



# North Star Sportsman's Club

## PO Box 212 Hilton, NY 14468



### Board of Directors Meeting March 17, 2011

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

**Officers present:** Jeff Baugher, Tim Daily, Nick Hardie, Pete McCann, Jim Rabjohn, Allan Rice, Rick Sherman and Andy Sperr.

**Also present:** Greg Beyler, Mike Kirchgessner and Jim Lyon.

#### **Secretary's Report:** Andy Sperr

No changes, deletions or additions were suggested to the March NewsNotes as published.

#### **Treasurer's Report:** Nick Hardie

The March Transactions Report dated 3/17/2011 showed the following:

Income \$1,618.00

Expenses 2,018.70

March net \$-- 400.70

Preserve Fund \$ 725.44

Major expense items included utilities (propane \$710.00); administration (US Mail, NewsNotes & Camp Rushford)

Income included Black Box (Sporting Clays \$268.00; Skeet \$175.00 & new member fees \$333.00).

**Special Thanks to Tom Sime for his donation of \$100.00 to the Archery Range Project.**

#### **Membership**

In Dick Allen's absence to the Far West, Nick Hardie reported that we have received 6 new applications for membership.

That puts the Waiting List at approximately 160!

The Board unanimously approved written application by **Bob Knyrim** for Life Membership.

Recommendation of approval by the membership will be made at the April 7 general meeting.

#### **Building & Grounds:** Jim Rabjohn

A "bumper" for the Gator was purchased for \$130.00 (plus tax). Hopefully, this will prevent future encounters with trees out west.

He made some comments for the need for a York rake for roadways' maintenance. No action was taken on the question.

A request for possible availability of a good, used rake will be pursued at the general meeting.

#### **Ranges & Safety, etc.** Tim Daily

The Sporting Clays course is all set for the Patrick's Day Shoot.

#### **Camp Rushford:** Andy Sperr

One additional application was received, submitted & accepted by the DEC for **Chad Scorse**, son of **David Scorse**.

North Star is sponsoring 3 youngsters this summer, the 3<sup>rd</sup> courtesy of a donation by **Kurt Brinkman** for this project.

#### **Litigation, Insurance, etc.**

Discussion wandered around what other club's were doing, who they were consulting for legal counsel, etc. The possibility of shared legal counsel with other club's was raised as a possibility.

#### **Club Calendar**

The ongoing question of conflicts between clubhouse reservations, etc. and use of the Rifle Range was brought up but no conclusions were reached or decisions made. Suggestions for better definition of what a reservation covers were discussed. It was generally agreed that a "clubhouse reservation" applied to the clubhouse & pavilion ONLY although existing Ground Rules are not clear on the subject and may need to be updated.

Recently revised (primarily regarding permissible targets)

For example:

**Rule 7, Rifle Range, Par.F.** states "*The Rifle Range is closed during all Invitational Shoots.*"

**Rule 12 Use of the Clubhouse** states "*Any member wishing to reserve the Clubhouse or club for private use must make arrangements through the club's secretary. Members will be responsible for the actions of their guests, for cleanup of the clubhouse, ranges, and for anything missing or broken.*" (Editor's emphasis added).

There were varying opinions re interpretation and reasons/justification for the current Ground Rules. The practice (in place the last several years) of the Sporting Clays course being shut down Wednesday afternoon during the Summer Archery League shoots was also raised as unnecessary.

The meeting was adjourned at approx. 8:25 PM.

# April 2011 NewsNotes



## General Meeting April 7, 2011



The meeting was called to order by President Pete McCann at 7:30 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and a Moment of Silence honoring the men & women serving in our Armed Forces around the world.

**Members present:** Dick Allen, Steve Baase, Andy Bansbach, Jeff Baugher, Buz Baumann, Wayne Blattner, Keith Bowers, Larry Britt, Larry Borowski, Jim Butlin, Ed, Rich & Ron Breslawski, Ron Carlton, Al & Frank Castrechino, Scott Charles, Tim Daily, Phil Dugan, Mike Engle, Matt Fumia, Dick Groves, John Hale, Stu Hansel, Nick Hardie, David Johnson, Glenn Johnson, Mike Kirchgessner, Bob Knyrim, Greg Lessord, Dick MacKenzie, Corey McAfee, Pete McCann, Jerry McCoy, Bill McDonald, Dan Mikel, Frank Petricone, Jim Priestley, Jim Rabjohn, Rick Sherman, Tracy Smith, Dan Spencer, Andy Sperr, Kevin Sullivan, Mike Tubbs, and John Wise.

**Also present:** **Ms. Nicole Bansbach**, 12 year-old daughter of Andy, who wants to become a Junior Member of North Star. **Allan Rice** please note: She is also interested in becoming a qualified trapper. A round of applause was accompanied by a Membership Application. The Club Historian should check to determine if Nicole is making NSSC history as the first female Junior Member of the club.

**WELCOME to NORTH STAR, NICOLE.**

### **Secretary's Report:** Andy Sperr

Somewhere it was earlier reported that the club had donated \$25.00 to the Hilton Wheelfest . It should have been posted to the Hamlin Wheelfest. Otherwise, the NewsNotes were accepted as published.

It was called to the attention of all members that since January 1, 2011, **Mike Kirchgessner** is managing clubhouse reservations, not the Secretary. See more on this subject near the end of these notes.

### **Treasurer's Report:** Nick Hardie

Refer to the Board of Directors meeting notes on page 1 for details of the **March Transactions**.

Nick again explained that the instead of the traditional calendar month, the monthly report now covers financial activity between the period of the monthly Board of Directors' Meetings, which were recently rescheduled to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month.

## **St. Patrick's Day Shoot**

**Nick** presented the following details for another very successful shoot. (These \$\$ are not included in the page 1 nos) since they were posted after the "closing" of the books for the month. There were 170 shooters.

Gross Income: \$3,934.00

Total expenses: 1,634.00\*

- Including targets @ \$5.00/round for the clays course & \$2.50/round for the 10 Stand; Kitchen \$645.00

The Adjusted Net Income for the Shoot was \$2,120.00.

**Thanks to all the many members who contributed time & effort to make this another great shoot.**

The list of worker/volunteers is posted below.

**Membership:** Dick Allen

**Congratulations to Bob Knyrim.** As noted in the Board meeting notes Bob was approved for **Life Membership**.

A letter applying for life membership is anticipated from **Dick Ramble**, who has been hiding his age for a long time.

John P. Papaleo, son of Rod Cockrell and also a Jr. Member, is currently on hold due to a scheduling problem. As a result, there are 2 openings for Active Membership. When asked, hey were announced as Tom Tennant & Joe D'Angelo.

## **Building & Grounds:** Jim Rabjohn

With a \$500.00 donation from an anonymous donor, we now own a new \$1,000.00 York rake for roadway maintenance. The remainder came from budgeted funds. **THANK YOU MR. ANON.**

The price for a new "bumper" for the Gator (no longer available for \$129.00) has escalated to approx. \$400.00.

After a series of votes, pro & con, Ron Carlton was authorized to "work a deal" with the dealer for up to \$400.00 for an "all-around (incl. roll -over?)" gadget for future drivers using the Gator.

While on a roll, Jim asked for additional 6 loads of stone for up to \$2,000.00 for the roadways, esp. for "out back" and for the new pistol berms parking space. Since this was within the budgeted amount, it was approved by voice vote.

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## **Sporting Clays & Ranges, etc.**

Tim Daily reported that the course was all set for the Hunters Tour this Saturday & Sunday.

A good turnout is expected and Pete said he had a good list of volunteers to work both days.

Frank Petricone said that the Winter Offhand Rifle League was making good progress with about 20 shooters participating. Current scores & updates will be e-mailed to shooters and posted on the NSSC website.

Despite the conflict with the Easter weekend, the Rifle Clinic will be held as scheduled on Friday & Saturday April 22 & 23. Contact Curt Drewel at 746-9435 for more information.

## **Preserve: Dick Groves**

The license application has been submitted.

## **Archery: Dan Spencer**

Flyers for the Summer League will be posted with competition to begin at the end of the month.

## **Monroe County Conservation Council**

Frank Petricone reported for Chris Wiest that the NYS Rifle & Pistol Assoc. is filing a lawsuit against NY State/City which would assess annual handgun registration fees to the hundreds! of dollars. Pete will scan & distribute a copy of the legislation so that members can contact their legislators to voice their objections.

## **Range Closures**

(See also Club Calendar discussions at the Feb. 17 & March 17 Board meetings for background.)

After some additional general discussion about closing the various ranges during other use of the clubhouse &/or grounds during other member-sponsored events, it was decided that we will no longer close the ranges during such events, unless specifically excepted by the Board.

## **Junior Member eligibility**

An inquiry was made about the eligibility of the son of a deceased member for Jr. Membership, including trapper training. No reason was found to exclude anyone 12 years of age or older from membership. This info will be forwarded to the youngster involved.

## **Club Calendar/Adopt-a-Highway**

**Steve Baase** reminded members that the Spring roadway cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, April 30. This may be your final chance to meet your annual work requirement before the deadline without a penalty.

## **Special Flag**

A very special flag has been properly encased & mounted on the clubhouse wall in a position of honor. This flag flew for over 700 hours during combat in Afghanistan & Iraq. It was presented to the club last fall by Army veteran Michael Richardson following a special hunt and reception for disabled American Veterans held at North Star.

## **\*SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT\***

**There will be an announcement in the Sunday, April 17 D & C, with details of a memorial event commemorating long-time Active Cub Member Rick Carter on Saturday, May 14 from 1 until 5 PM at the Burgundy Basin Inn.**

Rick would be happy to see a good turnout there enjoying a good party as he always did. Put it on our calendar now.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM.

**50/50: Craig Burritt** should have joined us.

**St. Patrick's Day Volunteers:** Paul Adameck, Jeff Baugher, Buz Baumann, Fred Blom, Ed, Rich & Ron Breslawski, Ron Carlton, Larry Conn, Rod Cockrell, Rich Drescher, Eric Drewel, Phil Dugan, Drew Giese, Dick Koss, Fay Knapp, John Lyon, Pete McCann, Bill McDonald, Doug McMartin, Greg Pasinski, Frank Petricone, Jim Rabjohn, Mike Sciortino, Fred & John SanFilipo, Andy Sperr, Scott Todd, Mike Tubbs, Frank Waldron, Rick Westurn and John Wise.

**Thanks to all who made this a successful event!**

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## Upcoming Events



Reserve the Clubhouse / Grounds for your event by contacting **Mike Kirchgessner** @ 392-2360 **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:

Rifle Clinic	Friday, April 22
Dick Ramble	Saturday, April 23
Mark Weston	Saturday, April 30
Ron Carlton	Saturday, May 21
Dan Spencer	Saturday, May 28

### 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:

MAY 7-8 SALMON CREEK (Prizes/5man shoot)

### Archery League

Wednesday Evenings 4PM 'til dusk

April 27 - June 15

### Adopt-a-Highway

Saturday, April 30 8AM

### Hunter Safety Program

September 6, 7, and 10

## 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
Reservation Director	Mike Kirchgessner	392-2360
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 Wiest	637-0579
Kitchen	Jerry McCoy	342-7277
Clubhouse		964-8000
NSSC database	Marty Barry	
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Webmaster	Jeff Baugher	227-8797
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### Websites worth visiting

North Star: [www.northstarsportsmansclub.org](http://www.northstarsportsmansclub.org)  
NRA: [www.nra.org](http://www.nra.org)  
LPWA: [www.lakeplainswaterfowl.homestead.com](http://www.lakeplainswaterfowl.homestead.com)  
SCOPE: [www.scopeny.org](http://www.scopeny.org)  
NYS Rifle & Pistol Assn: [www.nysrpa.org](http://www.nysrpa.org)  
Hunters Tour: [www.hunterstour.org](http://www.hunterstour.org)  
[www.keepandbeararms.com](http://www.keepandbeararms.com)  
[www.gunweek.com](http://www.gunweek.com)  
[www.womensshooters.com](http://www.womensshooters.com)  
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