

Northern Virginia Archers July 2020 On-line Meeting

Date of Meeting: July 1, 2020 Time: 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm

NORVA members present:

Joe Wolfe John Shea Uwe Jacobs Jeff Van de Vaarst Gerry Petraitis Bakari Dale

August 8 – NORVA's next club shoot

See inside for details

Signing in at NORVA

NORVA is open for business! Please note that we have a new sign-in procedure. You must do so on-line.

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 July 2020 meeting.

Message from the President (Joe Wolfe)

The July 2020 meeting was held on-line and led by club President Joe Wolfe.

There was a discussion regarding the possibility of holding a monthly meeting outside at the club. The Board will monitor Virginia's guidelines for re-opening. If an open meeting is possible (and if weather permits), we will attempt to hold one outside.

Kudos to Gerry Petraitis for pulling a double shift on the new member orientation that was held on July 11. He spoke (eloquently) for over five hours. Thanks for educating our new members!

Kudos also to Uwe Jacobs for quickly standing up a great bug-free online method for new member applications.

To the NORVA member who drives a truck with a large bucket.

When you come to shoot, you have been parking outside the club entrance. Fountainhead Park officials have asked that you not park there, as it blocks the road into the park. Thank you.

Treasurer's Report (John Shea)

Treasurer Shea reports that the club is on track to get enough new members in the next couple of months to meet the estimated income for the year.

NORVA Checking Account 2020 Monthly Report

Beginning balance		13,501.02		
Date	Description	Credits	Debits	Notes
6/2	SignUpGenius.com		24.99	For on-line shoot registration (will no longer use once function added to our website)
Note	6/13 shoot Square payments	198.40		Deposits made on 8, 9, 11, 12 & 15th
6/10	USS Don's Johns		108.99	
6/11	Dominion Energy		64.76	
6/15	Walmart		57.67	Drinks for shoot
6/16	Waste Management		40.67	
6/16	Member cards print & mail		239.57	Check 2403 reimbursed Gerry P.
6/19	Square member dues	154.25		
6/29	Verizon		54.70	
	Totals	352.65	591.35	
Ending balance		13,262.32		
Projected year-end balance		7,604.00		Assumes ~\$8,300 more dues income. Maintain \$5,000 cash reserve.

Web Master (Uwe Jacobs)

SIGN-IN REMINDER: Please use the electronic sign-in form

(https://www.novaarchers.org/signin.html) as soon as you arrive at the NORVA range. Should you not have a smartphone available, you can sign-in and out from your home computer even after the fact. Also, guests need to sign the liability waiver

(https://www.novaarchers.org/guest_waiver.html) once per calendar year; do not use the paper form anymore. For detailed information, see the Electronic Range Book Instructions (https://www.novaarchers.org/docs/NORVA%20electronic%20range%20book.pdf).

Tournament Chairman (Rodney Roberts)

NORVA's next club shoot is August 8. Doors open at 8 a.m. There will be a shotgun start at 9 a.m.

August 15 - Belvoir Bowhunters will host their annual Hunters for the Hungry shoot. The flier and pre-registration form have been posted. They will have a lot of prizes for the raffle this year, as usual. There will be climbers, ladder stands, a bow, a crossbow, and a muzzle loader. Sign up early to get 2-for-1 tickets. For more information: https://belvoirbowhunters.com/

August 22 - 23 - Belvoir Bowhunters will host the VBA Fall classic 3D at NORVA. This will be a 2-day shoot, as always.

Big shout-out to Uwe for producing an awesome pre-registration form that automatically does the classes and scores for our shoots. Everyone that has used it so far has loved it.

The IBO had to cancel its next leg of their big shoot due to the Governor's closing down the resort where it was scheduled to be held. They were trying to find an alternate location, but thus far they have been unable to do so.

Membership Chairman (Gerry Petraitis)

On July 11, the first membership orientation of the COVID era was held. Two sessions were held, so that we would be in accordance with CDC and Virginia guidelines. We gained 28 new primary members, plus 24 family members, for a total of 52.

The Academy range was used. It worked out well - lots of shade, out of the way, and convenient place for new shooters to start practicing with our assistance.

The total club membership stands at 331. Last year at this time we had 346 members. There are approximately 35 more people who have expressed interest in joining the club. Gerry will hold another orientation in August.

The process for orientation from now on will be:

- •For prospective new members, they will need to go to the website JOIN page and contact Gerry at the membership email address.
- •Gerry will answer questions and send an email with the COVID restrictions on how the orientation will play out.
- •The email will have a link to an online form (prepared by Uwe) to allow them to register their information and get a reservation for the class.

- •This way, they will be briefed and will show up (we hope) with things like masks, chairs and hand sanitizer.
- •Payment will be credit or debit only no cash or checks at this time.

Field Targets Captain (Elise Walker)

The first half of the field course needs some work. A work party will be scheduled to address this.

Hunter and Field targets are mixed on the course.

3-D Course Captain (Jeff Van de Vaarst)

Jeff expressed his intent to replace #24 with the new buffalo.

He reported that Hoffman Archery has not yet charged us for the new 3-D targets. He will send us an invoice which he will give to John Shea. The total is approximately \$3350. It includes buffalo, gazelle, grouse, baboon, and lots of inserts.