June 2016 NewsNotes



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



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Board of Directors Meeting May 19, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm, by President, Pete McCann.

Officers present: Pete McCann, Christine Grove, Frank Petricone, Dave Scorse, Harry Reiter, Ed Breslawski and Ron Breslawski.

Others present: Rob Burnside; and 6 Potential new members (PNM) – Greig Quetschenbach, James Franz, Steve Dorgan, Brian Shea, Mark Schneider and Brandon Prince.

Treasurer's Report: Harry Reiter

Income \$3,249 Expenses \$1,025

Net as of May 2 ... -\$2,223

Major items of income were member dues and black box. Major items of expense were kitchen and filled the gas/diesel tanks.

Membership: Ron Breslawski

Ron introduced the six PNM to the BOD. They introduced themselves; they were voted on for membership ...

All were accepted in! WELCOME!!
Three more letters were sent out to three more PNM.
Life membership requests received from Mike Scheg,
Tracy Smith and Craig Burritt. All were accepted!

Buildings and Grounds: Pete McCann

Anyone willing to cut up the swamp maple can have the wood; or any members who would like this wood, please take it for your own use.

There is one large tree hanging over the clubhouse that should probably be trimmed.

Our club insurance company recently did a walk through of our property. The insurance inspector suggested that the swingset by the clubhouse could potentially be a liability. The BOD discussed again if we should get rid of the swingset; we are in favor of getting rid of it. This will be discussed again at the next general member meeting.

Ranges and Archery: Frank Petricone

We discussed what can be done with the Ten Stand; we need someone to run the Ten Stand, as well as it needs repairs and upgrades to make it usable.

Frank Petricone and Tim Daily will discuss this further; present some ideas to the BOD and general membership.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 pm

General Meeting June 2, 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 for those in the armed forces.

Members present: Al Castrechino, Frank Petricone, Jim Sperr, Allan Rice, Dave Isaac, Dan Mikel, Dan Sperr, Paul Neefe, Greg Beyler, Dave Scorse, Tom Castellana, Tim Daily, Pete Castellana, Joe Prince, Jim Priestley, Frank Castrechino, Mark Schneider, Mike Kirchgessner, Ron Ahrens, Brian O'Connor, Rolf Miller, Joseph Romanczyk, Walt Slowig, Bill McDonald, Andy Sperr, Steve Baase, Brian Shea, Nick Hardie, Buz Bauman, Ron Breslawski, Grieg Quetschenbach, Ed Breslawski, Jim Rabjohn, John Lyon, Stu Hansel, Christine Grove, Pete McCann.

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Treasurer's Report: Pete McCann for Harry Reiter

As of the end of May:

Income \$5,468

Net: \$2,815

Expenses \$2,652

Major items of income were membership dues. Major item of expense was the first payment on the birds for the Preserve.

Membership: Ron Breslawski

Six new members voted in (see May 19 Board notes). Ron Ahrens (from last month), Brian Shea, Greig Quetschenbach, and Mark Schneider were present at our meeting to be introduced.

**** NOTE: Member dues are due no later than June 30! If you are not able to pay your dues, and you wish to remain a member in good standing, you must appear before the BOD at the next meeting, on June 16.

Building & Grounds: Frank Petricone, Jim Rabjohn and Pete McCann

The tree stand that Frank removed from the club grounds will be bid on at the July general member meeting, by way of closed bid – bring to the meeting with you your bid in an envelope if you are interested. It is a grey, 15' ladder stand with support bar; fold up seat; shooting rail; approx. 50 lbs; few accessories, straps, ropes; easy assembly, decent condition; single person stand.

Jim Rabjohn got our sign in the parking lot painted!

We re-visited the swingset, from last month's discussions; per the insurance inspectors' comments. Another vote was taken, by show of hands from the members present at this meeting, what should be done with the swingset. It was voted in favor to have the swingset removed from club property.

The Ten Stand is underused and neglected at this time. The Ten Stand is a great investment and a great asset to the club; and it should be used! Frank Petricone and Tim Daily, with input from Jay Giese, addressed this project; and presented some upgrades needed to be done, with pricing. The Ten Stand needs paint, stain, weed wacking/ clean up, wasp spray, new tarps, bungee cords. The electronics on the course need to be updated. Frank and Tim proposed fixing up the Ten Stand and opening it up bi-weekly for members; Frank Petricone would run it – proposed to be open by 4:30 on shooting days. No league, just open shoot for members, at the regular shooting prices for the Ten Stand. All of this will be confirmed at a later date; after the upgrades are made.

Frank Petricone will supervise putting some teams together, and a date, to fix up the Ten Stand, based on volunteer count. If you are interested in helping – painting, staining, clean up, get rid of waps, etc. – contact Frank.

A motion was made to spend up to \$3,000 for electrical upgrades, two transmitters (voice activated), and six receivers; to get the Ten Stand up and running again. This was approved by the membership present at this meeting.

Ranges:

Dan Mikel and Allan Rice would like to put together a pistol shoot – like they did a couple years back. Tentative dates are Sundays, Sept. 11 or Sept. 18. Date to be decided and announced later. The club would be closed to other shooters on this day, from 1 pm – 4 pm, to allow for this shoot to take place. This was approved by the general membership present at this meeting. The cost would be \$5 per person to shoot (to cover the cost of targets) – open to members only, and a guest; this is not an open shoot to the public.

The shoot would have both static and moving targets; maybe a shotgun stage. All participants will have to attend a mandatory safety meeting before the shoot.

Frank Petricone reported that The Winter Rifle League is over, BUT there will be one final match! A shoulder to shoulder match, earning the winner double points! This will be supervised by Frank. This match is open to all shooters in this league, even if you didn't finish all of your league shoots.

Preserve Report: Dave Isaac

The preserve members are ready to either roof the existing bird house or share the new building with the Archery group. Timing of this will be looked at; bird house needs to be ready to go by September, for the delivery of birds!

Upcoming Events: Pete McCann

Member Appreciation night will be held in August, in lieu of the monthly member meeting; the date should be August 4; to be confirmed. As in the past, shoots will be ½ price to members; food will be served at 5:00 pm.

One of our members, Greg Lessord, was recently featured on the New York Forest Owners Association website. This is a good website to check out. www.nyfoa.org

50/50: Dave Scorse was our winner! Woop-woop

Meeting adjourned at 8:28 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:

To be determined after equipment upgrade, see Member meeting notes, June 2016

Officers & Coordinators

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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 Rivais	964-5208
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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.nyscc.com

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

Handgun reciprocity info: www.usacarry.com

www.keepandbeararms.com

www.gunweek.com

www.womenshooters.com

www.ussportsmen.org

www.saf.org