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In RANDOM SHOTS I will be sharing, with you, selected links from my collection of shooting related "favourites" that I think may be of interest to the MVRRC members.

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Enjoy

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This month's offering is a small collection of the many hunting and shooting iPhone, iPad and/or Android Apps that are available on the Internet. I have not tested any of them, as I do not own a Smart Phone ©

Since the nice weather is on the way (I hope) I will be taking a break from RANDOM SHOTS until the Fall. See you then.

Shooter - Ballistics Calculator

Shooter is a highly accurate ballistics calculator Shooter is far above the competition by not only it's unparalleled accuracy, but it's great user interface that just makes sense to a shooter and gets you to a solution quick and easy. (iPhone / iPad & Android)

Bulletflight

This is a military grade ballistic computer that provides quick solutions in the field. (iPhone / iPod)

Sako Ballistics Calculator

Sako has taken all of the features and functionality from its web version of the Ballistics Calculator and developed a user-friendly interface for the iPhone

Winchester Ballistics Calculator

Winchester has taken all of the features and functionality from its web version of the Ballistics Calculator and developed a user-friendly interface specifically for the iPhone. Users are able to choose their type of ammunition and compare up to three bullets with easy to read, high-tech graphs and charts. (iPhone)

iSnipe

iSnipe is a ballistics calculator app that generates military grade 3-DOF (degrees of freedom) solutions for small arms trajectories, including corrections for Pitch, Yaw, Wind, Coriolis/Eötvös Effect, Spin Drift and Atmospheric Conditions. (iPhone / iPad & Android)

View the demo on YouTube.

ShotPlot

ShotPlot is a simple yet powerful plotting system that makes paperback plotting books obsolete. (iPhone / iPad)

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Mil-Dot-Ballistics

Mil-Dot Ballistics, when used with your mil-dot reticle, combines fast range estimation with a full featured ballistics calculator that's simple to use. Real-time calculations provide instant range estimation and ballistics calculation to get you on target fast. (iPhone / iPod)

Also see Mil-Dot Range Finder.

The Ballistic Targeting System

The Ballistic Targeting System software program, in conjunction with a laser bore sighter, calculates the scope adjustment required to place you on target at selected ranges up to 300 yards! It automatically calculates and prints a laser bore sighting target for your specific rifle and ammo. Available for Windows, Mac and iPhone/iPad.

OnTarget Precision Calculator

The OnTarget Precision Calculator App is a tool used to accurately measure and analyze bullet hole groups that imported from a scanner or camera. Target distance and hole size are defined, then, circles are positioned over the bullet holes. Group information is automatically calculated and displayed. (PC Windows)

Shooters Diary

Shooters diary is a tool to help a shooter to perform better by keeping a record that tells you how you performed by keeping a record of practice and competition scores. More importantly, it helps you analyze your shooting so you know what you are doing right and help you correct the problems. (Android)

Target Tracker

The Target Tracker is a unique application for your Android device which provides you with a powerful training aid. The application utilizes the touch screen features of the Smartphone, allowing you to record the position of each shot as it is fired during your practice session or match. (Android)

Shot Timer PRO

This is a Shooting timer with state of the art shot detection algorithm that works in any condition with any calibre. Mainly designed for IPSC shooters but works great for other disciplines. Test yourself how fast can you shoot! (Android)

Free Shot Timer Apps

With either the SureFire or Taurus Timer Apps, you can hold your iPhone like a traditional shot timer or use the start delay mode with the iPhone placed on a shooting bench, or held in your shirt pocket. The Shot Timer will display both elapsed time and split time for every shot. You can store practice session results in your iPhone's internal memory.

Sport Shooting Training

The main purpose of this application is to help a shooter with the pace of shooting, a sense of time and maintaining a routine of the training process for both dry fire and live shooting. The program allows a shooter to schedule drills in combining a set of intervals (sets) with a variety of acoustic and visual signals. (Android)

Trimble GPS Hunt Pro

Trimble GPS Hunt Pro is the first mobile navigation app built solely for hunters. With GPS Hunt, you can find hunting spots on detailed outdoor maps, track wildlife, take trophy photos and backtrack home. Plus, GPS Hunt works in remote places without the need of data and cellular signals. (iPhone)

The Ultimate SAS Survival Guide

This the definitive guide to survive in the wild, in any climate, on land or at sea. (iPhone / iPad & Android)

iHunt Journal

iHunt Journal is the ultimate all-in-one hunting app that manages all your hunting memories plus it allows you to research and plan your hunts. (iPhone / iPad & Android)

Hunting Light & Blood Tracker

Hunting Light & Blood Tracker is a handy hunting flashlight that provides screen lights of various colors for specific uses in the field to give hunters improved visibility in variable light conditions PLUS the addition of a "blood tracking" light filter that enhances the visibility of a blood trail left by wounded game. (iPhone)

Homemade Firearm Cleaners & Lubricants

This site contains information on alternative products and information on making up your own cleaning, lubricating, and related items for shooting and reloading. These products may work as well as or frequently better than the commercial products.

Army Sniper

The Army Sniper app is the U.S. Army's official field manual and provides information to train and equip sniper and to aid them on their missions and operations. Army Sniper includes over 800 pages of great content. (iPhone)

US Marksmen Issued Better Rifles in Afghanistan

The Army is doubling the number of 7.62mm weapons in the infantry squad, increasing soldiers' long-range killing power in the wide-open expanses of Afghanistan. Since the beginning of the war, a typical nine-man infantry squad has included a single squad-designated marksman, armed with a surplus M14 rifle for engaging the enemy beyond the 300-meter range of M4s and M16s.

Fire Arms Canada Forum

Discuss fire arm related topics with members from across the country.

Firebird Reactive Targets

These small reactive targets have been approved for use at the range as long as they are placed at least 10 metres away from the shooter.

NOTE! These are NOT the high power binary targets that carry their own strict safety precautions.

Sporting Ammunition and the Fire Fighter

This YouTube link was passed to me by Adam MacLellan and shows what can happen when ammuniation is burned, shot at or otherwise physically absued.

Beware of Surplus Ammuniation

There is always a chance that spiked ammunition could find its way onto the surplus market.

West Pictou Wildlife Association Gunshow

The first gun show of the year will be held on 30 & 31 May at 266 Park St., New Glasgow. (Exit 25).