



NORTHERN VIRGINIA GUN CLUB

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President's Corner

More than anything else, the dirt disturbance permit has been signed by the Shooting Facility. Hopefully, work will begin within the next 2 or 3 weeks. How long it will take is not exactly known, but my guess is 4 weeks or so. There will be a considerable amount of construction work to be done after excavation is finished. We are still looking for volunteers to help look after ongoing work. The club voted to raise dues to finance this work, so let's see if the club members can pitch in and get the work done. Also, don't forget that Boy Scout Troop 8 will be at the club on weekend of May 6th & 7th. We could still use some support for these boys. If you can help, please call or email our XO, Tim Spivak. These kids are our future, so let's give them all the help we can.

Perry Fridley
NVGC President

May 2011 Membership Report

Please welcome new members Michael Ferriter, Philip Manuel, Dick Willis, Jim Donaldson, and Troy Dillard to the club. There are four prospective members this month: Shane Hudelson of King George, sponsored by Perry Fridley; Mike Cerino of Alexandria, sponsored by Lonnie Frericks; David Donlavage of Stafford, sponsored by Lesley T. Lewis; and Anthony Gibbons of Bryans Road, MD, sponsored by Darryl Breitenstein. If anyone has any issue with any prospective member, please contact the membership secretary or any club officer with your concerns as soon as possible. We currently have 344 Active members and 17 Absentee members.

Mark Varney
Membership Secretary

From the XO

Action Range Approved: We have had no volunteers since we first announced this in April, hence we are repeating it again. If you are willing to help, please let us know. If you want new range, it will take volunteers! We are happy to announce that the Facility has approved construction of the action range! Facility will pay all costs of earthwork and materials for covered firing shelters and safety barriers. The club is expected to provide labor for construction and oversight. Need someone to order and post signs for trail. Need someone to oversee site work. Also need someone to start planning construction of covered firing areas, layout drawings, material lists, etc. Please contact Tim Spivak if you are interested in volunteering – I can fill you in on details. Would be best if you have free time during the day and some experience in construction. You can reach me on (540) 775-4561 or tspivak@va.metrocast.net.

Work Party: Our next work party is 21 May, commencing 0900 hrs. We will work till noon and then eat lunch. Projects include:

1. More tree clearing on shotgun ranges.

BRING: Chain saws, gas, oil, safety glasses.

2. Seeding lower ranges. Bring hand spreaders. Need someone to pick up seed and straw – call Tim

3. As mentioned above, we need to install some warning signs on trail and RRRW – please call me ASAP if you are able to take care of ordering and getting materials lined-up for installation.

Food: Looking for volunteers to help buy and cook food – Please contact Tim ASAP if you can help. Call me or email tspivak@va.metrocast.net if you can help (540)-775-4561.

Tim Spivak

Executive Officer

Facility Notes

Meeting Room Building. The building has passed its final inspection and the permit closed out. We have the state health department permit to operate the bathrooms.

Long Range Planning Committee. The Northern Virginia Shooting Facility approved construction of the action pistol range at the March meeting. Also, work on improving the berms on the lower range will be completed using the same equipment as for the new range. This will complete the highest priority items on the "safety critical list." Work continues on "critical maintenance items." The committee will provide a forum for anyone wanting to propose new projects. - *Jon Yagla*

Range Safety Notes

During work parties all ranges are closed; all firearms 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.

The brows at the top of the 25 yard pistol range are to catch any errant bullets that might leave the range; this device is NOT to be used as a target.

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 UNCASSED 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 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

Member Notes

EAR Custom Molded Ear Plugs: Time is running out to get your custom molded ear plugs for \$25 a set. I will be moving to Afton, Virginia, in the June/July timeframe. Contact Bob King at 775-5651 or by email: NVGC@va.metrocast.net.

Shotgun Corner

Mike Thompson was selected to the Virginia State Trapshooting Team. He had a great shooting season. He won the Virginia state singles championship at Winchester with 199 out of 200, then made the state team with a high aggregate average of 90.7. His scores were: singles average (96.8), handicap average (89.3) and doubles average (86). There is a 5,000 target minimum in the season to be considered for the state team. Congratulations to our number one trap shooter! We had a nice turnout for our first skeet match this year. The best individual performance was Kerry Knowles with a very fine 48 out 50 with his .410. Bob King posted a 49 in the 20 gauge match. Bob also won high over all in the four gage event. The trap match originally scheduled for Monday May 28 is being changed to May 30 (Memorial Day) because the scouts will be on the property Saturday and Sunday. They leave early on Monday morning. The ranges will open for shooting after they leave. The skeet range will be open for practice after the trap match, around 3:00. The range is open for practice on Sundays at 1:00 and Wednesdays at 4:30. Come on out and try your luck. Coaching will be provided if you ask for it. If you have to travel a long way, please call Jon Yagla at [540-809-7207](tel:540-809-7207) to make sure we will be there and bring an extra gun if you don't have one of your own.

Jon Yagla

Shotgun Chairman

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NVGC 2011 Calendar (Note: All events are held at the Club unless specifically stated otherwise.)

Date	Time	Event
Sunday's All Year	1300- Dusk	Shotgun Practice (POC – Jon Yagla)
6-8 May	Arrive 1800 6 May Depart 1200 8 May	Boy Scout Troop 8
21 May	0900 - 1200	Club Work Party and Meeting (POC – Tim Spivak)
22 May	0830 - 1500	Cowboy Action POC - Tim Spivak (LOWER RANGES CLOSED)
27 – 30 May	Arrive 1600 27 May Depart 1300 30 May	Boy Scout Troop 875 (POC – Jim Morgan)
30 May	0930	ATA Trap Match (POC – Jon Yagla)
4 June	0830 - 1200	Benchrest Match, .22 rimfire (POC- Perry Fridley) NOTE DATE CHANGE
18 June	0900 - 1200	Club Work Party and Meeting (POC – Tim Spivak)
25 June	0830 - 1200	Benchrest Match, .22 rimfire (POC- Perry Fridley)
25 June	0930	ATA Trap Match (POC – Jon Yagla)
26 June	0830 - 1500	Cowboy Action POC - Tim Spivak(LOWER RANGES CLOSED)
9 July	0830 - 1600	Fahrenheit Fifties Open Skeet Match
16 July	0900 - 1200	Club Work Party and Meeting (POC – Tim Spivak)
23 July	0830 - 1200	Benchrest Match, .22 rimfire (POC- Perry Fridley)
23 July	0930	ATA Trap Match (POC – Jon Yagla)
24 July	0830 - 1500	Cowboy Action POC - Tim Spivak(LOWER RANGES CLOSED)
20 August	0900 - 1200	Club Work Party and Meeting (POC – Tim Spivak)
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 Depart 1200 10 Oct	Boy Scout Troop 1887 (POC – Jim Miller)
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

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