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"Safety First"

Fellow Members, Letter from the Editor

Fellow Members,

It is an honor as a board member, match director, newsletter editor, and competitor to bring you this special newsletter marking an important milestone in our club's history.

This year, the Airfield Shooting Club (ASC) celebrates its **20th anniversary**. In two decades, we have grown from a small group of dedicated firearms enthusiasts to one of the premier 5 star shooting clubs in Southeast Virginia.

In this issue, we look back on our history, highlight the exciting results of recent competitions—including the Bowling Pin Matches, Defensive Pistol, Rimfire Challenges, and various Skeet and Trap Matches—and share updates from around the range. As always, I invite each of you to submit articles, photographs, and ideas for future editions.

Thank you for your continued membership, volunteerism, and commitment to safe and responsible shooting.

—Tom Sanford, Editor

ASC remains committed to the highest standards of range safety. Recent rule/safety updates to the **Range Rules** include:

- No shooting permitted outside of **6 a.m. to 10 p.m.**, regardless of sunrise or sunset.
- Shotguns may now be used on the **SRB, 50-yard, and 100-meter ranges**, with proper safety equipment.
- New tables provide **safe distances for steel targets** depending on ammunition type.
- Ammunition guidelines updated to clarify **use on steel vs. paper targets**.
- An **AED (Automated External Defibrillator)** has been added to emergency equipment.

Members are encouraged to review the updated rules and continue to prioritize safety above all else.

References:

- [Airfield Shooting Club Range Rules \(2025 Revision\)](#).

Range Safety and Rule Updates

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Recent Rule Changes: What's New & Why It Matters

The current **Range Rules & Regulations** are the current authoritative source. Highlights below with section/page pointers; older drafts may differ. When in doubt, use the newest PDF. [Airfield Shooting Club](#)

Operating Hours & Closures

- **Range hours:** *Sunrise to sunset*, unless specifically authorized by the Airfield Conference Center and ASC Board. (Section I-D-1, p.6 of PDF; document pagination shows Section I on pages 4–6.)
- **Sunday noise:** The 23-11-11 rules include Sunday morning noise limits (≤ 22 on rifle/pistol; ≤ 20 -gauge on clays; suppressors permitted if within limits). (Section I-D-3, 23-11-11 edition).

Range Commands & Cold/Hot Discipline

RANGE SAFETY

Proper Firearms Safety Starts With
YOU!

Standard commands (**Cease-fire, Unload, Show Clear, Range Cold/Hot, Commence Fire**) are defined; anyone may call **Cease-fire**. During **Cold**, no gun or ammo handling forward of the red line; cases and racks are your friend. (Section I-C; see also RSO Manual excerpts).

Steel Targets & Safe Distances

- **Minimums:** Pistol/pistol-caliber rifle ≥ 25 ft; shotgun with **lead 7½ or smaller ≥ 50 ft; centerfire rifle ≥ 100 yds** (and thus rifle-caliber steel is 100-m range only). (Section I-G-6).
- **Placement:** On 50-yd and 100-m ranges, hang steel at the berm; on **SRB**, steel must be **in the berm** (special frames permitted). (Section I-G-7).

Archery on Rifle/Pistol

Ranges

Archery is permitted on SRB/50-yd/100-m with the same safety/command structure; do not handle bows/crossbows while people are down-range; crossbows must be de-cocked to be “clear.” (Section I-H).

Range-Specific Highlights

- **50-yd/100-m:** Do not shoot within 12 ft laterally of the separation wall; place 100-m targets at the berm (77-m silhouettes for specific 4-H events are the exception with elevated stands). Avoid the far-right 50-yd bay; do **not** shoot the Range Arrow/post. (Section II-A).
- **Short Range Berm (SRB):** RSOs must verify no one is behind the berm; all rounds into the **lower half**; use only lanes 1–9 aligned with your position; frames in **PVC locations only**; paper or non-metal targets on frames outside the berm; **do not** shoot structures. (Section II-B).
- **Shotgun Fields:** Qualification required; action open until on pad; muzzle never past houses or people; cease-fire norms apply; reload traps only with arms released/off. (Section II-C).



Safety Spotlight: Empty Chamber Indicators (ECIs) and red-line discipline save fingers, eyes, and friendships.

References (Rule Changes)

- Range Rules & Regulations 23-11-11 (earlier 2023/24 edition, with change log).
- Range Rules & Regulations Using the SRB, 25, 50 & 100-Yard Ranges

Universal Habits

- **Hot vs. Cold:** During **Cold**, step behind the red line; **no** firearm or ammunition handling. **Empty Chamber Indicators (ECI's)** in; actions open; no magazines, muzzles pointed **down-range** when benched. Only move downrange on command. (Section I-C).
- **Steel:** Minimum distances—**25 ft** (pistol/pistol-caliber rifle), **50 ft** (shotgun with lead 7½ or smaller), **100 yds** (centerfire rifle). Hang steel **at the berm** on 50-yd/100-m; on SRB, hang in the berm (special frames). (Section I-G-6/7).

SRB (Short Range Berm)

- **Where to stand:** Use lanes **1–9** directly in front of the SRB; RSOs verify no one is behind the berm before going **Hot**. (Section II-B-1/3).
- **Target types/frames:** Paper or non-metallic targets on frames **outside** the berm; frames only in **PVC-marked**

spots; do **not** shoot SRB structures. (Section II-B-4/5/6/7).

- **Impact zone:** Lower half of berm only. (Section II-B-2).

50-Yard & 100-Meter Ranges

- **Walls & arrow:** Keep **12 ft** late-clearance from separation wall; never shoot the **Range Arrow** or its post. (Section II-A-2/4).
- **Target placement:** At **100-m**, targets at the berm only (unless elevated 4-H silhouettes at 77 m). Avoid the far-right 50-yd bay. (Section II-A-5/6).
- Sight-In Best Practices (Aligned to Rules)
- Case/uncase at the bench when **Hot**; coordinate any firearm movement between ranges with RSOs. Use **ECIs** liberally. (Section I-B/I-C guidance + RSO manual excerpts).



References (SRB & Rifle Ranges)

- Range Rules & Regulations, Sections I-C, I-G, II-A, II-B (citations above).

The Airfield Shooting Club Turns 20

The Airfield Shooting Club was founded in **2005** on the grounds of the 4-H Center in Wakefield, Virginia. Its mission was simple yet powerful: to promote the shooting sports through education, competition, and fellowship while ensuring safety above all else.

Over the years, the club has expanded its facilities, adding a 100-meter rifle range, a 50-yard multi-purpose range, a shotgun field, and short range berm. Our membership has grown steadily, and we now boast a strong and diverse community ranging from hunters and competitive shooters to new firearm owners learning the basics.

Highlights of the past 20 years include:

- Hosting **monthly bowling pin, rim-fire, pistol, and shotgun competitions**, many of which draw participants from across the region.
- Adding modern amenities such as the **5-Stand for shotgun practice** and the installation of new range benches.
- Partnering with 4-H Center, the Boy Scouts of America, and local organizations and schools to introduce youth to safe and responsible firearms handling.



- Maintaining a flawless safety record thanks to vigilant members and well-trained Range Safety Officers.

The success of ASC is a direct reflection of its members' dedication. Volunteers have kept the ranges maintained, run competitions, and ensured that every shooter—from novice to expert—has a place to grow.

Origins & Affiliation

The Airfield Shooting Club (ASC) formed in **2005** to support rifle, pistol, and clay target sports in southeastern Virginia, operating at the Airfield 4-H Center in Wakefield. ASC affiliates include the NRA, VSSA, CMP, and NSSA.

Club use is for members/escorted guests, with public participation via scheduled matches and programs (e.g., Bowling Pins, Defensive Shooting, NSSA skeet events). [Airfield Shooting Club](https://airfieldshootingclub.org)

Facilities Timeline (Selected, Sourced)

- **Core ranges:** 50-foot, 50-yard, and 100-meter ranges with covered firing points; skeet & trap with electronic release/target counting; a small archery field.
- **SRB rebuild & range maintenance:** Lead abatement/SRB rebuild and subsequent berm/grounds work were noted by the Maintenance Officer; new benches/tables and shotgun holders added (Eagle Scout project cited in newsletter).
- **3D Archery course:** 4-H/ASC work

parties in 2023 established lanes and access—now available to members per ASC posts.

[PHOTO: Volunteers clearing lanes during 3D archery work party]

Safety Culture, Always

From day one, ASC stresses safety: NRA's three fundamental rules are called out in the Range Rules, along with muzzle control, hot/cold procedures, and RSO authority. Archery and shotgun fields follow the same safety backbone, with range-specific guidance for each area.

Membership & Programs

ASC programs span Bowling Pins, Defensive Shooting, Women On Target, Swamp Shooters youth, and more—each reinforcing safety, skills, and community.

“Safety is the language everyone speaks on our ranges.”

References (ASC at 20)

- ASC About page (founded 2005; facilities; affiliations; match overview).
- ASC Q1 2024 newsletter

(maintenance notes; benches/tables; program highlights).

- 3D Archery work-party posts (course creation; member access).
- Range Rules & Regulations (safety fundamentals).

Here's to another 20 years of success, camaraderie, and marksmanship!

References:

- Airfield Shooting Club Official Website. <https://airfieldshootingclub.org>
- Virginia 4-H Center History. Virginia Cooperative Extension.

Bowling Pin Matches: A Club Favorite

Bowling Pin Matches have become one of ASC's most exciting and crowd-pleasing competitions. The rules are simple but the execution is thrilling: five to eight bowling pins are placed on a table, and shooters must clear them off as quickly as possible.

Why Bowling Pin Matches Matter

Bowling Pin Matches sharpen multiple key skills:

- **Speed and precision under pressure**
- **Target transition practice**
- **Recoil management**
- **Stress management**—as matches simulate the mental challenges of real-world defensive shooting.



The format is accessible, making it an excellent competition for both beginners and advanced shooters.

References:

- NRA Competitive Shooting Rules, "Bowling Pin Matches Overview."
- Wilson, D. *Practical Shooting Sports: A Guide*. 2019.

Rimfire Challenges: A Growing Tradition

Rimfire shooting is often the heart of ASC competition. Affordable, accurate, and fun, rimfire rifles and pistols allow shooters to practice precision at low cost while building transferable skills for larger calibers.

ASC hosted multiple Rimfire Challenges this quarter, including events sanctioned by the **American Rimfire Association (ARA)**, **Steel Challenge**, **Know Your Limits (KYL)**, and **NRA Silhouette** formats.

- **ARA Benchrest:** Competitors tested their equipment and technique against the exacting standard of benchrest accuracy. The winning score topped **2,300 points**, reflecting tight group sizes and careful wind reading.
- **Steel Challenge:** The fast-paced course rewarded accuracy and rhythm, with top shooters clearing all steel plates in under **12 seconds**.
- **KYL Match:** Competitors faced progressively smaller targets, demanding calm nerves and precise trigger control. The smallest target hit this

month measured just **1 inch at 50 yards**.

- **NRA Silhouette:** Classic steel animal targets once again challenged shooters' ability to adapt to changing distances.

Skills and Training Value

Rimfire matches help shooters:

- Develop **wind-reading ability** on lightweight projectiles.
- Refine **trigger discipline and sight alignment**.
- Manage **competition pressure** in a supportive club environment.

References:

- American Rimfire Association. <https://www.americanrimfire.com>
- Steel Challenge Shooting Association. <https://scsa.org>

Volunteer Recognition

The strength of ASC lies in its volunteers. From Range Safety Officers to competition directors, maintenance crews, and newsletter contributors, volunteers keep our club running smoothly.

This quarter, we extend our thanks to:

- **Maintenance Crew** for repairing benches and improving the shotgun fields.
- **Match Directors** for running smooth and fair competitions.
- **Members who routinely donate time** despite not seeking recognition. Without volunteers, our club could not exist. Please consider signing up for at least one volunteer event this year.

References:

- ASC Membership Handbook.

Looking Ahead

As ASC enters its 21st year, members can look forward to:

- Expanded competition opportunities.
- Facility upgrades, including continued improvements to shooting benches and rest stands.
- Youth and new shooter training events.
- Social gatherings, including our **Annual Club Breakfast**.

Stay tuned for announcements via email, the ASC website, and this newsletter.

Airfield Shooting Club Board Meeting Recap

Date: September 20, 2025

Location: ASC Clubhouse

Ongoing Projects & Updates

Brass Shields at SRB

Art and Cory are reviewing options for freestanding brass shields. Final decision will wait until roof repairs are complete.

Sign-In Shed Adjustment

Cory will reposition the shed so the



door faces the parking lot—
resolving interference with the
last shooting lane on the 100m
range.

Target: Next Work Party

Gun Show Booth Refresh

Scott and Lena are developing a more
modern display for ASC's table—
featuring a digital presentation on a
donated iPad.

Access Control List

Art is compiling a list of who has keys
or access to locked areas.

☑ Status: In Progress

New Business

5-Stand Fund Review

Kirk will verify with the accountant that
accepting funds for the 5-Stand won't
trigger tax issues.

Trap House Door Mod

Cory is looking into raising the trap
house's side door roof using a linear
actuator.

DWR Grant Recognition

Art will mount the official plaque on
the stairs at the 50-yard range.

ASC Website Redesign

Board members are choosing the top
two themes for a fresh new ASC web-
site look.

☑ Send picks to Art.

Motions Passed

- August 2025 Minutes & Treas-
urer's Report approved
- June 2026 calendar adjusted:

3rd and 4th weeks swapped to
accommodate 4-H District Shoot

- \$2,000 approved for Don Au-
buchon & Chris to develop **online
training materials**

Next Steps: Stay tuned for updates on
project completions and website
changes. Members interested in help-
ing with upcoming work parties should
reach out to the board.

Camp Cook's Corner: A Crowd-Pleasing



<https://www.missallieskitchen.com/slow-cooker-venison-stew/>

Venison Stew

For Southeastern Virginia deer camps

Why this works

Great stew starts long before the pot
hits the fire. The biggest factor in
“gamey” flavor is not a magical soak—
it's good field care and trim work. Re-
moving **fat, silver skin, connective tis-
sue, bone fragments, and hair** during
processing significantly reduces strong
flavors and improves tenderness. [University of Minnesota Extension](https://www.universityofminnesotaextension.org/venison-stew/)

Field & prep notes

**Field dress promptly and keep meat
clean/cold.** Follow Virginia DWR's car-
cass-handling guidance to reduce con-
tamination risks and comply with CWD-
related disposal recommendations.

Trim aggressively at the cutting board.

Strip away all exterior fat and silver
skin before cubing for stew; this is the
single most reliable step to reduce
“gamey.” [University of Minnesota Ex-
tension](https://www.universityofminnesotaextension.org/venison-stew/)

Optional mellowing soaks: If you like, a
buttermilk or milk soak (30–60
minutes, then pat dry) or a brief **acidic
marinade** (wine, cider vinegar) can
soften edges of flavor. These are com-
mon camp practices, but trimming re-
mains the evidence-based fix. [misspur-
suit.com](https://www.missallieskitchen.com/slow-cooker-venison-stew/)

**Camp recipe: Tidewater
Venison Stew (serves 8–
10)**



Cut: 3–3½ lb venison shoulder/neck or hindquarter, trimmed and cut in 1½-inch cubes

Build: wide Dutch oven or heavy pot over coals/grate

Ingredients

- 6 slices bacon, diced (or 3 Tbsp oil if you prefer no pork)
- 2 large onions, chopped; 4 ribs celery, sliced; 4 carrots, chunked
- 4 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 Tbsp tomato paste
- 1½ cups dry red wine (or cider)
- 4 cups low-sodium beef or venison stock
- 2 bay leaves; 1 tsp dried thyme; 1 tsp smoked paprika
- 1 Tbsp Worcestershire; 1 Tbsp soy (umami boost)
- 1 lb red potatoes, halved; 1 cup frozen butter beans or lima beans

- Salt & black pepper to taste; splash of apple cider vinegar to finish

Cooking Methods

1. **Render & brown.** Cook bacon until crisp; remove. Pat venison dry, season, and brown in batches in the bacon fat (or oil). Browning = deeper flavor.
2. **Aromatics.** Sauté onion, celery, carrots 6–8 min; add garlic 1 min. Stir in tomato paste to darken slightly.
3. **Deglaze.** Add wine/cider; scrape fond. Reduce by half.
4. **Simmer.** Return venison (and bacon), add stock, bay, thyme, paprika, Worcestershire, soy. Simmer gently, partially covered, 90–120 min—coals low and steady—until fork-tender.

5. **Finish.** Add potatoes and butter beans for the last 30–35 min. Adjust salt/pepper. Off the heat, brighten with a spoon of cider vinegar.

Sides that sing with venison stew

- Skillet cornbread (honey-butter at the fire ring)
- Cheese grits or buttermilk mashed potatoes
- Collard greens with cider vinegar
- Pickled okra or quick-pickled red onions (bright acid cuts richness)
- Camp salad: shaved cabbage, apple, and pecans with vinaigrette

Sources





The Marksman's Edge: Five Keys to Sharpen Your Shooting Skills

Becoming a better marksman is not just about hitting the bullseye; it's about developing consistency, confidence, and control. Whether you're preparing for hunting season or competing at the range, there are timeless principles that every shooter should embrace. Here are five pillars to improve your marksmanship, each worthy of your focus and dedication.

1. Equipment Matters, but Fundamentals Matter More

It's easy to get caught up in the allure of high-end rifles, custom scopes, and the latest gadgets. While having quality gear is important, even the finest equipment won't make up for a lack of fundamental skills. Your stance, grip, sight alignment, breathing, and trigger control are the foundation of accuracy. Without mastering these basics, no amount of money spent on equipment will yield consistent results.

Consider this: Olympic shooters often train with basic rifles early in their careers to perfect their technique. They know that every shot begins and ends with the shooter, not the tool. Instead of chasing upgrades, spend time refining your fundamentals. Dry fire practice, focusing on follow-through, and working on your natural point of aim will do more for your accuracy than the most expensive scope ever could.

Invest in gear that fits your needs, but avoid using it as a crutch. A marksman with average equipment but flawless fundamentals will always outshoot someone relying solely on fancy gadgets. Remember, your equipment is only as good as the person using it.

2. Don't Overanalyze Ammunition Accuracy

It's tempting to blame a miss on the ammunition, but obsessing over tiny differences in group size can distract you from the bigger picture. While some shooters spend hours testing dozens of ammunition brands and loads, the truth is most factory ammo is more accurate than the average shooter. Instead of chasing perfection in ballistics, focus on consistent shot placement.

Unless you're a competitive benchrest shooter, your goal is repeatable, practical accuracy. Choose ammunition that is reliable, performs well in your firearm, and suits your intended purpose—whether it's hunting or target shooting. Once you find a dependable load, stick with it and spend your time honing your skills instead of nitpicking minute ballistic details.

Remember, real-world shooting rarely mirrors controlled conditions. Environmental factors like wind, elevation, and shooting positions often have a greater impact on accuracy than slight differences in ammunition. Train to work with what you have, and you'll be better prepared for whatever conditions you face.

3. Practice with a Plan

Showing up at the range and randomly shooting targets is not practice—it's just noise. To become a better marksman, you need a structured plan. Define your goals for each session and focus on specific aspects of your shooting. Whether it's working on trigger control, practicing positional shooting, or refining long-range accuracy, deliberate practice makes all the difference.

Keep a training log to track your progress. Record your group sizes, adjustments, and any challenges you encounter. This will help you identify areas for improvement and refine your approach. Break your practice into drills: spend time on slow-fire accuracy, rapid target transitions, and shooting under time constraints to simulate real-world scenarios.

It's also crucial to practice the way you'll shoot in the field. If you're a hunter, incorporate shooting from natural positions like kneeling, prone, or leaning against a tree. If you're a competitor, work on drills that replicate match conditions. A focused plan ensures every round fired contributes to your growth.

4. Practice or Participate in Matches Away From Your Home Range

Comfort zones are the enemy of improvement. While it's tempting to stick to your home range where you know the distances, wind patterns, and target setups, true progress comes from challenging yourself in unfamiliar environments. Traveling to a different range or participating in a shooting match will expose you to new conditions and scenarios that test your



adaptability.

Competing in matches, even at a local level, can be intimidating, but the experience is invaluable. Matches often simulate real-world challenges, from shooting at unknown distances to engaging multiple targets under time pressure. These situations force you to rely on fundamentals and think on your feet, skills that are essential for any marksman.

Additionally, shooting at unfamiliar ranges broadens your experience. Wind behaves differently, lighting changes, and targets may be positioned in ways that test your ability to estimate distance and adjust your hold-overs. Embrace these challenges—they're what make you a well-rounded marksman.

5. Join or Shoot with Others (Out of Your Comfort Zone)

Shooting is often seen as a solitary activity, but there's immense value in shooting with others—especially those who challenge you. Joining a shooting club, participating in group classes, or simply practicing with friends can introduce you to new techniques, perspectives, and skills. Watching an experienced shooter work through a problem can teach you as much as hours of practice.

Shooting with others also fosters accountability. When you're part of a group, there's a natural drive to perform your best and learn from your peers. It's also an opportunity to receive constructive feedback—something you can't get when shooting alone.

Stepping out of your comfort zone might mean attending a clinic, trying a new discipline like precision rifle or practical pistol shooting, or even joining a competition for the first time. These experiences force you to adapt and grow, building confidence and skill along the way.

Conclusion: The Path to Mastery

Becoming a better marksman is a journey, not a destination. By focusing on fundamentals, avoiding unnecessary distractions, practicing with purpose, embracing new challenges, and learn-



ing from others, you'll steadily refine your skills. Remember, the greatest marksmen are not born—they're made through dedication, discipline, and a willingness to learn. Take these principles to heart, and your shooting will reach new heights.

Improving Precision Rifle on the Bench

Bench rest shooting is a precision sport that requires specialized equipment to ensure accuracy and consistency. Here's a list of essential equipment needed for bench rest competition:

1. Precision Rifle

- **Custom Bench Rest Rifle:** A highly accurate rifle specifically designed for bench rest shooting. These rifles are usually custom-built for precision, featuring heavy barrels, optimized stocks, and chambered for highly accurate cartridges (e.g., 6mm PPC, .22 BR).
- **Match-Grade Barrel:** The barrel is one of the most critical components, with a focus on precision and minimal vibrations.
- **Custom Action:** Bench rest rifles typically feature single-shot actions that are incredibly smooth and precise to minimize disruption when cycling.

2. High-Quality Optic

- **Precision Rifle Scope:** A high-powered scope, typically with magnifications of 20x or more, is essential for sighting small targets at long distances. It should have precise, repeatable adjustments for windage and elevation.
- **Parallax Adjustment:** A scope with parallax correction allows the shooter to ensure the target is sharp and aligned with the reticle.

3. Stable Bench Rest

- **Front Rest:** A high-quality, adjusta-



ble front rest provides support for the front of the rifle. It often includes fine-tuning adjustments for elevation and windage to help align the rifle perfectly with the target.

- **Rear Bag:** A heavy, sand-filled rear bag cradles the buttstock and allows for small adjustments to the rifle's position. It's vital for maintaining stability and consistency from shot to shot.

4. Ammunition and Reloading Equipment

- **Match-Grade Ammunition:** Bench rest shooters either handload their ammunition or use meticulously inspected match-grade rounds. Hand-

loading is more common, as it allows for tuning loads to the specific rifle.

- **Reloading Press:** A high-quality press for creating precise reloads.
- **Precision Scales and Measuring Tools:** For accurate powder measurement and bullet seating depth, including a micrometer and bullet comparator

5. Wind Flags

- **Wind Flags:** Multiple wind flags placed between the shooting bench and the target are critical for reading wind speed and direction, as even slight changes can dramatically affect the bullet's trajectory.

6. Shooting Bench

- **Stable Shooting Bench:** Competitions typically provide benches, but many shooters bring their own for consistency. A solid, vibration-free bench is key to maintaining accuracy during long strings of fire.

7. Chronograph

- **Chronograph:** Used to measure the muzzle velocity of the rounds. Maintaining consistent velocity is important for accuracy at long distances.

8. Rangefinder

- **Laser Rangefinder:** If shooting at unknown distances, a rangefinder



helps confirm the exact distance to the target. This helps with trajectory calculations.

9. Shooting Mat or Ground Cover

- Some shooters use a mat or cover to keep their gear and themselves clean and dry.

10. Miscellaneous Tools and Accessories

- **Torque Wrench:** For ensuring that scope rings, mounts, and other components are properly tightened without over-tightening.
- **Cleaning Kit:** Keeping the barrel clean is important for consistency. Most shooters clean their barrels between relays or even between shots.
- **Spotting Scope:** For checking shot placement without leaving the bench, especially at long distances.
- **Logbook/Notebook:** For keeping track of conditions, shot placement, and load data during practice and competition.

11. Protective Gear

- **Ear and Eye Protection:** Essential for personal safety during shooting.
- **Shooting Jacket or Gloves:** Some shooters wear specialized shooting jackets or gloves to improve stability and reduce recoil impact.

12. Ballistic Software/ Calculator

- Many competitive shooters use ballistic software or handheld ballistic calculators to input data about wind speed, bullet drop, and other factors, helping them make precise adjustments.

This equipment will help you maintain consistency and accuracy in the highly precise and competitive world of bench



Xero® C1
Pro Chrono-
graph



Fix It Sticks The Works with
All-in-One Torque Driver
Maintenance Kit



Understanding the use of Wind Flags



- Virginia Dept. of Wildlife Re- lations & season digest; carcass handling & CWD guidance; venison

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