

NORTHERN VIRGINIA GUN CLUB

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Notes from the President

There is only one topic for me this month, and that is the possibility of putting a cap on NVGC membership. We are experiencing a large increase in membership applications and some members are remarking how, in their opinion, the ranges are getting crowded on weekends. I also see the increased usage, but not sure if there is a major crowding problem. I also believe we will get some relief when the new action ranges are completed and in use.

The extra members add to the amount of work needed to be performed by the EC, especially membership secretary. This will especially be apparent come renewal time this summer. I don't have the total count, but it is approaching about 400 members. One good aspect of the increased membership is the extra revenue through club dues that will be used for more club improvements and better maintenance of our existing facilities.

Please take the time to consider where we are and where we want to go in the future. Read the attached ballot and vote yes or no to capping membership. Also, add any additional comments that you feel is important. I would like to hear from as many as possible. Thanks to everyone for all the work.

Perry Fridley
President NVGC

March Membership Report

There are currently 12 new prospective members for April 2012. If anyone has any issues with these prospective members, please contact any member of the EC with your concerns.

- 1. John Sinopoli of King George sponsored by Steve Norris
- 2. Kermit Jackson of Woodbridge, Va. Sponsored by Alex Melnichak
- 3. Samuel Lerman of Alexandria, Va. Sponsored by Anthony Gibbons
- 4. Charles King II of Fredericksburg, Va. Sponsored by Seth Rinaldi
- 5. Paul Wolfe of Leonardtown, Md. Sponsored by Dan Schaidt
- 6. Vince Ellis of Stafford, Va. Sponsored by Jonathan Curley
- 7. Chris Morge of Spotsylvania, Va. Sponsored by Tim Devlin
- 8. Charles Barcus of Stafford, Va. Sponsored by Joe Primerano
- 9. Robert Landrum of Warrenton, Va. Sponsored by Alex Melnichak
- 10. Howard Hewitt of Accokeek, Md. Sponsored by James Mills Jr.
- 11. David Cassidy Jr. of Woodbridge, Va. Sponsored by Gregory Wheeler
- 12. Tony Aldredge of King George, Va. Sponsored by Lance Brown

Please welcome to the club the following new members:

- 1. Zachary Rene Scott of King George, Va.
- 2. Nick Vuckmer of Leonardtown, Md.
- 3. Gary Hampton of Fredericksburg, Va.
- 4. Daniel Martin of King George, Va.
- 5. Michael Whitmire of Alexandria, Va.
- 6. Steve Grossen of King George, Va.

Jim Westendorf

Membership Secretary

From the XO

March Work Party: Scheduled for 21st April, start time 0800. Lunch at noon.

<u>Action Range Status:</u> We are making progress! Final grading is done. Crushed concrete base and french drain are complete. Spreading of gravel in bays will start shortly. At the April work party, we will start building the covered firing areas. If we can get materials and tools in place, we will continue to work after lunch. So if you can plan to stay, that would be great.

NEED YOUR HELP: If you can bring a GENERATOR or POWER AUGER or PICK UP MATERIALS, please call or email Tim at number/email at (540) 848-4634 or tspivak@va.metrocast.net.

<u>What To Bring</u>: ½ inch drill motors, extension cords, 1/2 inch auger bits, sledges, chain saw, post hole digger, spades, tampers, level, battery drills, Torx T25 bits, socket sets, hammers.

Food: Looking for volunteers to help buy and cook food – Please contact Tim ASAP if you can help.

Tim Spivak

Executive Officer

Range Safety Notes

If you choose to shoot while a match is in progress, you are required to follow the match rules that are in effect. Most matches ate timed events, be sure you have enough targets out to keep you busy between cease fires.

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 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.

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

Shotgun Notes

Upcoming dates are Sunday April 22, which will have sporting clays practice at 1 pm. The trap and skeet ranges will also be open as usual all day. Saturday, April 28, will have an ATA registered trap match. Registration will start at 9:30 and the first shot will be at 10:00. The skeet range will be closed from 10:00 until mid afternoon.

Regular practice sessions are at 4:30 on Wednesdays and 1:00 on Sundays. You can come out at these times for practice with other shooters, range check outs, and free instruction. If you need to borrow a gun for a child or lady, please call ahead. The houses are well stocked with targets and the equipment is in perfect working condition.

If you want to help with maintenance, please call me or come to the work detail April 21 at 9:00. We have work to do on the skeet houses. There is work that can be any time convenient for you. If anyone has a high pressure washer we would like to use it to blast old paint off the skeet houses. Also we need a tall ladder to work about 12 feet above the ground on the wood trim. Jon Yagla 540-809-7207

Shotgun Competition Schedule Northern Virginia Gun Club 2012 Season

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Date	Day	Event	Registration	First shot			
March 24	Sat	ATA	9:30	10:00			
March 31	Sat	NSSA 4x50	9:30	10:00			
April 28	Sat	ATA	9:30	10:00			
May 12	Sat	ATA	9:30	10:00			
May 28	Mon	Sporting Clays	9:30	10:00			
June 9	Sat	NSSA 4x50	8:30	9:00			
June 23	Sat	ATA	9:30	10:00			
July 28	Sat	ATA	9:30	10:00			
Aug 25	Sat	ATA	9:30	10:00			
Sept 2	Sun	Sporting Clays	9:30	10:00			
Sept 22	Sat	ATA	9:30	10:00			
Oct 27	Sat	ATA	9:30	10:00			

NSSA matches are registered and you must belong to NSSA or NSCA to shoot. Free 1-yr memberships are available at the range. ATA matches are registered and you must belong to ATA to shoot. You can join or renew at the range, \$20 for the season. Sporting Clays matches are conducted according to match rules, but are not registered with NSCA. We have a limited number traps, most are hand set. Contestants should help open the range, take turns serving as trappers, and help clean up and put equipment away. The ranges are open for practice until registration begins, then reserved exclusively for the matches. The ranges will reopen upon completion of the matches, which is usually around 3 pm, depending on the turn out.

Lunch is provided to the contestants. Extra lunches can be ordered for \$5. No lunch is provided for sporting clays.

The gate will be open and matches are open to non-members of NVGC. We have a clubhouse with heat, air conditioning, porch, and a handicap accessible bathroom. Call Jon Yagla at 540 809 7207 or e-mail to jon.yagla@navy.mil to pre register, confirm space available, or enquire about weather.

Directions:

From Richmond, N on 95 to 3, 3 East to just past Cox Auto, & Citgo. Turn left on Stanly Road, and then get on 609 and go North to 218, turn right on 218 Eastbound to club which is on the right just past Eagles Nest Lane.

From NVa, S on 95 to Falmouth Exit, E-bound following Butler Rd, which becomes 218 Eastbound, to club just past Eagles Nest Ln.

From Tappahannock or Northern Neck, come to KG C.H. Just past the C.H. turn right on 610, take it to 218, turn left on 218 to club.

From Southern MD take 301 to Burger King, turn right and go 3 miles to 218 and take it 4.5 miles West toward Fredericksburg.

Jon Yagla

Shotgun Chairman

Cowboy Action Report

Had a fun match in March – strong showing from some new shooters and a lot of laughs. Join us for some fun at our April Match, scheduled for 22 April. Six stages of fire, \$10 match fee, guests are welcome. Please arrive at 0830- to help set-up. Registration at 0900. First shots are downrange at 1000 hrs, and we usually wrap up around 1500 hrs. BYO Lunch. If you are interested in getting involved in CAS give me a call (540) 775-4561 or email tspivak@va.metrocast.net

Tim Spivak

CAS Chairman

For Sale

SIG 220 45 ACP – used with night sights. Pre-Series 70 Colt Commander – blue, excellent condition. Contact tspivak@va.metrocast.net or phone (540) 848-4634.

NVGC 2012 Calendar

Date	Time	Event	
Sunday's All Year	1000- Dusk	Shotgun Practice (POC – Jon Yagla)	
7 April	0800-1400	Black Powder Silhouette Match (POC Dan Schaidt)	
21 April	0900-1200	Club Work Party and Meeting (POC Tim Spivak)	
22 April	0800-1500	Cowboy Action Match (POC Tim Spivak)	
28 April	0800-1400	.22 Rimfire Benchrest Match (POC Perry Fridley)	
28 April	0930-1500	ATA Trap Match (POC Jon Yagla)	
5-6 May	0800 5 May -1300	Boy Scout Troop 8	
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12 May	0930-1500	ATA Trap match (POC Jon Yagla)	
12 May NOTE DATE	0800-1400	Black Powder Silhouette Match(POC Dan Schaidt)	
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19 May	0900-1200	Club Work Party and Meeting(POC Tim Spivak)	
20 May	0800-1500	Cowboy Action Match(POC Tim Spivak)	
25 May- 28 May	1400 25 May -	Boy Scout Troop 875 (POC Jim Morgan)	
	1200 28 May		
28 May	0930-1500	Sporting Clays (POC Jon Yagla)	
02 June	0800-1400	Black Powder Silhouette Match(POC Dan Schaidt)	
09 June NOTE DATE	0800-1400	.22 Rimfire Benchrest Match(POC Perry Fridley)	
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09 June	0830-1500	NSSA 4X50 Skeet Match (POC Jon Yagla)	
16 June	0900-1200	Club Work Party and Meeting(POC Tim Spivak)	
23 June	0800-1400	.22 Rimfire Benchrest Match(POC Perry Fridley)	
23 June	0930-1500	ATA Trap Match (POC Jon Yagla)	
24 June	0800-1500	Cowboy Action Match(POC Tim Spivak)	
07 July	0800-1400 Black Powder Silhouette Match(POC Dan Schaidt)		
21 July	0900-1200 Club Work Party and Meeting(POC Tim Spivak)		
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28 July	0800-1400 .22 Rimfire Benchrest Match(POC Perry Fridley)		
28 July	0930-1500	ATA Trap Match (POC Jon Yagla)	
04 August	0800-1400	Black Powder Silhouette Match(POC Dan Schaidt)	
18 August	0900-1200	Club Work Party and Meeting(POC Tim Spivak)	
25 August	0800-1400	.22 Rimfire Benchrest Match(POC Perry Fridley)	
25 August	0930-1500	ATA Trap Match (POC Jon Yagla)	
26 August	0800-1500	Cowboy Action Match(POC Tim Spivak)	
01 September	0800-1400	Black Powder Silhouette Match(POC Dan Schaidt)	
02 September	0930-1500	Sporting Clays (POC Jon Yagla)	
15 September	0900-1200	Club Work Party and Meeting(POC Tim Spivak)	
22 September	0800-1400	.22 Rimfire Benchrest Match(POC Perry Fridley)	
22 September	0930-1500	ATA Trap Match (POC Jon Yagla)	
23 September	0800-1500	Cowboy Action Match(POC Tim Spivak)	

06-08 October	0900 6 October	Boy Scout Troop 1887 (POC Jim Miller)	
	1200 8 October		
13 October NOTE DATE	0800-1400	Black Powder Silhouette Match(POC Dan Schaidt)	
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20 October	0900-1200	Club Work Party and Meeting(POC Tim Spivak)	
27 October	0800-1400	.22 Rimfire Benchrest Championship Match(POC Perry Fridley)	
27 October	0930-1500	ATA Trap Match (POC Jon Yagla)	
28 October	0800-1500	Cowboy Action Match(POC Tim Spivak)	
03 November	0800-1400	Black Powder Silhouette Match(POC Dan Schaidt)	
10 November	0800-1400	.22 Rimfire Benchrest Fun Match and Cookout (POC Perry Fridley)	
17 November	0900-1200	Club Work Party and Meeting(POC Tim Spivak)	
25 November	0800-1500	Cowboy Action Match(POC Tim Spivak)	
15 December	1200	Club Meeting Location TBD	
19 January 2013	TBD	Annual Club Dinner Location TBD	

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

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