



NORTHERN VIRGINIA GUN CLUB

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Notes from the President:

As all of you should know by now, we will be counting club member votes to determine if we will fund several improvements to our club for the benefit of everyone. There is a range improvement committee that is studying a variety of work projects. The club executive committee is asking for a \$30 annual dues increase to fund the improvements. By club by-law, we cannot increase dues without membership approval. I am asking our members to get these proxy ballots in the mail or show up at the June meeting to cast your vote. This will probably be one of the more important decisions our club makes for quite a while.

Second note, there seems to be a lot of trap or skeet targets being thrown and no money is being paid. The active part of the shotgun season is really just getting started and the cash is short more than \$160 for the number of clays thrown. This is not acceptable. It isn't fair to the shotgun program nor is it fair to the club membership. Please, if you shoot clays make sure that you pay for them. It wasn't possible to keep tabs of the clays in the past because the counter on one of our trap machines was inoperable, but it has been repaired. The clays will now be accurately counted.

Perry Fridley
NVGC President

Membership Report:

Please join me in welcoming 3 new members in May: Gregory Wheeler, James Flowers, and Carroll Childers and former absentee member Dudley Prisel re-activated his membership in May.

There are five prospective members Richard Thompson of King George, James Redmond of Fredericksburg, Tobin Butler of Fredericksburg, Michael St John sponsored by Tim Spivak and John Picariello sponsored by Tim Spivak. 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.

We currently have 338 Active members and 11 absentee members. The billing cycle for FY 09-10 will start in early June. You should receive a letter with your information that we have on file and directions for sending in your payment of \$60. Please follow the directions in writing the check payable as directed, sending the check to the address listed and correcting your personal information that is incorrect and pay before the due date, which is July 1. As far as the dues increase, the NVGC President will handle that if it becomes necessary to do so. Of the 338 Active members four did not buy shares and will not get a billing statement and nine members joined in 2007 or early 2008 and did not do their four work parties and will not get a billing statement. If you want to know if you are on one of these lists, please e-mail me and I will respond within a couple of days.

Darryl Breitenstein
Membership Secretary

From the XO:

Work Party – I would like to thank everyone who came out to support the May work party – your donation of time and effort is very much appreciated. Remember new club members are required to put in four work days, and one work day per year thereafter. After first year a fee of \$15 will be added to your dues for failing to put in at least one work credit.

Our next work party will be on 20 June, commencing 9AM. Please come and help support your club. We will focus on several projects:

1. Toilet building water and electric service (digging tools, plumbing and electric tools)
2. Concrete apron around septic clean-out head (wheel barrel, hoe)
3. Roadside clean-up and trenching (chain saws, pruners, picks, mattox, shovels)
4. Target backer clean up (screw drivers, pliers etc)
5. Trash run (trailer)

Lunch will be provided at noon. Looking for two volunteers to buy food / cook (call Tim week prior 775-4561).

Proposed Action Range – The proposed site for the new action range is located North-West of the RRRW intersection with the range road. The range has been marked with flags to outline the shooting lanes and berms – anyone interested in touring the area to get a first hand idea of the scope of the project, please contact Tim Spivak at the June club meeting.

Tim Spivak
Executive Officer

Toilet and Meeting Room Progress:

Trenches were cut and conduit laid for the electrical run from the utility pole to the panel in the building at the May work session. Ted Brissey donated some very valuable cable for the run. Hopefully, it will be installed by the time you read this.

Jon Yagla

Range Safety Notes:

I would like to remind everyone that the club is a private organization for members, their immediate families, and no more than four (4) guests per member at any one time. Members are responsible for monitoring family members, as well as guests; please review and go over the range safety rules before shooting begins.

Please **DO NOT SHOOT AT THE GROUND, INTO THE STANDING WATER, OR THE DRAINAGE DITCHES** that were dug at the March work party on the lower ranges. Doing so will only increase the chance of a ricochet.

Due to the fact that the lower ranges are just that, **low**, your range gear should include a good pair of water proof boots. Please practice basic safety, **EYE** and **EAR** protection required on the line while shooting is in progress on the lower ranges, forward of the light poles on the skeet and trap ranges.

Always appoint someone as Range Safety Officer (RSO); if you are the first person on the range, you are it. When you leave the range, turn the (RSO) duties over to someone else. EVERYONE keep in mind, when a “CEASE FIRE” is called, unload your weapon, lay the weapon on the bench, and step away from the line, NO ONE is to touch anything on the firing line until the range is “HOT”.

Target frames are to be used for holding target backers, not clay pigeons, cans plastic bottles, balloons etc. Staple balloons to target backers if you shoot balloons, hang plastic bottles, etc. with a string from a cross member. **DO NOT** lean anything against an upright to shoot at, build your own frame and set up **in front** of a berm, be sure that your rounds **impact the berm**, and avoid shooting into the ground.

Please pick up your targets and take them with you when you are finished shooting; if you can bring it you can certainly take it with you and dispose of it.

If you remove stools or benches from under the covered part of the line please put them back when finished. Someone put time and effort into building this equipment for the club, **YOUR CLUB**, so take care of **YOUR** stuff.

If you see anyone deliberately destroying club property, report the person or persons to any one of the Executive Committee or any member of the Facility Board.

Remember, there are extra gate locks in the ammo can on the left compartment the target shed on the lower ranges.

Seth Rinaldi
Chief Range Safety Officer

Long Range Planning Committee Notes:

The long range planning committee has met twice since the last newsletter. The first meeting consisted of scoping out the work of the committee and taking care of a few organizational items, followed by a "brainstorming" session to gather as many as possible ideas for maintaining and improving the club. The ideas were listed on a white board in the meeting room. Members were assigned to put a few sentences together for each item. At the second meeting, we added a few items to the list, collated the list items, and organized them into categories such as maintenance, safety, near term, mid term, long term, and "nice to have." We agreed that the safety critical items are most important and should come first. The list is on the white board in the meeting room for all to see. You can swing by and add to the list. If you do so, please include your name and contact info. We will eventually have a document for you to read and a forum for your comments and opinions.

Jon Yagla

NVGC 2009 Calendar:

Date	Time	Event
Wednesday's (8Mar-25Oct)	1630 - 2030	Shotgun Practice (POC - Jon Yagla)
20 June	0900	Work Party, Club Meeting, Club Picnic (POC-Tim Spivak)
27 June	0800 - 1200	Benchrest Match, 22 Cal (POC - Perry Fridley)
28 June	0900 - 1500	Cowboy Action Shooting Match (POC - Tim Spivak)
11 July	0815 - 1630	VSSA Skeet Match - "Fahrenheit Fifties" (POC Jon Yagla)
18 July	0900	Work Party & Club Meeting (POC-Tim Spivak)
19 July	0900 - TBA	Trap Match - (POC - Jon Yagla)
25 July	0800 - 1200	Benchrest Match, 22 Cal (POC - Perry Fridley)
26 July	0900 - 1500	Cowboy Action Shooting Match (POC - Tim Spivak)
8 August	0600 - 1430	50Km Race (Runners will use bypass, this includes our road)
15 August	0900	Work Party & Club Meeting (POC-Tim Spivak)
22 August	0800 - 1200	Benchrest Match, 22 Cal (POC - Perry Fridley)
22 August	0900 - TBA	Trap Match - (POC - Jon Yagla)
23 August	0900 - 1500	Cowboy Action Shooting Match (POC - Tim Spivak)
12 September	0830 - 1530	VSSA Skeet Match - "Felicitous Fall Fifties" (POC Jon Yagla)
19 September	0900	Work Party & Club Meeting (POC-Tim Spivak)
26 September	1000	Annual Open House (POC Tim Spivak)
26 September	0800 - 1200	Benchrest Match, 22 Cal (POC - Perry Fridley)
26 September	0900 - TBA	Trap Match - (POC - Jon Yagla)
27 September	0900 - 1500	Cowboy Action Shooting Match (POC - Tim Spivak)
10-12 October	0800 Sat - 1700 Mon	Boy Scout Troop 1887 (POC Jim Miller)
17 October	0900	Work Party & Club Meeting (POC-Tim Spivak)
24 October	0800 - 1200	Benchrest CHAMPIONSHIP Match, 22 Cal (POC - Perry Fridley)
25 October	0900 - 1500	Cowboy Action Shooting Match (POC - Tim Spivak)
Sunday's (1 Nov - 31 Dec)	1300 - 1700	Shotgun Practice (POC - Jon Yagla)
21 November	TBD	Club Meeting (Location TBD, POC Tim Spivak)
22 November	0900 - 1500	Cowboy Action Shooting Match (POC - Tim Spivak)
28 November	0800 - 1200	Benchrest OYSTER COOKOUT Match, 22 Cal (POC - Perry Fridley)
19 December	TBD	Club Meeting (Location TBD, POC Tim Spivak)

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

Cowboy Action Report:

Another excellent turn-out at our May match with 20 shooters enjoying the fun. Match winners as follows:

Overall Top Shooter and Silver Senior: Wichita Wayne

Senior: Frank Lee Scarlet

Forty-Niner: Sassy Shooting Sours

Cowboy: Judge N.O. Hart

Elder Statesman: Justice Deadly

Frontier Cartridge: Potter County Kid

Gunfighter: Hoosier

Our next match is 28 June. Registration and target set-up starts at 9AM – members are asked to help with stage set-up and tear-down. Contact Tim 775-4561 for any details – or Google “SASS” to learn more about the competition.

Tim Spivak
CAS Chairman

Shotgun Corner:

We held our second NSSA skeet match this month. The match was at range capacity, with visitors from Charlottesville and Bethesda. High over all was Dave Lowry, with 186 out of 200, followed one point back by Bob King. Lowry also captured the .410 with a 47. Sub Junior Cody Tiller won the 20 ga. with a 48. King and Phil Bushing took 28 ga. 47’s to the shoot offs, where Phil bowed out early. In earlier action, King shot his personal best in the Fredericksburg GC Rebel Open in Early may, with a 380 agg. of all four guns. Rick DeMerle won a class in a big shoot in Eleysburg, Pa., and Chip King won a class in the 200 target Virginia Hall of Fame singles Match in Winchester. Jon Yagla posted our first 100 straight of this season, at an ATA registered trap shoot in Indiana, and won the International Trap doubles match in Quantico.

Jon Yagla
Shotgun Chairman

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Work Party Credits:

Last	First	16-May	18-Apr	21-Mar	16-Feb	Other *	Total
Affholter	Brett	1	1			4	6
Armstrong	Scott						0
Arthur	Mike						0
Arthur	Dave						0
Asper	Janet						0
Atkinson	Paul	1					1
Ball	Edwin	1					1
Bass	Gary						0
Blancard	Steve			1	1		2
Bleau	Tim						0
Bone	Lucy						0
Bone	John						0
Boyer	Chuck		1				1
Boyce	Dick			1			1
Breitenstein	Darryl			1		4	5
Brissey	Ted						0
Bulloss	Glen			1			1
Burns							0
Bushong	Phil	1	1	1		4	7
Byrum	Cliff			1			1
Carsole	Tim				2		2
Carter	Anthony						0
Carter	Garrett						0
Carver	Reed					4	4
Childers*	Carroll		1				1
Ciarula	Tom					4	4
Cormier	Jeffrey		1				1
Crampton	Mark			1			1
Decker	Scott						0
Detwiler	Doug						0
Donlavage	David						0
Doyal	Charles				2		2
Farley	Dave						0
Fox	Brian						0
Frericks	Lonnie					4	4
Fridley, Jr	Perry	1	1			8	10
Fridley III	Perry		1				1
Garloch	Mike				2		2
Gibson	Jerry		1	1	2	2	6
Gilmer	John						0
Gimmelle	Tony						0
Goff	Udo						0
Gonzalez	Jose						0
Grossnickle	Darry	1					1
Hackett	Tom					4	4
Harrod	Greg		1				1
Heilman	Jeff					2	2
Hodgson	Gene					4	4
Hudson	Thomas				2	2	4
Huffstickler	Andy		1				1
Hundley	Dale	1				4	5
Hunt	Jerry					2	2
Jackson	Phil	1		1			2
Jenkins	David						0
Jones	Ernie						0

NOTES:

Other = Boy Scouts, Cowboy Action Match; Bench Rest Match; NVGC

Officers/Chairs; NFSF Officers; Trap/ Skeet Match

* = Prospective member

Last	First	16-May	18-Apr	21-Mar	16-Feb	Other *	Total
Kueglar							0
King	Bob	1	1	1		5	8
King	Chip						0
Klochak	John	1		1		4	6
Knowles	Kerry	1	1	1			3
Kolbrenner	Fred		1	1		4	6
Largent	Tom					4	4
Leasure	Eric						0
Lewis	Todd				2		2
LoBuglio	John						0
Lopez	Felix						0
Maddox	Joe						0
Main	Rick		1	1			2
Manuel	Ben						0
Marston	Robert			1			1
Miller	James	1				4	5
Misch	Dan			1			1
Montreif							0
Norberg	Joe	1				2	3
Morgan	Jimmy						0
Morrissett	Jim				2	2	4
Newman	Jim			1		4	5
Niazi	Ahmed						0
Norberg	Joe	1				2	3
Paquette	Peter						0
Pasko	Tom		1				1
Peed	Mark-Don		1				1
Philbrick	Charles						0
Phillips	Thomas						0
Picariello *	John	1					1
Poynor	Jim						0
Primerano	Joe		1			4	5
Proes	Roger			1			1
Quintana	John			1			1
Quann	Carl						0
Rappe	Jim			1			1
Reidinger	Jim						0
Rinaldi	Seth	1	1	1		8	11
Rowan	Chuck		1	1			2
Sessoms	John	1		1			2
Simmons	Dale						0
Simpson	Mike					1	1
Sisson	Dickie						0
Soeffer	Harvey			1			1
Spivak	Tim	1		1	2	14	18
St. John*	Mike	1					1
Steele	Mike			1			1
Strange	Chris						0
Tacke	Gary	1					1
Thomas	Lyn	1					1
Tiedge	Ken		1				1
Usry	Tracy		1				1
Wasmund	Tom	1		1	2	12	16
Weaver	Chris		1	1			2
Westendorf	Jim	1					1
Wheeler*	Greg		1				1
Whitby	George						0
White	Brian						0
Wilkenson	James						0
Wilkenson	Tim	1	1				2
Yagla	Jon	1				9	10

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