



# NORTHERN VIRGINIA GUN CLUB

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## Notes from the President:

**This month our annual picnic and swap meet will occur immediately after the monthly meeting.** The Club will be providing both food & drinks. Please come join us and bring your appetite! If you have any items that are collecting dust or you have not used in a while consider bringing them for the swap meet. Many members will be using the ranges following the picnic. Hope to see you there!

We had to cancel the June 5 John Garand match since we received no advance registrations! We have one more scheduled for November. If you are interested, please contact the match director Jim Morgan. His contact information is listed later in this newsletter.

Last month we held an informal Cowboy Action meet and are planning to have more. This style of shooting is one of the fastest growing in the country and should prove to be a lot of fun for any member that chooses to participate. Since this is very popular, it has the potential to bring in new members as well. Thanks to our pistol chairman, Tim Spivak and his posse Jim Newman and Tom Wasmund for their efforts so far in getting this started.

The EC has decided to schedule monthly Cowboy matches on the fourth Sunday of every month starting this month. Please check the calendar for more specific information. Due to our desire to hold the matches safely and fairly to all participants, we have decided to close the pistol/rifle range to non-Cowboy shooting during the time that the matches are scheduled thru October. Since the ranges are closed a lot during the months of November and December for hunting, a decision on closing them for these two months has not been made yet. As always with our matches, the match director (or person he designates) is the RSO on duty is in charge of the range. If you have any questions or comments on this, please come to the June meeting to discuss them.

We are always looking for someone to volunteer to cook the food for the July thru October work parties / club meetings. If you are willing, please contact a member of the EC.

A new GANDER MOUNTAIN Hunting, Fishing, and Outdoor Recreation store is opening on June 11 in Fredericksburg at the old Wal-Mart location on Rt.3. They claim they will have over 4,000 new and used guns on the floor. Additional features and services planned are ATV sales and service, a full archery technical shop and archery range, gunsmith service, professional fish line winding, a live bait shop and Gander lodge meeting space (for local organizations who need a meeting room from time to time). Now if you live in the Fredericksburg area you no longer need to travel to Green Top or Clark Brothers for reloading supplies.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Tom Hackett  
President, NVGC

**SPECIAL NOTICE:**

If you ever see any vandalism or troublesome trespassers, please call the King George Sheriff's office and report the event. Please have the deputy come to the property and document the problems. The King George sheriff's number is: Clarence 'Moose' Dobson (540) 775-2049.

We also request that you contact the club president, Tom Hackett, and Darryl Breitenstein since he manages the club email list and can get notices out to our email list quickly.

**Range Safety Committee:**

We want to bring our listing of qualified NVGC Range Officers up-to-date. Have you ever been the Chief Range Safety Officer? Did you ever serve on the Safety Committee? Are you a certified NRA Range Safety Officer? Do you have any other Range Safety qualifications?

If so, please send an email with your past experience and list any current certifications to: [RSO@nvgc.org](mailto:RSO@nvgc.org).

**Work Day project for June:**

There are still a large number of downed trees to be cut into saw logs. This can be a project for the June work party. It will require the three members for each team: 1 member with a chain saw; two members with a 16 foot tape measure and one ax to mark the logs.

**GENERAL MAINTENANCE:**

The shoulders along the road to the range have a number of trees and tree limbs that are over hanging in the road. This will require pruning shears to cut back overhanging tree branches along the road and side lines on the ranges; Be sure to cut the trees low to the ground so the tractor will be able to cut the road side.

Weed Wackers and/or push lawn mowers to trim the slope in front of the rifle/pistol ranges; around the target frames; camp grounds; shotgun range and picnic area;

Pickup Truck with King George county sticker to make the usual trash run to the dump;

Saws, hammers, etc to rebuild the damage target covers on the archery range;

**RANGE SAFETY NOTICE REMINDERS:**

- 1) MEMBERS - YOU MUST PLACE TARGETS SO THAT YOU ARE SHOOTING IN A STRAIGHT LINE TO THE TARGET AND THE BULLETS ARE IMPACTING IN THE BERM. When you are firing at an angle to the target your bullets are not impacting the designed berm. The bullets may exit the range across the road or the right side of the range.
- 2) When the firing line is cold EVERYONE MUST MOVE behind the firing line so the Safety Officer has a clear view up and down the firing line.
- 3) DO NOT move any firearms to/from the firing line or handle them on the firing line when the range is cold.
- 4) Tracer Ammunition IS NOT ALLOWED TO BE FIRED ON THE RANGE AT ANYTIME.

Thank you for following these safety rules.

Jim Morgan, XO

**For Sale:** Remington 11-87 SuperMag 12 ga shotgun, shoots 2¾", 3", or 3½" shells. Choice of 26" or 28" vent rib barrel. Has Hardwoods camouflage stocks. This shotgun is a super turkey,

deer, bear, or waterfowl gun. \$575.00. Spare barrel, scope mount, and turkey, deer, and waterfowl factory ammunition, MEC Sizemaster reloader, and Federal once fired hulls are available as well.

Bob King  
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### **Hi Power Chairman's Report:**

We had another great spring hi power season @ Fairfax Rod & Gun Club. With mostly no rain & warm weather all of the NVGC members turned in some very nice scores. Bill Howard & Joe Satriano took 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the expert class. Patrick Reisinger & I shot an all-time high score for a reduced course in match #3. Bill's son Travis did exceptionally well for a first time new shooter. He will make a very good shooter in the next couple of years.

I am still planning on having a gun club service rifle championship & an any-service rifle combat match sometime in August -October time frame. A match bulletin will be posted in the newsletter soon.

I want to thank all who came out for the Hi Power Rifle clinic on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. We had 11 shooters & 5 coaches. Congratulations to Mike Jamison for organizing the clinic and getting good quality coaches for support. Thanks to Alan Ashley, Bill McKay, and Ernie Padgett. We started the day with a short class about what equipment is needed: rifles, ammo, scopes, shooting jackets, etc. We had one coach for every two shooters. We did some off-hand, rapid fire, and slow fire prone drills. There were some very good scores fired by the shooters. Mike and I plan on having another clinic either this fall or next spring. Again I would like to thank Mike and all the coaches for coming out.

Glenn Reisinger

### **Membership Report For June**

We have Seven prospective new members:

Christopher Strickland of King George sponsored by Thomas Williams  
Tracy Anne Rees of Spotsylvania sponsored by Frank Baker III  
Timothy Gorder of King George sponsored by Bob King  
Jacob Huffstickler of King George sponsored by Ben Manuel  
Jay Stewart of King George is unsponsored  
Michael Cherok of Montross is unsponsored  
Thomas PhillipsIII of Colonial Beach is unsponsored

If anyone has any issues with any of these prospective members please contact the membership chairman or any club officer with your concerns.

Welcome to new members Paul Ketcham, David Huffstickler, Russell Manual, Jason Falbe, Lewis Ray, Joseph Maddox and Rodger O'Conner.

A reminder that membership dues are due by July 1, 2004.

Joe Graninger  
Membership Secretary

### **Cowboy Action Shoot Report:**

The club's first Cowboy Action Shoot (CAS) was held on 22 May at the pistol and rifle range (see the pictures on the following pages). The competition is held in accordance with guidelines established by the Single Action Shooting Society (SASS). See SASS website for details on the sport. The shoot was a great success with competitors firing single action sixes, lever action rifles, and double barrel or pump shotguns against a series of steel targets at close range. Three

stages were completed. See attached photos. Our next Cowboy Action shoot will take place at the NVGC on Sunday, June 27th. Shooters must register by 930AM, and shooting will start at 10AM, and cease at 4PM. Fee is \$10 per shooter. Bring your own lunch. Competition is open to all members and their guests. No experience required. This is a fast moving, high energy sport. Shooters are encouraged to come out and give it a try. Guns and ammo can be provided upon advance request for new shooters.

For details, contact pistol chair, Tim Spivak on (540) 775-4561 or [spivak@worldskyline.com](mailto:spivak@worldskyline.com).

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### **NVGC 2004 Calendar**

Date	Time	Event
5 June, 2004	10:00am	<del>Highpower John Garand match</del> CANCELLED
12 June, 2004	9:00am-12:00pm	Club Pistol Match
19 June, 2004	9:00am/12:00 noon	Work Party/Club meeting & Annual Picnic
20 June, 2004	9:00am	ATA Trap Match (Registration starts at 8:30am)
26 June, 2004	9:00am-12:00pm	Smallbore Benchrest Match (IR50 - .22 rimfire)

27 June, 2004	10:00am-4:00pm	Cowboy Action Shooting – Match (Register by 9:30am)
17 July, 2004	9:00am/12:00 noon	Work Party/Club meeting
25 July, 2004	10:00am-4:00pm	Cowboy Action Shooting – Match (Register by 9:30am)
31 July, 2004	9:00am-12:00pm	Smallbore Benchrest Match (IR50 - .22 rimfire)
21 August, 2004	9:00am/12:00 noon	Work Party/Club meeting
22 August, 2004	10:00am-4:00pm	Cowboy Action Shooting – Match (Register by 9:30am)
<del>28 August, 2004</del>	<del>10:00am</del>	<del>Highpower – John Garand match</del> CANCELLED
28 August, 2004	9:00am-12:00pm	Smallbore Benchrest Match (IR50 - .22 rimfire)
28 August, 2004	12:00pm	Cowboy Action Shooting – Match (Register by 9:30am)
18 September, 2004	9:00am/12:00 noon	Work Party/Club meeting
18 September, 2004	After NVGC meeting	NVSF Annual Meeting
18 September, 2004	2:00pm	Highpower – Club Highpower Service Rifle Match
19 September, 2004	10:00am-4:00pm	Cowboy Action Shooting – Match (Register by 9:30am)
25 September, 2004	All day	NVGC OPEN HOUSE (Nat'l Hunting & Fishing Day)
26 September, 2004	12:00- 4:00 pm	Black Powder Qualification - Caledon
2 October, 2004	All Day	HUNTING – First Day – Deer Archery Season
16 October, 2004	9:00am/12:00 noon	Work Party/Club meeting
25 October, 2004	10:00am-4:00pm	Cowboy Action Shooting – Match (Register by 9:30am)
30 October, 2004	All Day	HUNTING – First Day – Deer Muzzleloader Season
30 October, 2004	9:00am-12:00pm	Smallbore Benchrest Match (IR50 - .22 rimfire)
13 November, 2004	All Day	HUNTING – First Day – Deer General Firearms Season
14 November, 2004	10:00am	Highpower – John Garand match
20 November, 2004	TBD	Club meeting (TBD)
28 November, 2004	10:00am-4:00pm	Cowboy Action Shooting – Match (Register by 9:30am)
18 December, 2004	TBD	Club meeting (TBD)
26 December, 2004	10:00am-4:00pm	Cowboy Action Shooting – Match (Register by 9:30am)
22 January, 2005	5:00pm	Annual Dinner & Club Meeting

Notes:

- 1) All events are held at the Club unless specifically stated otherwise.
- 2) All Ranges will be CLOSED Mondays, Tuesdays, Fridays, & Saturdays during Deer General Firearms Season starting November 13 and ending January 1, 2005.

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**Shotgun News:** The trap and skeet ranges have been very busy since the cold, windy weather went back up North where it belongs. We usually have full squads of both trap and skeet shooters, and a few waiting their turn. Some shooters are cooking their supper after the shooting. We have approval to build two shooters pavilions behind the skeet fields. We will commence construction the first week of June, and hopefully finish the buildings at our monthly work session, in time for the picnic, swap meet and shooting activities. We will work in the evenings, and finish up with a little shooting. Gene Hodgson finished the stairs to the new high house. They look great!

There will be an ATA Trap Match, Sunday, June 20, at 9 a.m. We have trap and skeet “targets only” every Wednesday during our regular practice sessions. Shooters needing to get classified, attain minimums for state and national competition, and wanting to improve their averages can do so for the cost of registering their scores.

Some recent highlights: Brian Green was in the winner’s circle at the state sporting clays tournament in May. Richard Toothman ran 200 trap doubles and 100 singles to win a shoot in West Virginia. Frank Baker ran 50 straight in trap practice last week, and Jon Yagla broke a 96 in handicap trap in our last ATA match.

We shoot every Wednesday at 4:30. However, there are shooters coming in and shooting a few rounds almost every day of the week. There is also usually a good turnout on Sunday afternoons. But if you have to come a long way, please call one of the regular shooters if you want to shoot, but need help with the equipment or don’t want to shoot alone.

Dale Hundley is starting to take orders for the next supply delivery. Get your order in early-it gets hectic close to delivery time.

Jon Yagla  
Shotgun Chairman