

NORTHERN VIRGINIA GUN CLUB

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Notes from the President:

There isn't much to report on this month. I have been away for the past week. Chip King took over for the meeting. We have not heard from William Brickley at this time. Evidently, he has been out of the country on vacation. We are still waiting to get an agreement signed that will have the trail re-route going around the range impact area.

In the meantime, we are getting some estimates on rebuilding our impact berms, and adding some new ones. The 25 yard and 50 yard lines need to have berms installed. This will eliminate ricochets from skipping up through the woods. We also plan to build up the berms that already exist to the left of the entrance road starting at the RR bed, and continuing down to the creek. This will eliminate the chance of a ricochet or an inadvertent shot that might cross the road. Eventually, we plan to upgrade all the berms, and then look into installing highbrows. These will be overhead structures, filled with some sort of aggregate. This will stop inadvertent shots that would normally go off our property. If we get all these berms and safety measures installed, that would allow our range to be operated while the RR bed is being used. Keep in mind that this will take a lot of dirt, and may be far off in the future. We are looking into a concrete wall as a final protection on the RR bed, but approval for that will take a lot of negotiation.

So far, I have not heard of any member violating safety rules. A few matches have been run with safety observers in place. This is a tremendous inconvenience, but so far, it is keeping our range open and safe.

Seth will publish range times when members start volunteering to serve as safety observers. There has been some discussion about membership lists and addresses so members can coordinate between themselves. This is great, but by coordinating through the range safety officer, all members would benefit.

The new 25 yard range is still on hold. The re-routing of the trail would bring the hikers right behind the firing line. If we do build that range, it will have to be built with berms on all four sides to protect the hikers and members driving into the area. The initial planning was not that aggressive, and no one has volunteered to take the lead for that effort at this time. See you at the next meeting.

Gene Hodgson

President

From the XO:

Thanks to all that came to the April Workday. For the May workday, there are a couple of small pines near the gate that look like they are about to fall over. I won't be there this month; Seth has volunteered to take over. In addition, other areas need: attention:

Shotgun Area: Clear brush and trees in shotgun impact area Paint new trap house. Touch up paint on other buildings. Wire pavilions.	Main Area: Concrete the well head.
Rifle range: New steps at the 25 yard pistol line. If some one can bring a loader more the rest of the fill onto the low spots on the range.	Action pistol range: Continue to work on new action pistol range

Joe Primerano

Executive Officer

Policy Change to be voted on at the May Meeting:

The Executive Committee has discussed changing the policy for new members. The current policy is to let members join after completing their range safety check, filling out their application, paying their initiation fee and prorated dues and waiting ten days after their names are published in the newsletter with the understanding that they will complete four work party credits in their first year of membership. The proposed change is that a member will not become a member until after the four work party credits are completed. All other requirements remain the same. This policy change will be voted on at the May meeting. If you have any questions ask one of the EC officers.

NVGC 2007 Calendar:

Not that the CAS Match has been re-scheduled for Sunday May 20, due to Boy Scout activities planned for the 4th Sunday.

Date	Time	Event		
6 May	1200	Trap		
19 May	0900	Work party & meeting		
19 May		Bench rest match after meeting		
20 May	1000	CAS Match		
26, 27, & 28		BSA		
May				
10 June	1200	Trap		
16 June	0900	Work party & meeting		
16 June	1230	Club picnic		
23 June	0800	.22 Bench Rest		
23 & 24 June	0830	NSSA Summer Closed Skeet &		
	0630	Club Championship Match		
24 June	1000	CAS Match		
15 July	1200	Trap		
21 July	0900	Work party & meeting		
28 July	0800	.22 Bench Rest		
22 July	1000	CAS Match		
15 August	1200	Trap		
18 August	0900	Work party & meeting		
25 August	0800	.22 Bench Rest		
26 August	1000	CAS Match		
15 September	0900	Work party & meeting		
22 September	0800	.22 Bench Rest		
23 September	1000	CAS Match		
29 & 30	0830	NSSA Treeline Open Skeet		
September	0830	Match		
6 October		TBD Black powder quals.		
20 October	0900	Workday/meeting		
27 October	0800	.22 Bench Rest		
28 October	1000	CAS Match		
17 November		TBD Club meeting		
24 November	0800	.22 Bench Rest		
25 November	1000	CAS Match		
15 December	TBD	Club meeting (TBD)		

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

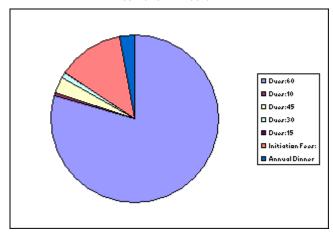
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Brissey	Ted			6				1	
Bushong	Phil			2			1		
Carsola	Tim							1	
Carver	Reed			3					
DeMerle	Rick			4					
Farley	Davis					1	1		
Frericks	Lonnie							1	
Fridley	Perry	8							
Gibson	Jerry		4				1		
Harrod	Greg							1	
Hearn	Brian			1					
Hodgson	Gene	4	4	1					
Howard	Bill					2			
Huffstickler	Andy			1				1	
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Jones	Ernie	4		3	4		1	1	
King	Bob	4		1	4				
King	Chip	4	4	1	4		1		
Klochak	John						1	1	
Kolbrener	Fred							1	
Manley	Brent			1					
Manual	Ben			6			1	1	
Mason	Rich					1	1		
Mouse	Fred						1		
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Quann	Carl			1			1		
Richmond	Doug								
Rinaldi	Seith	4					1	1	
Simmons	Dale							1	
Sofer	Harvey							1	
Tacke	Gary						1		
Tiedge	Ken						1		
Van Horn	Gary							1	
Whitby	George						1		
Wilkerson	James W						1		
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	John			1					

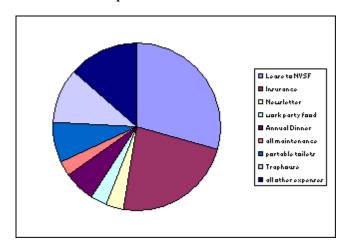
FY07/08 Budget:

Income:	FY 06-07	to Date	FY 07-08
Dues:60	\$18,600.00	\$18,960.00	\$19,800.00
Dues:10	\$160.00	\$130.00	\$130.00
Dues:45	\$450.00	\$675.00	\$360.00
Dues mistake		\$0.00	\$0.00
Dues:30	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$270.00
Dues:15	\$150.00	\$60.00	\$120.00
Initiation Fees:	\$3,200.00	\$3,400.00	\$3,000.00
pistol	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
benchrest	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Hipower	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
John Garand	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Club Logo Items	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Annual Dinner	\$0.00	\$649.00	\$0.00
Total	\$23,160.00	\$24,174.00	\$23,680.00

Income for FY 06-07



Expenses for the FY 06-07



Expenditures	FY 06-07	to Date	FY 07-08
Lease to NVSF	\$5,900.00	\$5,505.27	\$6,200.00
Insurance	\$4,160.00	\$4,278.25	\$5,000.00
Newsletter	\$1,500.00	\$711.88	\$1,200.00
Membership Mailing	\$480.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Open House	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$450.00
Picnic	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$250.00
Utilities	\$360.00	\$169.56	\$250.00
Bank Charges	\$70.00	\$42.11	\$0.00
Tractor Fuel & Parts	\$400.00	\$458.93	\$600.00
Operating Costs	\$150.00	\$102.10	\$150.00
work party food	\$700.00	\$689.24	\$850.00
Annual Dinner	\$500.00	\$1,139.94	\$500.00
E.C. Miscellaneous	\$500.00	\$477.95	\$750.00
Club FFL	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$0.00
Club Affiliations	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
Contributions	\$500.00	\$350.00	\$500.00
Wildlife Program	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$400.00
Club Logo Items	\$250.00	\$105.25	\$200.00
junior shooting program	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$250.00
all maintenance	\$2,500.00	\$621.77	\$2,500.00
portable toilets	\$1,950.00	\$1,575.00	\$1,950.00
Archery Program	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$280.00
Pres. Discretionary	\$500.00	\$207.02	\$500.00
CAS Program	\$500.00	\$225.00	\$0.00
Hipower Program	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Benchrest Program	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Club website	\$150.00	\$111.22	\$150.00
hunting (signs and paint)	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
Traphouse	\$0.00	\$1,973.76	\$0.00
Total	\$23,160.00	\$19.234.25	\$23,680.00

This is the proposed budget for the FY 07-08 year. The good news is that we should have a surplus for the sixth consecutive year even with the vote to spend almost \$2000 for the Club's cost of the new traphouse which was not in the budget originally. There are still two months left in the budget year with \$4500 still budgeted but not spent. The situation next year with membership expected to fall off may require adjustments in following years, but that is by no means a certainty. We will vote on the budget at the May meeting.

Darryl Breitenstein *Treasurer*

Northern Virginia Gun Club Summer Shoot Out NSSA Skeet Match & Club Championships

(Invitations freely extended to non-club members, but only Club members are eligible for Club Championship)

June 23-24, 2007

Registration: 8:30-9:00 AM

20 Gauge Championship (Saturday 23rd) Flight Times: 9:00, 10:30 AM (20 shooters max)

12 Gauge Championship (Saturday 23rd) Flight Times: 12:15; 1:45 PM (20 shooters max)

Doubles (Saturday 23rd)
Flight Times 3:15, 4:30 PM (20 shooters max)

28 Gauge Championship (Sunday 24th) Flight Times: 09:00, 10:30 AM (20 shooters max)

.410 Bore Championship (Sunday 24th) 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 \$19 for the first gun, \$16 for additional guns

Free Lunch for contestants on Saturday (Leftovers on Sunday, if any)

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: bushongpm@earthlink.net

In trying to control costs, we need volunteers to help! The club will provide a referee for the first round, and Competitors will be asked to pull and score for remaining rounds. 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 so we can start shooting on time. Camper hookups are available with prior coordination.

Skeet News:

NVGC Squad Competes at the Rebel Open: NVGC had just over a full squad in the Fredericksburg Rebel Open Skeet match, 13-15 April. Torrential rains didn't dampen the spirits of Roger Proes who shot his personal best in 12 gauge, including his first and second 25 straights! Dick Boyce, shooting in only his third match, also shot some personal bests, garnering 12 gauge E3, 20 gauge D2, and 28 gauge D1 honors, and in a particularly soggy .410 bore match, another D1 win. All together, Dick took High Overall in E Class as well. Phil Bushong tore up the C Class field with 12 gauge C2 and 28 gauge C1 honors, and C3 in the High Overall. Matt and Mark Philpott and Bob King rounded out the field. Facing stiff competition and weather, Bob at least gathered some votes for Referee of the Year. All commented on what a great opportunity this was to try out their rain gear!

Skeet at Ft. Lee: NVGC fielded a squad at a recent Ft. Lee Skeet shoot, 21 April. It was our first time to shoot at the Ft Lee ranges just north of Petersburg, VA. Although we could have opted to spread it over two days, the price of gas and pressing "Honey Do's" drove us to completing a demanding 4-gun, 400 shots in a single day. Rather than posting Class honors, Ft Lee uses a Class-based Handicap system. Roger Proes, Phil Bushong, Kevin Montrief (freshly back from turkey hunting), and Bob King constituted the NVGC entry. Bob was high man on the squad for 12 gauge by one bird, but Kevin came back to take high man in 20 ga by two. Surprisingly, Kevin and Bob tied in both 28 gauge and .410 bore, so Kevin took squad High Overall honors by just one bird! Phil, Bob, and Kevin each hit two of the handicaps to cut their entry expense by almost a third.

2007 Club Skeet Championships: The National Skeet Shooting Association has provided an enameled pin to denote the 2007 High Overall Club Skeet Champion. High Overall is the sum of the scores fired in 12 gauge, 20 gauge, 28 gauge, and .410 bore, and our championships will be based on scores fired in the June 23-24 Summer Shoot Out Skeet match. If you've never competed before, consider joining us in June. Although NSSA membership is required, we have free one year memberships available if you've never been a member before. We also have loaner guns in each gauge/bore, and factory ammo at replacement cost. With the lowest match costs around, and a lunch provided on that Saturday to boot, you'd be hard pressed to find a better start to your competition shooting. You WILL find some competition, however, as our Skeet shooters get better each month. As already noted, Roger Proes hit a first 25 straight in 12 gauge at the Rebel Open, but then the next week he hit 50 straight in practice. Not to be out done, Dick Boyce hit his first 50 straight a week later. Bob King hit 100 straight in 20 gauge earlier in the month, and Kevin and Phil seem to be routinely in the 95-98 range.

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May 2007 Membership Report:

Please join me in welcoming Douglas Detwiler and Brett Affholter to the Club.

There is one prospective member: Scott Decker of Stafford, Va. If anyone has any issues with any of the prospective members, please contact the membership secretary 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.

Perry Fridley

Membership Secretary