November 2016 NewsNotes



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



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Board of Directors Meeting October 20, 2016

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

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

Treasurer's Report: Harry Reiter

As of October 18: Income \$1,234 Expenses \$2,286

Net as of October 18 ... -\$1,052

Major items of income were Preserve Dues and Black box

Major items of expense were Archery targets; kitchen and parts to repair traps.

Per discussion at the last general member meeting, the BOD was presented with real costs to purchase a snow blower for the small tractor. A motion was made and approved by the Board, for this purchase.

Membership: Ron Breslawski

One new Junior Member application was received. If you are, or think you are, eligible to apply for Life Membership, apply and the BOD will let you know. The requirements are that you need to be a member in good standing for at least 10 years, and be 60 years of age. There are benefits to Life Membership, as well as that then opens up a spot for incoming new members.

Ranges Report: Frank Petricone

Frank and others who work on the ranges would like four back up batteries on club property for the clays course. The batteries are less than \$100 each, from past records. A motion was made and approved by the Board, to purchase four deep cycle batteries for this use.

Buildings and Grounds: Frank Petricone and Pete McCann reported

The mold issue on the side of the maintenance barn, which has been discussed at past general member meetings ... the BOD thinks we should have that power washed, to get rid of the mold.

The general mowing of club property was discussed, if more of the 'lawn area' should be mowed. The BOD thinks the current mowing area(s) look great! **THANK YOU to all** of our mowers all season!

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 pm.

General Meeting November 3, 2016

The meeting was called to order by President, Peter McCann, at 7:30 pm; followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Eric Schramm; and a moment of silence for some of our members who have lost loved ones recently.

Members present: Al Castrechino, John Lyon, Joe Prince, Ron Carlton, Rich Juppa, Harry Reiter, Pete

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McCann, Jim Priestley, Christine Grove, Eric Schramm, Andy Sperr, Paul Drake, Stu Hansel, Mark Bennett, George Roese, Frank Petricone, Buz Bauman, Bill McDonald, Ron Breslawski, Tim Daily, Frank Castrechino, Mike Kirchgessner.

Treasurer's Report: Harry Reiter

Income \$5,172 Expenses \$7,632

Net as of November 2: -\$2,460

Major items of income were Hunter's Tour, Preserve Dues, Black box.

Major items of expense were Archery crossbow targets; purchase of snow blower; repairs, stone and misc. supplies for the Sporting Clays course/equipment.

A reminder that we are still considering sending out member annual dues notices by e-mail starting in 2017. If you have recently changed your e-mail be sure to let someone on the BOD know, so we can update our records.

Membership: Ron Breslawski

No room for new members at this time.

Ranges: Frank Petricone and Pete McCann

Frank noticed a large hornet nest in the upper skeet house, by the door. When the weather gets colder, and these pests are more docile, Frank will take care of this. Also recently, a member was greeted by a large raccoon in the skeet house! BE WATCHFUL going in to the skeet houses!

As the weather gets colder, other critters may look for shelter in our skeet houses!

Members are leaving trash in the skeet houses. As a courtesy, if you load up the traps after shooting (thank you!) please take the boxes and trash with you, or put them in the dumpster on your way out.

The Ten Stand is open for use, as has been mentioned in past NewsNotes. If you use the range, after you are done, please refill the traps; cover them up (to keep them from the weather); and take your trash with you. Open shoots will commence in mid-December. Frank Petricone will open the course and run these shoots. There is a board set up in the clubhouse, to vote if you would like these shoots to take place on Saturday or Sunday. You can add your vote to that board! Frank will open the Ten Stand twice a month for members, for the open shoots.

Registration for the Winter Rifle League will be soon. More details to follow. We had a good Hunter's Tour. Even though the weather was not great that weekend, and the week leading up to, we had 157 shooters! There was little to no mud on the course, as was reported by shooters coming in. **GREAT JOB** by our members who put in a lot of time to make this course more 'weatherproof' and fix it up! **THANK YOU!**

Buildings and Grounds: Pete McCann

We have the new snow blower, for the JD1026. Before you use this piece of equipment, or any equipment that belongs to the club, please ask for 'training' or a lesson on how to operate it. Doing this could save us repair costs; as has happened in the past with equipment being damaged, due to mis-use. Thank you!

If anyone is looking to put in some work hours ... 'Lawler's Tower', the stand by the pond, could use some maintenance. The brush and weeds have grown up around it. If someone would like to trim these, so they don't overtake the area, we could potentially use this stand.

Camp Rushford: Andy Sperr

If you have a youngster between the ages of 12-14, registration for Camp Rushford should commence in January. You can check the Camp website for more information.

Club Calendar: Pete McCann

Since New Year's Day is on Sunday, January 1st, 2017 ... by a show of hands at this general member meeting, it was decided to hold our annual Hangover Shoot on Saturday, December 31st.

Preserve Report: Keith Bowers for Dave Isaac Another shipment of birds was received.

New Business: Pete McCann

December is the cutoff for anyone interested in putting their name in for consideration as an officer position on the Board of Directors. If anyone is interested in any of the positions available, all except for one Director position, let someone on the BOD know. Voting will take place at the January general member meeting, January 5, 2017.

50/50 winner: Andy Sperr

Meeting adjourned by 8:08 pm; with tasty refreshments

that followed. We have some great cooks!!

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Upcoming Events



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

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:

Contact Frank Petricone for more information

Hunter's Tour dates at North Star:

Feb 25 & 26, 2017

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)	Ed Breslawski	831-0645
Director (2 nd yr)	Greg Beyler	329-4868
Director (3 rd yr)	John Lyon	727-2535
Field Captain	Frank Petricone	456-8824
Sporting Clays	Joe Prince	506-5597
Preserve	David Isaac	638-5305
10 Stand	Frank Petricone	456-8824
Skeet	Frank Petricone	456-8824
Rifle Range	Greg Beyler	329-4868
Archery	Bill Plews	637-3665
-	Dan Spencer	352-8706
Hunters Tour	Dan Spencer	352-8706
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	259-9160
Kitchen	John Lyon	727-2535
Quartermaster	Dave Beehner	721-7554
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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