



North Star Sportsman's Club

PO Box 212 Hilton, NY 14468



Board of Directors Meeting April 21, 2011

The meeting was called to order by President Pete McCann at 7:10 PM.

Officers present: Dick Allen, Jeff Baugher, Pete McCann, Jim Rabjohn, Allan Rice, Eric Schramm, Rick Sherman and Andy Sperr.

Also present: Greg Beyler, Ed, Rich & Ron Breslawski, Rod Cockrell, Dick Groves, John Lyon, Mike Kirchgessner and 3 **PNM's** (Potential New Members – See Membership, below).

Secretary's Report

Because the mailing of the April *NewsNotes* was late, any suggestions for additions or deletions were deferred until the upcoming general meeting.

Treasurer's Report

Pete McCann reported for Nick Hardie:

Highlights from the **April Transactions of 4/21** showed:

Income: \$10,081.00

Expenses: 5,591.43

April Net: \$ 4,489.57

Preserve Fund \$ 1,705.44

The major expense item was stone for the roadways: \$2,300.00.

Major income items were the Hunters Tour (see below) and the St Patrick's Day Shoot, reported in the April *NewsNotes*.

Dues income was approx. \$1,000.00. "Black box" included Sporting Clays \$608.00 & Skeet \$357.00.

Membership: Dick Allen

Art Sielaff submitted a letter of resignation, which was accepted by the Board with regret.

Dick Ramble's application for Life Membership was unanimously approved.

Three PNM's including 2 Junior Members **John Paul Papaleo & Rich Breslawski**, and **Tom Tennant**, were introduced to the Board and unanimously accepted as Active Members. As a result there are several new openings from the Waiting List, which continues to grow.

Building & Grounds: Jim Rabjohn

As noted above, \$2,300.00 from the approved budget is reflected in the excellent condition of the club's roadways. **Jim** is receiving the usual end-of-fiscal-year requests for projects to offset fines for non-compliance. The deadline for meeting your work requirement is April 30, so if you haven't met the requirement by the time you read this, you'll be notified via your Membership Renewal notice. As noted in earlier *NewsNotes*, your recorded hours are included on the cover sheet of each monthly mailing. Jim maintains a continuing list of jobs on the whiteboard next to the clubhouse door.

Safety & Security

Jeff Baugher informed the Board that there are 65 to 70 electronic access "key cards" that are not accounted for in the club's data base. He asked for permission to solicit feedback from **ALL MEMBERS** to submit their 5-digit ID number located on each card. He & Pete will collaborate on contacting all members for this information. Since is expected to take some time, an **August 1 deadline** was agreed on. After that, **all access key cards unaccounted for will become obsolete.** **PLEASE DO NOT CALL PETE OR JEFF. See Page 3 for instructions to contact Jeff.**

Hunters Tour: Allan Rice

We had 128 League & 105 Practice rounds shot. Gross Income was \$3,779.00. Total expenses (incl. targets) were \$1,885.00. Est. net income was almost \$1,950.00 !! As usual, much credit goes to the many members who contributed time & effort to make these shoots a tremendous success.

MANY THANKS to: Buz Baumann, Wayne Blattner, Jim Butlin, Keith Bowers, Ron & Ed Breslawski, Ron Carlton, Tim Daily, Dave* DeClerck, Rich Drescher, Phil Dugan, Mike Ferris, Mike Engle, Mike Giardina, Dick Groves, John Hale, Stu Hansel, Nick Hardie, David Isaac, David Johnson, Glenn Koester, Bruce Newell, Pete* McCann, Jerry McCoy, Bill McDonald, Doug McMartin, Jim Priestley, Jim* Rabjohn, Dick Ramble, Glen Reed, Allan Rice, Tracy Smith, Dan* & Jim* Sperr, Mike Tubbs, **Lyell, Mark*, Roy* & Wyatt Weston** and Christine White.

* Denotes worked both Saturday & Sunday.

The **Wyatt family** was well represented. **Great Job !!!**

May 2011 NewsNotes

Club Calendar: Mike Kirchgessner

Several requests have been received for reservations including a "band". There was a lengthy discussion about noise levels and other unintended consequences. A motion to reject the requests was amended to limit the "band" until 8 PM. This was passed by voice vote. Further discussion is anticipated.

Rick Carter Memorial

The D & C obituaries of April 17 announced Rick Carter's recent passing.

As he would have wanted, there will be a party at the **Burgundy Basin Inn on Saturday, May 14** from 1 until 5 PM.

All his North Star friends are invited.

Continuing Litigation Discussion

Jim Rabjohn proposed that North Star include a "Release of Liability" form or similar waiver/disclaimer with this year's Membership Renewal mailing. There was substantial discussion of the pros & cons and the limited time before the mailings, which are imminent. With the Litigation Committee recommendation still on hold, it was determined that the thought would warrant further consideration.

New Business

Pete McCann solicited ideas for the upcoming discussions from those present. This was not to be mistaken for approval.

Greg Beyler requested up to \$3500.00 for Rifle Range upgrades, including extension of the overhead eastward(?) to accommodate an "enhanced" short range pistol berm.

Allan Rice asked for approx. \$6,000.00 for 2 additional auto-traps and \$1,000.00 for a remote wireless control.

Jim Rabjohn expects 10% over last year's budget for Building & Grounds.

John Lyon suggested the need for improved Kitchen/Pavilion cooking facilities, est. at <\$1,000.00. Clubhouse modifications came to the surface, including an enlarged kitchen, a Unisex Restroom facility.etc.

"Ironman Shoot"

Allan Rice asked for an OK to pursue an ambitious **multi-skilled shoot for MEMBERS ONLY**. It would include 10 Stand, Pistol, Rifle and Archery competition, followed by prizes and a chicken dinner featuring the crowning of the **"KING IRONMAN"**. A tentative date was approved for Saturday, August 6th. Save the date and start to practice now.

Summer Clays League

AI also proposed an open sporting clays league, patterned on last year's experience. It would be limited to 2 Saturdays, one each in July & August, with dates to be established. The Board OK'd AI's request to proceed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 PM.



General Meeting May 5, 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: AI & Frank Castrechino, Tom O' Brien, John Hale, Keith Bowers, Kevin Sullivan, Wayne Vossler, Dan Spencer, Bill Plews, John Lyon, Dick Groves, Tom Castellana, Wayne Blattner, Jeff, Baugher, Andy & Nicole Bansbach, David Beehner, John Wise, Jim Rabjohn, Tracy Smith, Allan Rice, Dan Mikel, Greg Beyler, Curt & Eric Drewel, Cody Gagnon, Ed, Rich & Ron Breslawski, Jerry McCoy, Mike Kirchgessner, Buz Baumann, Bill McDonald, Walt Slowig, Christine White, Andy Sperr, Nick Hardie, Pete McCann and Frank Petricone.

Secretary's Report: Andy Sperr

Read your News Notes!

Treasurer's Report: Nick Hardie

Refer to the Board of Directors meeting notes, included here, for details of the **April Transactions**.

Membership: Pete McCann reported for Dick Allen

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

Three new members joined Northstar, **John Paul Papaleo**, **Rich Breslawski** and **Tom Tennant**. Welcome!

Building & Grounds: Jim Rabjohn

6 loads of stone were delivered. Most of it was spread on the road in to North Star. Looks great! Some was left for archery to use. A poplar tree fell by the chalet; thank you to the two members who cut it up in to firewood for anyone to take. A reminder to those using the mower – please be sure the right mower parts are being used for whatever job you are doing.

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Range Report: Dan Mikel and Greg Beyler

There are many ideas to improve the Pistol Shooting Only berm, including build up the berms; add fill in the middle to help drainage; construct walkway for handicap accessible; construct a roof/ shell to save equipment and shooters from the weather; a small storage shed; moving targets. All great ideas which members liked! Dan and Greg will put together a budget for review.

Frank Petricone reported that the Winter Offhand Rifle League will be extended to the end of May for all participants to get their shoots in. Awards will be given at the June General Member Meeting.

Frank also asked that members on the rifle range, please pick up your brass when you are done shooting.

Curt Drewel reported that the Rifle Clinic was held as scheduled on Friday & Saturday April 22 & 23. There were 6 that turned out. Curt hopes to do that again, on a non-holiday weekend.

Monroe County Conservation Council

Frank Petricone reported about micro-stamping and other gun laws such as annual handgun registration fees in NY will come up for vote. Members should consider contacting your local representative to voice your opinion.

Range Closures

As mentioned in previous News Notes, but discussed again ... it has been determined that the range will remain open at all 'scheduled' times, except during 'invitational shoots'. If the clubhouse is reserved, it means the clubhouse and the pavilion are available for that person's use, however, a 'clubhouse reservation' does not include the ranges, which will remain open for use by other members of the club.

Club Calendar

It was brought up about reservations for graduation parties in particular, at the clubhouse. Some reservations have requested a band, which was approved with limitation on playing time until 8 pm. There will be further discussion about these parties.

Upcoming Shoots

Proposed are two shoots this summer, open to the public – June 11 and July 9; 8 – 11 am.

Budget Season

If there is something you would like to see at the club, we are looking for ideas to include in the upcoming budget. Please bring it up to someone on the board, or at the next general meeting.

Hunter's Tour – Allan Rice reported that overall, the tour was very successful this year. Participation was up a lot. The final shoot was the weekend of May 7-8. The prize structure for the coming year is planned to be the same as it was this past year. One special board member of Northstar did very well! Congratulations!

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM.

50/50: Tom Posella, Jr. should have joined us.

Clubhouse security. There are several dozen Key Cards that are active and not accounted for in the club's database. There are also a similar number of members who do not have their Key Cards recorded. In an effort to better account for each card, members are asked to contact Jeff Baugher with the number of your key card. PLEASE do not telephone Jeff, instead either email him at jsb001@gmail.com or send a US mail letter to:

Jeff Baugher
525 Red Spruce Lane
Rochester, NY 14616

You can save postage by handing the letter to Jeff at most member meetings or Board of Directors meetings.

Please respond by July 1. August 1 has been approved by the board as a date for "turning off" unregistered cards. Jeff can "turn on" cards, but it won't be immediately. Don't risk having your club house access interrupted!

The number needed is the 5 digit number. An example is shown here:



May 2011 NewsNotes



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:

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| Ron Carlton | Saturday, May 21 |
| Dan Spencer | Saturday, May 28 |
| Jerry Mostek | Saturday, July 16 |
| Paul Drake | Sunday, July 17 |
| Mike Engle | Saturday, July 23 |
| Dave Issac | Saturday, July 30 |

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

Public Shoots:

Saturday, June 11

Saturday, July 9

We'll need help with these shoots!!

Ironman Tournament

Saturday, August 6

Hunter's Tour dates:

2011 – 2012 dates to be determined

Archery League

Wednesday Evenings 4PM 'til dusk

April 27 - June 15

Hunter Safety Program

September 6, 7, and 10

Officers & Coordinators

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| 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 |
| 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 | 659-8677 |
| | nsdatamanager@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