



North Star Sportsman's Club

PO Box 212 Hilton, NY 14468



Board of Directors Meeting November 18, 2010

The meeting was called to order by President Pete McCann at 7 PM.

Officers present: Dick Allen, Tim Daily, Nick Hardie, Pete McCann, Jim Rabjohn, Allan Rice & Andy Sperr.

Members also present: Jeff Baugher, Greg Beyler, Mike Kirchgessner and Dan Mikel.

Treasurer's Report: Nick Hardie

This month's November Transactions dated 11/18/2010 reflect less activity than the last report, because there has been only a few weeks activity since the October report. Future reports will reflect a full-months financial activity as reflected at the Board of Directors meeting on the 3rd Thursday each month.

Income was \$1,715.72, including \$867.00, primarily new members' dues & fees. Expenses were \$246.51, with utilities of \$141.51.

Membership: Dick Allen

Two Junior Members who are college students are expected to join during the holiday recess. Also, Jr. Member, **Lucas Burritt**, recently returned from service with the **US Marine Corps**, will become an Active Member, bringing the total to the limit of 175. **THANKS to Dick** for another good Job .

Building & Grounds: Jim Rabjohn

"We're all set for winter".

Greg Beyler volunteered to repair a leaky gutter reported on the north side of the porch.

Adopt-a-Highway: Pete McCann for Steve Baase

The scheduled date was changed and only 3 members showed up for the detail. **THANKS to Steve, Glenn Johnson & Jim Walton** for doing double duty on this important, high visibility community project.

Litigation Committee

Among the issues discussed were:

Storage of personal property on club grounds.

"Release of Liability" forms for officers, members &/or guests.

Members should submit any questions to the committee of **Greg Beyler, Nick Hardie or Mike Kirchgessner**.

Hangover Shoot

The format will be essentially the same as in previous years. We are still looking for trappers for this important annual event.

Dan Mikel called attention to the important fact that New Years Day 2012 is a Sunday, which presents a serious situation with our existing agreement with the Town of Hamlin regarding shooting on Sunday.

Correspondence

(1) Doris Ott who has served as Quartermaster & Trapper Coordinator for many years, submitted a letter of resignation. The Board officially thanked **Doris** for her devoted service and hopes that she will remain active in club activities.

This led to a discussion of our current Trapper policies and the following changes were unanimously agreed to: North Star will no longer pay for trappers requested by individual members. Members requesting a trapper will be required to secure a Trapper from an approved list of qualified, trained Junior Members and pay accordingly. (*See more below.) Exceptions to this rule may be made **ONLY** by the Board of Directors.

Also, due to the ongoing increase in the cost of targets, etc. Discount Tickets for all shooting venues will be discontinued immediately. Outstanding tickets will be honored.

The Treasurer will be responsible for removing all tickets from circulation as they are used.

(2) **Ron Carlton** submitted his resignation as Director, effective immediately. Ron's term of office is over effective the June 2011 general meeting. The Board agreed that **IF Rick Sherman**, the current nominee for Ron's office is agreeable, Rick will assume the vacancy immediately. (If another nomination is made from the floor at the December meeting, that may require a runoff at the January meeting.

***Trapper Training**

As a result of the discussion above, **Tim Daily & Allan Rice** volunteered to hold a Trapper (re)Training class on Saturday, December 18 at 10 AM for any Junior Members who want to be listed as **Qualified North Star Trappers**. A list of Board-Approved Trappers will be posted on the web site and on the bulletin board.

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Available Fill?

Dan Mikel told the Board that he has access to 4 truckloads of fill for a bargain (?) price of \$80.00 per load. **Greg Beyler** stated that he could use 2 loads for the Rifle Range. The Board OK'd the purchase contingent on Dan establishing that the fill was "quality" (reasonably rock-free).

Advertising "in lieu of"

Marty Barry was asked by a member-advertiser whether the placement of an ad in the *NewsNotes*, could be credited against the annual work requirement fine. Ed. Note: (The fine is \$75.00/year; the cost of an ad is \$100.00/year)

The Board cited past precedent re heavy equipment loans and advertising motives and that the work requirement was to encourage member involvement in club activities. The Board decided not to change the policy at this time.

Winter Offhand Shooting League&

Basic Rifle Marksmanship Clinic

Frank Petricone &/or Curt Drewel will be at the December general meeting to review their plans for these two special inter-related projects.

The former is planned to start in January after the hunting season, followed by the latter in early Spring.

Interested members who miss the meeting can contact them

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 PM.



**General Meeting
December 2, 2010**



The meeting was called to order by President Pete McCann at 7:30 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. This was followed by a Moment of Silence in memory of all the members of our Armed Forces and for long time member **Rick Carter** and **Kathleen Clark**, daughter of Gerry McCoy, each of whom passed away recently after a courageous bout with cancer.

Rick was a long time member of North Star and many of the club's facilities reflect his input.

Notable is the fact that, some years ago, shortly after the passing of **Mike Kirchgessner's** dad, Rick suggested that the club post a "*Silent Guns Memorial*" plaque commemorating deceased Active Members of NSSC.

Sadly, Rick joined that group all too early.

The sympathy of all the North Star family is extended to both the Carter & McCoy families.

Members present: Dick Allen, Steve Baase, Jeff Baugher, Buz Baumann,, Greg Beyler, Fred Blom, Larry Borowski, Ed & Ron Breslawski, Larry Britt, Al Castrechino, Greg & Larry Conn, Tim Daily, Paul Drake, Matt Fumia, Dick Groves, Stu Hansel, Frank Kimmel, Mike Kirchgessner, Corey McAtee, Pete McCann, Bill McDonald, Dan Mikel, Frank Petricone, Jim Priestley, Jim Rabjohn, Dick Ramble, Glen Reed, Allen Rice, Rick Sherman, Art Sielaff, Walt Slowig, Dan Spencer, Andy Sperr, Kevin Sullivan, Mike Tuttle and Don Wilbur. The president also passed around a sign-up sheet for help at the Hangover Shoot, which was returned with plenty of names to insure another good event, weather permitting.

Treasurer's Report

See the Board of Director's meeting notes on page 1 for details of the transactions for the past few weeks. Thanks to **Dan Mikel**, we "saved" \$320.00 when the "deal" of fill for the Rifle Range & Pistol berms fell through.

Membership: Dick Allen

We currently have one opening, which Dick is pursuing.

The Waiting List stands at 149.

Dick is working on a proposed amendment to the NSSC constitution to remove inconsistencies between older and current versions of the *Membership Certificate* and the club obligation re inactive members who wish to redeem their certificate.

Building & Grounds: Jim Rabjohn

Jim thanked several members for contributing to necessary jobs being done:

Mike Kirchgessner for some eqpt. welding, **Frank**

Petricone for removing some drum heads for the clays course and **Tim Albert** for cutting & splitting the remaining firewood. Leaking tires have been "treated" and the south side barn light has been replaced.

Insurance Inspection: Paul Drake

A representative of Erie Niagara Insurance visited North Star for a routine inspection and stated he was "impressed" with the club's facilities. Pete confirmed a similar follow up response from the carrier.

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Camp Rushford: Andy Sperr

Two applications have been received to date. The DEC has moved up the “early sponsored-application date” to January 15th this year. Early applicants have better odds of getting first-choice dates.

Contact Andy @ 225-0373 for details.

NSSC Winter Offhand Rifle League & Basic Rifle Marksmanship Clinic

See the Board meeting notes for earlier details. **Frank Petricone** spelled out many details of how the league would operate:

Two “matches” scheduled per month.

Eight “matches” total. Four months overall.

Three targets provided per match.

One for “sight-in”; Two of 10 shots each count.

\$15.00 total for members. Guests \$20.00.

A face-to-face “orientation” with Frank will be mandatory some time after January 1st to enroll.

The **Marksmanship Clinic** will follow in the spring.

Officer Nominations

As noted in the Board meeting notes, **Rick Sherman** agreed to assume **Ron Carlton’s** unfinished term as Director.

After discussion and with no other nominations from the floor, Rick was unanimously elected by voice vote to fill Ron’s term through June 30, 2011,

Nominations previously posted in the November *NewsNotes* were confirmed by unanimous voice approval with no additional nominations from the floor. Elections will be held at the January 6 General Meeting from the following nominees:

- (1) President **Pete McCann**
- (2) VP1 Mem **Eric Schramm**
- (3) VP2 Comm **Jeff Baugher**
- (4) Secretary **Christine White**
- (5) Treasurer **Nick Hardie**
- (6) Field Capt **Tim Daily**

Listed as “Directors 1 & 2” Allan Rice & Jim Rabjohn, will remain as Directors for 2 and 1 year respectively to finish their elected terms of office.

New/ Old Business:

Refer to the Board Meeting notes of 11/18 for details: The issue of the new Qualified Trapper Policy was questioned.

A motion to confirm the change was voted on and passed with only 2 negative votes.

The discontinuance of “discount tickets” was also questioned and a motion to confirm the Board action passed by a show of hands, with 4 negative votes.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM.

50/50: The president volunteered to send his regards to **Paul Neeffe, Jr.**

Have a Safe and Happy Holiday Season





Upcoming Events



Reserve the Clubhouse and Grounds for your event by contacting **Andy Sperr** @ 225-0373 and noting it on the Clubhouse Calendar. . . First Come First Served Otherwise, your reservation may not be honored

Board of Directors Meeting

Third Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM

General Member Meeting

First Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM

Current Clubhouse Reservations:

2011 Hangover shoot Saturday, Jan 1

Al Z. Heimers League Sporting Clays Fun Shoot

Tuesday Mornings @ 9:00 AM

Relaxed Shooters Only, any age, just show up.

Come out & have fun - We're looking for shooters

Regular Group Shoot

Saturday Mornings @ 9:00 AM

Hunter's Tour dates:

JAN 8-9	WILLIAMSON R & G
JAN 22-23	CANANDAIGUA SPORTSMAN
FEB 12-13	ROCHESTER BROOKS
FEB 26-27	PAINTED POST
MAR 12-13	CAYUGA COUNTY SPORTSMAN
MAR 26-27	BATH
APR 9-10	NORTH STAR
****	Workers and Help Needed ***
MAY 7-8	SALMON CREEK (Prizes/5man shoot)



Annual New Year's Day Shoot

(Also known as the "Hangover Shoot")

Saturday, 1 January 2011

Sign-up starts at 8:00am & Shooting starts at 8:30am

\$20

(Youth 18 and under \$10)

50 Targets, Spit Roasted Beef

Dinner

Officers & Coordinators

President	Pete McCann	392-3775
VP1 Membership	Dick Allen	225-7814
VP2 Communication	Eric Schramm	227-6635
Treasurer	Nick Hardie	392-2816
Secretary	Andy Sperr	225-0373
Director	Rick Sherman	330-2515
Director	Jim Rabjohn	964-8923
Director	Allan Rice	755-1085
Field Captain	Tim Daily	392-7145
Sporting Clays	Allan Rice	755-1085
Preserve	Dick Groves	392-9892
	David Isaac	638-5305
Grounds	Jim Rabjohn	964-8923
Vehicles & Equipmt	Jim Rabjohn	964-8923
10 Stand	Jay Giese	659-8655
Skeet	Doug Files	964-2424
Rifle Range	Greg Beyler	442-8143
Archery	Bill Plews	637-3665
	Dan Spencer	352-8706
Hunters Tour	Allan Rice	755-1085
Hunter Safety	Doug Rivaais	392-9074
Adopt-a-Highway	Steve Baase	964-8380
Club Database	Marty Barry	659-8677
NewsNotes	Jeff Baugher	227-8797
Fold & Staple	Walt & Cindi Slowig	621-5915
Postal Service	Al & Tammy Castrechino	636-4376
MCCC Delegates	Jim Nichols	429-7899
	Chris Weist	637-0579
Kitchen	Jerry McCoy	342-7277
Clubhouse		964-8000
NSSC database	Marty Barry	
	honda300@rochester.rr.com	
Webmaster	Jeff Baugher	227-8797
	webmaster@northstarsportsmansclub.org	

Websites worth visiting

North Star: www.northstarsportsmansclub.org
 NRA: www.nra.org
 LPWA: www.lakeplainswaterfowl.homestead.com
 SCOPE: www.scopeny.org
 NYS Rifle & Pistol Assn: www.nysrpa.org
 Hunters Tour: www.hunterstour.org
www.keepandbeararms.com
www.gunweek.com
www.womensshooters.com
www.ussportsmen.org
www.saf.org