

NORTHERN VIRGINIA GUN CLUB

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President's Corner

Reminder to all members...the annual club open house has been moved to Aug. 27th, instead of our regular September date. Please see the flyer for all details.

There has been an increase in the amount of damage done to the 25 yd. pistol frames on our lower ranges. The frames are getting destroyed a lot faster than normal and it's becoming quite a chore to keep these repaired. Most of the damage comes from inconsiderate members who insist on hanging targets from the cross members. Another problem seems to be the placement of the portable target frames. Shooters do not pay attention to where their shots impact at permanent frames. Frequently, the permanent frames are in the line of fire. It is my decision to eliminate the portable stands. DO NOT USE PORTABLE STANDS...When the new action ranges are up and running, then portable stands will be used there.

There is some concern as to when the new action ranges will be in use. It will take some time for all the construction to be completed. The Club XO and the Shooting Facility are working together to finalize all safety requirements. Hopefully, it will be resolved in a month or two. Also, I have been questioned on several occasions as to the general use and a big concern is that rumor has gotten started that two of the bays will be used for Cowboy events only. This is not the case. The bays will be reset after each event and made available to all club members.

One last issue, the shooting facility will be holding an election at the annual stockholders meeting in September. Anyone wishing to be on the ballot, please contact Seth Rinaldi, he is our club's Chief Range Safety Officer. Please try to contact him NLT July 29th, 1800 hrs.

Thanks for all the hard work our members are providing to support the club.

Perry Fridley
NVGC President

August 2011 Membership Report

There is one prospective member this month: Drexel Rawlette. Please welcome two new members to the club: Shane Beatty of Fredericksburg, sponsored by Brian Fox; and Barrett Wagner of Fredericksburg, sponsored by Brian Fox.

We currently have 348 Active members and 19 Absentee members.

Mark Varney Membership Secretary

Range Safety Notes

Please stay off the line during a "CEASE FIRE", some folks are still remaining on the line while others are down range, rules are explained below below. During work parties all ranges are closed, all fire arms are to remain in your vehicle until after the monthly meeting.

I would like to remind everyone to please take the time to go over the range rules below with guests that you might bring to the range before engaging in actual shooting.

During casual shooting 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 with the action open and step away from the line, NO ONE is to touch anything on the firing line until the range is "HOT". KEEP THE MUZZLE

DOWN RANGE AT ALL TIMES WHILE ON THE LINE; POINTED AT THE GROUND, UNLOADED, WITH THE ACTION OPEN IF UNCASED WHEN MOVING TO AND FROM YOUR VEHICLE OR A DIFFERENT FIRING POSITION.

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. No cross firing on the ranges, shoot at the target directly in front of you, do not shoot into the ground or into standing water.

TAKE YOUR TRASH WITH YOU WHEN YOU LEAVE.

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 located in the lower left compartment the target shed on the lower ranges.

Seth Rinaldi

Chief Range Safety Officer

NVGC 2011 Calendar:

Date	Time	Event	
Sunday's All Year	1300- Dusk	Shotgun Practice (POC – Jon Yagla)	
20 August	0900 - 1200	Club Work Party and Meeting (POC – Tim Spivak)	
27 August	1100	Annual Club Picnic, Swap Meet, Bring a Friend	
27 August	0830 - 1200	Benchrest Match, .22 rimfire (POC- Perry Fridley)	
27 August	0930	ATA Trap Match (POC – Jon Yagla)	
28 August	0830 - 1500	Cowboy Action POC - Tim Spivak(LOWER RANGES CLOSED)	
3 September	0830 - 1600	Felicitous Fall Fifties Open Skeet Match	
17 September	0900 - 1200	Club Work Party and Meeting (POC – Tim Spivak)	
24 September	0830 - 1200	Benchrest Match, .22 rimfire (POC- Perry Fridley)	
24 September	0930	ATA Trap Match (POC – Jon Yagla)	
25 September	0830 - 1500	Cowboy Action POC - Tim Spivak(LOWER RANGES CLOSED)	
8 – 10 October	Arrive 0900 8 Oct	Boy Scout Troop 1887 (POC – Jim Miller)	
	Depart 1200 10 Oct		
15 October	0900 - 1200	Club Work Party and Meeting (POC – Tim Spivak)	
22 October	0830 - 1200	Benchrest Match, .22 rimfire Championship Match (POC- Perry	
		Fridley)	
22 October	0930	ATA Trap Match (POC – Jon Yagla)	
23 October	0830 - 1500	Cowboy Action POC - Tim Spivak(LOWER RANGES CLOSED)	
12 November	0830 -1200	Benchrest .22 Oyster Match (POC Perry Fridley)	
19 November	0900 - 1200	Club Work Party and Meeting (POC – Tim Spivak)	
27 November	0830 - 1500	Cowboy Action POC - Tim Spivak(LOWER RANGES CLOSED)	
17 December	1200	Club Meeting	

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

For Sale

GUN COLLECTION FOR SALE, I am going to sell most of my gun collection. Included would be 3 shotguns, 2 O/U and one Rem Wingmaster pump. Some WW2 pieces. A 10-piece airgun collection, modern and antique. Some handguns, including a Colt model SAA 45 LC, early 2nd edition with engraving, and a Colt Frontier Scout in original box. Some 22 and 30-06 rifles etc. For information call Bill May at 540-220-5135

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Shotgun Corner

HOT TRAPSHOOTER - Rick deMerle is on fire!!! He won the Virginia singles championship at the state shoot in Winchester with a 195 in class B, and finished 6th in the Handicap with a 94 against 204 shooters. He won his class in a doubles preliminary match earlier in the week. Then he went to Bostic NC for the Southern Zone Championship(Al, DC, GA, Ky,Miss, NC,SC, Tn, Va, WVa) and won the zone class A singles championship with a 100 straight and earned 4th place in the handicap with a 94. Congratulations Rick and good luck at the Grand American in Sparta Illinois next week! Our July monthly ATA match at the club was a scorcher. In 101 degrees of heat and stifling humidity it is was our former president Chip King (98), Jon Yagla (97) and Rick deMerle (95) at the 16 yard line. Rick then took the Handicaps with a 92. John Quintanna bested the short yardage group in the handicap match. Ernie Watkins broke 88 of the twin birds to wrap it up.

The skeet shooters have been busy too: Bob King was third in B (96) and second in B (97) in the 12 and 20 respectively at the Battlefield open in a field 80 shooters. Up and coming Jeff Mitchel announced his presence on the circuit with a 90 in the 20 ga to capture second place in class D.

We had thirteen members at the 4th of July "Firecracker" sporting clays event. Todd Hunter emerged after a slow start to claim another victory. The leaders crashed and burned in the final pintails and following pairs stages which Todd cleaned. Watch your email for the next sporting clays event, which will be around August 20.

Long Range Planning Committee

The committee is going to start another planning cycle. If you have projects in mind please come to the meeting or contact one of the members. The meetings will be Wednesdays at 5pm in the meeting room for the next several weeks as we get started. Also please point out maintenance items and safety items to the committee members.

LOOKING FOR A PLACE TO SHOOT?

The Northern Virginia Gun Club

(www.northernvirginiagunclub.org)

will have its annual Club Picnic / Swap Meet / Bring-A-Friend(s) Day on Saturday, August 27, 2011, from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Members who have friends, neighbors, family, or coworkers who are looking for a place to shoot should have them come by and meet other shooters, sight in their rifles, or just get a chance to shoot and have lunch on us. The Rifle/Pistol, Skeet/Trap, and Archery ranges will be open for prospective members to use, and membership info packets will be available. (Per club policy, any prospective member must be sponsored by a current club member). So bring your guns and/or bows and come hungry!

To get to the club in King George County:

From Virginia:

*Take I-95 toward Fredericksburg.

*Get off at Bus. Rt. 17 East Falmouth, (exit 133A going south, and 133 going North).

*Go across Rt. 1 at light (Rt. 17 turns right at Us Rt. 1).

*You are now on Rt. 212 South. Continue straight to Rt. 218 East at light.

*The range is now about 12 miles away on Rt. 218.

*Go past Rt. 696.

*When you go past Rt. 609, the range will be 2.4 miles on the right.

*The signs and the gate are on the right. The signs will say "NVGC," "8486," and "Open House." The road entrance is blacktop.

*If you get to Rt. 610, you went too far.

From Maryland:

*Take 301 south to the Potomac River Bridge.

*Turn right on Rt. 218.

*The range is about 7.2 miles on the left.

*The signs and the gate are on the left.

* The signs will say "NVGC," "8486," and "Open House." The road entrance is blacktop.

*If you get to Rt. 642, you went too far.

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