



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



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Board of Directors Meeting March 17, 2016

BOD MEMBERS PRESENT : Pete McCann, Greg Beyler, Frank Petricone, Ed Breslawski, John Lyon, Harry Reiter, Dave Scorse **GUESTS:** Mike Kirchgessner, Al and Cody Castrechino, Bob Ranalletta, Jay Giese, Bruce Newell

TREASURER'S REPORT: Harry reports a March income of \$2402.00 and a March expense outlay of \$2006.14. A brief discussion of proposed 2016-2017 budget items was presented by Harry.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Ed Breslawski (for Ron Breslawski) reports Jim Sperr submitted his application for life membership. The BOD approved his request. Two potentially new members (PNM) were present – Cody Castrechino (recently turned 21) and Bob Ranalletta. They were introduced to the BOD and ultimately voted on. They were approved for membership into the Club.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: Erich Carlton has offered to head-up a project to remove the Swamp Maple closest to the barn and trim the remaining two (2) trees. The logistics of this project are still a work in progress; details are still being discussed how and when this will take place.

CLUB SAFETY AND SECURITY: Frank Petricone states he has removed a tree-stand from the Club property and is storing it until the rightful owner calls him for its return. As everyone is aware, the trails in the Clay's course are still in poor shape. Use caution when you're shooting the course.

RANGES: As in the past, shooters should NOT be utilizing the normal back stops on the range for patterning their turkey rigs. There's plenty of card-board in the shooting pavilion, staple a chunk between a pair of up-rights and shoot away. That way the plywood boards won't be blown to bits !!! After many years of maintaining the 10-stand shooting discipline at the Club, Jay Giese has decided to step down. He is willing to help train a new person for this position – give a BOD member a call if you might be interested. **THANK YOU, Jay ... for all of your many years doing an outstanding job running our 10-stand!!!!**

CLUB CALENDAR: Greg Pasinski has requested the use of the Club Picnic Pavilion for the Sandy Creek fishing tournament. He has headed this up in the past and again assures the BOD he will abide by any/all requests the BOD may impose. The date is July 30, 2016 – late morning, early afternoon. This was voted on and approved by the BOD. In addition, the BOD continues to investigate the possibility of additional "mini-shoots" this summer. More to follow

MISC. COMMITTEE REPORTS/ New Business: The concept of combining our annual Adopt-A-Highway work detail with a spring clean-up was discussed; to help clean up both our Rt.18 roadway and the various areas around the Club that need a little sprucing up.

NEW BUSINESS: After a lengthy discussion regarding the present and future financial situation at the Club, the BOD has determined the stoning of the trails on the sporting clays course must take priority over all other budget requests. The sporting clays discipline is the money maker at our Club therefore making it imperative we improve its condition for our shooters. Safety on the trails has also been a concern with the large volumes of standing water and pot-holes. Residual monies, following the completion of this project, will be reviewed on a case by case basis.

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General Meeting April 7, 2016

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.

Members present: Al Castrechino, Tracy Smith, Dan Sperr, Andy Sperr, Tom O'Brien, Dan Mikel, Greg Beyler, George Roesse, Chris Wiest, Tom Shaffer, Joe Prince, Buz Bauman, Cody Castrechino, Bill McDonald, Dave Scorse, Paul Drake, Jim Butlin, Ron Breslawski, Jim Priestley, Nick Hardie, Stan Izyk, Don Franklin, Tom Buss, Steve Baase, Eric Schramm, John Lyon, Joseph Romanczyk, Frank Castrechino, Jim Rabjohn, Corey McAtee, Stu Hansel, Jack Cave, Frank Petricone, Paul Hendricks, Pete McCann, Dan Spencer, Christine Grove, Harry Reiter.

Treasurer's Report: Harry Reiter

As of the end of March:

Income \$4,761

Expenses \$2,396

Net as of April 5: \$2,365

Major items of income were new member dues, black box, and the St. Patrick's Day shoot.

Major items of expense: kitchen/food for St. Patty's shoot; payment for the garage door openers.

Club dues and work fines will be due on May 1st. Letters will be going out soon to all members.

Membership: Ron Breslawski

Two new members, per BOD meeting notes; and one new Life member, Jim Sperr!

Three more letters sent out to potential new members.

Buildings and Grounds: Pete McCann

The rogue tree stand found on club property; is still in holding. No one has claimed it yet.

Ranges Report: Frank Petricone and Pete McCann

At our meeting just tonight, a member reported to Pete that while on the Sporting Clays course this week, he found three (3) traps cocked, loaded and covered!! After all of our efforts – e-mail and in the monthly News Notes with repeated WARNINGS and reports of this happening; it is still happening! This is **SO DANGEROUS!** If you are not sure how to uncock/ unload a trap when you are done shooting, please contact Frank or a member of the Board, so we can meet with you to show you. Thank you!

The Sporting Clays course is very muddy at this time! Watch your step out there.

Winter Rifle League ... Frank reported this is wrapping up for the season. There will be a special final shoot/ match later this year.

Monroe County Conservation/ SCOPE: Chris Wiest

There is talk in NYS to lower the big game hunting age for youths, to 12 years old.

Deer Management - Pros/Cons being discussed on antler restriction. This is a very controversial topic; no changes anticipated for this fall.

The first two weeks of bow season will be doe harvest only.

The Crossbow coalition is working to get a greater alignment with bow hunter regulations.

Talks about the elimination of the back tag requirement. SCOPE website has a seven minute video summary of some legislation/ bills out there that they oppose/approve.

They are for pre-license pistol training; for County sheriff departments issuing pistol permits.

They oppose mandatory insurance, with minimum liabilities, for gun owners.

THANK YOU, Chris, for attending all the conservation meetings you do; and giving us such enlightening reports!

Old Business: Harry Reiter and Pete McCann

Harry reviewed with the members the items currently on the budget list for fiscal year 2016-2017; which has been discussed at previous meetings; now compiled in to a list with costs.

If all proposed projects are approved (which they should be; they all fit within the means/ budget plan of the club), Harry would like to not have all projects done at the same time! This way we will spread out the spending, in case something unforeseen comes up that we need money for! Let Harry know when it would make good sense to have your project done, for those involved with the spending.

The Board and Harry would like to see the Sporting clays course done first – as reported in the BOD notes.

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Upcoming Events: Pete McCann and Steve Baase

We have enough workers signed up for the **Adopt-A-Highway cleanup** – THANK YOU to those who have volunteered! That date is Saturday, April 23. Meet at the clubhouse by 8 am. Bring work gloves with you. Trash bags will be provided.

The proposed Spring Clean-up at the club did not get such a good response ... that will not happen at this time.

50/50: Bill McDonald was our big winner this week!

Meeting adjourned at 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:

HELP NEEDED!!!

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	755-1881
Director (1 st yr)	Greg Beyler	329-4868
Director (2 nd yr)	John Lyon	727-2535
Director (3 rd yr)	Rich Breslawski	831-0643
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	HELP NEEDED!!!	
Skeet	HELP NEEDED!!!	
Rifle Range	Greg Beyler	329-4868
Archery	Bill Plews	637-3665
	Dan Spencer	352-8706
Hunters Tour	Allan Rice	755-1085
Hunter Safety	Doug Riva	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	259-9160
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.nyccc.com

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

Handgun reciprocity info: www.usacarry.com

www.keepandbeararms.com

www.gunweek.com

www.womensshooters.com

www.ussportsmen.org

www.saf.org