



NORTHERN VIRGINIA GUN CLUB

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Notes from the President:

It is Spring and that means it is time for the membership to approve the proposed 2005-2006 annual budget at the April club meeting. Please review the proposed budget attached to this issue.

Just received news from Jerry Arel that his move out of the area is on again. Therefore, the EC is again in need and search of a volunteer to take over his duties as the Membership Secretary.

There was a very good turnout for the March workparty. I hope the trend continues, for there is much maintenance still to be done and construction of the new tractor garage is beginning. Gene Hodgson is in charge of tractor garage project. If anyone is interested in helping with this project, please contact Gene at (540) 663-3816 or e-mail at ehodgson@verizon.com.

The EC is currently looking for a volunteer to coordinate and begin to make arrangements for next year's annual club dinner. Please contact an EC member if you are interested.

Two large signs were erected during the March workparty along the road frontage using the newly adopted club logo. They are positioned directly across from the two main entrances to the new housing development across from our facility property on the north side of route 218.

There have been a few requests from the membership for an update to the map of the facility. I thank Jim Riedinger, NVSF Secretary, for providing the updated attachment contained in this newsletter.

As always, I would like to stress the importance of safety by all members and their guests while on the facility property.

John LoBuglio
President

April Membership Report:

There are 8 prospective members:

Clifton A. Byrum, - sponsored by Bob King, Roy Van Horn - sponsored by Bob King, Michael Thompson - No sponsor, Thomas Hudson -sponsored by Terry Moore, Ray Burke - No Sponsor, Richard Boyce - sponsored by Malcolm Hicks, Melvin Amos - sponsored by Tom Liles, William Boland - No Sponsor

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

Welcome to new member Dale Otterbacher.

The following members have been dropped from the membership rolls for failing to renew their membership effective 1 April 2005:

Christopher Snellings, Don Lassell, Paul Ketchum, Zymunt Radke, Frederick Thomas, and Byron Whitehead Jr.

Jerry Arel
Membership Secretary

Club Logo Promotional Items:

Club logo promotional items will be on sale at the monthly meeting. There are Polo shirts, T-shirts and hats with the new club logo. Polo shirts(with pockets) are \$27; T-shirts (with pockets) are \$15; and hats are \$9. Orders for special sizes and items on a future order will be taken.

John LoBuglio
President

Range Safety and Camping Rules:

The revised camping and range safety rules are attached to the end of this month's newsletter.

Dave Brown
Newsletter editor

NVGC 2005 Calendar

Date	Time	Event
8-10 April	Friday PM to Sun	Boy Scout Troop 8 (Jim Morgan)
16 April	9:00am / 12:00 noon	Work Party/Club meeting
23 April	8:30am – 12:00 noon	Smallbore Benchrest Match (IR50 - .22 rimfire)
23 April	ATA Trap Mach	1000-
24 April	9:00am – 4:00pm	Cowboy Action Shooting – Match (Register 9-10am)
6,7,8 May	NSSA Skeet	1000-
14 May	ATA Trap Match	1000-
21 May	9:00am / 12:00 noon	Work Party/Club meeting
21 May	After the Club meeting	Smallbore Benchrest Match (IR50 - .22 rimfire)
22 May	9:00am – 4:00pm	Cowboy Action Shooting – Match (Register 9-10am)
27-30 May	Friday PM to Mon 1pm	Boy Scout Troop 875 (Jim Morgan)
4 May	ATA Trap Match	1000-
10-12 June	All Weekend	Boy Scout Troup 77 (Joe Primerano)
18 June	9:00am / 12:00 noon	Work Party/Club meeting
25 June	8:30am – 12:00 noon	Smallbore Benchrest Match (IR50 - .22 rimfire)
26 June	9:00am – 4:00pm	Cowboy Action Shooting – Match (Register 9-10am)
26 June	NSSA Skeet	1000-
16 July	9:00am / 12:00 noon	Work Party/Club meeting
23 July	8:30am – 12:00 noon	Smallbore Benchrest Match (IR50 - .22 rimfire)
24 July	9:00am – 4:00pm	Cowboy Action Shooting – Match (Register 9-10am)
20 August	9:00am / 12:00 noon	Work Party/Club meeting
27 August	8:30am – 12:00 noon	Smallbore Benchrest Match (IR50 - .22 rimfire)
28 August	9:00am – 4:00pm	Cowboy Action Shooting – Match (Register 9-10am)
17 September	9:00am / 12:00 noon	Work Party/Club meeting
17 September	After NVGC meeting	NVSF Annual Stockholders Meeting
24 September	All day	NVGC OPEN HOUSE (Nat'l Hunting & Fishing Day)
24 September	8:30am – 12:00 noon	Smallbore Benchrest Match (IR50 - .22 rimfire) *TBD*
25 September	9:00am – 4:00pm	Cowboy Action Shooting – Match (Register 9-10am)
2 October	12:00- 4:00 pm	Black Powder Qualification - Caledon
15 October	9:00am / 12:00 noon	Work Party/Club meeting
22 October	8:30am – 12:00 noon	Smallbore Benchrest Match (IR50 - .22 rimfire)
23 October	9:00am – 4:00pm	Cowboy Action Shooting – Match (Register 9-10am)
19 November	TBD	Club meeting (TBD)
27 November	10:00am-4:00pm	Cowboy Action Shooting – Match (Register 9-10am)
17 December	TBD	Club meeting (TBD)

Notes:

- 1) All events are held at the Club unless specifically stated otherwise.

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XO's Page:

Some one left a face shield in the back of my truck at the March work day. I'll bring it to April's so whoever left it can get it. Oh and thanks to whoever put my staple gun out of the weather.

Shotgun:

Finish the partition, fix a window, and build a stair down to the trap house.

Pistol and rifle:

We need to get together to educate me on what you guys want. The condition of the range is awful we need to come up with a plan to dry it out. Also need to plan to eliminate the mud on the firing line.

Archery:

Archery range - 3 stations require work to be serviceable for use. One station requires cover frame and bales to be set up (all materials are pre-positioned). Two other stations require to have bales transported and set-up on pallets. Clear brush and overhanging branches and some lane and main trail clearing will require chainsaw and weedwackers.

General:

Dig some drainage ditches. Bring some shovels and wheelbarrows.

Thanks

Joe Primerano

Executive Director

BASIC NORTHERN VIRGINIA GUN CLUB **RIFLE & PISTOL RANGE RULES**

1. Keep all firearms pointed down range at all times.
2. Keep firearms unloaded & actions open until the "LOAD" command is given.
3. When a member of the range safety committee is not present and more than one member is shooting, one member must take responsibility as the range safety officer in order to control when the range is clear (safe) and hot. If a clear range is needed, ask for it.
4. Whenever people are forward of the firing line, all firearms will be unloaded & grounded with actions open.
5. When a "**CEASE FIRE**" is called:
 - (1) **STOP FIRING IMMEDIATELY**
 - (2) **UNLOAD ALL FIREARMS**
 - (3) **KEEP ACTIONS OPEN**
 - (4) **GROUND ALL FIREARMS**
6. Eye & ear protection must be worn at all times forward of the fence separating the parking lot from the firing area.
7. All shooting must be done at the firing line, not in front or back from the firing line. All firing will be straight on to the target. No cross firing is allowed.
8. No shooting at target frames; do not place targets in front of frames. Paper targets should be centered on the target backers to minimize damage to frames, and should be placed on the front face of the target backer only. Stapling targets on the front and back of the target backer results in staples protruding in both directions, increasing chances for puncture wounds to shooters using that backer in the future. Under no circumstances will target frames, shooting benches or any range equipment be used for targets.
9. Targets placed on range are to be paper targets, authorized metallic silhouette, soda cans, metal gongs, bowling pins, and plastic jugs. No rocks or glass may be used for targets and all targets must be placed to ensure impact of bullets or slugs in a designated backstop. At the conclusion of shooting, shooters will police their target area, and remove their paper targets, authorized metallic silhouette, soda cans, metal gongs, bowling pins, or plastic jugs and store or dispose of them appropriately. If you bring it in, pack it out as well.
10. When a cease-fire is desired the designated range officer will issue the following commands:

"CEASE FIRE--CLEAR AND GROUND ALL FIREARMS"
"ACTIONS OPEN--STEP BACK FROM THE LINE"
"IS THE LINE CLEAR?"

Only when the range officer is satisfied that the line is **CLEAR** will he continue with:

"THE LINE IS CLEAR--YOU MAY GO FORWARD OF THE FIRING LINE".

During the time that people are down range, **UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL ANY FIREARM BE HANDLED. (THIS INCLUDES SIGHT ADJUSTMENTS.)** Before firing is resumed, the designated range officer will verify that all persons are again behind the firing line and he will ask in a loud clear voice:

"IS THE DOWN RANGE AREA CLEAR?"

Only when he has an affirmative reply and visually checked that all shooters have returned will he issue the command:

"THE LINE IS HOT"; "NO ONE MAY GO FORWARD OF THE FIRING LINE"; "YOU MAY COMMENCE FIRING".

All range commands should be given in a loud clear voice so that the entire firing line can hear them at the same time. It is recommended that a cease-fire be called at least every half-hour.
11. Each shooter is responsible for cleaning up his firing point (includes all brass, paper, and targets placed on the range) and replacing his target backer in the proper storage shed.

BASIC NORTHERN VIRGINIA GUN CLUB
SHOTGUN RANGE RULES

1. Keep all shotguns pointed in a safe direction, or in the provided storage racks.
2. Keep shotguns unloaded & actions open until the shooter is on the trap or skeet concrete pad and it is his/her turn to shoot. Firearms will be unloaded & actions open before the shooter steps off the pad.
3. Whenever people are forward of the firing pads - all firearms will be **UNLOADED & ACTIONS OPEN, OR UNLOADED & PLACED IN THE PROVIDED SHOTGUN RACKS.**
4. When a "**CEASE FIRE**" is called:
 - (1) **STOP FIRING IMMEDIATELY**
 - (2) **UNLOAD ALL FIREARMS**
 - (3) **KEEP ACTIONS OPEN**
5. Eye & ear protection must be worn at all times when forward of a line marked by the field light poles. This includes observers as well as shooters, since broken clay pieces do not make a distinction.
6. For formal practice or matches, all shooting must be done at the designated trap or skeet concrete pads. Only on specific occasions, such as club sponsored sporting clays type events, Annie Oaklies, or informal practice with ground or hand traps described below will firing at other specified locations be allowed.
7. No shot larger than 7½ will be fired on the shotgun ranges. Shooters wishing to shoot larger shot or shotgun slugs must use the rifle & pistol ranges to do so.
8. If no formal skeet or trap practice or matches are underway, members may set up personally owned ground or hand traps for informal shotgun practice using their own clay targets. Such traps should be set approximately between skeet station #4 and skeet station #8 on field one or two, or in a similar position in the unimproved fields left and right of the installed fields, and the clays launched such that their flight path does not cross any of the fixed trap or skeet buildings. Members should take great pains to ensure their shot patterns do not impact these fixed gun club installations, and that their fall of shot is within the normal shotgun range impact area. The limitations on shot size still apply. During informal practice, the shooter will be beside or forward of the trapper and ground or hand trap. If the shooter wishes to be behind the trap, the ground trap must be remotely operated. Formal skeet or trap practice or matches will take precedence over informal shotgun practice.
9. Each shooter is responsible for cleaning up the shotgun fields (includes all hulls, boxes, soda cans, lunch wrappers, etc., and refilling the trap and skeet machines. Plastic barrels are provided for unwanted hulls, and a burn barrel is provided for burnable trash. Please separate your trash accordingly.
10. Trap shooters desiring to enter the trap house should place the orange safety cone on top of the house so others know they are there.
11. Shooters, even with their actions open, will be mindful of the direction of their muzzles so as to not sweep across other shooters or spectators.

GENERAL RANGE SAFETY RULES AND COMMANDS
- APPLICABLE TO ALL RANGES -

1. Ranges may be closed during the Deer Gun Season, so check the monthly newsletter. Dates generally run from the beginning of the week of Thanksgiving to the first Saturday in January. The ranges are open for general shooting on Sundays during this season, and may be open on other designated days.
2. Combination for the club gate is changed at the August work party.
3. Make sure you read your newsletter to keep informed about club functions and activities.
4. All club members are allowed to bring guests and are expected to act in a safe and responsible manner. However, no guest will be allowed on any range unless accompanied and supervised by a club member.
5. No member of the family (Associate Member) of a Club member is allowed on any range unless accompanied and supervised by a Club member.
6. Serious violations of range safety and club rules constitute grounds for permanent expulsion from the club per the by-laws.
7. No alcoholic beverages are allowed on the firing ranges and any person under the influence of alcohol is barred from the ranges.
8. Discharge of firearms (of any type) or archery equipment is restricted to the range facility designated for such use. Shotguns firing larger than 7½ shot or slugs will utilize the rifle and pistol ranges because of their more substantial backstop.
9. No full automatic weapons of any type are to be fired on the club property.
10. Tracer or incendiary ammunition will not be fired at any time on the club property.
11. Firearms must be unloaded when brought onto the club property and will be loaded only when ready to fire on the firing line.
12. Actions of un-cased firearms will be open (slides back, cylinders open, bolts back, magazines out) at all times except when on the firing line ready to fire.
13. Muzzles of all benched or grounded firearms will be pointed downrange or placed in racks, if provided. No loaded firearm may be left unattended.
14. When loading, sighting, firing, resting, or dry firing, the firearm must be pointed down range.
15. Firearms .50 Caliber and over are prohibited except for Shotguns, Pistols, and Black Powder firearms.

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 ABOVE RANGE RULES.

RECREATION VEHICLE CAMPING AREA REGULATIONS

The Northern Virginia Gun Club amends this policy for use of the NVSF property at the monthly meeting March 19, 2005.

1. The owner must be utilizing any tent, truck camper, motor home, trailer, or travel trailer (hereafter called a pop up) erected or parked on the NVSF property. The camping fee shall be \$1.00 per day the camper is on the NVSF property. Camping fees will be remitted to the Club treasurer within 15 days of completion of camping. This fee does not apply to tent camping.
2. Vehicles are required to have:
 - a) A current vehicle tag;
 - b) A current state inspection according to the state issuing the tag;
 - c) Must be road worthy;
 - d) Must be moveable in the event of an emergency (fire, wind, etc.), i.e. the vehicle must be capable of being relocated;
 - e) The owner's name, address, and telephone number must be located in a place that is visible from the outside;
 - f) ONLY trailer jacks may be used to support the vehicle. The vehicle wheels must rest on the ground to permit moving if required;
 - g) Vehicles WILL NOT be blocked up in such a manner that the wheels are off the ground preventing moving in an emergency.
4. Waste: No dumping of holding tanks is permitted on the property. All trash will be removed from the property.
5. Any member considered in noncompliance with this policy shall be notified by phone, e-mail, USPS, or commercial delivery service advising why they are considered not in compliance, and given a reasonable period (stated in the communication, generally two weeks) to correct the noncompliance.
6. During hunting season, 1 October to the end of January, campers/trailers can be parked on the Club property by owners who live greater than 25 driving miles from the facility property with all other conditions of daily fees and Club rules remaining in effect, except for the occupancy requirements.
7. Members who fail to bring their camper into compliance within the specified period, or failure to remit the proper camping fees within the specified period shall be considered in arrears to the Club. As such, the provisions of Article IV of the Club By-Laws will apply.

This policy will become effective April 16, 2005.

March .22 benchrest match:

We had a very good turnout for the March match. (Results are on the following page or in the separate EXCEL file for electronic newsletter recipients) Enthusiasm is running high for the new addition to NVGC events. Lots of kidding between competitors, some so-so scoring techniques. It's pretty easy to get a butt whipping even though you know you're in the right. Hahahahaaaaa to all those involved and you know who you are. Looks like a little more practice might be in the mill for next time. This event has really turned into a great experience. Lots of old friends getting acquainted and lots of new friends being made.. Keep up the good work to all involved.

 TURNS OUT THIS STUFF AIN'T ALL THAT EASY.....

Next match is 4th Saturday in April, the weather is getting better every day. The May match is on the third Saturday of May immediately following the monthly gun club meeting...So expect to be at the range about 1:00 pm . Also the Sept. match is not on schedule but it was agreed to host the match on the day of NVGC open house. What a great opportunity to show some prospective members some of what we do at the club...

Keep 'em in the bughole

See you in April

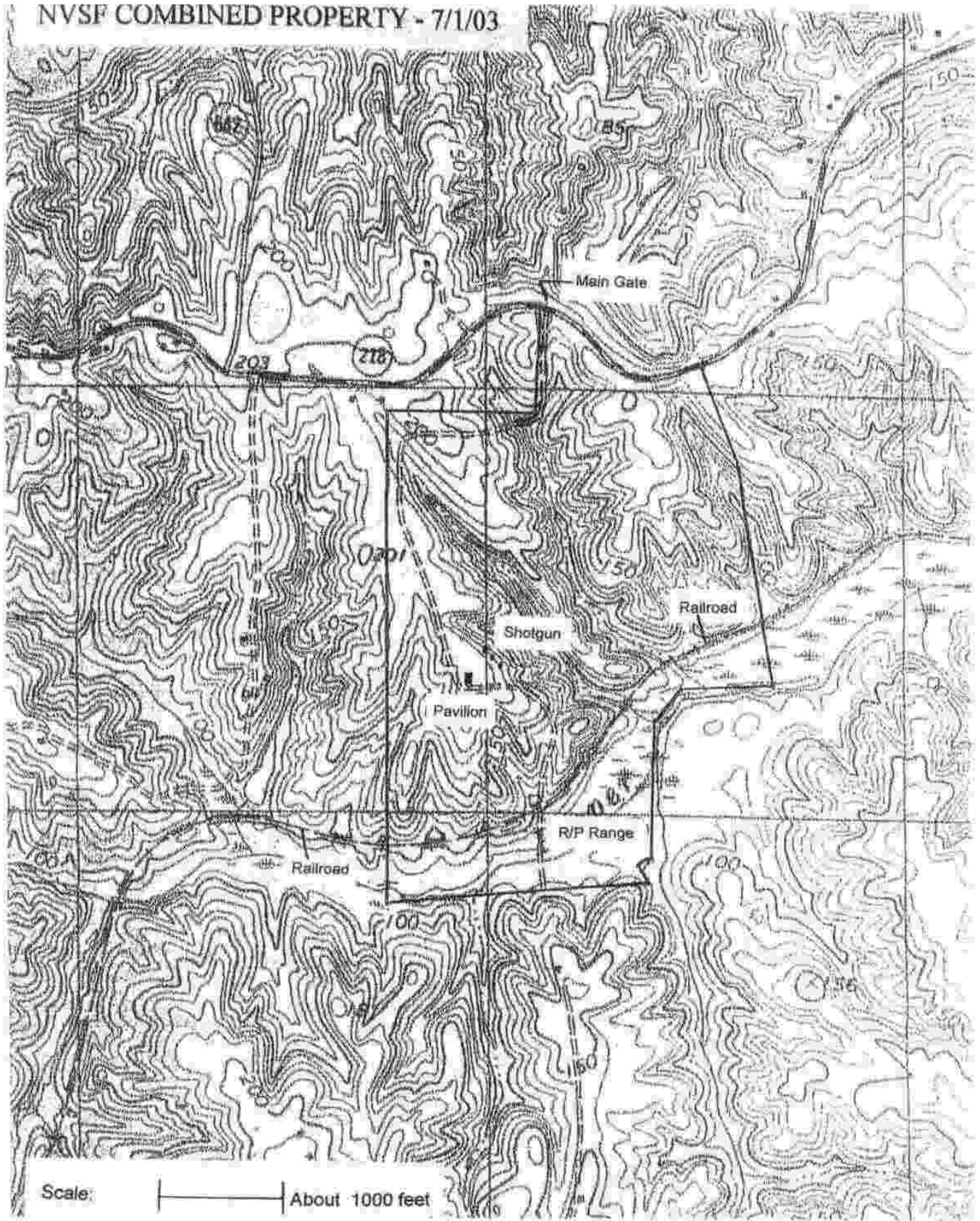
Perry Fridley
Benchrest chairman

PROPOSED FY 05-06 BUDGET

Income:	budgeted FY 04-05	end of FY 04-05	FY 05-06
Dues:60	\$17,340.00	\$18,840.00	\$18,900.00
Dues:10	\$200.00	\$130.00	\$130.00
Dues:45	\$225.00	\$405.00	\$360.00
Dues mistake	\$0.00	\$70.00	\$0.00
Dues:30	\$150.00	\$60.00	\$240.00
Dues:15	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$120.00
Initiation Fees:	\$2,000.00	\$2,100.00	\$2,500.00
Miscellaneous**		\$178.00	
shotgun		\$8,555.00	\$8,555.00
pistol	\$100.00	\$0.00	
benchrest	\$100.00	\$0.00	
Hipower	\$300.00	\$0.00	
John Garand		\$90.00	
Club Logo Items	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Annual Dinner	\$0.00	\$1,100.00	
Total	\$21,490.00	\$31,603.00	\$31,305.00

Expenditures	FY 04-05 Budget	Amount for 04-05	FY 05-06
Lease to NVSF	\$6,300.00	\$5,878.57	\$6,100.00
Insurance	\$3,875.00	\$3,559.92	\$3,875.00
Newsletter	\$1,800.00	\$1,600.00	\$1,800.00
Membership Mailing	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$440.00
Open House	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$400.00
Picnic	\$250.00	\$200.00	\$250.00
Utilities	\$275.00	\$260.00	\$300.00
Bank Charges	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
Tractor Fuel & Parts	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$350.00
Operating Costs/Club website	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$300.00
work party food	\$850.00	\$650.00	\$685.00
Annual Dinner	\$500.00	\$1,600.00	\$500.00
E.C. Miscellaneous	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$500.00
Club Affiliations	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
Contributions	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Wildlife Program	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Club Logo Items	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
junior shooting program			\$250.00
all maintenance		\$0.00	\$2,400.00
portable toilets	\$0.00	\$1,450.00	\$1,950.00
Archery Program	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Pres. Discretionary	\$990.00	\$900.00	\$500.00
Shotgun		\$8,555.00	\$8,555.00
Pistol Program	\$500.00	\$499.82	\$500.00
Hipower Program	\$100.00	\$144.59	\$100.00
Benchrest Program	\$250.00	\$40.89	\$100.00
hunting (signs and paint)		\$0.00	\$200.00
general maintenance	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$0.00
Range Maintenance	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00
Road Maintenance	\$250.00	\$258.30	\$0.00
Total	\$21,490.00	\$22,592.09	\$31,305.00

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