



March 2012 NewsNotes

North Star Sportsman's Club

PO Box 212 Hilton, NY 14468



Board of Directors Meeting February 16, 2012

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

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

Also present: Andy Sperr, John Lyon, Jay Giese, Frank Petricone, Tim Daly, and Greg Beyler.

Treasurer's Report - Nick Hardie:

Highlights from the **February Transactions** showed:

Income: \$2,042

Expenses: \$3,729

February Net: -\$1,687

Major expenses for the month were Property/Liability Insurance and utilities – propane, electric, phone.

“Black box” included Sporting Clays \$1,054; Skeet and Ten Stand \$364.

The club received a letter from our neighbors, the Hamlin Wheel Fest. North Star will make a donation of \$50.

The new refrigerator is here!! Thank you, **Ron Carlton**, for purchasing that for us ... AND finding a great deal! Ron came in under budget! At the time of this meeting, Ron had not yet been reimbursed for this purchase; not included above.

Membership: Eric Schramm

Glenn Johnson will apply for life membership. He meets the requirements.

Building & Grounds: Jim Rabjohn

The snow has been plowed when needed – **thank you** to those members who do that for us!

Camp Rushford: Andy Sperr

There are still two openings for campers paid by North Star. This is a GREAT deal! Grandkids, kids ... sign 'em up?!

Committee Reports:

Ranges - Allan Rice

The range grounds have been wet, but progress is being made to groom them.

Tim Daly and Allan will set up the course for the St. Patrick's Day shoot. This will be similar to what was done for the Hangover shoot. We could have a big turnout for the St. Pat's shoot, like we did for the Hangover shoot. The food has already been ordered by the kitchen !

Ranges - Allan Rice, Tim Daly, Frank Petricone

At the last general member meeting the topic of having a 'safety light' at the rifle range was brought up and discussed. This item was tabled to this Board meeting; and was discussed on Feb. 16. The Board thinks this is a good safety idea. It was decided that we would look in to this further – costs for possibly a yellow light in the range building run on a battery or solar charger. This will be discussed further before a final decision is brought to the members.

NOTE: Please watch down range on any range ... firearms are not to be handled when someone is down range.

Reminder:

No drinking/ alcoholic beverages are allowed on property, outside the clubhouse, past the barn. This is club policy.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

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General Meeting March 1, 2012



The meeting was called to order by President Pete McCann at 7:30 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jeff Baugher. Members were asked to remember in their prayers the service of all our Armed Forces. Additionally, we learned of the passing of **Luke Basso Sr.** (father of Active member **Tony Basso**). March 1 was the 6th anniversary of State Trooper **Andrew J. Sperr's** death in the line of duty. All North Star offers the Basso family and the Sperr family our condolences.

Members present: Al Castrechino, Phil Dugan, Frank Castrechino, Frank Stackman, Dick Allen, Keith Bowers, David Beehner, Greg Beyler, Steve Baase, Chris Weist, Tony Basso, Jeff Baugher, Bob Knyrim, Jim Priestley, John Iati, Frank Petricone, Kurt Brinkman, Wayne Blattner, Larry Conn, Jim Rabjohn, Dave Scorse, Gordon Windsor, Paul Neefe, Andy Sperr, David Johnson, Dana Carlton, Ron Carlton, Erick Carlton, Greg Pasinski, Buz Bauman, Bill McDonald, Frank Waldron, Rick Sherman, Jerry McCoy, Mike Kirchgessner, Dan Spencer, Nick Hardie, Christine Grove, Pete McCann.

Secretary's Report: Christine Grove
There were no changes or deletions suggested to the February *NewsNotes* as published.

Treasurer's Report: Nick Hardie
See Board of Directors meeting for the February Transactions.

Membership: Eric Schramm not present, and there is nothing new to report.

Building & Grounds: Jim Rabjohn
Jim took the chains off the tractor ... so we could get 6 more weeks of winter!
The Sporting Clays course has been cleaned up.

Range Report: Frank Petricone reported for Allan Rice and Tim Daly

The Safety barriers/fences that have been down, will be put back with what is on the ground.
Traps set for the St. Patrick's Day shoot.

Club Calendar: Mike Kirchgessner
The St. Patrick's Day shoot will be Saturday, March 17. If you would like to volunteer to work that day, contact Pete McCann or another board member. We will add you to the list!

The Hunter Gun Safety Class has been tentatively scheduled for Monday, August 20, 5 pm – 10 pm; Wednesday, August 22, 5 pm – 10 pm; Saturday August 25, 7 am – 1 pm. If you are looking to reserve the club in August, keep this in mind, contact Mike.

Camp Rushford: Andy Sperr
There are still slots open for kids to attend, courtesy of North Star! Talk to Andy. **Kurt Brinkman** just sponsored another youngster to go this year! THANK YOU, Kurt! That is very generous of you!

Monroe County Conservation Council: Chris Wiest
Not a lot going on right now in Albany, until the budgets pass in March.
Reminder about the Sportsmen & Outdoor Recreation Legislative Awareness Day on Tuesday, March 20. This is a good event to attend, if you can do it. You can contact Chris for more information.
There will be a local SCOPE meeting in Henrietta on April 21. This would be a good meeting to attend, for anyone wanting to see what takes place at these meetings.

The Conservation Council meeting that Chris attended, reported the bear harvest was up this past year, to 103 reported, in Region 8; only 89 had been reported in previous years.

A Bobcat management plan is being introduced. Turkey numbers are dropping. The DEC is looking in to what could be the cause of that.

Region 8 had the highest amount of deer management permits issued this past year – 2600 issued; 1500 deer harvest reported.

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Frank Petricone reported on Microstamping.

If you feel this is an invasion of privacy or a bad idea for any other reason, please call your Assemblyman and State Senator.

The gun show is coming to the Dome in Henrietta, March 31- April 1. Frank reminded us to be wary of who you purchase a gun from; who you sell to; be sure to go through the proper legal channels.

Old Business: Frank Petricone

Frank reported that the Winter Offhand Rifle League is progressing. A few shooters are lacking in participation. Targets have been re-supplied; and will continue to be kept unlocked.

Miscellaneous:

Dick Allen shared that as a Veteran, you are eligible for discounts at businesses and other places, but you must have a VA card. If you do not have a card, Dick found that it is a very simple process to obtain one, from the County – they take your picture and there is a quick form to fill out.

Keith Bowers is selling tickets to the Ducks Unlimited dinner and gun raffle, which will be held March 31. Please contact Keith if you would like more information and to purchase tickets. Keith's cell # is 415-5967.

Tickets are available for the June 7 Range Improvement Fund Raffle. Tickets are \$20 each. Contact Al Rice or Frank Petricone.

50/50: John Iati is a regular attender of our meetings, and tonight that 'paid' off!

Condolences to Active Member Tony Basso, on the recent death of his father, "Luke" Basso, Sr. Memorials to Holy Cross Church, 4492 Lake Avenue, Rochester 14612.

Reminders:

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Annual St. Patrick's Day Shoot

Saturday, March 17, 2012

8:30 Start



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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:

Some reservations are already starting for Summer months. Plan early to insure you are not disappointed

St. Patrick's Day shoot:

Saturday Mar 17, 2012 Shooting starts 8:30. Includes delicious meal for \$20.

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:

2011-2012 are available at www.hunterstour.org

North Star spring dates are May 5 & 6

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	768-4223
Director	Rick Sherman	330-2515
Director	Jim Rabjohn	964-8923
Director	Allan Rice	755-1085
Field Captain	Frank Petricone	392-3118
Sporting Clays	Allan Rice	755-1085
Preserve	Jerry Mostek	967-6160
	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
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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
DEC/Camp Rushford: www.dec.ny.gov/education/29.html
www.keepandbeararms.com
www.gunweek.com
www.womensshooters.com
www.ussportsmen.org
www.saf.org