quality holsters that remain fully open after the gun is drawn are essential.

Ultimately, holsters are a huge part of safe and effective

concealed carry. Quality handguns are typically several hundred dollars, ranging up to several thousand. Quality holsters are typically around or less than \$100, with some handmade leather options climbing into the low hundreds. Does it make any sense to carry our several hundred-dollar pistol, a life-saving tool, in a holster that was \$20 cheaper than its superior competitor? A holster is so important to training with and carrying a handgun that if someone's budget was that constrained, they'd be better off buying a slightly more affordable handgun and getting the highest quality holster. Holsters really are that important to both safety and rapid access of the handgun. So no matter the location of your holster choice or its material, the essentials are a purpose-built design for your specific handgun that protects trigger, retains the gun and keeps the mouth of the holster open without the gun in it. If you follow these guidelines, you can train and carry with confidence, and avoid suffering the fate of so many concealed-carriers who've come before: A box full of discarded holsters in the garage, representing wasted time and money.

**Do you have the WILL
to fight for your rights?**



Country Pond Fish & Game Club
82 Pond Street, Newton, NH



OPEN HOUSE

23 September 2023 10:00 - 16:00

SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES

All Ranges Open to the Public	10:00 - 16:00
Club Swag available for purchase	10:00 - 16:00
Club Information	10:00 - 16:00
Food & Drink.....	10:00 - 15:00
Demonstrations	10:00 - 16:00
Airgun Metallic Silhouettes	10:00 - 15:00
Trap	10:00 - 16:00

For more information, contact
openhouse@cpfgc.com

All visitors must sign a Liability Waiver on arrival.



.22 Rimfire Pistol League



Wednesdays, 19:00, 20 September thru 3 January

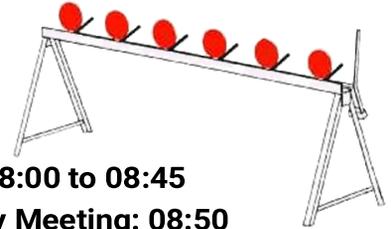
Organizational Meeting: Wednesday, 13 September, 19:00

For more information, email pistol-lgs@cpfgc.com

STEEL PLATES

2023 SCHEDULE SUNDAYS, 09:00

16 JUL	6 AUG	17 SEP
22 OCT	19 NOV	3 DEC



Registration 08:00 to 08:45
Mandatory Safety Meeting: 08:50
Match: 09:00 to 14:00

**THESE MATCHES ARE
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Results and detailed rules and procedures are posted at
<http://www.cpfgc.com/plates.html>
 For more details, email plates@cpfgc.com

STEEL PRACTICE PLATES



**2nd & 4th
Tuesdays
April thru
September**

Setup: 16:30 - 17:00
Shoot from 17:00 'til dusk

**THESE SHOOTS ARE RESTRICTED TO
CPF&G MEMBERS AND INVITED GUESTS ONLY**

For more details,
contact Jim Lacefield at plates@cpfgc.com

Trap Shooting



**Tuesdays
17:00**
**Saturdays
13:00**
**Sundays
09:00**

\$3.50 per round or \$30.00 for a 10-round card

THE TRAP RANGE IS CLOSED TO OTHER ACTIVITIES
DURING THESE SESSIONS

For more information, email trap@cpfgc.com

GOT AMMO?



As an NRA affiliated club, it is important for us to support the National Rifle Association. By joining the NRA through CPF&G Club, \$5 of the annual fee, or \$10 of the 3-yr membership fee, is paid back to our club. To join, go to <http://membership.nrahq.org/default.asp?campaignid=XC004701> or email nra@cpfgc.com

POLICE YOUR BRASS!

Don't be a slob. Get with the program!

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Rights Organizations

"A well regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed."
- United States Constitution - Amendment II - ratified 1791

- American Sheepdog <http://americansheepdog.com/Forum/>
- Citizens Committee for the Right to Keep and Bear Arms <http://www.ccrkba.org/>
- Gun Owner's Action League (MA) <http://www.goal.org/>
- Gun Owners of America <http://www.gunowners.org/>
- Gun Owners of New Hampshire <http://www.gonh.org/>
- Jews for the Preservation of Firearms Ownership <http://www.jpfo.org/>
- Maine Gun Owners Assoc. <http://www.mgoa.com/>
- National Association for Gun Rights <http://www.nationalgunrights.org/>
- National Rifle Association <http://home.nra.org/>
- National Shooting Sports Foundation <http://www.nssf.org/>
- New Hampshire Firearms Coalition <http://www.nhfc-ontarget.org/>
- Pink Pistols <http://www.pinkpistols.org/>
- Second Amendment Foundation <http://www.saf.org/>
- USA Carry <http://www.usacarry.com/>
- Women Against Gun Control <http://www.wagc.com/>

These organizations are fighting the good fight. Even if you're doing the same on your own, it's time for you to join one or more of these.

The Fascists that have taken over Washington DC are destroying your rights. This isn't something they might do someday - *they're doing it right now!*



Weekly Work Parties

Work parties are held at the Club on Monday evenings every week, from 17:00 to 19:00. Tasks include a myriad of small indoor jobs that constantly crop up. All Club Members are cordially invited to participate.

Country Pond Amateur Radio Group



Monthly Meetings
Last Monday of most months, 18:30 in the Clubhouse Main Hall

Anyone interested in Amateur Radio is welcome

THIS GROUP IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Go to <http://www.cpfgc.com/radio.html> for more information, or contact radio@cpfgc.com

~ *September Birthdays* ~

Eric George.....	2
Harold A Maille.....	2
Roy Kneeland.....	2
Paul Sargent.....	4
John Fiorella.....	4
Andrew W Gaunt.....	4
Matthew Chapin.....	4
George Aboshar.....	5
William Manuell.....	5
Frank Kasabian.....	6
Jeremy Sweetsir.....	6
Ralph Vitale.....	7
David Smith.....	8
Matthew Quandt.....	9
Benjamin Stirk.....	9
Raymond Giuffre.....	10
Robert Rossman.....	10
Joseph Gordon.....	10
Charles McRobbie.....	10
Thomas Pignatiello.....	10
Marc Goldfarb.....	11
Mark Standish.....	12
Mark Whitley.....	13
John Coyne.....	13
Stephen Gorski.....	14



Justin Metzner.....	14
Russell Daley.....	14
James M Lacefield.....	14
John B Stanton.....	14
John M DeYoung.....	14
James McCarthy.....	15
Edward Morse.....	15
Emily (Broz) Hobart.....	15
Daniel Valpey.....	16
Stephen G Schmidt.....	17
Chris Capozzi.....	17
John W Pramberg.....	17

Karl G Smith.....	19
Joe Spence.....	19
Andrew C Deardorff.....	21
Robert E Perusse.....	21
Steven Martin.....	21
Joe Matarazzo.....	21
Cory Marchand.....	21
John A Berrini.....	22
Frank Pagliccia.....	22
Christopher Ragusa.....	22
Bodo Wallem.....	23
Karl Hahn.....	23
David Oliver.....	24
Ronald G Mills.....	25
Stephen Cohen.....	25
Steve LeBoeuf.....	25
Alan Foucault.....	26
Christopher Costello.....	26
Conrad Delisio.....	27
David Hanlon.....	28
George W Sanborn.....	29
Richard C Bibaud.....	29
Richard MacGlashing.....	29
Dennis Lincoln.....	29
Stephen Nichols.....	30

CPFGC Firearms Sales



PURCHASES THROUGH THE CLUB FFL ARE LIMITED TO FIREARMS ONLY

Purchases: Cost + 5% + shipping Firearms Transfers: \$20

THIS SERVICE IS FOR CPFGC MEMBERS ONLY

Firearms transfers and pickups are by appointment only.
 Contact **Samy Singh** at **860-834-1883** or samyonix@yahoo.com

To order firearms through the Club's FFL, Club Members should contact **Jeff Gersbach** at jgersbach@gmail.com

Club Members may also order firearms themselves, to be delivered to the Club, but must send an email to **Samy Singh** at samyonix@yahoo.com with the delivery date, so that he can plan to be at the club to sign for the delivery. Failure to do this will result in the package automatically being shipped back and the club will not be responsible for shipping charges.

Who ya gonna call?

CPFGC Contacts

Revised: 6 January 2023

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There are a number of Official Club Range Officers.

You can find the full list at <http://www.cpfgc.com/contacts.html#RO>.

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Amateur Radio Group (CPARG)

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Ammo & Components Order (Usually in October)

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**STAY IN TOUCH
WITH
YOUR EMPLOYEES**

(that's right... they work for YOU.)
Let them know how you feel.

<http://www.congress.org/> has links to the White House,
the US Senate, the US House of Representatives, and all of
your state government representatives.