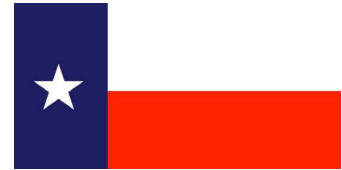


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President's Message – Jerry Stiller

Well, summer is finally here. I spent last weekend shooting the weekend benchrest match and it was HOT!. The ranges are getting busy and our members seem to be having fun and using the club. Be sure to drink plenty of water and try to not stay out in the sun for extended periods. The clubhouse is air conditioned if you need to cool off. We bumped the membership by 100 spots to help bring in some more people and add to the land fund. Be sure to show up for the summer meeting on July 17th and voice your opinions on the land. We are still looking for help by anyone that wants to contribute. Hope to see you there.

Reminders

- **If you have not done so, please pay \$150.00 annual dues immediately, which were due June 1st. Members who fail to pay dues are delinquent on July 1st with their membership privileges suspended. On August 1st, suspended memberships are revoked.**
- **The ranges are closed on Monday until 1PM.**
- **Please observe the posted speed limit of 7 mph.**

Safety Notices

- Do not shoot any target placed directly on the ground.
- Make sure that your rounds fired impact into the berm and do not skip off of the ground.
- All shooters on the rifle and pistol ranges should ensure that the rounds they fire pass through the black plastic backers and impact into the berms. Please place targets in the center of the plastic backer and avoid shooting the wood frames or the metal posts.

RANGE SAFETY

Shooting safety is the responsibility of each club member. While many of us have years of experience handling firearms, anyone can make a mistake. Please remember to adhere to the basic firearms safety rules.

1. Always keep the muzzle pointed in a safe direction.
2. Assume that the firearm is loaded.
3. Keep your finger away from the trigger until ready to shoot.
4. Ensure a safe backstop

Each person on the ranges is required to wear eye and ear protection at all times, and a hat with a brim to protect the face from shot fall. This is especially important when out from under the metal roofs to set up or replace targets. Let's enjoy our sport and remain safe.

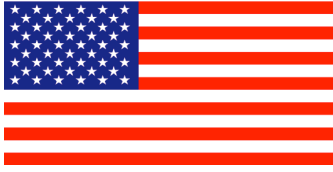
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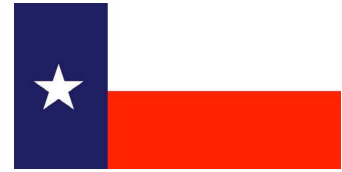
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Rifle Chairman Report – John Myers

The NBRSA Texas Showdown was held on Saturday June 5th and Sunday, June 6th. This was a 200 yard benchrest event with 24 shooters. Scott Hunter won the Sporter with a .2665 and Dave Williams won the Light Varmint with a .2359. Dr. Tim Oltersdorf walked away with the big trophy with Scott Hunter following close behind.

Top five grand aggregate:

1. Tim Oltersdorf .3134
2. Scott Hunter .3167
3. George Clutter .3312
4. Ralph Stewart .3359
5. Dickie Putejousky .3421

A carbine match will be held on Saturday, June 12th and on July 10th at 9AM. Registration ends at 8:30 AM.

Pistol Chairman Report – Larry Erbskorn

The NTSA Action Pistol match was scheduled for Saturday, May 15th, but was postponed to the following Saturday due to rain. The attendance was good with 15 shooters.

Congratulations to our winners:

Phillip W. with the Lowest Overall Score,
Johnny G. with the Lowest Total Points Down,
Phillip W. won CDP class,
Mike H. won SSP class, and
Jordon C. won ESP.

The competition was tight with 4.88 seconds between 2nd and 3rd places, and 0.22 seconds between 3rd and 4th places.

The Club Pistol Steel Shoot is held the fourth Saturday of the month at 9AM. It is timed, but not scored, and is very relaxed. It affords members and guests a great opportunity to shoot steel targets with pistols in .22 rimfire, 9mm, .40 S&W, .45 ACP, etc.

Skeet Chairman Report – Sam Voss

The six-week long skeet league, which began March 17th, has concluded. The first place team consisted of Bob Carmichael, Cobert Crews, Ben Dobson and Robert Gravely. The High Overall shooter was Steve Hope and the most improved shooter was Steve Trent.

A combination skeet and trap league is now being discussed and considered. If you are interested in participating, contact Sam Voss.

Club skeet matches are held the 3rd Saturday of each month. No tournament pressure and any shotgun that will hold 2 rounds is legal!

Trap Chairman Report – Frank Hughes

The ATA Big 50's are being held every other Tuesday afternoon and will continue through November. There has been an average of 18 shooters each time. We look forward to seeing you shoot trap.

The monthly club shoots are held on the 2nd Saturday and are doing very well.

The Horny Toad Handicap Buckle Shoot is scheduled for September 25th. Buckles will be awarded for 5 Yardage Group Winners and a Horny Toad hat pin will be given to all participants.

Special congratulations to Joe Alton who was the High Overall Winner and to all of our Buckle Shoot Winners in our Annual Trap Buckle Shoot on May 15th. We awarded 30 buckles to some great competitors.

Please come out and support the club matches!

Annual Summer Meeting

The Annual Summer Meeting will be held on Saturday, July 17th. An excellent BBQ dinner with brisket, chicken, and pulled pork will be served at 1PM and the meeting will begin at 2PM. If you want to bring something, please bring a desert.

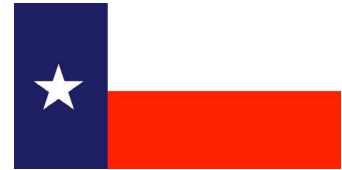
1st Annual Swap Meet

In conjunction with the Annual Summer Meeting, the club will hold its 1st Annual Swap Meet. The swap meet is open to members only. However, guests are welcome to purchase items from members. The swap meet will begin at 9AM and end at 12 Noon prior to serving the BBQ. All items must be firearms-related and must be in compliance with applicable laws. Members are invited to set up a table, use the back of their pickup, or display items on a ground cover adjacent to the club

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house and across the road from the clubhouse. Please do not interfere with trap and skeet shooters.

Proposed By-Law Change

A proposed change in the by-laws was unanimously approved by the Board members and will be presented for vote by the membership at the Annual Summer Meeting on July 17th. The current by-law is as follows:

I.1.1 Family Membership * A voting, fully participating family membership may be obtained by an individual who is at least eighteen (18) years of age, executing the proper application and attending a Board of Directors meeting (in person) when notified to do so. Applicant must be prepared to submit the full initiation fee and one year*s dues at the time of acceptance into NTSA, Inc.

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I.1.1 Family Membership * A voting, fully participating family membership may be obtained by an individual who is at least eighteen (18) years of age, executing the proper application and attending a Board of Directors meeting when notified to do so. The attendee must be an adult covered by the membership. In lieu of the attendee, a current club member in good standing who knows the applicant may appear before the Board on the new member's behalf. Applicant must be prepared to submit the full initiation fee and one year*s dues at the time of acceptance into NTSA, Inc.

Weekend Range Manager Needed ASAP

Starting the end of July, a Range Manager is needed on Saturday and Sunday from 8AM until official sunset. The position is open to members only and pays \$140 per day. Please contact Bob Carmichael if you are interested or know of another NTSA member that may be interested.

Land Acquisition

The Land Subcommittee Chairman Joe Powell is planning on having one or two meetings over the next few weeks to develop a recommendation to present to the membership during the summer meeting. Please contact Joe Powell if you are interested in participating.

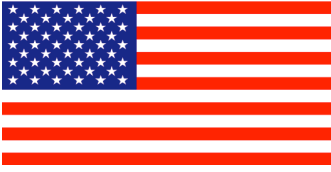
Road Repair

The Range Manager, Bob Carmichael, purchased a load of gravel and had the pot holes filled until a more permanent solution can be found.

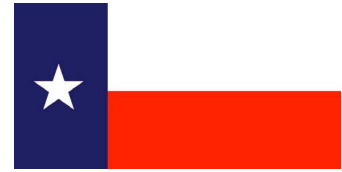
Prone Shooting Positions

The Rifle Chairman, John Myers, and the contractor completed the construction of the concrete Prone Shooting Platform as well as the concrete pad next to the bench rest shed on June 7th. The platform was constructed of concrete blocks on concrete footers with a raised concrete slab supported by three rows of blocks. The structure did not reduce the rifle range entrance gate at all. The raised wood prone shooting platform will be kept and used as a temporary platform, if needed.

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Steel Reactive Target Training

An extra NTSA Steel Reactive Target Training class will be held on June 26th and will not change the schedule listed below. The remaining schedule for 2010 is as follows:

- Saturday, July 31
- Saturday, October 30th

The class is from 9AM to 11 AM. Please email Gary at fs5621@yahoo.com to register and to obtain the course materials and instructions on what to bring. There is no charge for the class, but three members are needed to hold the class.

NTSA members may use steel reactive targets with .22 rimfire ammunition when in compliance with the NTSA policy and after completing a NTSA training course.

Membership Cap Increase

In May, the Board approved an increase in the membership cap from 600 to 700. During the June meeting, we had three transfers and 26 new members join the club. Approximately 25 new members will be brought on each month until the cap is reached.

Membership Application Changes

As of June 1st, all applicants for membership are required to submit a non-refundable \$50 deposit with their application. This will be applied towards the \$500 initiation fee when the applicant becomes a member. If an applicant on the list is called and is unable to join at that time, he or she will be moved to the back of the list for one time only. However, if an applicant on the list fails to respond within 30 days, the \$50 is forfeited.

Newsletters, Notifications, Changes of Address

Twice each year, before the January and June meetings, the NTSA will continue to mail a newsletter to all members. Each month, after the Board meeting, a newsletter will be posted on the website, or members may have it emailed directly, or members may pick up a copy at the clubhouse. If you would like to have the newsletter emailed directly to you along with any other notifications, please provide the Range Manager with your current email address as soon as possible. Likewise, if you have any changes in your address or other contact information, please notify the Range Manager.