



# North Star Sportsman's Club

## PO Box 212 Hilton, NY 14468



### Board of Directors Meeting Sept 15, 2011

The meeting was called to order by President Pete McCann at 7:00 PM.

**Officers present:** Pete McCann, Jim Rabjohn, Allan Rice, Tim Daily, Nick Hardie, Christine Grove, Eric Schramm and Jeff Baugher.

**Also present:** Andy Sperr, Mike Kirchgessner, John Lyon, Gregory Conn, Larry Conn, Dave Beehner, Greg Beyler and 3 PNM (Potential New Members -- see below under membership).

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

Highlights from the **September Transactions** showed:  
Income from Black Box: \$887.00.

A large purchase of targets was made, for the club, and in preparation of Hunter's Tour.

The club made a donation to the NYS Rifle and Pistol Assoc.

#### **Membership: Eric Schramm**

Three PNM, Robert Rymer, Eric Carlton and Dana Carlton attended meeting. All were accepted for membership!

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

Jim looked in to the cost of a snowblower for the club; as replacement/ trade in of Old Yeller. It was deemed this was too expensive of an option. The club should just sell Old Yeller; that would be best for the club.

Jim will purchase a ladder -- 24' fiberglass, industrial -- for the club to own, when needed.

Everything on club property has been sprayed for weeds. Cement for archery, including stone and rebar was purchased.

#### **Ranges/ Archery: Allan Rice and Tim Daily**

The club still needs to find a replacement for Sporting Clays chair.

BOTH skeet houses were found with the traps loaded, armed and ready to fire, and the doors closed -- **AGAIN!**

Also, a club member was injured - could have been a lot worse - while moving a trap, because it was still ARMED!

#### **Security: Jeff Baugher**

It was decided unverified key cards will be shut off as of Oct. 1

Editor's note: On October 8, Jeff turned off 71 unaccounted for key cards.

#### **New Business:**

Board positions will be coming up for re-election. This will come up and be discussed at the general meeting on Oct. 6.

Greg Beyler was present at the meeting and requested money for building materials and a concrete pad for rifle range pavilion - so he can coordinate an addition on to the rifle pavilion. Greg will bring this up at the general meeting, for discussion and approval by the members.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.



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## General Meeting Oct 6, 2011



The meeting was called to order by President Pete McCann at 7:30 PM.

Nick Hardie led us in prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, followed by a Moment of Silence.

**Members present:** Al Castrechino, Frank Castrechino, Phil Dugan, Frank Stackman, Greg Conn, Larry Conn, John Lyon, Andy Sperr, Jeff Baugher, Buz Bauman, Stu Hansel, Allan Rice, Dan Mikel, Jim Rabjohn, Mike Kirchgessner, Steven Baase, Christine Grove, Pete McCann, Nick Hardie, Jerry McCoy, Bill McDonald, Greg Beyler, David Beehner, Chris Wiest, Wayne Vossler, Corey McAtee, Greg Pasinski, Keith Bowers, Greg Lessord, Glenn Johnson, Jim Priestley, Dave Scorse, Rich Breslawski, Frank Waldron, Gordon Windsor, Ron Carlton.

### **Secretary's Report:** Christine Grove

If you haven't attended a meeting at the club in a while, you should. It is way more fun than reading your NewsNotes!

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

Refer to the Board of Directors meeting notes, included here, for details of the **September transactions**.

PLUS - Hunter's Tour income was reported;  
Gas and diesel were purchased for the club, and should get us through the winter.

### **Membership:** Pete McCann reported for Eric Schramm

We have three new members – Robert Rymer, Eric Carlton and Dana Carlton ; Welcome!

Larry Conn qualified, requested, and was approved, for lifetime membership!

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

North Star is selling "Old Yeller" – International Tractor with front end bucket. We had a sign on it for the Hunter's Tour for \$5,500, but no one took it home! Old Yeller is being offered to club members. If we do not receive an acceptable offer, we will put it on Craig's List. If you are interested, please contact Jim Rabjohn.

A lot of stumps were dug out on club property – thank you, Frank Stackman!

The 10-stand will be stained before the cold weather sets in – thank you, William McDonald!

There is now a barrier set up at the railroad tracks to define club land with the neighbor.

Some of the ceiling lights in the clubhouse have been out for a while. A few members have volunteered to look in to having them replaced ... including looking at a total ceiling replacement, and what that might involve.

### **Range Report:** Dan Mikel and Greg Beyler

Greg Beyler reported on the range improvement project; which is almost complete! The concrete pad has been put in, soil and stone were delivered; the roof needs to be installed. Greg requested additional monies against his allotted budget to pay for and finish this project; which was approved by the general membership.

Dan Mikel gave a Shady Range update – he thanked Sherriff Jim Rabjohn, Scott Todd, Allan Rice, Mike Kirchgessner, Wayne Vossler, Marty Barry, and Frank Stackman for their help in finishing up the range! The range is ready for use; so, get out and use it! If you have any suggestions, comments, please forward them to Dan.

Of note, for traps found again, armed and loaded - when using the electronic equipment and you are done, please check that the machines are empty and off! If someone were to really get hurt, there are so many consequences that come with that.

### **Monroe County Conservation Council - SCOPE:** Chris Wiest

There is a not a lot going on right now; but Chris mentioned a few organizations, such as Finger Lakes, are looking for volunteers to serve on committees. The commitment might be meeting 4-5 times a year. If you would be interested in a position like this, please contact Chris and he can tell you more.

### **Club Calendar**

The Hangover Shoot this year will be a pre-hangover shoot, scheduled for Saturday, December 31! Mark it on your calendar to come out and shoot; or help out with the event.

Just a note, about using the clubhouse ... in general, please replace what you use ... donations of paper products, and other items, are always accepted!

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**Hunter's Tour – Allan Rice** reported that Northstar set a new Hunter's Tour record, 234 league rounds! We also had 39 practice rounds for a total of 273 rounds! All this in a day and a half!! Most clubs couldn't do this in a full 2 days, if at all, without major backups or upset shooters.

A special thank you from Allan Rice –

I wanted to send out a special THANK YOU to everyone who volunteered this past weekend, and a few of us before, setting up the course. We at NSSC have a very dedicated 'core group' of volunteers who show up for every shoot – work party and volunteer event. It's the same group of guys and gals, and this past weekend could not have been successful without you.

We received nothing but kudos from everyone on how 'GREAT' our club and course is. They raved about the course, the food, and the friendliness of our workers and trappers (especially the few who stuck with me late both days for the shooters who showed up late).

On top of all this, the 10 stand did a fantastic amount of business also. Kitchen and desk staff, Thanks for great food and smiling faces (even when we were swamped).

So let me wind this up and say THANKS to everyone who helped. I appreciate it and you are what makes OUR club the absolute best. – Allan

Allan - North Star would like to thank YOU for keeping us on track for this great event every year, and leading the way!

## Camp Rushford

The club received a nice thank you note with pictures from Josiah Sykes. He thanked the club for sponsoring him to go to Camp Rushford! Josiah told us he was able to earn his hunting license through the hunter safety course offered at camp. He enjoyed the whole Camp Rushford experience, complete with fishing and shooting!

## In Memoriam

The club received a nice letter and a \$500 donation from Richard Zicari's wife, June, and family. The letter read: "Dear Members of North Star, please accept this check from Richard Zicari's family. He so enjoyed and appreciated all of you. He passed away August 17, but wanted to remember you. Thank you, Sincerely, June Zicari and their sons."

## New Business

Election of Officers – it sounds early, but in November a nominating committee will be formed to seek and interview prospective candidates for the respective offices for next year. If anyone is interested in an officer position, please contact one of the existing Officers or Directors and we will get your name to the Nominating Committee.

Officer positions are for a 1 year term; limited to two consecutive terms, unless the position is unopposed at the January election.

The Board of Directors, which consists of all elected officers and 3 at-large positions, is a little different in that the at-large Directors serve a term of 3 years, with a rotation each year. The current at-large Directors are: 1<sup>st</sup> year – Rick Sherman, 2<sup>nd</sup> year – Al Rice and 3<sup>rd</sup> year – Jim Rabjohn. Normally, Jim's term would be up for re-election; however, Al Rice has made an offer which we believe will benefit North Star immensely. If Al can "swap" terms with Jim, then he becomes the Director that would be up for re-election. Al would not seek reelection to this position, but instead will continue with his duties as the coordinator for the sporting clays course. As we have not had a groundswell of people offering to takeover this obligation, this "swap" would be helpful. We have been approached by at least one member who indicated he would consider the Director's position. This is a little out of the ordinary, and was discussed at the meeting. The general membership accepted Allan's offer; and Al will stay on to help out.

## Old Business

The Adopt-A-Station idea this year - the work that was done looked great! For next year, if there are members who would like to participate, we may look at some different guidelines before any work is done.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

**50/50:** Dick Koss, it was your week ... sorry we missed you.



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## Upcoming Events



Reserve the Clubhouse / Pavillion for your event.  
First contact **Mike Kirchgessner** @ 392-2360  
*then* note 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:

None for the near future

### 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

### Ten Stand

Contact Jay Giese for information

### Hunter's Tour dates:

2011-2012 are available at [www.hunterstour.org](http://www.hunterstour.org)  
North Star dates are September 24-25 and May 5-6

### Hangover Shoot:

This year we will have our annual New Years day shoot  
on December 31 instead of Sunday, January 1.

## Officers & Coordinators

President	Pete McCann	392-3775
VP1 Membership	Eric Schramm	227-6635
VP2 Communication	Jeff Baugher	227-8797
Treasurer	Nick Hardie	392-2816
Secretary	Christine Grove	889-6458
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	Tammy Castrechino	
MCCC Delegates	Jim Nichols	429-7899
	Chris Wiest	637-0579
Kitchen	Jerry McCoy	342-7277
Clubhouse		964-8000
NSSC database	Marty Barry	659-8677
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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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