## February 2015 NewsNotes



## North Star Sportsman's Club PO Box 212, Hilton, NY 14468



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#### Board of Directors Meeting January 15, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7 pm, by **President Pete McCann.** 

Officers present: Pete McCann, Greg Beyler, Christine Grove, Harry Reiter, Ron Breslawski, Dave Scorse, Frank Petricone, John Lyon and Rich Breslawski.

Also present: Ed Breslawski, Jim Rabjohn and Greg

Pasinski.

#### Treasurer's Report: Harry Reiter

As of Jan. 15: Income \$168 Expenses \$3,260

January net to date: -\$3,092

Major items of income were black box and Winter Rifle league fees.

Major items of expense were payment of property taxes, utilities and the wood stove permit fee.

Harry also went back a few years, from his research, and reviewed what we/ the club had purchased; mentioned for us to think about what we want to do long term, that could be expensive; how do we achieve that.

We discussed possibly doing another 'survey' to all members, as we did a few years back, for ideas.

#### Membership: Ron Breslawski

Ron is waiting to hear back from a potential new member that he has contacted; and if not, he will move down the list

Ron suggested that we put on the club application forms an 'alternate phone number', so when someone's name comes up on the waiting list, in case the phone # on the application is not good, he has another phone # to call, to try to contact that potential new member.

#### Building & Grounds: Jim Rabjohn

Everything is in good shape.

J.R. turned in his 'Marshal' badge ... WHAT ?? No, he IS kidding, right?!! He might want to take a leave of absence though. Mike Kirchgessner is Jim's right hand man; Marshal in training?

We would like to take a moment here to THANK Jim Rabjohn for his many many years of service to North Star. What would we do without him? He takes care of so much for us, and has taken on many responsibilities so that we can continue to operate. We know for Jim, North Star is a labor of love; and we appreciate ALL he has done, and continues to do! Jim isn't going anywhere! He maybe just needs to take a break from some of his Marshaling duties.

#### **Ranges: Frank Petricone**

There are 22 members in the Winter Rifle League. Frank is willing to give anyone in the league additional coaching who would like it; just contact Frank to ask him.

Frank got the earplugs and safety glasses to have on hand in the clubhouse; for the 'public' and members/ guests to use who need them. Mostly these are needed at our public event shoots; St. Patty's day shoot coming up, for shooters who do not have safety glasses and/or ear protection with them. We will put a price on these.

The Tractor has been in the Archery Range (maybe it is gone now). Mike K. and Eddie Breslawski were/ are fixing it.

#### **Club Safety: Frank Petricone**

All is good recently; thank you to all members for being mindful of 'safety first'!

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#### **Club Calendar: Pete McCann**

St. Patty's day shoot coming up March 21st. Greg Pasinski appeared before the BOD to put in a request for his fishing tournament weigh ins at the club – in the parking lot. As he has done in the past … this event will be on the calendar, July 25. The BOD approved this request.

#### **Communications: Harry Reiter and Frank Petricone**

The Brockport Elks Club will have their National Wild Turkey Federation dinner on February 27, if anyone interested; you can contact the Elks Club for more information, and to confirm – 637-5110 or 637-5149. The last gun show, recently held at the Dome Arena, was the last event at the Dome. Dome will be demolished! Future gun shows will be held, potentially, at the Hemlock fairgrounds.

#### **Old Business: Greg Beyler and Dave Scorse**

Continued updates on the kitchen upgrades, which is underway! We will need to purchase a Food Permit for the kitchen. The cost of this is \$230 per year. We need it to serve food; this fee was approved by the BOD. Greg will arrange to have the new kitchen inspected, when all renovations are complete, so we can receive the Food/Kitchen permit.

Greg is in the works to purchase the new commercial, 7' tall, refrigerator and work table from Buffalo Hotel Supply. (both required, and in the approved budget) The county wanted us to provide them with a drawing of the new kitchen layout; which Greg did! Greg will send in his drawing and the Plan Review fee to the county, for their review and approval.

We discussed purchasing a new microwave (as the one we own now is very old); we will purchase new cabinets.

Dave Scorse reported that the kitchen upgrade is on schedule right now; but they have run in to some electrical challenges; some switches need to be fixed so they are working; need GFI to be up to code in the kitchen; some general re-wiring in the kitchen is needed; fans in the bathrooms need electrical attention. These are things that need be done.

Greg and Dave are working on putting together a more final list of upgrades done, to date, now that we have a better handle on how everything is going. He will present everything to the general membership, at the next meeting.

#### **New Business: Pete McCann**

Pete received a note from a member about tree stands, and how long they can remain up on club property. This is due to some predator seasons extending in to March; to help control the predator population on the club property. The member has suggested that we discuss an amendment to the current Ground Rule 20 about permanent tree stands built on club property.

This will be discussed further with the general membership at the next meeting in February; and voted on.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:13 pm.

### General Meeting February 5, 2015

The meeting was called to order by **President**, **Peter McCann**, at 7:30 pm; followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and a moment of silence for our fellow member, Wayne Blattner, who passed away suddenly from a heart attack, while in Florida, in January.

Members present: Pete McCann, Al Castrechino, Joe Prince, Greg Beyler, Chris Wiest, Bill McDonald, Buz Bauman, John Wise, Gordon Windsor, Jim Rabjohn, Bob Hodgson, Dave Scorse, Frank Petricone, Paul Russo, Miles Bliss, Ron Breslawski, Eddy Breslawski, Rich Breslawski, Frank Castrechino, Mike Kirchgessner, John Lyon, Christine Grove and Harry Reiter.

#### **Treasurer's Report: Harry Reiter**

The January Transactions, thru 2/3/15, showed: Income of \$679
Expenses of \$13,772
January Net -\$13,093
In addition to notes under Board meeting ...
Major income came from Black Box.
Major expenses were the kitchen upgrades, including electrical repairs; and payment on the tractor.

Harry also presented the membership with a comparison of the past six years of income and expenses; and a running list of proposed future, desired purchases for the upcoming year.

To raise money, we discussed possibly holding more raffles; raise membership dues/fees? Nothing set yet ... still all in the discussion phase.

The BOD will discuss a few options at their next meeting; maybe present some options to the membership.

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#### Membership: Ron Breslawski

All good ... right now we are at capacity.

#### Building & Grounds: Jim Rabjohn

THANK YOU to Mike Kirchgessner for the awesome plowing job!!!! THANK YOU to ALL of our snowplowers who come through and plow the driveways and roadways on club property!

#### Ranges/ Club Safety: Frank Petricone

Due to the high snow, it is hard to shoot on the sporting clays course.

If you use the Skeet ... please be sure when you are done, all lights are out; doors locked and traps are unarmed. Reminder ... when you are on club property, for any reason, be sure to put the flag up; sign in; and when you leave, sign out and put the flag down if no one else is signed in on club property.

It was also noted that a member recently came to the clubhouse and the main door was 'open' ... i.e. the bungy was around the top, where the security magnet is. When you prop the door open like that, please be sure you put it back / take the bungy off, so that the door will 'lock' when you leave! This is unsafe, for many reasons!

#### **Club Calendar: Pete McCann**

We will hold our annual St. Patrick's Day shoot on Saturday March 21.

Joe Prince will set up the course. THANK YOU, Joe! The next Hunters Tour event held at Northstar will be April 18-19. Be thinking about if you can help out with this

#### Camp Rushford: Pete McCann for Andy Sperr

Currently we have one youngster signed up. We still have room for one or two more, paid for through the club, if you have a son or daughter; grandson or granddaughter between the ages of 12-14, interested.

#### **Monroe County Conservation: Chris Wiest**

Session just started ... no real news to report on yet. Chris has a pdf that explains in detail the ongoing Lake Level Water Proposal, for anyone interested in learning more about this.

#### **Old Business: Greg Beyler and Pete McCann**

Greg presented updated pricing, where we're at currently with the budget and pricing on the kitchen upgrades. Right now we are about \$100 over budget ... but we haven't fully reconciled all the final costs yet. The electrical items that were fixed ... it was decided that the cost for these repairs came out of the building fund/budget, as it was related to the building ... but only discovered due to the kitchen upgrades.

Actually some of the electrical challenges we have known about, but were not addressed until now. Yeah, they are fixed now!

Some plumbing items were also addressed and fixed through the kitchen upgrades process.

Since we are currently \$100 over budget, and we aren't done yet ... rather than putting any of the kitchen upgrades on hold, to potentially need voting on by the general membership ... a motion was made from the floor that the general membership will allow the BOD to approve any additional costs, not to exceed \$1,500, over budget, to finish the kitchen.

This was approved by the general membership in attendance.

Greg doesn't see us needing this; but it's good to have it approved before moving forward, so everyone knows.

#### **New Business: Pete McCann**

Pete brought up to the general membership the note he received about possibly changing the current tree stand rule, to extend this in to March, for the predator hunting seasons. There was a discussion for and against this. Ultimately there was a vote, by show of hands ... the majority voted to leave the 'rule' as is ... tree stands are to be removed from club property by January 1st.

#### **Other News/ Notes of Interest:**

**Frank Petricone** will provide the club with a new US flag!

**From Lorie and Keith Bowers** – There will be a Ducks Unlimited dinner on April 11.

Along with many features of interest to outdoor sportsmen, this year will include a four month old Started Yellow Male Labrador Retriever Puppy. He will have two months of training in obedience, housebreaking and retrieving before the dinner on April 11th.

If anyone is interested in attending the dinner event, please contact North Star members Ed Florino at 589-7042, or Keith and Lorie Bowers at 594-4211.

We would like to give a shout out to our Eagle Scouts! Three of our junior members recently earned their Eagle Rank ... from Boy Scout Troup 125 of Hilton. Andrew Haffen, Gregory Haffen, and Adam Haffen.

Haffen, Gregory Haffen, and Adam Haffen. Congratulations guys; way to go!!

50/50: Donald Lemcke

Pizza was enjoyed by all! Meeting adjourned by 8:40 pm



## **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

#### St. Patrick's Day Shoot:

March 21, 2015

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

April 18-19, 2015

#### **Ducks Unlimited Dinner:**

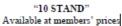
April 11, 2015 – see News Notes pg 3 for details

# St. Patrick's Day ORTH Invitational Shoot



50 Sporting Clays Targets European Start at 8:30 AM 'til... \$15 Shoot Only

\$25 Includes Shoot & Lunch Youth <u>under 18yrs</u> Shoot Free, \$10 for Lunch



Hots and Hamburgers for early shooters – served at 10AM

Lunch: Corned Beef & Cabbage Carrots / Salt Potatoes Rolls & Butter Soda or Water only Served 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM NO Alcoholic Beverages

SAFETY FIRST: Hearing and sight protection IS REQUIRED Maximum shot size: 7%

## **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	727-2535
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	Joe Prince	506-5597
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 Rivais	964-5208
Adopt-a-Highway	Steve Baase	964-8380
NewsNotes	Jeff Baugher	227-8797
MCCC Delegates	Jim Nichols	429-7899
	Chris Wiest	637-0579
Kitchen	John Lyon	727-2535
Quartermaster	Dave Beehner	721-7554
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NSSC database	Bruce Newell	659-4037
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#### 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: <a href="https://www.hunterstour.org">www.hunterstour.org</a> NYS Conservation Council: <a href="https://www.nyscc.com">www.nyscc.com</a>

DEC/Camp Rushford: www.dec.ny.gov/education/29.html

www.keepandbeararms.com

www.gunweek.com

www.womenshooters.com

www.ussportsmen.org

www.saf.org