



NORTHERN VIRGINIA GUN CLUB

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Notes from the President:

The weather is finally getting warmer and one of my favorite months has arrived – May. In addition to Mother's Day, this month brings the annual visit of Boy Scout Troup 875 from Fairfax, VA. They will be here from Friday May 28 until Monday May 31. This is always a fun time for both adults and the scouts. Come on out and help coach the scouts. As is our policy the ranges will *not* be closed to members during the scout's visit but you may have to work around their activities by following the instructions of the RSOs on duty. Please work with us on encouraging youth shooting.

If you get this notice in time please consider attending our club pistol match on May 8th. Contact Tim Spivak for more information. Tim is trying hard to develop an action pistol program. Our shotgun program has an ATA match scheduled for May 16th. Contact Jon Yagla for more information.

Our Benchrest program is taking off. In addition to the May and June matches, we have now scheduled matches for July, August, and October. Please come out for the match on Saturday, May 22. Please note that the date is different this month due to the Boy Scout's visit. Contact Perry Fridley for more information.

This month we also have a Service Rifle Clinic on Sunday May 23. This will be for all service rifles but there will only be instructors for AR-15s and M-14's. See the announcement later in the newsletter for more information. In other hi-power news we have cancelled the August 28 John Garand match so that we can hold our monthly Benchrest match. There are still two more John Garand matches scheduled for this year so I hope we see you at one of them.

We are always looking for someone to volunteer to cook the food for the work parties. If you are willing, please contact a member of the EC.

At the April meeting I appointed Karl Ehrlich as our club Parliamentarian. He will help keep us operating our meetings properly.

As Jim Morgan will also mention later on, we had some vandalism on the property sometime between April 17 and early morning April 19. Nails were spread at the front gate and the memorial sign at the rifle/pistol range was partially ripped off its post. At the point where our road crosses the abandoned RR bed the impact area warning sign was moved to the center of our road. Further down the road, two large logs were also placed in the road. I cannot stress enough how important it is for all of us to take ownership in our club by documenting and reporting these events. We must stay constantly vigilant. Thanks to the members that reported this event.

Tom Hackett
President, NVGC

Cowboy Action Competitions:

We will be holding cowboy action shoots the fourth Saturday of every month commencing June 04. Events

will start at High Noon. Contact Tim Spivak 775-4561 or Spivak@worldskyline.com for details.

Work Day project for May:

The February and April work parties plus all those days in-between has produced many board feet of lumber to be used in construction projects. Many thanks to Tim Neel and those that helped him in the milling task of converting the logs into boards. There are still a number of logs that need to be moved to the new mill yard. Also, there are still a number of damaged trees that need to be cut into saw logs. Tim has moved his mill but will return when we have the new mill yard stocked with logs. Anyone that wants work day credit can contact Jon Yagla to see when he will be available with his tractor to move the logs.

There are still a large number of downed trees to be cut into saw logs. This will be a project at the May work party. It will require the three members for each team: 1 member with a chain saw; two members with a 16 foot tape measure and one ax to mark the logs;

GENERAL MAINTENANCE:

Weed Whackers and/or push lawn mowers to trim the slope in front of the rifle/pistol ranges; around the target frames; camp grounds; shotgun range and picnic area;

Pruning shears to cut back overhanging tree branches along the road and side lines on the ranges;

Pickup Truck with King George county sticker to make the usual trash run to the dump;

Saws, hammers, etc to rebuild the damage target covers on the archery range:

SAFETY NOTICE REMINDER:

MEMBERS - YOU MUST PLACE TARGETS SO THAT YOU ARE SHOOTING IN A STRAIGHT LINE TO THE TARGET AND THE BULLETS ARE IMPACTING IN THE BERM. When you are firing at an angle to the target your bullets are not impacting the designed berm. The bullets may exit the range across the road or the right side of the range.

Shooters are remaining on the firing line when a cease fire is called and the range is cold so people could go down range and put up targets. When the firing line is cold **EVERYONE MUST MOVE** behind the firing line so the Safety Officer has a clear view up and down the firing line. Thank you for following these two safety rules.

NOTICE: ANYONE WHO USES ANY TYPE OF METAL OR WOOD TARGET MATERIAL:

IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO REMOVE THE TARGET MATERIAL FROM THE RANGE. THE TRACTOR TIRES ARE NO MATCH FOR THIS MATERIAL. PERSISTENCE IN LEAVING ANY TYPE OF METAL OR WOOD TARGETING MATERIAL WILL NECESSITATE A RULING ON WHAT TYPE OF MATERIAL CAN BE USED ON THE RANGE.

I wish to thank all the club members that are cleaning up the range after they finish shooting. It sure makes the range look better and cutting the range a lot less time consuming.

SPECIAL NOTICE:

We had some visitors at the range sometime between late Saturday, April 17 and early Monday April 19. He/she/they spread roofing nails at the entrance gate and did some vandalism around the range. It is important to document these events when they occur. I am requesting each of you to take the time to record the day, time, and exactly what you find when you see this. If you have a cell phone it would be very beneficial to call the King George Sheriff's office and report the event. It would also be appropriate to call the Sheriff's office and have a deputy come to the range to document the vandalism. The only way to stop this action is to take action. Thank You.

Jim Morgan

Club Logo Committee:

At the April meeting, the members voted to form a committee to investigate the cost, and desire to establish an "approved" Club logo for the Northern Virginia Gun Club. John LoBuglio was assigned to chair this committee and he is looking for volunteers. Anyone who has any interest, especially those with artistic abilities, please contact John at (540)644-9999 or John.LoBuglio@navy.mil to volunteer.

Northern Virginia Gun Club

Service Rifle Clinic

23 May 2004

Start Time: 09:00 am

Cost: \$10 (Juniors \$5)

Equipment: Bring all of your current competition Equipment

There will be an equipment class, discussing advantages, disadvantages, cost, and how to use the different pieces of equipment.

There will be a limited amount of loaner equipment available, but this clinic is focused on the beginner - intermediate shooter who wishes to improve his game. It is not for completely new shooters who want to see if they might be interested.

Ammunition: Bring **65 rounds** for your rifle. Ammo will be available for Juniors, and a limited amount for loaner weapons (for shooters considering changing from M-14 to AR-15 or vice-versa).

Course of Fire:

5 round zero

Offhand 10 rounds, coached

Sitting Rapid - two strings of 2-3, then 10 round string - coached

Prone Rapid - same

Prone Slow fire - 10 rounds, coached.

Critique, lessons learned

Clinic Completion - 4:00 PM

Match Director: Michael Jamison, email: Michael.jamison@osd.mil

NVGC 2004 Calendar

Date	Time	Event
3-15 May, 2004	1/2hr prior Sunrise to Sunset	HUNTING – Spring Gobbler
8 May 2004	9:00am-12:00pm	Club Pistol Match
15 May, 2004	9:00am/12:00 noon	Work Party/Club meeting
16 May, 2004	9:00am	ATA Trap Match (Registration starts at 8:30am)
22 May, 2004	8:30am-12:00pm	Smallbore Benchrest Match (IR50 - .22 rimfire)
23 May, 2004	9:30am-4:00pm	NVGC Service Rifle Clinic
23 May, 2004	2:00pm	NVGC Trap League
28-31 May, 2004	All day	Boy Scout Troop 875 (Fairfax)
5 June, 2004	10:00am	Highpower – John Garand match
12 June, 2004	9:00am-12:00pm	Club Pistol Match
19 June, 2004	9:00am/12:00 noon	Work Party/Club meeting & Annual Picnic
20 June, 2004	9:00am	ATA Trap Match (Registration starts at 8:30am)
26 June, 2004	8:30am-12:00pm	Smallbore Benchrest Match (IR50 - .22 rimfire)
17 July, 2004	9:00am/12:00 noon	Work Party/Club meeting
31 July, 2004	8:30am-12:00pm	Smallbore Benchrest Match (IR50 - .22 rimfire)
21 August, 2004	9:00am/12:00 noon	Work Party/Club meeting
28 August, 2004	10:00am	Highpower – John Garand match CANCELLED
28 August, 2004	8:30am-12:00pm	Smallbore Benchrest Match (IR50 - .22 rimfire)
18 September, 2004	9:00am/12:00 noon	Work Party/Club meeting
18 September, 2004	After NVGC meeting	NVSF Annual Meeting
18 September, 2004	2:00pm	Highpower – Club Highpower Service Rifle Match
25 September, 2004	All day	NVGC OPEN HOUSE (Nat'l Hunting & Fishing Day)
26 September, 2004	12:00- 4:00 pm	Black Powder Qualification – Caledon
2 October, 2004	All Day	HUNTING – First Day – Deer Archery Season
16 October, 2004	9:00am/12:00 noon	Work Party/Club meeting
30 October, 2004	All Day	HUNTING – First Day – Deer Muzzleloader Season
30 October, 2004	8:30am-12:00pm	Smallbore Benchrest Match (IR50 - .22 rimfire)
13 November, 2004	All Day	HUNTING – First Day – Deer General Firearms Season
14 November, 2004	10:00am	Highpower – John Garand match
20 November, 2004	TBD	Club meeting (TBD)
18 December, 2004	TBD	Club meeting (TBD)

Notes:

- 1) All events are held at the Club unless specifically stated otherwise.
- 2) All Ranges will be CLOSED Mondays, Tuesdays, Fridays, & Saturdays during Deer General Firearms Season starting November 13 and ending January 1, 2005.

Membership Report For May:

We have Seven prospective new members:

Paul Ketcham of Fairfax sponsored by Robert McGee, **Russell Manuel** of Centreville sponsored by Ben Manuel, **Jason Falbe** of King George is unsponsored, **Lewis Ray** of Colonial Beach is unsponsored, **Joseph Maddox** of Mine Run is unsponsored, **Roger O'Connor** of Falls Church is sponsored by John Einbinder, **David Huffstickler** of Fredericksburg sponsored by Ben Manuel.

If anyone has any issues with any of these prospective members please contact the membership chairman or any club officer with your concerns.

Welcome to new members Charles King II, Vincent Penoso, Sean Ryan , Robert Ritschel , Brian Austin , Leonard Aquilina, Dennis Huffstickler and Joseph Comfort .

Joe Graninger
Membership Secretary

Club Officers and Committee Chairmen:

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Benchrest Results:

NVGC BENCHREST RESULTS as of April 24, 2004

High Scores This Year

Sporter Rifle:	Dale Hundley	228-9x	2/28/2004
10.5 lb. Target Rifle:	Dale Hundley	242-13x	3/27/2004
13.5 lb. Target Rifle:	Andy Amber	244-11x	3/27/2004
2 Gun Aggregate:	Perry Fridley	469-9x	4/24/2004
3 Gun Aggregate:	Perry Fridley	682-23x	2/28/2004

Scores This Month April 24, 2004

	Sporter Rifle	10.5 lb target	13.5 lb target	2 gun aggregate
1	Dan Tarpley 226-3x	Perry Fridley 237-6x	Perry Fridley 232-3x	Perry Fridley 469-9x
2	Perry Fridley 213-1x	Dan Tarpley 221-2x	Seth Rinaldi 207-5x	Dan Tarpley 447-5x
3	Frank Baker 138-2x	Seth Rinaldi 171-0x		Seth Rinaldi 378-5x
4		Frank Baker 106-1x		Frank Baker 244-3x

Three gun aggregate: Perry Fridley 682-10x

We had a great day for shooting .22 BR this month. The weather was beautiful but somewhat breezy. The wind would blow from one direction then switch to another direction which made for tricky shooting. I have added another category, 2-gun aggregate, i.e. any 2 guns (shoot 3 and use the best 2). We had two new shooters this month. Thanks to them for supporting our benchrest efforts. Got a good shooting .22 rimfire and want to get some NVGC bragging rights??? Come join us, the next match is 08:30 am May 22.

Perry Fridley
Benchrest Chairman

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