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NC ATA Delegate's NEWSLETTER

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Delegate's Comments

I hope you all had a good Thanksgiving and are ready for Christmas. Jackie and I put lots of miles on the motorhome and Jeep again in 2008 traveling to shoots in NC and other Southern Zone states including the Southern Zone telephonic in Bostic. We also enjoyed two Satellite Grands and another trip to the ATA Homegrounds in Sparta, IL for the Grand American.

If you have not had a chance to shoot at our Homegrounds since the new building was finished, you should check it out. We now have a magnificent 40 ft x 100 ft building with a 14 ft x 100 ft covered porch. Plan a trip over to shoot the Dogwood Open next spring and take a look. A significant amount of money is still needed to pay off the construction loan. If you have been waiting for some positive action before sending your tax-deductible donation to the NCTHOF building fund, ***now is the time.***

Congratulations to the State Team Members, the High Average Leaders and everyone that competed and achieved a personal goal. Also congratulations to Bill Howe who, once again, shot the most registered targets during the target year. Bill shot 25,500 registered targets in 2008. This year there was a slight increase in the number of shooters who shot 10,000 or more registered targets. Twenty-three NC shooters became members of this year's "10,000 Club". Shooter score statistics included in this newsletter are also on the NCTA web-site www.nctrapp.com.

Chuck and Sandie Patterson have done an excellent job managing the State Team points system for the last few years. As most of you know, after Chuck retired he and Sandie moved back to California. They were consummate volunteers and they are already being missed. I know everyone was sad to see them go and are wishing them the best of luck in California – and hoping they will be back to visit!

Tom Pitts volunteered to take over the State Team points system earlier in the year and has been doing a great job. I know it is not an easy task and I encourage shoot management to keep Tom updated with shoot points results.

I would again like to thank Doug McKinney for leading the SCTP youth program as the NC State Director. NC SCTP teams again enjoyed competing at this year's Grand American with the guidance and help of Doug, Kim and the other SCTP coaches and volunteers. The ATA has announced an exciting, new, ATA sponsored, youth shooting program called AIM. Details of this new program can be found at www.shootata.com. While some SCTP teams and coaches will stay with the SCTP program, Doug and Kim will be the NC State Directors for the AIM program and are currently working with ATA Youth Programs Director, Edie Reynolds, to transition to that program. If you can donate money, guns, ammo and/or time to this worthwhile program or would like additional information, please contact Doug or Kim.

I would like to thank and congratulate all the North Carolina gun club managers and shooters for another good year. In state, we threw over a million targets (1,005,675) during the 2008 extended target year. If we don't count the targets shot in the two added months in 2008, we were at 882,875. That number is not too bad with all of the fuel, ammo and other cost increases last year.

I would also like to recognize the NCTA and HOF BOD members for their leadership and hard work. They have planned at least 5 major shoots at the NC Homegrounds for 2009. Billy Thigpen is doing an outstanding job as NCTA President as is Bob Keever as the NCTHOF president. Thanks also to all the volunteers that help make the Homegrounds shoots successful. In addition, I would like to recognize Greg High for his years of service on the NCTA BOD and his time as NCTA President.

Please remember that donations to the North Carolina Trapshooters Hall of Fame, Inc. are tax deductible. If you are looking for another charity for a tax deduction this year, the NCTHOF will certainly put your money to good use. Donations can be sent to: NCTHOF, %Ken Duncan, 540 Junie Beauchamp Rd, Advance, NC 27006. The NCTHOF BOD will certainly appreciate your personal contributions, as well as, any fund raising ideas or suggestions you may have.

Don't forget to explore www.tarheeltrap.com from time to time. Freddy Redmon, who maintains the TarHeel web site, does a great job with shoot dates, winner's lists, information, pictures and the trap shooting chat room. Thanks to Jim Wilson for housing the server and paying the electricity bill.

In closing, Jackie and I would like to wish you all a **Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukah** and **Happy New Year**. We hope 2009 will be a great year for everyone. It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve as your ATA Delegate this year. Please contact me if you have questions or need assistance.

Terry Roush

Southern Zone Shoot Dates 2009

Dixie Grand – January 12 - 18
Southern Grand – March 9 – 15
Florida State – March 24 – 29
Georgia State – April 30, May 1 – 3
South Carolina State – May 13 – 17
Mississippi State – May 22 – 24
Alabama State – May 28 – 31

North Carolina State – June 3 – 7
Tennessee State – June 11 – 14
Kentucky State – July 1 – 5
Virginia State – July 1 – 5
West Virginia State – July 9 – 12
Southern Zone – July 16 – 19
Grand American – August 5 – 15

NC State Team

	Men	Points
Captain	Jim Wilson	884
2	Greg High	416
3	George Brown	378
4	Darvin Cornett	268
5	George Sudderth	256

	Women	Points
Captain	Jeri Wilson	781

	Veteran	Points
Captain	Charlie Brown	616
2	Chuck Patterson	450

	Junior	Points
Captain	Justin Young	598

	Senior Veteran	Points
Captain	Ken Duncan	469

	Sub Junior	Points
Captain	Charles Fagan II	244

NC High Average Leaders

	Men	HAA Average
1	Jim Wilson	.942643
2	Darvin Cornett	.938299
3	Bob Schultz	.934878
4	Louis Carter	.927787
5	Brad Barnett	.926473

	Women	HAA Average
1	Jeri Wilson	.868246

	Junior	HAA Average
1	Chris Shoulars	.890536

	Veteran	HAA Average
1	Charlie Brown	.941310
2	Mac Herring	.930777

	Sub Junior	HAA Average
1	Grant Thomas	.916655

	Senior Veteran	HAA Average
1	Ken Duncan	.932273

NC 2007/2008 Target Attainment Leaders – 23 Shooters Join the 10,000 Club

1	Bill Howe	25500	13	Bob Schultz	13700
2	Ken Rhyne	21400	14	George Suddreth	13000
3	Billy Thigpen	20200	15	Jeri Wilson	12200
4	Roy Price	18800	16	Larry High	12000
5	Jim Wilson	17600	17	Ken Duncan	11600
6	Greg High	16700	18	Morris Carroll	11000
7	Louis Carter	16600	19	George Ponton	11000
8	George Brown	16400	20	Marty Hill	10700
9	Don Kaufman	15500	21	Connie Bell	10250
10	Dennis Taylor	15100	22	J C Nunn	10000
11	Jeff Galloway	14100	23	James Ivey III	10000
12	Charlie Brown	13700			

Target Summary by Club and Year

Gun Club	Targets 2004	Targets 2005	Targets 2006	Targets 2007	Targets 2008
North Carolina State Shoot	179,700	164,900	174,200	163,800	161,650
North Carolina Home Grounds	196,150	224,900	256,200	134,050	355,350
Buckhorn Rifle & Pistol Club	116,725	116,850	84,600	134,500	152,875
Buncombe County Wildlife Club	20,000	25,250	20,600	23,500	28,900
Charlie Brown Gun Club	15,500	14,350	29,200	16,000	18,900
Coharie Shooting League	27,100	34,900	25,300	28,800	23,500
Durham County Wildlife Club	28,175	28,100	24,150	25,300	32,000
Ft. Bragg Clay Target Center	112,800	82,500	79,400	67,900	40,900
Gastonia Parks & Recreation	13,400	13,000	21,700	4,100	10,300
Lejeune Shooting Club	10,100	6,200	10,700	5,900	2,150
Oakland Plantation R&G					2,500
Old Hickory R & PC, Bostic, NC	30,800	22,800	28,700	22,025	55,755
Old Hickory GC, Wilson, NC	12,000	23,500	30,100	26,400	30,300
Polk County Gun Club			15,100	4,400	1,400
Rockingham County Gun Club	59,375	40,575	24,600	26,200	34,800
Watauga Gun Club	154,800	100,850	83,800	53,900	54,375
Clubs Total for Year	976,625	898,675	908,350	736,775	1,005,675

NC Shooters Life-Time High Target Attainment (as of 10/31/2008)

SINGLES			HANDICAP			DOUBLES		
1	Glenn Miller	141,900	1	Glenn Miller	129,850	1	Ken Duncan	103,450
2	Charlie Brown	135,500	2	Charlie Brown	111,700	2	Charlie Brown	89,800
3	George Ponton	127,450	3	Dennis Taylor	106,725	3	Glenn Miller	83,300
4	Dennis Taylor	123,150	4	Ken Duncan	104,400	4	Dennis Taylor	82,450
5	Louis Carter	119,300	5	Bob Schultz	99,050	5	Louis Carter	80,670
6	W.P. Jenkins	114,100	6	Louis Carter	87,150	6	William Howe	78,700
7	Ken Duncan	107,400	7	George Ponton	87,150	7	Gay Corpening	74,650
8	William Howe	106,300	8	Gay Corpening	84,300	8	Bob Schultz	72,450
9	Randy Jones	105,200	9	William Howe	81,800	9	Randy Jones	72,400
10	Clifton Dowdy	103,100	10	Randy Jones	79,600	10	John Crook	71,800

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