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## FALL 2009 NEWSLETTER

### FROM THE PRESIDENT

I want to personally congratulate the Program Committee Chairmen for their safe and efficient conduct of range and match operations. They are the following: Kevin Angstadt, Action Pistol; Mike Cole, IPSC; Dwayne Nuckols, Cowboy Action; Darrell Rolen, IDPA; and Tony Graham, Military Match. TSC owes these individuals a large debt of gratitude for their efforts and when you see them on the range or elsewhere, be sure to express your appreciation and support for their hard work and dedication in promoting the shooting sports.

There have been reports of unaccompanied non-members on the range. All guests must be accompanied by a member for the duration of time that they are on the range. If it is inconvenient to accompany a guest on subsequent visits, encourage him/her or them to apply for club membership. Giving the combination to the gate lock to a non-member is unacceptable conduct for a member and cannot be condoned; such action is also in violation of the club's insurance coverage.

Hunting season is here again. The favorite time of year for some of us. Everyone is reminded to be careful. Also, be alert and vigilant for your own safety and also that of your companions and fellow hunters. Always be sure of your target and what is beyond before firing. Remind everyone that TSC property is a game preserve and hunting is strictly forbidden. Best Regards, Steve Hamm

### TRIANGLE'S PICNIC

Triangle's picnic, held at the Gun Club's Trap Range in August was a big success! The event was catered by Mrs. Louise Meadows and the food and fellowship was outstanding. There were 68 club members and/or guests in attendance representing at least three states and a good time was had by all. This is the first such event held by Triangle since the late 1970's and may become a reoccurring event.

Special recognition and thanks are in order for all who helped make this picnic a success. First, the Gun Club officers: President, Jim Dotson; Vice President, Frank Kersey; the directors and members who allowed us to use their facilities and provided assistance in setting-up and removal of picnic tables, canopies, cooking equipment, food, beverages, etc. Next, to the businesses, institution and individuals which provided assistance. Special thanks to Bluefield Beverage Company for donating the soft drinks for the picnic. A & S of Tazewell, Virginia for providing portable sanitation equipment. Tazewell Community Hospital for providing ice to cool the donated Big K beverages. Life member, Bill Christian and his son, Henry for providing their truck and trailer to relocate the dozen or so picnic tables from the lower range and picnic area to the Gun Club and return of them to their original location upon completion of the picnic. Last, but not least, to Triangle's Board of Directors for authorizing the event, to the Picnic Committee, consisting of Tracy French, Bob Hedrick and Clyne Wright, for planning, coordinating and conducting the event to all of the others, too many to recognize individually, who provided help and assistance in the implementation of a wonderful, fun-filled picnic, a hearty thank you. We'll be looking forward to seeing you all again next year.

An interesting side note was Tracy French's Monster Melon. There was a huge watermelon on ice in a tub that the picnic attendees were invited to guess the weight. The attendee with the correct guess as to the melon's weight would win the melon. Clyne Wright won the melon with the estimate of 112 lbs. The melon weighed 113 lbs. Clyne shared his winnings by serving the watermelon to all the picnic attendees and still had half of a watermelon remaining after all of the guests had eaten their fill.

### **OTHER NEWS**

Perhaps you may have noticed some earthwork being performed on the lower range road. This is a "shovel ready" project, but it is not "Stimulus Funded". This project is being funded by your club dues and monies received from match proceeds. The improved drainage ditching and cross drainage installation is being done to mitigate rills and gully formation and the erosion of the road's surface gravel. The construction work is being performed by TSC's club member, Tony Graham. There are several other improvement projects being contemplated in the near future.

There is a club membership renewal form attached with this newsletter. For the information of our new members, club membership is on an annual basis for the calendar year expiring on 31 December 2009. All members wishing to renew their membership for calendar year beginning 1 January 2010 are required to complete and submit a renewal application and return with a membership fee of \$40.00 along with your NRA membership number. Life members, complimentary life members and complimentary members are required to complete and return a renewal form, but are not required to submit the membership fee.

Just a reminder, Club Family Night is scheduled for the December meeting on December 9, 2009 at the Mayflower. Steve Hamm has several nice gifts to be drawn as door prizes. Bring your son, daughter, spouse or significant other and come and enjoy the fellowship.

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**RENEWAL FOR MEMBERSHIP:** (Please Print)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
First Middle Last

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

NRA Status: Annual  
Life

NRA Membership Number \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Required

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**\$40.00 Dues Must Accompany This Application**