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Welcome to NORVA's August Newsletter. We have a few important announcements, please review carefully.

NORVA Ranges will be Closed & Volunteers Needed

In order to prepare for NORVA's VBA State shoot (August 19 & 20), all ranges (3-D, Field 1-14 & Field 15-28) will be closed August 14 through August 18.

There will be a work party August 15 and August 17 beginning at 5pm. Please come and help prepare for the VBA shoot. This is an excellent way to earn volunteer hours. Volunteer 10 hours during the calendar year and you are eligible to receive a 50% reduction off general dues the following year.

Photo Contest!!!



Use your phones to capture that special moment during the VBA shoot. NORVA will award \$50.00 for the best cellphone picture taken during the VBA shoot. There are three easy stipulations:

1. The taking of photographs must not interfere with an archers shooting.
2. Photographs must be taken during the August 19-20 VBA shoot at NORVA.

3. There is no cost to enter your photo but they must be submitted to [NORVA News Editor](#) by August 30, 2017. NORVA board and council members will decide on the winning photo.

ISO Member Turnout at September 7th Club Meeting

Mark this date: September 7, 2017. It is one of the most important member meetings of the year. NORVA is having its club elections, a vote to allow VBA's salary increase, and possibly to vote to cap membership at 750. Please attend this important meeting and let your vote be heard.

Safety Concern

There have been reported incidents of archers shooting across the walk paths. This is obviously dangerous and in violation of NORVA policies. All practice and filed ranges are marked with the maximum distance allowed for that particular target and no range at NORVA crosses a walk path. With this said, you may only shoot the maximum or closer than the marked distance for the particular target. For example, if a range is marked for 60 yards, you are not permitted to shoot 61 yards or more. You want to shoot 80 yards, do not do it at a 60 yard target, go to one of the 80 yard targets on the field course.

NORVA's Jennifer Stoner at the World Games in Wroclaw, Poland

Congratulations to Jennifer Stoner who competed in the World Games July, 2017 and placed 8th in the barebow class. For those of you that are not familiar with the World Games, it's like the Olympics exclusively for archery. Only 12 archers out 10 countries can qualify for the men's and women's divisions of the barebow and recurve competitions.

August 3 Club Meeting Recap

Joe Wolfe hosted the August club meeting. Here are the highlights:

We have three upcoming events, VBA State 3-D shoot (Aug 19 & 20), Hunters for the Hungry charity shoot (Aug 26), and NORVA's very own Rodney Robert's Deer Slayer event (Sept 16, 2017) that will simulate actual bow hunting simulations such as elevated shots and shooting on your knees.

To reiterate, all ranges will be closed from August 14 through August 18 to prepare for the VBA shoot. Only practice ranges will be open.

NOVA Parks met with Joe Wolfe, Willie Whitlock, Uwe Jacobs, and Matt Bortniker to learn more about the club. Park personnel including Chris Paully (supervises all NOVA parks & Crystal Wilson oversees Fountain Head Park) were impressed with the way NORVA manages and maintains the facilities. There are some ongoing discussions regarding lights and how late in the evening archers may shoot. Joe explained that NORVA is membership driven and any issues or concerns will be brought to the attention of club membership. NOVA Parks is satisfied with our process and we have established good communication with each other.

Joe and his wife have been analyzing the size of our membership. Without getting in depth with the algorithm used to calculate membership size, a maximum size of 750 is being considered.

Secretary/Treasurer

Kevin Brown reported that as of August 03, the bank balance was \$9,154.54 which is down by \$16,000 due to the purchase of Reinhart 3-D targets, NORVA insurance, and lesser incidentals. Currently the club has 414 members not including a dozen new members still to be processed.

VBA

The club will vote during the September meeting about a salary increase from \$4.00 per member to \$5.00 per member.

At the last VBA meeting, the motion to allow only one VBA shoot per club passed. A club can bid on a second shoot only if there are no other bids for it.

The VBA would like to save on costs by eliminating the print version of FLIGHT magazine. Instead, FLIGHT would be sent to members via email.

Webmaster's Report

Uwe Jacobs still does not have full administrative access to NORVA's Website. Kevin Brown has been asked to add Uwe to the account.

Leadership Nominations for the Calendar Year 2018

Nominations for club officers for the calendar year were held:

President - Joe Wolfe

Vice President - John McKenzie

Secretary/Treasurer - Matt Bortniker

As mentioned in the announcements section, elections will be held during the September 7 club meeting. We very much would like a large turnout. If there are no further nominations by the upcoming meeting, then the position(s) will forgo a vote and automatically be appointed.



Sunday Morning Mentor Group at NORVA