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LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN

June 25, 2012

Dear NSCA Members,

The 2012 shooting season is half way completed and we would like to take this time to share a few updates with you. There are 21,734 members as of June 15th, which is a 4% increase or 792 members from June 15, 2011. There have been 8,421,375 targets registered as of June 15th, which is slightly down by 24,661 targets from June 15, 2011, although the US Open was in May last year. Overall, the NSCA membership and participation by the members is healthy and growing.

The 2012 Regional Championships, in conjunction with the Championship Tour, have been a great success. Rio Brazos Hunting Preserve in Simonton, TX hosted the South Central Regional in March with 365 shooters in the main event and a total of 195,500 total registered targets. Camanche Hills Hunting Preserve in Lone, CA hosted the Western Regional in April with 325 shooters in the main event and a total of 163,600 total registered targets. M&M Hunting Preserve in Pennsville, NJ hosted the Northeast Regional along with the National FITASC Championship in May with 467 shooters in the Northeast Regional and 237 shooters in the National FITASC totaling 229,000 registered targets. The Southeast Regional is June 27 – July 1 at Nashville Gun Club, and the North Central Regional is September 13-16 at J&H Hunt Club.

Team USA is rockin! Under the guidance of Team Manager, Judy Morris, Team USA has raised over \$150,000 this year! Judy is doing an exceptional job managing the team fundraisers, team travel, finances and many other behind-the-scenes jobs. Team USA Sporting will be heading to England for the World English the last weekend in July for the August 1-5 tournament. Team USA FITASC will head to Chicago for the World FITASC one week after returning from the World English. Learn more about how you can help Team USA by visiting the Team USA webpage on the NSCA website. GO TEAM USA!

The National Shooting Complex has been very busy this spring with several construction projects, including the newly-reconstructed stadium with aluminum bleachers. The First Aid building by the Browning Sporting Clays sign has been removed and a new hospitality building atop a concrete slab has taken its place. A new maintenance building has been constructed directly to the west of the current maintenance building. Vendor Row bathrooms have been completely remodeled. Several skeet field fences and doors that had rotted over the years have been replaced. Registration has been remodeled with new flooring and flat screen TV's for rolling scores to be viewed from outside. The Clubhouse has several new flat screen televisions for rolling scores as well. The Pro Shop within the Clubhouse has been completely remodeled and looks great. Needless to say, if you make it to the Nationals this year, you will definitely see some improvements to the property!

At the January Advisory Council Meeting, the NSCA Marketing Committee decided that it was time to hire a dedicated Marketing Coordinator for the NSCA. Over 70 applications were received for this job posting with many qualified applicants. Nicole "Nicki" Martin from Castroville, Texas was hired on April 20th as the new Marketing Coordinator. Nicki graduated from Texas A&M University, College Station, with a major in Marketing. Nicki has an extensive background in marketing, social media, webinars, newspaper and magazine print advertising and great writing skills. Nicki has developed a well-balanced Marketing Plan to increase the awareness of "sporting clays" and the NSCA nationwide, as well as enhance the value of an NSCA Membership to the shooting community. We are extremely excited to welcome Nicki on board!

The 2012 US Open will be held at Caribou Gun Club in Le Sueur, Minnesota July 16-22. There are currently 845 shooters registered for this fun filled event. Make sure you don't miss this extraordinary event!

The 2012 World FITASC Championship will be held at Northbrook Sports Club in Northbrook, IL August 13-19. There are currently 1,100 shooters registered and over 600 shooters registered in each side event. Target setters include Brett Siebert, Tim Miles, Steve Schultz and David Fiedler. The World FITASC is arguably one of the most prestigious clay target shooting events in the world!

The 2012 National Sporting Clays Championship will be held at the National Shooting Complex in San Antonio, TX October 22-28. The Nationals has several new and exciting changes, including a Tuesday/Wednesday Main Event rotation allowing shooters to shoot all 300 targets over two days. Super Sporting has been increased to a 100 target event, and the New Style FITASC event will be offered as 100 straight on Tuesday/Wednesday or you may choose to shoot 50 targets per day Thursday/Friday or Saturday/Sunday. At last, the course locations have been relocated once again to ensure another new look at the National Championship!

Please help grow our sport by taking someone new to the sporting clays range with you! Thank you for supporting the NSCA.

Sincerely,

Phil Murray
NSCA Executive Council Chairman

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NSCA Executive Council Vice Chairman