



Oct 2012 NewsNotes

North Star Sportsman's Club

PO Box 212 Hilton, NY 14468



Board of Directors Meeting Sept 20, 2012

The meeting was called to order by President Peter McCann at 7:20 PM.

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

Also present: Tim Daily, Mike Kirchgessner and Andy Sperr.

Secretary's Report: No report. In Christine White's absence Pete "volunteered" Andy Sperr to take notes. My apologies for any editorial license taken with the officers' comments.

Treasurer's Report: Nick Hardie

No significant activity to report. Refer to August-September NewsNotes for current status. Nick is working out problems with the "new" software accounting system, but we are confident he will make it work. A request for a donation of \$60.00 to the NY Rifle & Pistol Association was approved

Bldgs. & Eqpt. Jim Rabjohn & Pete McCann

After careful evaluation of tractors options at several dealers and approved at the General Meeting of September 6, a John Deere, 1000 Series 26 HP, 4WD tractor /mower with front end loader and 5 ft. mower deck has been purchased. A 48 month, no interest contract for a total cost of \$15,974.00 with minimum monthly payments of \$332.00 was signed by the President. The Board OK'd monthly pre-payments of up to \$400.00 at the discretion of the President & Treasurer, contingent on the condition of the bank balance at that time. (There is no penalty.) This will be presented to the general membership at the next scheduled meeting.

Membership: Eric Schramm

Eric is proceeding with approximately 10 new Active Memberships, seven of which have been completed. He is having a problem locating several, which justifies repetition of last month's reminder: **Sponsors be aware:** We need to know your USPS & e-mail addresses and phone number if you want to keep in touch with the club. We can't find you unless you make the headlines, which you'd probably rather not.

Ranges & Archery

Jim Rabjohn reported that the Certificate of Occupancy has been approved by the Town of Hamlin. Several minor items will be completed soon. A request for 2 picnic tables at \$50.00+/- each "for storage" was approved.

Miscellaneous items

Clubhouse Reservations:

Recent events have raised questions about clubhouse reservation policies. Mike Kirchgessner reviewed the wide variety of events and increasing number of which have been held at the clubhouse recently. Club "Mission Statement" & goals, litigation possibility, community involvement, etc. and more were all discussed. Options included no change in policy (however (un)defined), discontinue clubhouse reservations for certain events, or some compromise in between. The Board has agonized over this for several months without resolution. **If you have an opinion on this question**, make your position known to an Officer or attend one of the upcoming meetings at which this will be on the agenda for further discussion.

Tree Stands on Club Property:

This has been publicized in previous NewsNotes. Until a more definitive policy is written into the club's Ground Rules, the Board is requesting that **all members place a weatherproof name tag on any tree stand they erect on club property this season.** Failure to do so may result in it being taken down and relocated to the barn (not near a good deer run). **Forewarned is forearmed.** As is often the case, liability concerns are again involved.

Sporting Clays:

Tim Daily & Jim Butlin have been having discussions about maintenance of the Sporting Clays Course. Anyone interested in getting involved in a shared, important responsibility, please contact Tim Daily. Tim will take over for Doug Files at the skeet range.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM

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General Meeting October 4, 2012



The meeting was called to order by President Pete McCann at 7:30 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, led by Nick Hardie; and a Moment of Silence for all the members serving in our Armed Forces.

Members present: Jeff Baugher, Greg Beyler, Paul Drake, Jerry McCoy, Dan Mikel, David Beehner, Frank Castrechino, Buz Bauman, Mike Kirchgessner, Al Castrechino, Jim Rabjohn, Pete McCann, Christine Grove, Jerry Mostek, Bill McDonald, Rich Iuppa, Doug Files, Eric Schramm, Greg Lessord, Greg Pasinski, Andy Bansbach, Nick Hardie, Mike Roffe, Kurt Brinkman, John Lyon, Jim Priestley, Jim Butlin, Joe Romanczyk, Rick Sherman, Greg Conn, Larry Conn, John Iati, Tim Daily, Vince Flow, Wayne Vossler, Stu Hansel, Frank Petricone, Allan Rice.

Treasurer's Report: Nick Hardie

The **September Transactions** showed:

Income of approx. \$6,000

Expenses of \$1,902

Major income items were 10 Stand \$1,600; \$1,800 in member dues; \$760 sporting clays; \$3,610 Hunter's Tour.

Major expense items were batteries for clays \$155; first payment on the new mower \$400; \$100 utilities; \$325 stock kitchen (mostly for Hunter's Tour).

Membership: Eric Schramm

Six of the Eight now, new members, have been through orientation with Eric.

We now have 175 active members.

Building & Grounds: Jim Rabjohn

NorthStar received the CO (Certificate of Occupancy) from the town for the Archery pavilion, as reported in the last NewsNotes; BUT we did have an exception from the Inspector. We do need to purchase and install t-bars/hurricane straps to hold the roof on to the supports. A motion was made to provide the Archery committee \$350 for the purchase of these straps – to be installed by someone in this committee; as well as to purchase two picnic tables for use in the Archery pavilion by archers to put their gear on. This motion was approved by the general membership.

Hunter's Tour 9/22-23 reported by Nick Hardie & Allan Rice:

We had 216 league shooters show up. Northstar netted \$2,035 from the event!

From Allan Rice - a **big THANK YOU** to all the members who helped out; especially those who stayed late on Sunday, for the late arrival shooters! **THANK YOU, Allan and Dan Mikel** for all your hard work on this event!

For now, Allan will stay on as our Hunter's Tour rep from Northstar. Thank you, Allan!

Range Reports: Frank Petricone, Dan Mikel and Allan Rice Moving targets for the Shady Range, approved for purchase at a past meeting, should be at the club in two weeks.

Wayne Vossler requested monies for purchase of materials, he will supply the labor, for benches in the rifle range; this was approved.

Adopt-a-Highway: Steve Baase

This is planned for Saturday, October 13; meet at the clubhouse at 8 am.

Please call Steve at 964-8380 and volunteer your help. This counts towards your annual work requirements.

Club Calendar: Pete McCann

Right now we are planning to have our annual Hangover Shoot on Tuesday, January 1st!

Preserve: Jerry Mostek

This year's supply of birds has been great! 70 birds have been released to date; about 67% harvest. It's nice to see the ones that got away, hanging around the club.

REMINDER: there is a '2 gun rule' at the club, in the Preserve. Only yourself, the member, and one guest only, are allowed to hunt the birds.

Old Business: Tim Daily

Tim would still like to purchase 6 more automatic traps for the club. We get a bulk discount; and if we order these now, we should have them by the Spring. This is an item that has been presented in the budget, and has been discussed at past meetings. There was more discussion ... then a motion was made to purchase 6 automatic traps, including wireless controls, batteries and other misc. accessories. This purchase was approved by all members present at the meeting.

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New Business: Pete McCann

A committee has been formed, for new club officer positions ... for the next fiscal year. This committee will be talking to members, find out interest for open positions. Positions that will become open are President, VP Membership, VP Communications/IT, Treasurer, Secretary, one Director position and one Field Captain. If anyone is interested in any of these positions, or finding out more information, please call Paul Drake, 637-4184. Nominees will be announced at the December General Membership meeting.

REFRESHMENTS were enjoyed by all!

50/50: Drew Giese – your name IS in the can! Sorry, we missed ya!

Meeting adjourned by 8:25 pm

Condolences go out to **Dave DeClerck** and family on the passing of his father.



Vote Smart on November 6

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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:

See Web Site for up-to-date reservations.

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 Shoots:

Weekly shoots are over for the season, contact Jay Giese for information

Hunter's Tour dates:

2012-2013 dates can now be viewed at

www.hunterstour.org

North Star Spring dates are April 13, 14 2013

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 (3 rd yr)	Rick Sherman	330-2515
Director (2 nd yr)	Jim Rabjohn	964-8923
Director (1 st yr)	Greg Beyler	442-8143
Field Captain	Frank Petricone	392-3118
Sporting Clays	Need Help Here	
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	Tim Daily	392-7145
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
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
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