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Welcome to the last NORVA newsletter of 2016. I hope you are having a great holiday season. NORVA had an amazing 2016 and we are looking for an even better 2017.

Reminders

Make sure the gate and clubhouse are closed when leaving.

Club meetings have changed from the first Tuesday of each month to the first Thursday of each month. The next NORVA member meeting will be January 5, 2017.

Be sure to sign in and out of the logbook. It is not that NORVA wants to keep tabs on anyone. Signing in is for safety reasons as well as helping us establish the frequency of people on the courses.

It is time to renew your membership dues. Per NORVA bylaws (article 3, section 7) membership dues must be in by January 31, 2017 or you may lose your membership. NORVA is considering capping membership meaning wait lists for prospective members. Don't lose your membership - renew now.

Elected Officers for 2017

Joe Wolf, NORVA President
John McKenzie, Vice President
Kevin Brown, Secretary/Treasurer

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December , 2016 Club Meeting Recap

Joe Wolf (NORVA President) hosted the December club meeting. Here are the highlights:

NORVA President's Report

Joe said there are no set ways to govern our meetings based on our bylaws. Joe wants to begin updating and changing the clubs bylaws to better reflect the structure of NORVA and to make club meetings more conforming based on the book "Roberts Rules of Orders." Although the book is fairly massive and detailed, NORVA will implement parts that best reflect the club. The goal is to update NORVA's bylaws by the end of 2017. Joe will create a bylaw committee in January. If you are familiar with working with bylaws, we can use your help. Contact [Joe Wolf](#) or [John Mckenzie](#).

The chalkboard in front of the clubhouse is being used by members to report problem areas on the courses. Instead of just letting things go unnoticed, members are writing things such as targets requiring replacement (example, at lane 5), trees blocking the x, y & z lanes, etc. so our cadres can become aware of and attend to the issues. Thank you NORVA members for making us aware.

Joe received the contracts from the VBA for the State and 3-D shoot for 2017. He will review and sign before the next VBA meeting.

Rodney Roberts (Tournament Chairman) really can use help during the VBA and other NORVA shoots. At this time, you can still receive reduced membership dues for the calendar year 2018 if you volunteer ten hours during 2017. Please contact [Rodney](#) if you would like to help.

Kevin Brown has agreed to remain as Secretary/Treasurer for 2017 with the condition he receives help during the membership renewal process. If Kevin calls for help, we need members to assist!

NORVA bylaws state that we need an audit but not how it should be conducted. Kevin will coordinate with the board to either bring in a totally separate third party or bring in an internal three panel committee that are not on the board or hold a chair position to audit the books. It is hoped the audit will occur in January 2017.

Secretary/Treasurers Report

There was no treasurers report but Kevin Brown (Secretary Treasurer) reported that there was not much change during the last month. Regarding club membership, all new members had been processed bringing membership to 552 (316 are head of families, 236 are secondary/family members) - until John Soma (Membership Chairman) presented Kevin with an additional 50 or so new member applications.

Membership Chairman

John Soma reiterated that he feels NORVA should close membership for a while, at least until we can get a handle on the large influx of new members. The concern, practice and range targets are requiring increased maintenance in shorter time durations. More discussions on membership will follow.

Webmaster

Uwe Jacobs posted the new 2017 [membership renewal](#) on NORVA's website. Be sure to renew before January 31, 2017 to preserve your membership.

The NORVA website storage is getting close to maximum capacity. Uwe has deleted as much as possible to give us more time while Kevin Brown looks into purchasing more space.

News Editor

Beginning in January, newsletters will go out no later than the 20th of each month. If you have an announcement or a story to share, I must receive the information by the 15th the month.

