



NORTHERN VIRGINIA GUN CLUB

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Notes from the President:

The Annual Club Dinner and meeting was held on Saturday January 21st at the King George Community Center with more than 30 in attendance. Our guest speaker was Retired Major Bruce Wincentsen, former Marine weapon designer, who spoke on his vast experience and knowledge from his distinguished career in the US Marine Corp. talking about the M-16A2 and how it stacks up in service over the past 40 years. Major Wincentsen also recounted one of his experiences from that era as a sniper in how he was able to make a confirmed kill with a 1903 Springfield at 1,375 yards. That was very impressive compared to the equipment used today. I would like to thank our dinner co-chairmen, Joe Primerano for all the hard work he put into making this an outstanding event and Jay Comfort who took care of all the catering and provided the most outstanding cuisine that I can remember in all the times I've attended our annual dinners. Jay is a noteworthy professional chef with his own business in the Richmond area and came all that distance to cater our dinner this year. It was truly a memorable event. A highlight of the club meeting before the guest speaker spoke was to make a surprise presentation to Gene Hodgson in dedicating the new tractor/storage garage in his name. We could not have completed that project without his hard work and dedication to the effort.

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.

As always, I would like to stress the importance of safety by all members and their families and guests while on the facility property. As an example, it only took one mistake to cause an incident on the first day of the Gun Show held at the new Fredericksburg Expo and Convention Center a few weeks ago. With all the precautions that were taken to ensure safety, a vendor apparently had not done the best effort in checking the chamber of a rifle put out on display. A live round happened to be in the chamber when a potential customer pulled the trigger. Luckily the firearm was pointed toward the ceiling when it fired. It certainly caught the attention of everyone in attendance.

John LoBuglio
President

Club Logo Promotional Items:

Club logo promotional items will be on sale at our monthly meetings. 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. Please call John LoBuglio at (540) 644-9999 if you are interested in a specific size or color that we have in stock. If anyone is interested in taking over as the Club Promotional Items Manager, please contact me.

From the XO:

I hope all that came to the dinner enjoyed it. I know I did. Thanks to those who helped with it.

I don't know about a meeting but we are going to try to have a work day this month. If the weather isn't too bad lets clean up the place anyway. If it's good enough I want the dirt spread around the target frames. There are some trees that need cutting. There is moss growing on some of the roofs. I don't know if we should wash them with bleach or wait for warmer weather. If some one wants to do this I'll support it, but then I'd also be willing to wait. If you can help out please let me know, and if we cancel I'll give you a head's up.

Joe Primerano,
Executive Officer (joesprim@yahoo.com or 540-775-2308)

February Membership Report:

Please join me in welcoming Janet Asper, Paul Kicklighter, Norb Raddatz, Steve Wendelin, and Steve Young to the Club.

There are four prospective members: Greg Elder, of Westmoreland; Kip Yost of Fredericksburg, Chuck Rowan, of King George; and Bob Barnaby, also of King George.

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

If you are sponsoring a prospective member, please provide that person's name to the membership secretary as soon as possible in order to publish it in the newsletter without delay.

We have received several applications without the range safety check completed. Prospective members will not receive membership cards until a range safety check is provided to the membership secretary.

We currently have 326 active members in the club, 18 absentee members, and 8 pending members.

Mark Varney
Membership Secretary

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Safety Notice:

Gene Hodgson sent the following letter to the Executive Committee requesting that it be published in the newsletter. The EC requested the names of the individuals that he witnessed practicing unsafe firearm handling. He could not give us the names. Members should not have to be spying on each other, but we all have a stake in ensuring that safe firearm handling is observed all of the time EVERYTIME WITHOUT EXCEPTION!

I was at the range today and noticed the following:

People are shooting at the target frames and destroying them. They are NOT targets.

Metal, wood posts and concrete chunks are lying on the range where we run the mower. These items are NOT approved targets.

Someone has taken the concrete rip rap that was placed next to the chronograph bridge and put it on the 50 yard berm, and used it for target practice. This was NOT junk for target practice. Now concrete pieces are laying there waiting for the lawnmower to strike them.

There are paper plates stapled on tree limbs near the rail road right of way. Targets are NOT to be placed on the RROW, or near it. This is NOT our property. Also, ALL target materials are to be police by the individual shooting them. The members who show up for the work parties would like to do more than clean up after inconsiderate members who leave behind targets, target pieces and shell casings. Clean up after your session!

There are bullet holes in the 200 yard target number signs. These also are NOT targets.

Someone has already shot a hole in the metal gutter in front of the 100 yard line. This is inexcusable behavior.

Trash is left down range and trash is thrown in the brass barrels, while brass is thrown in the trash barrels. Irresponsible members are junking up our range, and creating very dangerous conditions.

I have also cautioned members for handling firearms while the range is cold. Also for having magazines in guns while the range is cold. These are common if not universal range safety rules on every range I have shot competition on.

Items are being placed on the target frame rails to be shot at, and items are being placed on the ground in front of the 4x6 posts to be shot. This is resulting in several large holes in the base of our target frames.

Shooting at metal and concrete and elevated shots at the 200 yard target numbers is grossly irresponsible and dangerous. This is incredibly irresponsible and members need to report other members seen shooting in this manner to any board member. Those members need to be eliminated from our membership.

I am concerned, and beginning to be wary about using our range while there are other members shooting. Safety is each and every member's responsibility..... to practice it and to enforce it.

Gene Hodgson

Work Party Credits

		Officers/ chairman		No specific date
Armstrong	Scott	4		
Baker	Frank			1
Breitenstein	Darryl	4		
Bushong	Phil			3
Cavender	James			1
DeMerle	Rick			1
Gorder	Tim	4		
Graham	Peter			2
Graninger	Joe			1
Jones	Ernie			2
King	Bob	4		
LoBuglio	John	4		
McCauley	Dennis			2
Montrief	Kevin			1
Primerano	Joe	4		
Rinaldi	Seth			1
Varney	Mark	4		
Yagla	Jon	4		3
Yost	Kip			1

Stock Registrar Notes:

Those of you who responded to the stock billing with a check should receive your shares in the mail in early January. Please get your checks in soon. If you don't get your check in soon you won't get your shares until much later.

Jon Yagla
NVSF Registrar

NVGC 2006 Calendar

Date	Time	Event
11 February	9:00 – 12:00	High Power Service Rifle Match
12 February	1:00pm	Skeet & Trap practice
18 February	9:00am - 12:00 noon	Work Party/Club meeting (TBD)
19 February	09:30am	ATA Trap
19 February	1:00pm	Skeet & Trap practice
25-26 February	8:00am – 4:00pm	Jambalaya Open Skeet Match 4gun & Dbls
26 February	1:00pm	Skeet & Trap practice
25 February	8:30am – 12:00 noon	Smallbore Benchrest Match (IR50 - .22 rimfire)
5 March	1:00pm	Skeet & Trap practice
10, 11, 12 March	Friday even – Sunday	Troop 1404 Jerry Gibson

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26 March	9:00am – 4:00pm	Cowboy Action Shooting – Match (Register 9-10am)
26 March	1:00pm	Skeet & Trap practice
2 April	1:00pm	Skeet & Trap practice
8 April	9:00 – 12:00	M1 Garand Match
9 April	1:00pm	Skeet & Trap practice
13 April	1:00pm	Skeet & Trap practice
15 April	9:00am / 12:00 noon	Work Party/Club meeting
16 April	09:30am	ATA Trap
16 April	1:00pm	Skeet & Trap practice
22 April	8:30am – 12:00 noon	Smallbore Benchrest Match (IR50 - .22 rimfire)
23 April	9:00am – 4:00pm	Cowboy Action Shooting – Match (Register 9-10am)
30 April	1:00pm	Skeet & Trap practice
13 May	9:00am – 12:00 noon	High Power Service Rifle Match
16 May	09:30am	ATA Trap
20 May	9:00am - 12:00 noon	Work Party/Club meeting
20 May	1:00pm - 4:00pm	Smallbore Benchrest Match (IR50 - .22 rimfire)
21 May	9:00am – 4:00pm	Cowboy Action Shooting – Match (Register 9-10am)
26-29 May	Friday PM to Mon 1pm	Boy Scout Troop 875 (Jim Morgan)
10 June	9:00am – 12:00 noon	High Power Service Rifle Match
11 June	09:30 am	ATA Trap
17 June	9:00am - 12:00 noon	Work Party/Club meeting
24 – 25 June	8:00am – 4:00pm	Summer Shoot Out Open Skeet Match 4 gun & Dbls
24 June	8:30am – 12:00 noon	Smallbore Benchrest Match (IR50 - .22 rimfire)
25 June	9:00am – 4:00pm	Cowboy Action Shooting – Match (Register 9-10am)
8 July	9:00am – 12:00 noon	M1 Garand Match
15 July	9:00am - 12:00 noon	Work Party/Club meeting
22 July	8:30am – 12:00 noon	Smallbore Benchrest Match (IR50 - .22 rimfire)
23 July	9:00am – 4:00pm	Cowboy Action Shooting – Match (Register 9-10am)
12 August	9:00 – 12:00	High Power Service Rifle Match
19 August	9:00am - 12:00 noon	Work Party/Club meeting
26 August	8:30am – 12:00 noon	Smallbore Benchrest Match (IR50 - .22 rimfire)
27 August	9:00am – 4:00pm	Cowboy Action Shooting – Match (Register 9-10am)
9 September	9:00 – 12:00	High Power Service Rifle Match
16 September	9:00am - 12:00 noon	Work Party/Club meeting
23 September	All day	NVGC OPEN HOUSE (Nat'l Hunting & Fishing Day)
23 September	8:30am – 12:00 noon	Smallbore Benchrest Match (IR50 - .22 rimfire) *TBD*
24 September	9:00am – 4:00pm	Cowboy Action Shooting – Match (Register 9-10am)
30 Sept. – 1 Oct.	8:00am – 4:00pm	Fall Tree Line Open Skeet Match
1 October	12:00- 4:00 pm	Black Powder Qualification – Caledon
14 October	9:00am - 12:00 noon	Work Party/Club meeting
14 October	After meeting	CMP Affiliated M1 Garand Match
21 October	8:30am – 12:00 noon	Smallbore Benchrest Match (IR50 - .22 rimfire)
22 October	9:00am – 4:00pm	Cowboy Action Shooting – Match (Register 9-10am)
11 November	TBD	High Power Club Championships
19 November	TBD	Club meeting (TBD)
26 November	10:00am-4:00pm	Cowboy Action Shooting – Match (Register 9-10am)
17 December	TBD	Club meeting (TBD)

Notes: All events are held at the Club unless specifically stated otherwise.

Northern Virginia Gun Club
Jambalaya Open NSSA Skeet Match – February 25-26, 2006

Registration: 8:30-9:00 AM

20 Gauge Championship (Saturday 25th)
Flight Times: 9:00, 10:30 AM (20 shooters max)

12 Gauge Championship (Saturday 25th)
Flight Times: 12:15; 1:45 PM (20 shooters max)

Doubles (Saturday 25th)
Flight Time 3:15 (12 shooters max)

28 Gauge Championship (Sunday 27th)
Flight Times: 09:00, 10:30 AM (20 shooters max)

.410 Bore Championship (Sunday 27th)
Flight Times: 12:15, 1:45 PM (20 shooters max)

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 New Orleans Jambalaya lunch for contestants
(Leftovers on Sunday, if any)

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 accepted and encouraged: The_Kings@netscape.com
Snail mail: NVGC, 11272 Dixie Dr, King George, VA 22485

In trying to control costs, we may need volunteers to help! Competitors may be asked to pull and score. The club has two fields with lights. There is no clubhouse, but there is a large picnic shelter with electrical outlets and picnic tables, two shooter pavilions for shooters and spectators behind each range, and a covered bench area (the "Classroom"). Please be prompt: we will start shooting on time. Camper hookups available with prior coordination.