

# NORTHERN VIRGINIA GUN CLUB

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### Notes from the President

First of all, I would like to apologize for not getting this out a little sooner. Many things are happening at this time of year and not everything gets done in a timely manner. Again, I apologize. The last note out was to get the dinner announcement sent again. Hopefully, everyone had enough time to respond. There has been a very good response this year and we expect to have a great event. Election results were counted and announced at the December club meeting. Results are:

Position	Name	
President	Perry Fridley	
Vice President	John Klochak	
XO	Tim Spivak	
Treasurer	Brett Affholter	
Safety Officer	Seth Rinaldi	
Membership Secretary	Jim Westendorf	
Recording Secretary	Joe Primerano	

Next item of note is progress on action pistol ranges. Excavation has been in progress for the last couple weeks. Mostly, we have been changing grade on shooting bays and getting the parking areas ready for gravel. After this work is complete, the overhead shelters need to be constructed and concrete slabs poured for shooting positions. There will be a great deal of work to be done and it is hoped everything will be done this spring. Tim Spivak will be coordinating the work parties. Please pitch in and help get it done.

We are in need of United States Practical Shooting Association (USPSA) members to get our club affiliated. Lance Brown has sent this request for our members to read. If you are currently a member or are willing to become a member, please let Lance Brown know.

Action Pistol Shooters - A join packet from USPSA was received. In order to join that organization, NVGC must have ten current members of USPSA. All current members of USPSA are asked to contact Lance Brown at: <u>Brwnla@netzero.com</u> so that he can start moving forward on this effort. Please help Lance get this done.

Last note... NVGC has gotten calls from property neighbors that there are explosive devices being initiated on our property. Even though there are no guidelines in the club rules, this is not to be done. Seth Rinaldi is implementing club rules to forbid this. These devices are legally available at several suppliers and they don't even require hazmat shipping ... no matter, DO NOT USE THESE DEVICES AT OUR CLUB. They are quite loud and destructive and we cannot be a nuisance to our neighbors.

Perry Fridley NVGC President

# **NVSF Treasurer's Report**

The certificates for those members who sent in their check by Dec 10 are signed by the President and I will sign and stamp them and hopefully send them out by Tuesday January 17<sup>th</sup>. For those of you who sent in your money after that, I will by trying to get those certificates out by the end of the month.

Darryl Breitenstein NVSF Treasurer

# **January 2012 Membership Updates**

Please join me in welcoming the newest members to our club. There are seven prospective members this month:

- -- Mike Newkirk, of King George, sponsored by Rick Sandlin;
- -- John DeSanctis, of Fredericksburg, sponsored by Rick Sandlin;
- -- Robert Parker, of Alexandria, sponsored by Seth Rinaldi;
- -- David Kelnberger, of Leonardtown, MD, sponsored by Jim McWhirt;
- -- Paul Gray, of King George, sponsored by Perry Fridley;
- -- John Amber, of Lexington Park, MD, sponsored by Perry Fridley;
- -- Brian Selph, of King George, sponsored by Perry Fridley;
- -- Blaine Hall, of Waldorf, MD, sponsored by James Vachalek.

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.

# From the XO

Action Range Status: We finally got a break in the weather and John Burgess and Co have been able to re-grade the bays and clear out the dead/unwanted trees, build parking areas and exit road. It's really starting to look like a range! Once final grading is done, we'll need club members to help trench for conduit for future power. Once we get a hard freeze and the ground firms up, John will deliver and spread gravel on the entire range. After that, we're ready for club members to frame and pour slabs. Then finally, we'll build covered firing points over bay 1 and 4. At that point we're ready to open the ranges for shooting. UNTIL THEN DO NOT SHOOT ON THE ACTION RANGES.

**<u>2012</u>** Shooting Event Schedule: Anyone wishing to schedule shooting events during 2012, please contact me with details. I will integrate into the calendar on first come first serve basis. Keep in mind that we already have the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday booked for muzzle-loader matches, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday for IPSC/IDPA, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday for work parties, the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday for benchrest, and the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday for Cowboy Action. Rest is wide open – so get me your inputs as soon as you know what you want to do.

2012 Work Party Projects: Looking ahead in 2012, here are the major projects we plan to undertake:

- 1. Action ranges complete earthwork, gravel, power conduit, covered firing areas and open up for business.
- 2. Re-build 25 yd covered firing area on lower ranges, new cover and concrete slab
- 3. Complete concrete slab along 200 yd firing line.
- 4. Re-gravel road

Tim Spivak *Executive Officer* 

#### **Range Safety Notes**

Due to neighbors complaining about someone setting off explosives on the ranges, "**EXPLODING TARGETS**" are prohibited. If someone thinks that the club is setting off explosives on the property and reports the incident to law enforcement, we could come under some intense scrutiny by local authorities, and the BATF. I understand that one of the plastic chairs was destroyed during this incident; destroying club property is grounds for dismissal.

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. WHEN MOVING TO AND FROM YOUR VEHICLE OR A DIFFERENT FIRING POSITION WITH AN UNCASED WEAPON, KEEP THE WEAPON UNLOADED, WITH THE ACTION OPEN, MUZZLE POINTED AT THE GROUND, FINGER OFF OF THE TRIGGER.

<u>Target frames are to be used for holding target backers, not clay pigeons, cans plastic bottles, balloons etc.</u> 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

#### **Classified Ads**

Private/group pistol shooting classes by certified NRA instructor. Lessons tailored to your needs - accuracy improvement, firearm selection, defensive shooting, concealed carry permit classes, cowboy action coaching. Reasonable rates, discount for club members and their families. Contact Tim Spivak at <u>tspivak@va.metrocast.net</u> or phone (540) 848-4634.

#### NVGC 2012 Calendar

Date	Time	Event	
Sunday's All Year	1300- Dusk	Shotgun Practice (POC – Jon Yagla)	
15 January 2012	1700-2000	Club Annual Dinner (Blue & Gray Pub Fredericksburg)	
28 January 2012	0830-1400	.22 Rimfire Benchrest Match (POC Perry Fridley)	
25 February 2012	0830-1400	.22 Rimfire Benchrest Match (POC Perry Fridley)	
3 March 2012	0900- 1400	Black Powder Silhouette Match(POC Dan Schaidt)	
17 March 2012	0900-1200	Club Work Party and Meeting(POC Tim Spivak)	
24 March 2012	0830-1400	.22 Rimfire Benchrest Match(POC Perry Fridley)	
25 March 2012	0800-1500	Cowboy Action Match(POC Tim Spivak)	
7 April 2012	0900-1400	Black Powder Silhouette Match(POC Dan Schaidt)	
21 April 2012	0900-1200	Club Work Party and Meeting(POC Tim Spivak)	
28 April 2012	0900-1400	.22 Rimfire Benchrest Match(POC Perry Fridley)	
22 April 2012	0800-1500	Cowboy Action Match(POC Tim Spivak)	

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

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