



## Northern Virginia Archers June 2019 Meeting

Date of Meeting: June 6, 2019  
Time: 7:00 pm to 7:53 pm

NORVA members present:

Joe Wolfe  
Gerry Petraitis  
Uwe Jacobs  
Willy Whitlock  
Chris La Barbera  
Jim Libovicz  
Frank Jones

Clint Snider  
Rodney Roberts  
John Hoffman  
Dan Bernstein  
Kevin Brown  
John Shea

Visitors/potential new members: Alan, Diane, Mike, Trevor, Katerina

**Notice: The July meeting will be held on July 11. It is postponed one week due to the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday**

## **Message from the President** (Joe Wolfe)

The President opened the meeting. He reported that our shoots have been going well. The courses are in good shape.

He reported that there have been no problems in working with the Fountainhead Park administration. We continue to maintain a cordial relationship with the new manager who took over about a year ago.

There is a growing need to perform some repairs in the clubhouse. The Club has voted to purchase new 3-D targets, but we also need to consider expenses for clubhouse repairs. This will be a topic at the July 11<sup>th</sup> monthly meeting. Try to join us if your schedule permits.

## **Message from the Vice President** (John McKenzie)

“The way to get started is to quit talking and begin doing.”

Walt Disney

## **NOTICE: Snakes in the clubhouse**

Snakes have been spotted in the clubhouse. Please proceed with caution. Be vigilant.

The clubhouse is in a wooded area. From time to time critters enter it. They are a draw for predatory snakes. The Club is taking measures to repel them. A new front door was installed and several have been removed and relocated into the woods.



## **Treasurer's Report** (Clint Snider)

The Club's balance as of June 6, 2019 is \$15,156.

We are in the process of renewing our non-profit status, and Clint suggests that the club maintain a \$5,000 buffer in case we owe taxes.

A surprise expense for \$500 came in recently. It was an invoice from United Site Services (formerly Don's Johns) for the portable toilet for February through May. The company recently changed hands, and it took a while for them to send an invoice.

There was a charge on the club card from the R100 event that will be resolved. The hotel billed our credit card instead of a personal card. This charge will be refunded to the club.

Money for the food for the recent Sunday shoot will appear in next month's itemized list.

## **Membership Chairman** (Gerry Petraitis)

We finished May with 290 total members. We had a great turn-out for the June orientation - the club gained 20 new members. This (along with some late renewals) brings the total to 320 members.

The next orientation is the 2nd Saturday in July – July 13. The last orientation of the year will be in October. Remember NORVA membership are valid until Dec 31 of the year you join or renew your membership. The renewal period is from Dec – Jan each year.

If you volunteered 10 hours or more in 2019, get a board member to sign off on your discount prior to renewing. It saves the primary member 50% !!! (Additional family member renewal dues are not discounted.)

## **3-D Course Range Captain** (Willy Whitlock)

Willy Whitlock will verify the inventory of the Club's 3-D targets. The Club will then proceed with the approved purchase of new targets. There should be enough money (of the \$4000 allocated for new targets) to get new inserts.

Willy reported that the course needs blowing. Frank Jones graciously volunteered to do so.

Frank reported that we have plenty of paper targets, including animals.

## **Tournament Chairman** (Rodney Roberts)

At the meeting there was a discussion as to what tournaments the Club would seek to host in 2020. Every year we must bid for the shoots we want. There are about 2 dozen clubs in the VBA. Some are small clubs and do not have the resources to host a shoot. There are only a few clubs that bid on them. A club needs to have adequate parking, facilities, etc. in order to host them.

NORVA used to do the Fall 3D and it's usually VERY hot during it. This year the Club hosted the Spring shoot. This was a 2-day event.

In order to host a event, the Club has to do the following (among other things):

- Shut down NORVA for the week leading up to the event;
- Hold a large work party to prepare the course;
- Have people available for registration and pre-registration; and
- Take steps to ensure that we have food for the event and people to cook and serve it.
- Let's not forget the cleanup after the shoot and putting the course back to normal.

This is a significant outlay of time and resources. Joe Wolfe stated that it might be a good idea to take a year off. Maybe the Club could host a big event every other year. Kevin Brown asked if NORVA would be interested in doing a shoot on either Memorial Day or Labor Day.

A motion was made to vote on abstaining from VBA shoots in 2020. The motion carried and the club voted.

**Result: NORVA will not make a bid for any of the shoots in 2020.**

The voting on the bids happens at the VBA meeting in September. Frank Jones asked that we support Bowhunters of Rockingham for whatever they bid.

**Look for schedule of upcoming shoots in July at the end of the newsletter.**

## **VBA Report** (Kevin Brown)

At the June NORVA meeting we again discussed the issue of changing the VBA zones. The affected local club presidents (NORVA, Cub Run, and Belvoir Hunters) will all sign it. The VBA is aware that the clubs will be submitting this request.

Kevin reported on the VBA's March meeting. There was a proposal to cancel the VBA's regular January meeting. It was voted down, so there will continue to be a meeting in January.

The VBA also discussed how it would publish its Flight magazine. There is a proposal to change it from four hard copies per year to two hardcopies and two electronic copies per year.

The VBA wants to add a Recurve Barebow category. This is in line with World Archery rules. This new category would have no gender sub-categories. There would only be an adult group and a youth group. At the June NORVA meeting the Club voted to support the addition of this new category. Kevin tells us that this is the single fastest-growing competitive category.

The VBA is also considering the addition of a Known-50 (for males) and a Known-40 (for females) class. The Spring shoot is Known; the Fall shoot is unknown. The Club voted to support the addition of these two new classes. This essentially formalizes something most of the clubs have been offering at their shoots for the last two years or so.

Lastly, the VBA is considering a change for the Fall 3-D shoot. This change would make it a 2-day shoot. The Club voted to support this change.

## **Archery Academy** (Dave Grant)

All is well at the Academy. Do you know anyone that could benefit from a lesson? Have any friends that would love to try their hand at archery but don't have the equipment or access to a spacious back yard? Summer isn't as busy as the springtime, so have a look at their website. There is an ACADEMY tab on the novaarchers.org site which will get you to the lesson calendar and contact information.

# **Hunting Information**

**Fairfax County Park Hunts** -- The broadhead qualification process for this year has closed. The application process is still open until July 7 provided you have your IBEP and broadhead qualification. Check the link below and follow it to “How to apply”:

<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/wildlife/archery-program>

**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/>  
“Go Outdoors Virginia” App

## **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/>

## Upcoming shoots. July 2019

Saturday, July 06, 2019 09:00am	NORVA 3-D Shoot	Northern Virginia Archers
Saturday, July 06, 2019 - Sunday, July 07, 2019 10:00am	Buggs Island Fish & Wildlife Annual "Big Apple" Two Day Shoot	Buggs Island Fish & Wildlife Club
Saturday, July 13, 2019 08:00am - 12:00pm	Walton Park Bowhunters 3-D ASA Shoot	Walton Park Bowhunters
Saturday, July 13, 2019 - Sunday, July 14, 2019 08:00am	Massanutten "MAC" Annual Two Day Shoot	Massanutten Archery Club
Saturday, July 13, 2019 09:00am - 12:00pm	Manahoac Bowmen 3-D Shoot	Manahoac Bowmen
Sunday, July 14, 2019 09:00am	Prince William Archers Shoot	Prince William Archers
Saturday, July 20, 2019 07:00am - 02:00pm	Sherwood Archers 3-D Shoot	Sherwood Archers
Saturday, July 20, 2019 08:00am - 10:00pm	Belvoir Bowhunters 3-D & "Pig Roast" Shoot	Belvoir Bowhunters
Saturday, July 20, 2019 - Sunday, July 21, 2019 08:00am	Manahoac Bowmen FITA Two Day Shoot	Manahoac Bowmen
Saturday, July 20, 2019 - Sunday, July 21, 2019 10:00am - 01:00pm	Dixie Bowmen 3-D Trophy Two Day Shoot	Dixie Bowmen
Saturday, July 20, 2019 - Sunday, July 21, 2019 01:00pm	Bowhunters of Rockingham Two Day Shoot	Bowhunters of Rockingham
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Saturday, July 20, 2019 04:00pm	Hunters for the Hungry 8th Annual Northern Virginia Banquet	Hunters for the Hungry
Sunday, July 21, 2019 08:00am - 12:00pm	Shenandoah Archery Club Shoot	Shenandoah Archers
Saturday, July 27, 2019 - Sunday, July 28, 2019 08:00am - 02:00pm	New River Bowhunters Annual 3-D Trophy Money Two Day Shoot	New River Bowhunters
Saturday, July 27, 2019 - Sunday, July 28, 2019 09:00am - 11:00pm	Staunton River Archery Club Two Day Shoot	Staunton River Archery Club
Sunday, July 28, 2019 08:00am - 01:00pm	Two Rivers Archery Club "Pecora Pin" Shoot	Two River Archers