



July 2014 NewsNotes

# North Star Sportsman's Club

## PO Box 212 Hilton, NY 14468



### Board of Directors Meeting June 19, 2014

**Officers present:** Pete McCann, Jeff Baugher, Ron and Rich Breslawski, Nick Hardie, Greg Beyler, Rick Sherman

**Members present:** Dave Scorse, Ed Breslawski, Frank Pettricone, Walt Slowig, Kurt Brinkman, Jim Rabjohn, Mike Kirchgessner, Marty Barry, John Lyon, Paul Russo

New Members present: Kurt Brinkman Jr., Rolf Miller

**Secretary's Report:** Pete for Christine No additions or corrections

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

Income - \$5390.00 -- Dues - \$4265.00  
Cold Cash - \$106.00 Black Box - \$967.00

Expenses - \$1625.17 -- News Notes - \$337.46 Land  
Cert. Refunds - \$200.00 Tractor  
Maint/payment - \$647.45 Food/Beverages - \$250.00  
Power/lighting - \$78.26

Nick reports the Club currently has 56 members/junior members who have not paid their dues to date. These individuals have until JUNE 30th to pay their dues !

### **Membership: Ron Breslawski**

Ron has sent out 11 letters to potential new members. To date, four (4) applicants have not responded and two (2) have declined their applications due to health reasons.

Ron introduced Rolf Miller and Kurt Brinkman Jr. They were voted on and accepted for membership by the BOD members present.

Roger Hodgkin has contacted Ron and will begin the processing of his application immediately upon his return from his retirement vacation.

Kevin Russo's father Paul Russo was present to represent his son for acceptance to full membership status. Kevin has been a junior member in the past and after turning age 21 he applied for full membership status. Unfortunately, he is currently attending classes at MCC to become a paramedic

and was not able to attend this month's BOD to meet the officer's present. This obligation was waived for Kevin and he was voted on, approved for full membership in the club.

Kevin Altmeter, another junior member, has also applied for full membership. He is currently teaching a class for the BSA in Camp Massawepie and will appear before the BOD upon his return in August.

The waiting list currently stands at 193 applicants.

### **Bldgs., Grounds, and Equipment: Jim Rabjohn**

Jim has requested some help in trimming and clearing trails. Give him a call if you're interested.

### **Safety/ Ranges: Frank Petricone**

Frank will locate some pallets to be put beneath the targets in the low house. He could also use some help in this endeavor – give him a call if you have an hour or two to spare. We also discussed the high weeds at the driveway entrance. It's becoming very difficult to see approaching cars (from either way) as a result of these weeds. The State is scheduled to cut and apply herbicide to this area, but the time table for this event is unknown. A volunteer to "weed wack" the weeds as a temporary solution would be great and hopefully prevent an accident as a result of not seeing passing vehicles on Rt 260.

### **Misc. Reports: Pete McCann**

Kurt Brink has again donated \$200.00 to the Camp Rushford fund. **Thanks Kurt!!**

Dick Lockwood's wife has contacted the Club and states her husband is quite ill. She has requested his land certificate money be routed towards the application of a new member to the NS organization. This "special" applicant will be chosen by the BOD and consequently voted on by the general membership.

### **Communications: Pete McCann**

The Club has received a Thank You from the President/CEO of Mercy Flight Central for our donation of \$25.00 to their organization.

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With the termination of the Club's current bulk mailing permit, a lengthy discussion evolved around the potential of sending the monthly notes electronically vs. US Postal. Marty and Nick will pursue the various options and report back to the BOD for the July BOD meeting.

## **Club Calendar: Pete McCann**

As previously stated, the Hunter's Safety Group at NS has applied for and received approval for their usage of the club house and 10-stand area for the up-coming class. (August 18, 20, and 23rd).

## **Old Business:**

Member Frank Stackman is relocating to the Southern Tier and inquired about the inactive status formerly utilized by the Club BOD. Unfortunately, this status has been removed from the Club constitution and by-laws. Should Frank decide to turn in his membership, as a result of the move, he needs to know he will always be welcome back to the North Star as a guest ...

The water heater / plumbing issue is awaiting the magic touch of Dave Issac and helpers. This will happen at Dave's time table, hopefully in the near future.

Rich Breslawski has been in touch with the gutter company and we have been placed on a 2 -4 week project start date.

## **New Business:**

The August general membership meeting (8/7/2014) will again be declared Member Appreciation night. Shooting venues will all be half – price, beginning at noon. Hots and hamburgs will be served at 5:00 to allow those who may be getting out of work to enjoy some chow.

The new budget will be presented at the July general membership meeting. This will be a fairly “boiler plate” submission, based primarily on the costs and incomes necessary to keep us “afloat”. Specific budget allocations, i.e. sporting clays, kitchen renovations, 10-stand, rifle range, etc. etc. will be reviewed on a case by case basis .

The potential for a Utah Permit class is still being pursued by both Pete and Jeff. More to follow on this topic.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:04 PM

## **General Meeting July 1, 2014**

The meeting was called to order by President Pete McCann at 7:30 PM. Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, a moment of silence was dedicated to those who have in the past, and are currently, serving our country.

Officers Present: Pete McCann, Ron and Rich Breslawski, Dave Scorse, John Lyons, Greg Beyler

Members Present: Kurt Brinkman, Mike Kirchgessner, Keith Bowers, Al and Frank Castrachino, Greg Pasinski, Steve Baase, Joe Prince, Joe Zielinski, John Wise, Walt Slowig, Rolf Miller, Glen Koester, Gordon Windsor, Jim Rabjohn, Paul Russo, Allan Rice, Paul Drake, Tim Daily, Joe Romanczyk, Larry Borowski

Prior to starting the meeting, President Pete took a moment to thank both Nick Hardie and Rick Sherman for their time and service during their tenures of Treasurer and Board of Directors, respectively.

**Secretary Report:** Pete McCann for Christine – no additions or corrections

## **Treasurer's Report: Nick Hardie for Harry Reiter**

June Income - \$13,724.

June Expenses - \$1,764.17

Income for the month of June: Camp Rushford Donation, Dues / Land Certificate refunds, Cold Cash 50/50, Winter League, Black Box (skeet, sporting clays, ten stand).

Expenses for the month of June: News Notes/postage, Tractor payment & repairs, Food and Beverages, Rifle League plaques, Utilities

## **Membership: Ron Breslawski**

Ron reports three (3) new members have been added to the club roster – Ralph Miller, Kurt Brinkman Jr., and Kevin Russo. In addition, as of July 3<sup>rd</sup>, the Club has five (5) members who have not paid their yearly dues. These members have potentially lost their membership to North Star.

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## **Buildings and Grounds: Jim Rabjohn**

The team of Jim and Larry Conn has made substantial gains in the trimming of various trails throughout the club proper. The pond has been treated in an effort to curtail the growth of cattails and the grounds have been sprayed for weed control. Repair of the chateau has not been completed – if you're interested in helping out with this project give Jim a call. Many THANKS to Nick Hardie, for taking the time to weed-whack the entrance to the club. The weeds were getting very tall and it was tough to see approaching vehicles on Rt 260.

## **Ranges – no report**

**Hunter's Safety:** President Pete again reminds every one of the up-coming Hunter's Safety Class. The classes will be held during the evenings of August 18 & 20, and the morning of August 23<sup>rd</sup>.

## **Hunter's Tour – Allan Rice**

The first Hunter's Tour shoot will be held Aug 22-24 at Bath Rod and Gun, followed by shoots at Williamson Sept. 6-7, North Star Sept 20-21, Rochester Brooks Oct 4-5, Canandaigua Oct 18-19, Cayuga County Nov 1-2, Salmon Creek Dec 6-7, Painted Post Dec 20-21 Williamson Jan 10 - 11, Rochester Brooks Jan 24-25, Canandaigua Feb 7-8, Painted Post Feb 28-March 1, Salmon Creek March 14-15, Cayuga County March 28-29, Bath April 11-12, & North Star April 18-19.

North Star will be hosting the "prize shoot" on April 18 – 19. The idea of a pre-registered steak roast is being considered by the Hunter's Tour Committee.

## **Preserve – Nick Hardie for Dave Isaac**

To date, there are 14 members signed for the fall pheasant hunt. Dave has openings for additional members – give him a call at 303-3331 if you're interested.

## **Camp Rushford – Andy Sperr**

North Star has no applicants for the Camp Rushford Program –THIS IS A FIRST!!!! Please be advised, that next year's applications will again be done on-line and should be submitted early in the year. Let's get some of "our kids" involved next year ....

## **MCCC: Chris Wiest**

1. Legislation on the use of rifles in Albany and Livingston counties has passed. This legislation now requires the Governor's signature.
2. Legislation that mandates the inspection of watercraft for invasive species has passed

3. NO firearms bills have passed this session

## **Correspondence:**

1. Friends of Bill Nojay Shoot and Barbecue Day – To be held at Rochester Brooks on July 19, 2014 (email Bill at [nojay4assembly@gmail.com](mailto:nojay4assembly@gmail.com) for details)

2. Orleans County SCOPE is holding a rally on July 12, 2014 to register people to vote. This event will be located at the Albion St. Mary's Athletic Club from 11:45AM to 4:00PM. The Club is located at 538 Moore Street in Albion.

## **Old Business:**

Nick Hardie presented a proposed budget for the 2014-2015 calendar year. The BOD has projected a budgeted income of \$57,500.00 and a budgeted expense of \$59,300. The figures used to generate these numbers are available for members' perusal by contacting the Club treasurer. The proposed budget was voted on and approved by the general membership.

**New Business: Member Appreciation Day will be held on August 7, 2014. The August general meeting will be suspended in lieu of this gala event!!! Ranges will open for ½ price shooting beginning at noon with hots and hamburgs being served from 5:00 pm through 7:00 pm.**

The topic of the monthly minutes being sent to members via electronic mailing vs the United States Postal Service was discussed at length. Mailing costs have increased SUBSTANTIALLY over the recent months and the BOD believes the change to electronic mailing is due (maybe overdue). A motion was made, seconded and passed to begin this new "concept" January 1, 2015. Therefore, your last "hard-copy" meeting notes will be sent (via USPS) during the month of December 2014. This will give us all (membership and the BOD) plenty of time to work out any glitches before the start-up date of January 1, 2015 for an electronic transfer of these notes.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 PM with Sandy Sperr winning the 50 / 50 drawing and a bunch of hot pizza and cold drinks enjoyed by all!!!!

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## Upcoming Events



**Clubhouse reservations:** Reservation forms can be found at the clubhouse or on our website under "Calendar of Events".

### 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

### 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:

Jay Giese will again run the 10-Stand for the summer. The 10-Stand will be open Mondays in June, July, and August, from 3 pm – 7:30 pm. Come out!

### Hunter's Tour dates - at North Star:

September 20-21, 2014

April 18-19, 2015

## Officers & Coordinators

President	Pete McCann	392-3775
VP1 Membership	Ron Breslawski	964-2217
VP2 Communication	Dave Scorse	225-7463
Treasurer	Harry Reiter	392-7986
Secretary	Christine Grove	768-4223
Director (1 <sup>st</sup> yr)	John Lyon	225-7392
Director (2 <sup>nd</sup> yr)	Rich Breslawski	831-0643
Director (3 <sup>rd</sup> yr)	Greg Beyler	442-8143
Field Captain	Frank Petricone	456-8824
Sporting Clays	Jim Butlin	392-6136
Preserve	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	964-5208
Adopt-a-Highway	Steve Baase	964-8380
NewsNotes	Jeff Baugher	227-8797
Fold & Staple	Walt & Cindi Slowig	621-5915
MCCC Delegates	Jim Nichols	429-7899
	Chris Wiest	637-0579
Kitchen	John Lyon	727-2535
Quartermaster	Dave Beehner	721-7554
Key Card issues	Jeff Baugher	227-8797
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.lakeplainwaterfowl.homestead.com](http://www.lakeplainwaterfowl.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)

DEC/Camp Rushford: [www.dec.ny.gov/education/29.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/education/29.html)

[www.keepandbeararms.com](http://www.keepandbeararms.com)

[www.gunweek.com](http://www.gunweek.com)

[www.womensshooters.com](http://www.womensshooters.com)

[www.ussportsmen.org](http://www.ussportsmen.org)

[www.saf.org](http://www.saf.org)