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## Letter from the VP:

Hello shooters!

It's about dang time I got another one of these newsletters done! I completely missed the month of August. I got a little sidetracked when my 14 year-old son got run over by a car which broke his tibia, fibula, and his cuboid. [If you can stand broken bones, check out his x-ray!](#) Got that under control. Now I'm neck deep in the gun show. Did you know it's part of the Vice-President's job to put on the gun show twice a year? Me neither, until just after I was appointed to be the VP! We've got some great prizes for the raffle. I threw in a personal box of .22lr for a little fun, and because they are so danged hard to get! My 9-year-old daughter is cussing me, because she wanted to feed her little Marlin 22! Maybe she'll win them back...

We finally have a range committee put together, thank goodness. They will help with the overall design of the range. Once the design is set, we can start working towards making the range a quality, nice range. I can hardly wait! I have wanted to get going on several range improvement programs, but it would be foolish of me to start without a master plan. Nothing more frustrating than working on a project, then finding out it has to be done all over because it was done in the wrong spot.

I don't know if any of you have been to the Ben Avery range in Phoenix. I went there for the first time last month. It is an impressive facility! It gave me inspiration and ideas for our range. I know we'll never be Ben Avery, but nothing says we can't do the things they do right! There were countless 'little things' that we could easily incorporate that would greatly improve our range.

Be sure to look through the different sections of this edition of the newsletter. There is some important stuff in there.

If you have any suggestions for the newsletter, please e-mail me at [bowen.udall@nasashootingsports.com](mailto:bowen.udall@nasashootingsports.com).

Sincerely,

Bowen Udall  
Vice President  
Northeastern Arizona Sportsman's Association, Inc.

## Upcoming Shoots and Events:

I wanted to make sure that everyone knew that you do **\*\*NOT\*\*** have to be a member of NASA to come to the shoots! Come out and have fun!

The list of shoots and events can also be found on our webpage at <http://nasashootingsports.com>.

- The **Frontier Shoot** will be **September 21<sup>st</sup>, at 9:00am \*\*\*THIS SATURDAY\*\*\***. I have a flyer for the shoot posted [here](#).
- **NSSF First Shots, Rifle - September 28 - 8:00am** - "First Shots" is coming to NASA. It is an excellent opportunity to be introduced to shooting rifles. Designed for people who have no experience with shooting rifles, the First Shots program provides a morning of classroom instruction followed by an afternoon of hands-on shooting. NASA is picking up the entry fee in order to encourage new shooters to come out and learn this fun activity. You **MUST** sign up in advance. Contact [Darrel Moerch](#) at (928) 434-0943 to register.
- The **Gun Show** will be **October 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>** at the Apache County Fairgrounds in St. Johns. Details below
- **NSSF First Shots, Pistol - October 19, 8:00am** - "First Shots" is coming to NASA. It is an excellent opportunity to be introduced to shooting pistols. Designed for people who have no experience with shooting pistols, the First Shots program provides a morning of classroom instruction followed by an afternoon of hands-on shooting. NASA is picking up the entry fee in order to encourage new shooters to come out and learn this fun activity. You **MUST** sign up in advance. Contact [Darrel Moerch](#) at (928) 434-0943 to register.

## Continuous Shoots and Events:

- The **Scholastic Clays Target Program** is held on the first Saturday of every month at 10:00am on the Shotgun Range. The next one will be **October 5<sup>th</sup>**. This program is funded by the Arizona Game and Fish, and is free for the youth. [Sign-up forms can be found here](#). General information about the SCTP can be found on [the Game and Fish SCTP page](#). Contact Bowen Udall at [bowen.udall@nasashootingsports.com](mailto:bowen.udall@nasashootingsports.com) for more information.
- The **Board of Directors meeting** is held on the second Friday of every month, 6:30pm at the St. Johns public library. The next one will be **October 11<sup>th</sup>**. Members are encouraged to attend.
- The **Scholastic Steel Challenge** is held on the second Saturday of every month at 9:00am on the Main Range. The next one will be **October 12<sup>th</sup>**. Participants need to bring 350 rounds of .22LR and/or 9mm Luger each month, safety glasses, hearing protection, and a hat with a brim for spent brass protection. There will be 9mm and .22 pistols available, or the participant can bring their own pistol. [General SSC information can be found here](#). If you are going to attend, please RSVP to Darrell Moerch at [lobo2754@highcountrymail.org](mailto:lobo2754@highcountrymail.org).
- The **NASA Women's League** is currently meeting every other month on the third Saturday of the month at **11:00am** at the Main Range. The next meet will be **October 19<sup>th</sup>**. This is for women only. There is instruction, practice and friendly competition. It's for beginners and experts alike. Here is a [link to the flyer](#). For more information, [contact Renée Green](#). **(please note the time change for this event)**
- The **NASA Members meeting** is held on the fourth Friday of every month, 6:30pm at the St. Johns public library. The next one will be **October 25<sup>th</sup>**. This meeting is primarily for the members to have their voices heard. Members are strongly encouraged to come participate in the Members meeting.

## First Shots:

Exciting event coming up. "First Shots", a program from the National Shooting Sports Foundation, is coming to St. Johns! There will be two First Shots events. The first, for rifle, is on **September 28<sup>th</sup>**. The second, for pistol, is on **October 19<sup>th</sup>**.

If you don't know what "First Shots" is, here is a link to the NSSF page for First Shots: <http://www.nssf.org/firstshots/> and the Facebook page is: <https://www.facebook.com/firstshots>. Essentially, First Shots is a way for people who want to experience firearms in a safe and controlled manner to attend a class, and then get to shoot. It's a fantastic way for people who haven't been around firearms to get familiar with them. A very worthwhile program.

Some clubs and ranges charge fees for First Shots, but we have decided that the club will absorb all the costs for this program. We want to make sure that everyone who wants to attend can attend. **You must sign up in advance!** Contact Darrell Moerch at [lobo2754@highcountrymail.org](mailto:lobo2754@highcountrymail.org).

## Gun Show:

Our October gun show is bearing down on us. [The flyer for the show is here](#). I have the vendor packets put together and mailed out. If you didn't get one, either I didn't have you on the list, or I had a bad address for you. Either way, you can either have me mail you one, or better yet would be to download the packet from our website at: <http://www.nasashootingsports.com/files/1310vendorpacket.pdf>

We are well in to the raffle at this point. We have sold more than 60 tickets! Here are the prizes:

### First Prize:



**Savage Model 11 Trophy Hunter XP 22-250** - Ready to go right out of the box, the Savage offers a rare combination of quality, convenience and affordability. Savage builds their Package models in a way that takes all the guesswork out of buying a rifle, scope, bases and rings. The Trophy Hunter XP includes the adjustable AccuTrigger and a Nikon 3-9x40 scope with BDC reticle. This great reticle can be ballistically matched to your exact cartridge using Nikon's "Spot On" software. MSRP \$675

### Second Prize:



**Remington 11-87 Sportsman Synthetic 12-Gauge Shotgun** - Reliability has always been a longstanding hallmark of Remington autoloaders. The Model 11-87™ is no different. Its patented pressure-compensating gas system is the biggest reason why. The same gun you use one day on the skeet range can be used the next day in the goose blind. While many have tried to copy its dependable performance and versatility, none have come remotely close. Take the time-honored, all-weather dependability of the Model 11-87 action and combine it with the capability to handle high-payload shotshells. Now prepare to rule the flyway. Ultimately versatile for today's varied waterfowl (or any other) hunting situations. Its patented self-cleaning pressure-compensating gas system, delivers reliable shell cycling with virtually any load. Impressive. MSRP \$803.83

### Third Prize:



**Federal Champion .22LR 50 round box** - Something you just can't find anymore! We have one box to share and you can win it! MSRP \$???. Street value: probably more than your rifle cost!

### Only 300 tickets will be sold.

Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$20. Drawing will be on October 13th at the Gun Show. Winner need **not** be present to win.

Contact Bobby Honea at 928-245-6530, Bowen Udall at 928-245-3666, buy them at the Gun Show, or stop by [The Cave](#) in St. Johns for tickets.

### Fair Report:

The NASA booth at the fair saw a good amount of traffic. We had several member sign-ups, and we sold about 50 raffle ticket for the gun show. We also had a lot of positive exposure for the club. I think it will be well worth it to have a booth again next year.

### Range News:

We created the Range Committee at the last board meeting. The Range Committee is the group that will help us design, with the help of the AZ Game & Fish, our range's master plan. It is their task to make sure that all the different divisions of the club are taken care of as far as having places to do the type of shooting they do. We put together a pretty good group of members that will be able to accomplish this task. The members are: Ben File (Chairman), Wiley Barnes, Blaine Bickford, Don Borg, Ginny Hoyt, RJ Hoyt, Larry Maher, Darrell Moersch, Bill Watkins, and Kacey Williams. If you have specific needs or good ideas for the range, these are the people to get ahold of.

Porta-potties have been an issue lately. We have tried to get Blue Hills to provide some pro-bono, and then we tried to pay them for some. They said they have more porta-potty users than porta-potties. To fix this issue, we were able to purchase six porta-potties. They will be delivered to the range in the next couple of weeks, and we'll get them anchored down so the wind doesn't take them away. We are working on getting a maintenance

contract with one of the local companies to keep them 'flushed' and cleaned. These porta-potties are owned by NASA, so they won't be taken away when Blue Hills has a more important customer!

## **NASA Politics:**

- **Board of Directors meeting** – The Board of Directors meets twice a month. First at the Board of Directors meeting on the second Friday of the month at 6:30pm at the St. Johns Library, and then at the Members meeting on the fourth Friday of the month at 6:30pm at the St. Johns Library. The Board of Directors are responsible for making decisions for the club and take into consideration suggestions and opinions from members. Come to the meetings and participate.
- **Members meeting** – On the fourth Friday of the Month, the Board of Directors meets to hear from the members. The directors use members suggestions to help guide the club in the direction it needs to go.
- **Bylaw revisions** – First draft of the bylaw revisions are online. You can download the original bylaws, and the [suggested changes here](#). We would like member input on the changes, and input on anything that we missed that needs changing. You can [e-mail me](#), or grab your nearest board member to share your input.
- **Your Board of Directors:** President: Bobby Honea. Vice President: Bowen Udall. Treasurer: Ben File. Secretary: Pat Hall. Board members: Wiley Barnes, Katrina Watkins, and René Greene.

## **Trophy Trap Shoot:**

The trophy trap shoot was a success! Well, for some. I shot enough to make my shoulder sore, but didn't go home with anything to go in the ol' trophy case.



Left to Right: Ben File, Wayne Jones, Bobby Honea

First Place: Wayne Jones  
Second Place: Bobby Honea  
Third Place: Ben File

Wayne sure showed us how trap was supposed to be shot! Congratulations!

### **NASA Website/Facebook/Twitter:**

- We have been striving to keep our website up to date with current information. The main page has a listing of shoots and events coming up. There is also a "contact us" page, a Google calendar of events, documents to download, and information about NASA. The address is <http://www.nasashootingsports.com>.

- If you are on Facebook, liking our Facebook page will give you updates right on your wall feed. Our Facebook page is the one that gets updated most often, so it's a good one to follow. The page is at <http://www.facebook.com/NASASports>.
- Our Twitter feed is occasionally updated, but will be the way we disseminate information during shoots, events, and the gun show. We'll tweet who wins in categories, tweet when categories are about to start, and tweet other various information. The Twitter page is <http://www.twitter.com/NASASports>.

## **About NASA:**

Northeastern Arizona Sportsman's Association, Inc. was created in 1998 and incorporated in 2006. NASA's goal is to promote safe firearm usage for children and adults alike. NASA is a non-profit corporation that is run by an elected board of directors. Everyone who works for NASA does so on a volunteer basis.

## **About NASA News:**

NASA News is an experiment created by Bowen Udall, the NASA Vice President, in hopes of raising the communication level in the club. He wanted to make sure that all members of NASA knew about what was happening with the club, and know about all the events planned. If you have ideas for the newsletter, or complaints, or want to add or remove your name from the NASA News mailing list, or especially if you want to help, e-mail him at [bowen.udall@nasashootingsports.com](mailto:bowen.udall@nasashootingsports.com). You can get back issues of NASA News, as well as a PDF version of the current issue from our webpage: <http://nasashootingsports.com/about-us--files.html>

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