North Texas Shooters Association, Inc



2008 Fall Newsletter P.O. Box 2042, Denton, TX 76202-2042 www.shootntsa.com



The 2009 ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING will be held at the Denton Country Club Saturday, January 17th. The club is located at 1213 Country Club Rd. Denton TX. Doors open at 5:00 pm, Dinner is served at 6:00 pm follow by the meeting and election of 4 new Directors to the Board. The following members have announced their desire to run for the Board of Directors, Larry Erbskorn, Joe Powell, and Cody Ray.

The Broad of Directors received requests for By-Laws changes to articles II.7.1, II.7.2, VI.2.2.2, these are included below and will be posted to our web site for all to view.

We hope that you will frequently find the time to enjoy our club. We are all member/owners and can be proud of what we have. If you so desire, please volunteer some of your time to help out either by contacting a Committee Chairman or the Range Manager.

. – Dan Nindorf – President (due to Dean Westerman resigning position)

Pistol Chairman Report – Michael Conley

The new reworked pistol range is now open for business. New target stands will be added to pistol range #1 as soon as they are finished. All stands are portable, but need to stay close enough to the berm to insure all projectiles hit the berm and stay on our property. Remember to follow the Range procedures and fire from behind a bench unless you are in a club match.

2008 Board of Directors

| Dan Nindorf, President TBD, Vice President | (940) 367-3249 |
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| Ben Dobson, Treasurer | (972) 436-8422 |
| John Cox, Secretary | (940) 595-5915 |
| Frank Hughes, Trap Chair | (214) 797-8187 |
| Michael Stinnett, Skeet Chair | (214) 794-8006 |
| Bill Whitener, Rifle Chair | (804) 244-1718 |
| Michael Conley, Pistol Chair | (817) 713-6602 |

Rifle Chairman Report – Bill Whitener

The rifle range is very active with rifles being sighted in for hunting season and load development for benchrest guns. We have Benchrest matches Apr thru Oct and very high shooter participation. We would like to recognize Dr Tim Oltersdorf for his qualifing for the 4th time to shoot on the USA World Benchrest Team. A world match is held every 2 yrs, with the top 12 shooters, from over 20 countrys. The US team is selected from shooters that place highest in 5 qualifing matches held across the USA. The 2009 World match will be held in So Africa. We have several members that hunted Big game in Africa this Yr. On a local level- the 3 top shooters for 2008 were Dave Williams, James Statham & Bill Whitener. NTSA is blessed with shooters that are in the gun industry - Jerry Stiller- leading action builder in the

USA, Shilen Barrels - leading barrel maker in the US.,Gunsmiths - "Stick" with P&S Precision and others [that can help club members with shooting - Just ask]. We have custom bullet makers, and shooters that are very good at cartridge development. Mike Stinnet is working on a 30

Ranger Manager's Column - Bob Carmichael

SAFETY

Recent reports, to me, by our members, and incidents which I have personally witnessed lately, have prompted me to revisit the topic of safety at our facility. We are seeing far too many instances of closed actions - weapons pointed in an unsafe direction - and generally careless gun handling. Next time you come to the club, please rededicate yourself to safe shooting practices. These include, actions OPEN anytime the weapon is not being fired at a target or pattern board. Weapons pointed downrange before, during and after shooting - and pointed down and away from people near you. Please do not leave your weapon laying on the bench, or in the rack, with the action closed. While shooting skeet or trap, keep it open until you are on the station and preparing to shoot. Place only one or two shells in the gun at a time, depending on whether you are shooting singles or doubles.

Please do not be afraid to speak up if you see an unsafe act

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PPC and shot a .022 - 5 shot group at the last match on Dec taking place. It is far better to offend someone, than to have 6. We have a rule that if a shooter shows up to shoot their rifle during a Club match we will set them up on a bench and if they would like to shoot their hunting rifle in the match- Sign in at 9:00 am.- with Score Matches in the AM & Group in the PM. Jon & Mike Conley & Mike Stinnet will be running the BR matches in in 2009. We pride ourselves in giving a Tex welcome to everyone at our

an accident. I find that in most cases, however, people will thank you for pointing out an unsafe practice. If you bring someone to the club, take the time to go over our safety rules with them. They are posted throughout the club and take but a few minutes to explain.

If you have any questions regarding the new procedures or anything in general, please feel free to ask me or the Range Officer on duty.

Please come out and enjoy your club. I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

NTSA By-laws proposed changes.

Proposed revision:

II.7 Financial Authority

II.7.1 Expenditures or Indebtedness up to \$25,000.00 * The Board of Directors shall be authorized to make expenditures up to \$500.00 for any whole project with a simple majority vote of the board members present at any regular or special board meeting. Entire projects requiring expenditures of more than \$500.00 but less than \$25,000.00 require approval by a two thirds (2/3) vote of the full Board of Directors at any regular or special board meeting. Project expenses shall be considered in their entirety. Projects shall not be sectionalized, divided, phased, or otherwise separated into pieces for the purpose of minimizing the required level of authorization. Each Director and the Range Manager may be authorized a separate but reasonable operating fund as determined and approved by a simple majority vote of the Board of Directors. This fund shall be limited to a maximum amount of \$500.00. Each approved director and/or the Range Manager shall make an accounting of his/her expenditures (if any) at the monthly Board of Directors meeting.

II.7.2 Expendatures or Indebtedness Over \$25,000.00 * Expenditures or indebtedness of more than \$25,000.00 shall require the approval of two thirds (2/3) of the full Board of Directors, and an additional simple majority vote of the general membership.

VI.2.2.2 Internal Activities * The Standing Committees shall be responsible for the social, instructional, and competitive activities of the membership in their respective areas of responsibility. The committees shall arrange competitive events within NTSA, Inc. membership. To ensure reasonable access to all facilities for NTSA members, each Standing Committee shall limit their sanctioned competitive activities to one weekend per month for each committee's respective area. The appropriate Standing Committees shall arrange for Range Officers, and other personnel required for the execution of activities.