

# A Letter From The President

Hello Everyone,

I enjoyed seeing everyone at the Trade Show in Greensboro. The attendance was lower than usual but considering all the factors I thought it was well attended. As I was eating lunch I looked around and all the tables were full. I realize that many of the seats were filled with sponsors and vendors who supported the show even knowing the attendance would be low. The board appreciates their efforts and I hope you will thank them when you see them.

One of the special times at the Show was the presentation of the Honorary Memberships to three very deserving men. Ronnie Venable was presented this honor by David Hutson just prior to his passing and David had some truly kind words about Ronnie at the Trade Show. Ronnie's wife, Marilyn and daughter Kristi, spoke of Ronnie and what the NCGWA had meant to him. David Hutson and Vaughn Brown were also presented Honorary Memberships. All of these men are very deserving of this. They have been the backbone of this Association for decades thru good times and bad. We appreciate their leadership and dedication to the industry.

Some exciting news that has come up recently is the State's new website that will allow us to fill out and electronically file GW 1 and GW 30 forms not only to the State, but also to the County as well with one click. I spoke to Wilson Mize about this, and he said that this will help them create a much better database for everyone to use. I encourage everyone to start using it. Elaine emailed the link to all members on 6/14/21. You may also click <u>here</u> for the link.

The Jubilee is back! July 31st - August 2nd the Jubilee will be back in Myrtle Beach, SC and I hope many of you will attend. This is an event that I have enjoyed for 60 years and my family and I are looking forward to it this year especially. We are planning a short membership meeting to bring you up to date on any new information.

Matthew Brown will once again host the Skeet Shoot in Harmony on October 1st. The winner of the golf cart will be chosen at this meeting. Be sure to buy your raffle tickets.

It has been a very unusual 18 months, but the water well industry in NC has survived and, in many cases, flourished thru perseverance and hard work. We have a lot to be thankful for!

Be safe and we will see you in Myrtle Beach.

Bill Magette, 252-332-2265, bmagette@hotmail.com

Mark your calendar for the 2021 Fall CE and Skeet Shoot!

October 1, 2021

Hunting Creek Preserves 300 N. Meadow Road Harmony, NC 28634 South Atlantic Jubilee Myrtle Beach, SC July 31-August 2, 2021

NCGWA Membership Meeting will be held at the Jubilee on Monday, August 2 at 9:30 AM

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#### 2021 Annual Scholarship Winners

The following students are recipients of the 2021 Worth Pickard Scholarships:

- Carter Letchworth: NW Poole Well & Pump Co, Kevin Letchworth
- Madison Price: DL Mullis Well Drilling, Allison Price
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## Fall CE and Skeet Shoot

#### Hello Friends,

I have some exciting news to share with you about our upcoming Fall Field day. Come join us on October 1st in Harmony NC for our 3rd skeet/clay shoot and CE day. We will be doing a hands on class using a hoist truck. I'm looking for folks to run the hoist truck and install pipe and pull pipe out of the well we drilled last fall. Combined with this we will be having several different scenarios for you to come up and trouble shoot as well as test the pumps we will be pulling in and out. Maybe you've been thinking of getting a hoist or upgrading? TDH hoists will be onsite plus we are hoping to have some other new units onsite to view. You know we all can use a refresher on trouble shooting pumps. Franklin Electric may even have a few tricks up their sleeve???

As always we will enjoy a delicious lunch served on location followed by our skeet/clay tournament. Prizes will be awarded. Please bring your own golf cart/side by side if you want.

Speaking of that remember to purchase your ticket for our golf cart and trailer raffle. It will be onsite and the winner can ride it on the course. (You do not have to be present to win). We will also raffle a gun off the day of the event so you will want to be here for that.

I hope you will join us at the membership meeting at the jubilee on Monday, August 2 at 9:30 am. We are seeking your input on several topics, and the board members will have golf cart raffle tickets for sale at the jubilee.

I know if you're like me you have a good backlog and are very busy. I look forward to taking a day to relax on Oct 1 and enjoying it with you at the field day.

Keeping turning to the right, Matthew Brown, NCGWA Vice President

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Three Honorary Memberships were presented at the 2021 Annual Trade Show.

Left: Matthew Brown presents plaque to Vaughan Brown.

*Right: Bill Magette presents plaque to David Hutson.* 



Ronnie Venable was presented this honor prior to his passing in January of this year. David Hutson presented a plaque to his family during the trade show.





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