



Northern Virginia Archers September 2019 Meeting

Date of Meeting: September 5, 2019
Time: 7:00 pm to 7:30 pm

NORVA members present:

John McKenzie
John Hoffman
Jeff Van de Vaarst
Kevin Brown

Rodney Roberts
John Shea
Elise Walker
John McGrath

Uwe Jacobs
Chris Foster
Jim Libovicz

News

- The club has a new mailing address:

PO Box 1073

Fairfax Station VA 22039

- Shout out to club member Christina Tremblay for setting a course record at the 2019 VBA State Closed tournament held at the Massanutten Archery Club on August 31 and September 1.

Message from the Board

As required in Article 4, Section 9 of NORVA's by-laws, this Newsletter is a report to the membership of the Board's actions. It also constitutes the minutes from the August meeting.

The September 2019 meeting was led by Tournament Chairman Rodney Roberts

Message from the President (Joe Wolfe)

At the August meeting, Joe Wolfe was nominated for President, and Chris Foster was nominated for Vice President. At the September meeting John Shea stated that he accepted the nomination for Treasurer. There was a vote on this slate of candidates. It was approved unanimously. They will assume their roles in the new year.

We thank outgoing Vice President John McKenzie and Treasurer Clint Snider for their service.

Cadre members will continue to hold their current positions.

Message from the Vice President (John McKenzie)

There was a discussion of maintenance needs in and around the clubhouse. They included the roof and the chimney. Neither has been checked for some time. Also, the target shed needs wiring for electricity.

Membership Update (Gerry Petraitis)

Membership Chairman Petraitis reports that 16 new members joined the club in August. This brings the total to 362.

There was a proposal at the September meeting that, for any new members joining between September and the end of the year, their 2019 dues be reduced by 50 percent. The proposal passed unanimously.

There will be another orientation in October; that will be the last one for the year. Orientations will then start up in February or March of the new year (depending on the weather).

Web Master Report (Uwe Jacobs)

Web Master Jacobs reported that the website and Facebook page have been updated to reflect that the 3-D course now has 30 targets. He also has added the club's new mailing address.

VBA Issues (Kevin Brown)

VBA representative will attend this month's VBA meeting.

The request to re-zone the clubs has been referred to the VBA's tournament committee for consideration.

The State Shoots for 2020 have been set:

Indoor: Feb 22 & 23

Host Sectional Clubs: Belvoir Bowhunters, Bowhunters of Rockingham, Sherwood Archers, and Kingsboro Bowmen

Spring 3-D: April 4 & 5

Host: Bowhunters of Rockingham

Open: May 16 & 17

Host: Sherwood Archers

Fall 3-D: Aug 22 & 23

Host: Kingsboro Bowmen

Closed: Sep. 5 & 6

Host: Manahoac Bowmen

Treasurer's Report (Clint Snider)

The club's balance as of August 31, 2019, is \$14,661.19

The club's expenses for the month of August included a new printer, VBA dues, work party costs, and range insurance.

At the August meeting, the club voted to have a randomly selected group of club members do a financial review of the club's books. President Joe Wolfe and Membership Chairman Gerry Petraitis plan to contact members this month in search of volunteers for this task.

3-D Course Range Cadre (Jeff Van de Vaarst)

The range now has 30 targets in 25 lanes. Cadre Van de Vaarst stated that he would like to purchase additional targets and inserts. At the May 2019 meeting, the club approved an expenditure of \$4,000 for new targets and inserts. Cadre Van de Vaarst stated that this expenditure should be done during this calendar year. He will submit a list of prioritized targets for immediate replacement.

NEW RULE for the 3-D Range: Please do not step on the 3-D tassel stakes. Put your foot against them – like you are propping the tassels up. This will prolong the life of the tassels.

Tournament Chairman (Rodney Roberts)

The Hunters for the Hungry Shoot that was held at NORVA in August was a success. There are no more tournaments scheduled at NORVA for the rest of the year. The Belvoir club will start its indoor shoots once the weather turns cold.

Chairman Roberts will be participating this month in a conference call with VBA representatives to discuss the possibility of a "Shoot Across Virginia" coordinated series of tournaments. This has been done in other states, such as Texas. The purpose of this series of events would be to raise awareness of the state's clubs and to increase membership.

We can do better than this



The above was spotted on a field target. We don't employ a groundskeeper or a cleaning crew. If you bring something in, be sure to take it out. Also, anyone can empty the trash cans at the clubhouse into the big green garbage container. We all have to do our share!

Hunting Information

Fairfax County Park Hunts -- The qualification process for this year has closed.

International Bowhunter Education Program (IBEP) – This class is required to archery hunt the Fairfax county park program as well as on Fort Belvoir. There are multiple places to attend this course. They generally run about 8 hours and are conducting mostly on Saturdays. See link below to find a class in your area. You only need to take this class once (good for life).

<https://register-ed.com/programs/virginia/66-virginia-bowhunter-education-course-ibep/agency:19>

VA Dept of Game and Inland Fisheries app for your phone – Now you can notch your deer tag without the paper tag and without calling the 800-number to report it. The APP can hold multiple digital licenses so you don't need to carry paper ones or deer tags.

VA phone app: <https://www.dgif.virginia.gov/app/>

VA hunting and fishing licenses: <https://www.dgif.virginia.gov/licenses/>

Military installation hunting

Belvoir Bowhunters: <https://belvoirbowhunters.com/>

Marine Corps Base Quantico: <https://www.quantico.marines.mil/Offices-Staff/G-F-Installation-and-Environment/Natural-Resources-Environmental-Affairs/Quantico-Sportsman/Hunting/>