



April 2015 NewsNotes

North Star Sportsman's Club

PO Box 212, Hilton, NY 14468



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Board of Directors Meeting March 19, 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, and John Lyon.

Others present: Andy Sperr, Ed Breslawski and Jeff Baugher.

Special Guest: Betty Benoit with Hamlin Coast Guard Auxiliary

Betty talked with us about some of the 'rules of the water'! They offer an 8 hour Boaters safety course/class. The cost is \$30 per person – the fee for books you get at the class; plus you will receive a certificate or card, if you pass the test.

Laws now require operators of PWC, any age, to have this boater's course certification; or you could be fined, if caught on the water. NYS Law also says that from Nov. 1 to May 1, anyone in a boat, younger than 21 years of age, even if just sitting in an unmoving boat, fishing for example, are required to wear a life jacket.

The Hilton Rec. Center may offer this course in April; check online.

The Hamlin Parma Rec. Center will offer this course in May. If you would be interested in North Star hosting this class, at the club; we would entertain that, if there is enough interest. Let Pete McCann know.

The Hamlin Coast Guard also will do a vessel check, if you would like; no charge. They will not issue tickets if you don't pass; but if you do pass, they will give you a sticker. Betty left some brochures for us in the clubhouse.

Treasurer's Report: Harry Reiter

As of March 18:

Income \$300.92

Expenses \$1,857.34

March net to date: -\$1,556.42

Major items of income were kitchen. Black box income the past couple of months has been down, due to the weather and lots of snow on the courses!

Major items of expense were Camp Rushford – pay for 1 child to attend; food and start up money for St. Pat's shoot.

Pete brought up that we should give our main snowplowers some gas money for all the plowing they did this year; as we did last year. Rich Iuppa and Andy Breslawski's names were brought up. The Board of Directors approved payment to these individuals; but Pete will bring this up at the next general member meeting for discussion and approval.

Membership: Ron Breslawski

One more application received.

Building & Grounds/ Ranges: Frank Petricone

Mike Kirchgessner and Ed Breslawski are doing some repairs to the lawnmower. THANKS!

Some of the target stands will be rebuilt.

Some of the ranges are still sloppy/ wet and muddy. We are still looking at possibly putting in a stone walkway down the center of the ranges to be able to not have to walk in the mud, etc.

The large totes that Frank provided are still out on the ranges, to cover the auto traps. Please use them; they will help to keep the auto traps out of the weather, so they will last longer.

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Old Business: Greg Beyler and Pete McCann

Still have the floors in the kitchen to do; will be done after the St. Patrick's Day shoot.

When everything is done, Greg will set up a date/time to have the County people out to look at the kitchen, inspect it, for approval. If we pass with the County, the Fire Marshall also will want to inspect. Smoke detectors and Carbon Monoxide detectors have been installed.

Pete mentioned more about our possible revenue generating activities for the club – as previously stated in last month's meeting NewsNotes.

We would possibly send out a survey to find out what the general membership would want to do – to raise money and/or what the money could potentially be used for; if we even deem this a 'necessary' item to consider! The club is not in need of money ... it is just 'forward thinking' at this time.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

General Meeting April 2, 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 the passing of member, Dick Groves' wife, Leslie. Leslie passed away on March 20.

Members present: Al Castrechino, Dan Sperr, Ron Breslawski, Ed Breslawski, Craig Almeter, Mike Kirchgessner, Greg Beyler, Frank Castrechino, Kevin Sullivan, John Lyon, Chris Wiest, Bill McDonald, Greg Pasinski, Ron Carlton, Tom Buss, Steve Baase, Michael Fediuk, John Iati, Bruce Newell, Gordon Windsor, Andy Sperr, Buz Bauman, Jim Rabjohn, Dave Scorse, Paul Drake, Frank Petricone.

Treasurer's Report: Pete McCann reported for Harry Reiter

As of March 24:

Income \$3,386

Expenses \$2,551

Net as of March 24 \$834

Major items of income were the St. Patty's Day shoot (\$2,406); kitchen; black box.

Major items of expenses were the St. Patty's Day shoot food (\$821); pay electric, propane bills; admin bills.

The St. Patty's Day shoot brought in 110 shooters + 12 junior shooters. Total net for the day was \$1,507! Pete informed us that last year we had 107 shooters + 10 junior shooters.

Membership: Ron Breslawski

Since January 2013, the club has sent out 36 letters to potential new members; took in 22 new members from that; received 39 new applications.

Building & Grounds: Jim Rabjohn/ Pete McCann/ Greg Beyler

On the East end of the rifle range, the header on the shelter is split. Right now it is braced, and will be fixed; if not already, at the time of these NewsNotes publication. The road in and out of the club is in bad shape, from the winter, as it usually is. Jim Rabjohn proposed that we will need 6 loads of stone to fill it in (as we have done in the past). Jim made a motion to purchase up to 6 loads of stone, not to exceed \$2,500, for delivery; for the roadways and parking lot. This was accepted and approved by the general membership present at the meeting.

Other expenses approved at this meeting – motions made and approved by the general members present were:

Targets for the Winter Rifle League (Frank Petricone) \$153

Maintenance for the tractors \$153

Parts/maintenance for the traps on the ranges (as detailed by Tim Daily) \$109

Pay/reimburse gas to our snowplowers – Rich Iuppa and Andy Breslawski, \$500 and \$100 respectively

Ranges: Frank Petricone

Winter Rifle League had been without targets; Frank has replenished! Commence shooting; you have through May.

Spring is here, but the ranges could still be swampy; please don't drive your vehicles off the roads, and get stuck!

Pick up your trash when you leave. We are a carry in/ carry out facility. Put your trash in the dumpster, located in the main parking lot; pick up your brass ... and if you can, please pick up the brass that has appeared now that the snow is melted.

Sign in and out.

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Please empty leftover soda/ liquid out of your cans before you deposit them in to the recycle bins at the club; for someone else to take these away; gets messy with liquid in the bin!

**** When you uncover a trap to use it; PLEASE cover it back up when you are done! Use the plastic totes and whatever has been provided, to cover these; to keep them out of the weather, so they last longer! ****

Camp Rushford: Andy Sperr

Currently we do have two children signed up to go/ sponsored by North Star.

SCOPE, NYSR&PA, NRA: Chris Wiest

Nothing new to report at this time. Legislature back in session soon; through June.

50 Cal restrictions back up ... same bills that were being talked about a couple of years ago.

It was noted that recently a member purchased some reloading supplies. When buying powder for these supplies now, you are required to show your drivers license.

Old Business: Greg Beyler

The new floor in the kitchen is IN! Greg is now getting his paperwork together, to get the approvals and permits from the appropriate parties.

Thank you again to Dave Scorse for coordinating and doing all the construction – it looks GREAT!!!!

Thank you to Greg Beyler for doing a lot of the legwork pre and post construction; researching what was needed; and getting the right people involved!!! We are almost done!

Miscellaneous: Pete McCann

Pete mentioned our Coast Guard connection / special guest that was at the last BOD meeting. Again, if there is interest in having a boater safety course at North Star, Pete will find out about putting that together.

Club Calendar: Steve Baase

Adopt-A-Highway ... our annual clean up of Rte. 18 will be on Saturday, May 9, at 8 am. If you can come out to help, let Steve know, or just show up at the North Star club house. It is about a 2 hour commitment.

50/50: Kevin Sullivan won this week.

Meeting adjourned by 8:40 pm



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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

Hunter's Tour dates - at North Star:

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 st yr)	John Lyon	727-2535
Director (2 nd yr)	Rich Breslawski	831-0643
Director (3 rd 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
Camp Rushford	John Wise	494-1972
Kitchen	John Lyon	727-2535
Quartermaster	Dave Beehner	721-7554
Key Card issues	Jeff Baugher	227-8797
NSSC database	Bruce Newell	705-1835

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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: www.hunterstour.org

NYS Conservation Council: www.nysec.com

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