

NEWSLETTER OF THE DOUBLE GUN SOCIETY, VINTAGE **GUNNERS**

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President's Message (Out with the old...)

Dear Vintage Gunners,

This is the end of my term as President and time to pass the torch on to my successor. We have grown the Vintage Gunners Cup from the first year with 96 people joining us in Maryland to 350 shooters at Hausmann's Hidden Hollow in Friendsville, PA prior to the pandemic.

The past three years have presented their challenges with the pandemic, ammunition shortages and now inflation impacting our sport. Still, I see a bright future for the Vintage Gunners organization and wish the new leadership great success. Come and join us at this year's event, meet the new President Ray McNaughton and Vice President Liz Delaney.

Thank you for letting me be the steward of the Vintage Gunners of the Double Gun Society.



Past President Tom Snyder

Hope to see you all at the Southern.

Hammers Back!

Tom Snyder Past President, The Vintage Gunners

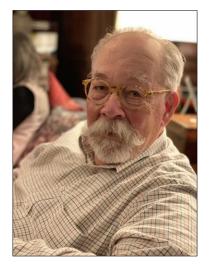
President's Message (In with the new...)

Dear Vintage Gunners,

I am honored to have been installed as the new President of the Vintage Gunners.

Who would have thought that 70 years ago when my grandfather set up a target in the basement and with a Benjamin air gun he introduced me to shooting. Growing up in the Bronx didn't afford much, if any, opportunity to shoot, but I looked forward to our summer vacation at the McNaughton family farm in Clarion County to hone my skills. Over the years I have shot and hunted throughout the States, and overseas.

In January 2016 I formed the Old Dominion Vintage Gunners with the objective to create a Vintage Gunners Chapter in Virginia. I believe it has been a success with 52 active members.



President Ray McNaughton

Today I have two new objectives: first and most important, to run a successful Vintage Gunners Cup. The Cup will be held at the Warrington Sporting Clays Club in Wellsville PA, which is a 20minute drive south of Harrisburg. Harrisburg is central to most of the Northeast and our expectation is that this will draw attendees. More to come on the 2023 Vintage Cup.

My second objective is to explore ways to bring in new members.

I also wish to express my appreciation to Tom Snyder for all the hard work he took on in running the last three Vintage Gunners Cups, and to Phil Murray who has taken on the position of Chapter President for the Old Dominion Vintage Gunners.

When there's lead in the air there is hope in the heart.

Hammers Back!

Ray McNaughton President, The Vintage Gunners



Vice President's Message



Vice President Liz Delaney

Since 2014, my husband Sean, and I have run Delaney and Sons, a sporting agency that takes Americans to shoot driven birds in the UK, Spain and Morocco. I'm an avid double gun shooter.

We have been a vendor at the Vintage Gunners Cup for the past 6 years and many of our clients are Vintage Gunners, which brings us nicely into the fold. My focus as Vice President will be the reinvigoration of the Vintage Gunners Cup, and getting the word out to the younger generation about vintage guns and the allure behind them.

I am very excited about this opportunity to help grow our organization and I look forward to meeting you all.

<u>Financial Report</u>

Double Gun Society of the Vintage Gunners 1st Quarter Financial Report March 2023

Assets:

Checking Balance 3/31/2023

Credits Received

\$ 2,845.00 (membership dues)

\$ 13,862.31

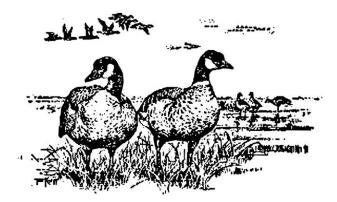
Expenses During the 1st Quarter:

None – Upcoming expense in Q2 of 510 for tax preparation and taxes of 152.00 for 2022.

We have received dues from many members and chapters already, but please submit 2023 dues by April 30th. Please contact me with any additional questions.

Thanks,

Joseph W. Norcom Treasurer



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From the Field

Hardy Western Lakes Vintagers

Steve Norkus, President, Western Lakes Vintagers

Proving their toughness and determination in the face of foul weather conditions, a group of hunters from the Western Lakes chapter got in a late season pheasant hunt with great results.



This newest chapter continues to grow and gain attention. They are holding regular meet-ups, usually on or around the 22nd of the month. For more information, contact Steve Norkus (248-914-0770 -- <u>stenorkus2000@yahoo.com</u>)



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Georgia Vintagers on the Hunt

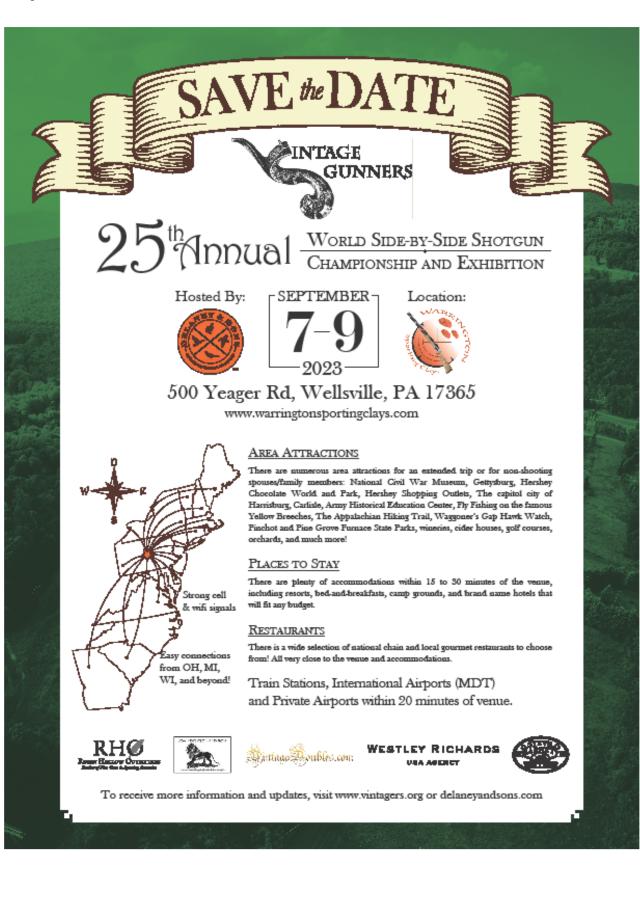
Matt Haney, President, Georgia Vintagers



A couple of the Georgia Vintagers wrapped up bird season with a mixedbag hunt at South Fork Plantation near Royston, GA in late February. While we forgot to get a picture of the hunters, we did manage a picture of the bag and the hard-working lab who picked them all up. The bad included pheasant, chukar and quail. The gun is a 16-gauge Parker DHE.



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ACCOMMODATIONS NEAR WARRINGTON SPORTING CLAYS



HOTELS

Time to hotel is based from Warrington Sporting Clays. Prices from <u>expedia.com</u> are per night Courtyard by Marriott, Harrisburg West, Mechanicsburg: 22 min. \$149 TownPlace Suites Marriott, Harrisburg West: 21 min. \$169 (blocked rooms under Delaney and Sons) Homewood Suites, Hilton, Harrisburg West: 21 min. \$159 Hampton Inn, Harrisburg West: 21 min. \$159 (blocked rooms under Delaney and Sons) Wingate by Wyndham Marriott: 21 min. \$159 (blocked rooms under Delaney and Sons) Wingate by Wyndham Marriott: 21 min. \$77 Comfort Inn, Mechanicsburg Harrisburg South: 22min. \$77 Holiday Inn Express & Suites, Mechanicsburg Harrisburg South; 22 min. \$135 Country Inn & Suites by Radisson, Harrisburg West: 21 min. \$89 Econo Lodge: 23 min. \$68 Wyndham Garden York: 21 min. \$99 BED AND BREAKFASTS Stocks- 16 minutes away - 2 rooms - \$189 (Only Thursday night (9/7) available) Pleasant View Farm - 21 min. 3 rooms - \$225 Must call them (717) 774-4817

Red Cardinal BnB - 27 minutes - 2 rooms starting at \$135

Slocum House Inn - 29 min. - 3 rooms - \$? Must call them: (717) 528-7390

AIRBNBS AND VRBOS

Airbnb near Warrington

VRBO near Warrington

CAMP GROUND FOR RVS, CABINS, YURTS, COTTAGES AND TENTS

Gifford Pinchot State Park:



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Save The Date

2023 Vintage Gunners Cup September 7-9, 2023 Warrington Sporting Clays

Plans for the 2023 Vintage Gunners Cup are well underway. As you can see above, we already have several sponsors, and we have identified a number of area hotels accommodations (click on the images to download the PDFs). Please keep an eye on the Vintage Gunners website for updated information. A registration form is already posted there as well. Please note that there will be trappers at all stations on the courses this year. In addition, the Ladies' Tea will again take place, along with the cocktail party. We are adding an 8-gauge challenge to be shot from the 5 Stand on Friday morning as well. As this is the 25th Vintage Gunners Cup, there will be a special anniversary pin available.

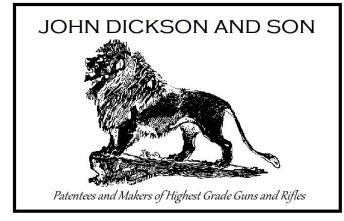
Link to Registration Form

<u>Editor's Note</u>

Hello Fellow Vintage Gunners,

As always, I'm looking for new articles, stories, photos or notes for upcoming issues of *The Vintager*. Also, any notes on upcoming events are appreciated and can be published here and on our website.

Please note the section below in this issue on upcoming chapter and doublegun events. We'll keep this section going forward so everyone can see what opportunities are out there in the near term for Vintage Gunners participation. Check the <u>Vintage Gunners website</u> for more details on events and the full-year calendar.



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Upcoming Chapter Events

<u>April</u>

April 13, 2023 - Old Dominion Vintage Gunners Chapter shoot at Old Forge Sporting Clays. Old Forge Sporting Clays, Providence Forge, VA

April 15, 2023 - Northern Appalachian Mt. Chapter Event at Cayuga Sportsman's Association RGS Event

Cayuga County Sportsmen's Association, Auburn, NY

April 27-30, 2023 - The Southern Side by Side Championship & Exhibition Deep River Sporting Clays, Sanford, NC

April 29, 2023 - Northern Appalachian Mt. Chapter Event – Vintage Gunners at Fulton Pathfinders, Fish and Game, Fulton, NY

May

May 13, 2023 - The Shooting Party at North East Kingdom Sporting Clays Northeast Chapter Event at North East Kingdom Sporting Clays, East Burke, VT

May 17-18, 2023 - The Double Nasty - Brad Bachelder Shoot It! Memorial Tournament Kent County Conservation League, Ada, MI

May 20, 2023 - Northern Appalachian Mt. Chapter Event at Vernon National Shooting Preserve (Sporting Clays and Dinner) Vernon National Shooting Preserve, Vernon Center, NY

May 27, 2023 - DOGS vs Vintagers Challenge Shoot Old Dominion Vintage Gunners Contact: Phil Murray -- 804-310-4958 -- pmurrayjr43@comcast.net

June

June 1-3, 2023 - 16th Annual Northeast Side x Side Classic Hausmann's Hidden Hollow Sporting Clays, Friendsville, PA

June 2-4, 2023 - Griffin & Howe 2023 Showcase Join Griffin & Howe and The Hudson Farm Foundation to celebrate the 100 year anniversary of Griffin & Howe. Hudson Farm Club, Andover, NJ

June 17-18, 2023 - Old Dominion Vintage Gunners at Brushy Mountain Vintage Sporting Shoot Brushy Mountain Club, Hurt, VA

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June 17, 2023 - Northern Appalachian Mt. Chapter Event at Oneonta Sportsman's Association Oneonta Sportsmen's Club, Oneonta, NY

July

July 8, 2023 - Binghamton Gun Club Shoot Binghamton Gun Club Shoot \$75.00 for 100 clays and chicken barbeque. 5 stand, skeet and bunker trap will be open for shooting. Binghamton Gun Club, Binghamton, NY

July 15, 2023 - Old Dominion Vintage Gunners Shady Grove Sporting Clays Vintagers Shoot Shady Grove Sporting Clays, Remington, VA

July 15, 2023 - Tioga County Sportsmen's Association Grand Dad Shoot Tioga County Sportsmen's Association, Owego, NY 13827

July 27-30, 2023 - Northern SxS Challenge and Expo at Rock Mountain Sporting Clays Rock Mountain Sporting Clays, Meshoppen, PA

Check the Vintage Gunners website soon for more information under the Events section.



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Chapters

VINTAGE GUNNERS NATIONAL OFFICE

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We shoot most Saturdays or Sundays. Contact Matt Haney to join us.

CAROLINA Contact: Chris Teigland, President -- 704-619-0440 -- <u>chrismteigland@gmail.com</u>

> BUCKEYE (OHIO) Contact: Mark Douglas, President -- <u>hi-sport@sbcglobal.net</u>

Information about Chapter events can be found <u>HERE</u>.



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Please print legibly.	
Name:	
Name and DOB of spouse	if couple membership:
Address:	
City:	
State:	Zip Code:
Date of Birth: (at least month and day)	
Telephone: Home	Work
Cell:	(optional but often handy)
Email:	
Chapter:	
Check # and amount:	Cash amount:
Signature:	Date:
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	e calendar year from January 1 to December 31, 2023 – after Sept. get the rest of current year and following year.
2 Annual Membership:3 Annual Membership:	\$75.00 Individual\$120.00 Family Membership (Spouse and Children)
4 Make checks payable	to: The Vintage Gunners
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