

## Why Buy an Adult Air Gun?

Air gun shooting is a fun enjoyable sport that teaches firearm safety and marksmanship. Those skills are directly transferable to regular firearms.

As with many sports, technology has had a dramatic effect on the sport of air gun shooting. Today's air guns have dramatically improved from the Red Ryder BB gun we had as kids. Target guns, like those used in the Olympics, are extremely accurate and precise. After all, the 10 meter bullseye is the size of the period that ended the last sentence

Additional modern air gun benefits are:

### Hunting

"Magnum" air rifles lethal 30-50 yds  
Effective for small game.

### Shooting Skill Improvement

Permits frequent & inexpensive practice (approx. 1-2 cents/shot).

### Air Gun Regulations

Not subject to 1968 US GCA & most other federal or state gun laws.

## Air Gun Options

### Spring Piston

High powered, suitable for hunting.  
Hard to cock and with some recoil.  
Not suited to target shooting.

### CO2

No need to pump between shots.  
More expensive to operate.  
Effected by cold temperatures.

### Single Pump Pneumatic

Must hand pump between shots.  
Inexpensive to operate  
Not easily maintained/repaired.

### Precharged Pneumatic

Most accurate for competition.  
Olympic class air guns are PCPs  
Compressed air tank is required.



## Welcome to The Villages Air Gun Club

The Villages Air Gun Club is exclusive to the residents of The Villages community in Central Florida. The Villages Recreation Department has provided three air gun ranges for the Air Gun Club and other interested residents to use.

The Rio Grande range is located at 1216 Rio Grande Blvd (just behind the postal center).  
The Soaring Eagle range is located at 4396 Morse Blvd (next to the softball complex).  
The Fenney range is located at 2618 Fenney Way (at the intersection of Fenney Way and Bigham Trail).

[www.airgunclub.org](http://www.airgunclub.org)

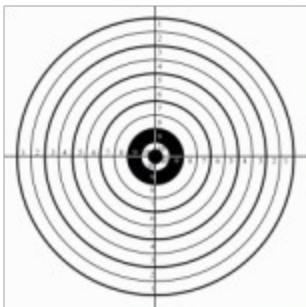
## Air Gun Club

### Competition & Activities

#### Competition

The Villages Air Gun Club competition season starts the first week of July and ends the first week of April. The 40 week season is capped with an awards banquet where the season's top shooters are recognized. The competitive shoots are held each week during the season.

Competition shoots are held at the Soaring Eagle on Monday and Tuesday. At the Rio Grande range competitive shooting is held on Thursday and Friday. Members compete with both pistols and rifles, offhand and bench rest. Each match is 20 shots broken up into two segments of 10 shots in 10 minutes.



## Activities

#### Recreation Department Introductory Shoots

Every Tuesday and Wednesday throughout the year, the Villages Recreation Department and the Villages Air Gun Club sponsor an open shooting event for all Village residents and their guests 13 years and older. Open shoots are held at the Rio Grande range on Tuesday from 9-11 a.m., and the Soaring Eagle range on Wednesday from 9-11 a.m. Reservations are not required. Each participant is provided with an air gun (pistol and/or rifle), pellets, targets, and basic instruction by an air gun club member. These open shoots are a great way to familiarize oneself with the sport or just spend time with friends and family.



## Villages Senior Games

The Villages Senior Games is an annual Olympic-style sports festival sponsored by The Villages Recreation Department for athletes over 50 years of age. Sports such as swimming, track & field, tennis and pickleball are just a few of the nearly 30 different sports and activities included. Air gun shooting is one of the more popular events and club members are strong competitors

#### Camp Villages

Each year, during the summer months, The Villages Recreation Department conducts an intergenerational program for Villagers and their grandchildren. The program consists of games such as soccer, dodgeball and activities such as arts and crafts. These games and activities are staffed by volunteers from the various Village clubs. Members of the Villages Air Gun Club staff the annual competitive shoots for the grandchildren of residents. In fact, this activity has been one of the most popular activities and sells out quickly.