



NORTHERN VIRGINIA GUN CLUB

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Notes from the President:

At last month's club meeting, a resolution was passed that will allow more freedom to our committee chairmen to hold activities. Our policy of requiring notice in two issues of the newsletter for every event was felt to be too restrictive in this age of electronic communications. The policy was amended by a 2/3 majority to require only notice in the prior newsletter for any activity that does not restrict a member from using a venue (shotgun, pistol, rifle, etc.). Notice in the two prior newsletters is still required for any event that will restrict a member from using the facilities.

Don't forget to stick around after the club meeting on Sept. 18 for the annual NVSF stockholders meeting. If you have not sent in your ballots, please do so immediately or bring them to the meeting so they can be counted.

Speaking of elections, the NVGC elections are also coming up soon. If you are interested in serving your club, please let me know. The ballots will be going out in the November newsletter. We already have one opening so far. Our club Membership Secretary, Joe Graninger has notified me that he does not plan to run for re-election this fall. Joe has been a great asset to the Executive Committee and will be greatly missed. Please see Joe if you have any interest in this job.

Our annual open house is this month on September 25. This is the time when we open our club to attract new members. If you know of anyone that may be interested, please invite them to stop by and join us for some great food and shooting. Please don't forget to check the calendar for other activities scheduled this month and in the future.

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Tom Hackett
President NVGC

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

Last month we had an accidental discharge at our rifle range. The member had his rifle elevated above the berm when it discharged. He apologized and admitted that his rifle was defective and had misfired before. Please remember the safety and future of our club is all of our concern. We must always be vigilant in this. We have had a very safe range so far but just one accident can shut us down forever. If you have a defective firearm it is your responsibility to immediately stop using it and to get it repaired before firing it again. By not doing so, you may endanger the membership and future of our club. Please know and memorize the fundamental NRA Rules for Safe Gun Handling:

- 1) Always keep the gun pointed in a safe direction.
- 2) Always keep your finger off of the trigger until ready to shoot.
- 3) Always keep the gun unloaded until ready to shoot.

There are also some range rules posted at the Pistol Range. We are in the process of creating additional signs for posting. There are additional rules that we have adopted that can be found in your new member packet. Please see a member of the EC if you need copies of this. All of us should be familiar with all of these rules.

VIOLATION OF RANGE RULES WILL RESULT IN DISCIPLINARY ACTION UP TO AND INCLUDING PERMANENT DISMISSAL FROM THE CLUB. THERE ARE TO BE NO EXCEPTIONS FROM THE RANGE RULES. SERIOUS VIOLATIONS OF RANGE SAFETY AND CLUB RULES CONSTITUTE GROUNDS FOR PERMANENT EXPULSION FROM THE CLUB PER THE BY-LAWS.

Tom Hackett
President NVGC

Newsletter item:

For this month the electronic newsletter is being sent to every member with an e-mail address. If you have no e-mail address, you will continue receiving the paper copy without having to do anything. The electronic newsletter will be sent in word and adobe acrobat. If you desire to receive the electronic version and you can read both the .PDF and the .DOC documents, you do not need to do anything. If you want to continue receive the paper copy, e-mail or call me and let me know. If you can read only one of the two documents, e-mail and let me know which one you can read and which one you cannot read. The web site to get Acrobat reader is www.adobe.com.

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From the XO:

Work Day project for September 18th:

The ranges are generally in great shape. There is the general grooming that needs to take place. **Since Sept. 25 is Open House day, a maximum effort on September 18 to get the place in shape would be appreciated.**

GENERAL MAINTENANCE:

Weed Whackers 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(s) with King George county sticker to make the usual trash run to the dump;

Some one to run the GOAT and mow the area across from the picnic area going to the archery range (area where the saw mill was set up).

Help for Bill Howard to mark the range boundaries for the upcoming hunting season.

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 and Armor-penetrating Ammunition IS NOT ALLOWED TO BE FIRED ON THE RANGE AT ANYTIME.

NOTICE: ANYONE WHO USES ANY TYPE OF METAL OR WOOD TARGET MATERIAL:

IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO REMOVE THE TARGET MATERIAL FROM THE RANGE. THE TRACTOR TIRES ARE NO MATCH FOR THIS MATERIAL. PERSISTENCE IN LEAVING ANY TYPE OF METAL OR WOOD TARGETING MATERIAL WILL NECESSITATE A RULING ON WHAT TYPE OF MATERIAL CAN BE USED ON THE RANGE.

I wish to thank all the club members that are cleaning up the range after they finish shooting. It sure makes the range look better and cutting the range a lot less time consuming.

Jim Morgan

September Membership Report:

We have five prospective new members: Brian Hearn of Fredericksburg sponsored by Bob King, Mike Ocetnik of Stafford is not sponsored, George Kirby III of Alexandria is not sponsored, Jeff Jones of Colonial Beach is not sponsored, and Tom Mills of King George is not sponsored.

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 William Wood, Stephen Blancard, and Fred Kappus.

Joe Graninger
Membership Secretary

Shotgun Range News:

Club Match: The rain held off nicely for us to get the Club Shotgun Championship matches off on August 14. Your chairman, Jon Yagla, was red hot and could not be stopped- running 50 straight in the skeet match, backing that up with 25 straight in 16 yard trap singles, followed by a 23 in a light rain from 23 yards in the trap handicap match. Ernie Jones turned in a personal best of two 23's in the skeet match, which added to his handicap entitled him to a shoot off spot for skeet champion.

Targets Only: We have NSSA approval for skeet targets only all through September and October, and will have a weekly ATA "targets only" match every Thursday at 4:30. We got the ATA to change their rules about the minimum number of shooters to register a trap match to three shooters. We keep NSSA and VSSA membership applications at the range, so come on out and join in the competition, or just shoot along with us for fun. The targets only matches are a great way to get classified and work on your game.

Skeet Match: There will be a NSSA Skeet Match on Sept 10, 11 & 12. Lunch will be served on the 11th. Check the attached bulletin. If you want to compete, register early. Otherwise come out and shoot and we will work you in.

Northern Virginia Gun Club Jambalaya Open – September 10-12, 2004 Doubles on Friday the 10th

Flight Times 3:00, 4:30

**Main Event - 12 Gauge Championship (Saturday 11th)
12 gauge Flight Times: 08:30; 10:00, 11:30 (30 shooters)
\$10 Class Option**

20 Gauge Championship (Saturday 11th)

Flight Times: 1:00, 2:30, 4:00 (30 shooters)

28 and .410 Gauge Championship (Sunday 12th)
Flight Times: 08:30, 10:00, 11:30 (Approx. 15-20 shooters)
28 gauge on Field 1, .410 on Field 2
100 targets in each gun
\$10 Class Options Each Gun

High Overall Big Jackpot (\$5)

Entry fees are \$18 for the first gun, \$15 for additional guns

*Free Jambalaya lunch for contestants
Rain date for either day is September 12, 2004*

Option Awards: Gun Champ gets \$1 per shooter & class first money.
Cash payout of remaining money to class, for 1 to 5 in class is
100% to class champ, 6 or more in class 60/40 split.

Advance reservations will be accepted via e-mail to jfalbe@yahoo.com or US Mail to NVGC,
8409 Tompkins Dr, King George, VA 22485

This is our third match. We are trying to control costs. We may need volunteers to help! We will start on time. The club has two fields with new and very reliable Beomat traps. The fields are lighted. There is no clubhouse, but there is a large picnic shelter with electrical outlets and picnic tables. There is a new pavilion for shooters and spectators behind each range. Camper hookups may be available.

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HI POWER SERVICE RIFLE CHAMPIONSHIP

There will be a NRA Hi Power Service Rifle Match (USA) on Saturday September 18th 2004 following the work party/ meeting. Registration beings at 1100 at the rifle range or pre register by e-mail, mousegunner@earthlink.net . First shots down range at 1300.

Awards to be given for:

Grand Aggregate (club or family member only)

Hi Woman (club or family member only)

Hi Junior (club or family member only)

Award Ceremony will be September 25th at the gun club's open house at the picnic pavilion at 12:00 noon. Winners will be awarded plaques.

Cost will be \$15.00 Must supply own ammunition. Hand loads and or factory ammo authorized. No tracers or armor piercing allowed.

Course of fire will be:

10 minutes unlimited sighters on target of your choice. (target rifle A, SR 42 and MR52). Target Rifle A is a full size 200 yd. Hi power target. SR 42 is a 300 yd. Rapid fire target reduced to 200 yd. MR 52 is a 600 yd slow fire target reduced to 200 yd.

Match 1 - 200 yards slow fire standing, (off hand). Ten shots slow fire in time limit of 10 minutes. Target will be Target Rifle A.

Match 2- 200 yards sitting to sitting rapid fire. Ten shots time limit 60 seconds, loading 2 magazines with 2 and 8 rounds. Target will be Target Rifle A.

Match 3- 300 yards prone to prone rapid fire. Ten shots time limit 70 seconds. loading 2 magazines with 2 and 8 rounds. Target will be SR 42.

Match 4- 600 yards slow fire prone 20 shots time limit 20 minutes. Target will be MR 52.

Scoring will be done by individual competitors after the completion of Match 1 and 2, and Match 3 and 4.

Match Director reserves the right to change the match as condition demand:

NVGC 2004 Calendar

| Date | Time | Event |
|--------------------|--------------------|---|
| 10 September, 2004 | 3:00pm | Shotgun – Jambalaya Open – NSSA Skeet Match - Doubles |
| 11 September, 2004 | 8:30am | Shotgun – Jambalaya Open – NSSA Skeet Match – 12/20ga |
| 11 September, 2004 | 8:30am | Shotgun – Jambalaya Open – NSSA Skeet Match – 28/.410ga |
| 18 September, 2004 | 9:00am/12:00 noon | Work Party/Club meeting |
| 18 September, 2004 | After NVGC meeting | NVSF Annual Stockholders Meeting |
| 18 September, 2004 | 1:30pm | Hi Power – NVGC Hi Power Service Rifle Match |
| 19 September, 2004 | 10:00am-4:00pm | Cowboy Action Shooting – Match (Register 9-10am) |
| 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 |
| 9 October, 2004 | 9:00am | Hold for potential shotgun event – see Jon Yagla |
| 16 October, 2004 | 9:00am/12:00 noon | Work Party/Club meeting |
| 24 October, 2004 | 10:00am-4:00pm | Cowboy Action Shooting – Match (Register 9-10am) |
| 25 October, 2004 | All Day | HUNTING – First Day – Turkey Firearms Season |
| 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 9-10am) |
| 18 December, 2004 | TBD | Club meeting (TBD) |
| 26 December, 2004 | 10:00am-4:00pm | Cowboy Action Shooting – Match (Register 9-10am) |
| 22 January, 2005 | 5:00pm | Annual Dinner & Club Meeting – Quantico Officers Club |

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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