



*Happy
New Year*
2021

FIRST QUARTER NEWSLETTER

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

This will be my last message as your president. I want you all to know what an honor and a pleasure it has been over the last couple of years to serve all of you. We have many well qualified members who are running for your new Board of Directors who will be led by our competent and experienced incoming President, Tracey Graham. I want to thank each one of you who accepted a nomination for a position on our Board. A big thank you to the outgoing Board of Directors! It has been great working with all of you.

I also want to thank all of the members who have stepped up and volunteered in our many classes, programs & events. Even with all the challenges we have faced this year, we have had a successful year in so many areas. From the training for all the new gun owners to all of the CCW holders who have requalified or received their initial CCW, we can be proud that we were a huge part of this in our community.

2020 was tough, but we still had nearly 300 students go through classes with us. We had almost 400 take part in our Women on Target, Community on Target, Pistol Program Clinics and SWAG (Strong Women & Guns). We only started doing the CCW Qualifications for the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department in

July. In that time, we were able to do Range Qualifications for over 1100 CCW holders!

Another huge thank you to our Facilities Director, Tim Smith for all the phenomenal improvements to our Club over 2020! Some small and some big! Most noticeable, the beautiful indoor bathrooms at the Pistol Range and thanks to Dennis Ingram, the great cover to provide shade and protection from the rain on P-1.

I want to thank Brandon Dixon, Deborah Harris and Bob Smith for directing our Range Specific Training Program for Pistol and Rifle. A big thank you to our Club CRSO, Gary Menser and all of our Range Chairs and Match Directors. Another big thank you goes to those who step up for our youth. Mike McCurley, TJ Schaaf & Allen Seymour who direct our JR Trap Program. Matt McCourt and Tim Neubauer who oversee our SASP (Scholastic Action Shooting Sports) Program for our youth. Also, a big thank you to Dennis Ingram, who oversees our Adaptive Shooting Sports Program serving our disabled community focusing on their abilities.

Hopefully 2021 will look even better for us. Covid-19 has taken its toll. We look forward to when we can re-start some of our other programs that are indoors. One of the areas Covid-19 had a huge impact was on our meetings. For much of 2020 we have had to hold our meetings outdoors on the Pistol Range using social distancing and face coverings. I want to give a big shout out and THANK YOU to those members who have braved the heat, cold & wind in order to be a part of our meetings!!!

I am proud to be a part of such a great Club along with so many who are willing to step up and give back to make Apple Valley Gun Club the outstanding organization it is! Thank you All!

I wish all a happy and healthy New Year!

Diana Roederer,
President



A MESSAGE FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT

When Charles Dickens wrote “It was the best of times; it was the worst of times”, he must have foreseen the year 2020.

This past year has been one of tremendous growth for the Club, both in new members and in improvements to our facilities. With a core group of about 20 amazing volunteers, we’ve been able to bring back the Sheriff’s CCW qualifications to AVGC, which has had a significant impact for the cash-flow into the Club. Anyone who has renewed their CCW recently can attest that our process is quick, easy, and most of all, safe.

While no one person can claim credit for the improvements, I’d like to publicly recognize Tim Smith for managing all of the ongoing upgrades throughout the campus. I’m not sure where the Club would be without Tim, but I’m certain that many of our projects would not have been done!

The Club’s Training Program has gone through some ups and downs over the year, too. With the huge number of local residents who purchased their first firearm this year, the need for basic firearms training has skyrocketed. The Club is fortunate to have a large number of highly qualified NRA Instructors who have stepped up to meet that need; leading classes almost every week, while working around COVID scares and lockdowns.

Sadly, we’ve lost far too many members over the year; long-time members who were amazing friends, outstanding instructors and innovative leaders in the Club. Their presence on the range will be missed.

While the Club is a great place to come to shoot, either alone or with a friend, it’s our volunteers who are the life blood of the Club. Without those who continually dedicate their time and expertise to bring our visions to fruition, it would still be a pile of rocks with a few targets. If you’re not one of those outstanding volunteers, I ask that in the coming year you look around the range and find places that your skills can be used to make it better for all.

Thank you all for your support, and I look forward to seeing you somewhere around our Club.

Tracey Graham,
Vice President



Apple Valley Gun Club Annual Banquet

Don't miss out on the best party in town and your chance to win GUNS and other prizes!



Date: February 20, 2021

Time: Cocktail hour 4:30 p.m., dinner 6:00 pm, fun lasts until 9:00 p.m.

Location: Oak Hills Brewing Company, 12221 Poplar St., Hesperia, CA 92344



Early Bird Tickets purchased between 12/1/20 through 1/05/21 are \$45 each. Regular price of \$50 each begins 1/6/21 to 2/10/21 or until sold out. To purchase tickets for this event go to www.eventbrite.com and search for "Apple Valley Gun Club Banquet."





APPLE VALLEY GUN CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS

CANDIDATE STATEMENTS

VICE PRESIDENT/PRESIDENT ELECT

Jenaraye Graham

Hello members,

My name is Jenaraye Graham and I'm honored to accept the nomination for Vice President of the Apple Valley Gun Club. Over the last 6 years or so I have spent most of my time at the Apple Valley Gun Club shooting rifles, pistols and shotguns. I have served on the board in prior years as a Board of Director. I am an NRA and USCCA Instructor, as well as a certified Concealed Firearms Instructor for the Bureau of Criminal Identification through the state of Utah. I'm part of the instructor cadre for our San Bernardino County Sherriff's CCW Qualification and Re-Qualification program. I am one of the Senior lead instructors for all of our NRA courses and a Level 1 Rifle and Pistol coach. I have served as the Director of the NRA Women On Target program for several years now and the Director of our club's Women's programs, Pistol Clinics and Community On Target Day.

Safety is my number one priority and will continue to be. My hope is to see the club continue to grow and improve on each of the ranges and to continue being an ambassador for women shooters, new shooters, shooters of all ages, and adaptive shooters as well. I'm very proud to be a member of the Apple Valley Gun Club and grateful for the friends and comradery I've been blessed with. It would be an honor to continue serving the club as your Vice President. I would appreciate your vote.



TREASURER

Jonathan Weldy

Since joining AVGC in 2015, I have participated in the finance committee. In 2016 I was appointed AVGC Treasurer to finish the balance of the 2015-2016 term. Elected in 2017-2018, and again in 2019-2020, it has been my privilege to serve as your Treasurer over these years.

While I joined AVGC to learn to shoot trap, after meeting our NRA Instructors, I began to take advantage of AVGC's educational opportunities. Currently I am an active NRA Certified Instructor for Pistol, Shotgun, Rifle, Personal Protection Inside & Outside the Home, Defensive Pistol and Refuse to be a Victim. In addition, I am a Chief Range Safety Officer, Rifle Coach and

Pistol Coach. We have a fantastic instructor cadre and I always look forward to the next class!

Outside AVGC, my experience includes: Since 2005 I have been a small business owner. I have served more than 30 years on several boards and nonprofit organizations, including the National Association of Home Builders, Building Industry Association of Southern California, HomeAid IE, and several Homeowners Associations. In these organizations, I have served various terms as president, director of budget & finance, treasurer, legislative advocate, personnel chair, programs chair and membership services chair. Since 2015, I have been a member of the San Bernardino County Planning Commission, serving two terms as chairman. Since 2013, I have been a member of the San Bernardino County Workforce Development Board, currently on the Executive Board and Chairman of the Special Populations Committee.

The Apple Valley Gun Club belongs to its members and as Officers & Directors, our first responsibility is this trust, as held for the benefit of our current members, future members and our community. The Treasurer and Finance Committee maintain responsibility for fidelity, transparency and timeliness in all financial matters. We provide current and accurate financial information to empower the Board and Membership while they direct the future of the Apple Valley Gun Club.

Respectfully, I request your support as Treasurer 2021-2022.



2-YEAR DIRECTORS (YOU CAN PICK TWO)

Dennis Ingram

My name is Dennis Ingram and I've been a member of Apple Valley Gun Club for 4 years. I have been nominated to serve on the Board of Directors for a two-year term. I was introduced to AVGC by a good friend in January of 2017.

The very first time I came to AVGC, I was participating in a pistol match and I was hooked! Since then, I've been very involved at the gun club. I've served as Pistol Range Co-Chairman and Match Director, I've had the privilege of coaching Jr. Pistol and the Women's Pistol program, as well as Women on Target, Community on Target, and other events on the Pistol Range. I've taken firearms training very seriously and have earned certifications as an NRA Chief Range Safety Officer, NRA Pistol Instructor, NRA Personal Protection Inside the Home Instructor and NRA CCW Instructor. I'm also currently serving as the Director of the Adaptive Shooting Sports Program at AVGC.

I really enjoy volunteering as an Instructor and Coach, but also, I enjoy volunteering my skills as a carpenter, being involved in many of the improvement projects around the Gun Club, particularly on the pistol range. Personally, I am at my best when I'm serving and helping others, so I would appreciate your vote and will be honored to serve as a Director of AVGC.

Ray Jameson

My name is Ray Jameson and I am asking for your vote to be elected to the AVGC Board of Directors. I am a lifetime resident of the High Desert where for the past 6 years I have been employed as a Project Specialist at a local power plant. In addition to my current employment, I served in both Technical, Instructional, and Supervisory roles at Goldstone, a local NASA tracking facility for 24 years. I have served on many boards in my hometown of Barstow, mostly centered around the youth. This brings me to my current passion of serving as Chairperson of the AVGC Junior Rifle Program since 2018. I enjoy working with the kids and teaching the shooting sports in a safe and enjoyable atmosphere. The youth are our future and to teach them safely is my way of ensuring our sport is allowed to continue. I am a Certified Level 1 Rifle and Pistol coach, NRA Chief Range Safety Officer and hold teaching credentials in the following NRA courses: Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun, RSO, Refuse to be a victim, Home firearms safety and Personal protection inside the home. I am also a USA Archery certified instructor. I participate in the Women's Programs and Community on Target as an RSO and

Rifle/Pistol Coach. I am currently on the "Board of Directors" where I would like to continue being a part of the many improvements, we have accomplished to our club even during this difficult time. I am a strong believer of being part of the solution and not just sitting back and complaining. As great as our Club is, I always feel with any organization, improvement is possible. If I am elected, I will work to get your ideas into discussion. Thank you for taking the time and participating in the election process.

Tim Neubauer

My experience with the Apple Valley Gun Club started with a CCW prep class in 2016 and I have been a member of Apple Valley Gun Club since 2017.

I soon began to make friends with club members, who have a common interest with me. Now some of my best friends are here at AVGC. After taking most of the NRA classes, and experiencing the quality of instruction, I felt the need to get certified to be an instructor. I now hold the following instructor ratings. Basic Pistol, Basic Rifle, Basic Shotgun, Personal Protection in the Home, Personal Protection Outside the Home, Defensive Pistol, Home Firearms Safety, Refuse to be a Victim, & NRA CCW. I have found I really enjoy teaching, and students seem to respond well to my classes. To date, I have been the lead instructor in classes collectively totaling more than 100 students.

In the spring of 2019, I learned about NRA pistol coach credentials and it looked interesting to me. Through the NRA, I was introduced to Bill Perkins, an NRA pistol coach trainer. I arranged for him to come to the club from Arizona to conduct a coach school for AVGC. As a result, we have 18 NRA level 1 pistol coaches! I found out there was much more to the pistol coach program than I thought. What I learned about was Scholastic Action Shooting Program or S.A.S.P. This is a competitive steel shooting program for youth, 8-26 years old. It puts all the participants on a level playing field. I began to formulate plans to start a S.A.S.P. team at AVGC. And in September of 2019 we formed the Mojave River Rats. I serve as head coach, performing most of the administrative duties, and communication with the team. The S.A.S.P team is for high school students. We are in our 2nd season, and we just participated in our first nationwide postal match. The team did quite well, I am so proud of them. We are ordering team shooting shirts, the team is bonding together very well.

I am currently serving as a 2-year Director on the Board at AVGC. In addition, I handle the event requests, present them to the board, and manage the AVGC club calendar. I also work in the training department at AVGC, I order literature, and direct assembly of the

packets for the club classes. I also offer support for the instructors prior to and following their classes.

Outside AVGC, I have owned and managed 2 businesses, both with 30-40 employees. I have been on the board of a homeowner's association, our Little League President, and various boards at my church, where I managed the agenda and conducted meetings similar to the board meetings and membership meetings at AVGC. Currently, I am President of the corporation at my church. All these experiences provide the experiences and skills to be an effective Director at AVGC.

I feel a huge responsibility to AVGC, the Board of directors, and all the membership of Apple Valley Gun Club. The trust you have put in me is unbelievably valuable. I would like to continue to serve the membership and I ask for your vote for a 2-year Director. I have seen great progress since I have been here at Apple Valley Gun Club. The future for the club and its mission to teach organized shooting, and safety among its members and the community looks bright.

1-YEAR DIRECTOR

Bill Stephens

My Name is Bill Stephens. I have been a member of the Apple Valley Gun Club for two years. I have shot at the range with friends and have competed in 3-Gun for 6 years, and various other matches. I am an NRA certified instructor in many disciplines and a USCCA instructor as well. My wife Wendy and I have helped with Community on Target and serve on the firing line for the Sheriff Qualification process. I have had my CCW for years and really enjoy helping others reach their goal of personal self-defense through education and training. I am a General Contractor with experience of building from the ground up and remodels. I have many years' experience in owning, running, and managing my own business, which I believe gives me the knowledge and experience to help as a director on the Board of Directors. I know I could bring my professional experience to help the club continue to prosper and grow. I look forward to the opportunities that serving as a 1-year director for AVGC will offer. Thank you for your consideration.





APPLE VALLEY GUN CLUB PRESENTS

MAYA HERNANDEZ!!!

Maya represented the Apple Valley Gun Club as part of the Mojave River Rats SASP Team. She placed 3rd NATIONALLY in the Women's Optic Division. There were over 1,600 participants and over 250,000 rounds fired. The Mojave River Rats did an awesome job in their first national match.

WAY TO GO MAYA. WE ARE SO PROUD
OF YOU!

In Person Renewal Weekend

Don't want to mail in your renewal? Stop by the Secretary's Office at the Adobe Clubhouse on January 30th and 31st for an in-person renewal! You can pay your fees and receive your membership card immediately. Hours are 8 am to noon.

YOU MUST BRING:

1. Your completed renewal form
2. Your signed waiver
3. Your payment
4. Your proof of NRA Membership

IF ANY OF THESE ITEMS ARE MISSING YOU WILL NOT BE PROCESSED



Thank you 2020 Board of Directors!

It was a tough year to be a leader at Apple Valley Gun Club. The Coronavirus Pandemic made managing the club extremely difficult and some tough decisions were made.

Your attitude and resolve helped get the club through the year and we cannot thank you enough!



Unscramble the letters
to find the word

CONGRATULATIONS!!

Trap Shooting Terminology	
OWDBUELBOBLE	_____
IOGENP	_____
PRAT HEOUS	_____
UDSAQ	_____
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RPULEL	_____
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Sam was awarded a \$1,000.00
Scholarship at our December
membership meeting.
Way to go Sam!

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MEMBERSHIP QUESTIONS?

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Answer Key:

Trap Shooting Terminology	
OWDBUELBABLE	<u>DOUBLE-WOBBLE</u>
IOGENP	<u>PIGEON</u>
PRAT HEOUS	<u>TRAP HOUSE</u>
UDSAQ	<u>SQUAD</u>
AOINTTRO	<u>ROTATION</u>
RPULEL	<u>PULLER</u>
RYOAM OF TPRA WONT	<u>MAYOR OF TRAP TOWN</u>
OOWYD	<u>WOODY</u>
OTP HTOOS	<u>POT SHOOT</u>
IEVF SRAT UIONJR TRPA	<u>FIVE STAR JUNIOR TRAP</u>

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