



April 2017 NewsNotes

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



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Board of Directors Meeting March 16, 2017

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

Officers present: Pete McCann, John Lyon, Frank Petricone, Greg Beyler, Ron Breslawski, and Dave Scorese.

Others present: Mike Kirchgessner, Tom Buss, Nick Hardie, Allan Rice, Ron Ahrens, Steve Baase.

Treasurer's Report – Harry Reiter

Income: \$296

Expenses: \$1,738

Net Income, as of 3/14/17 -\$1,441

Major items of expense were purchase of rabbit targets; kitchen and fees for upcoming St. Pattys Day shoot.

Membership – Ron Breslawski

A letter from Chet Ciesinski applying for life membership was voted on and approved.

Dennis Ellis has submitted a letter requesting his membership to the NS be terminated. He has recently moved and will join a sportsman club the Sodus Point area.

As in the past, BOD members were reminded that this year's dues will be sent electronically. Could take a year to get the bugs out.

Buildings and Grounds

The archery pavilion had a pine tree fall on it during the recent event. It was decided the damage was not substantial enough to file an insurance claim. Plans are in the works for it's repair. The trimming and or / removal of the two (2) Swamp Maple trees between the Club house and the barn was discussed, no decision yet.

Ten Stand

Due to the heavy snow fall, Frank has decided not to open the 10 stand for the St. Patrick's shoot.

Winter Rifle League

The league is up and running - nothing to report yet.

Adopt-a-Highway

Steve Baase has set an April 22, 2017 date for this activity.

Camp Rushford

The 2018's applicants for Camp Rushford will be processed through the BOD next year to avoid any conflicts.

Miscellaneous

The BOD passed a motion to rent a "card board" only dumpster from our current vendor - Suburban Disposal.

New Business

John Lyons was given approval to purchase two (2) turkey fryers for the kitchen's use. He will be allowed up to \$300.00 for this purchase.

Meeting adjourned at 1945 hours.

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General Meeting April 6, 2017

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

Members present: Al Castrechino, Christine Grove, Pete McCann, Frank Petricone, Harry Reiter, Steve Reiter, Andy Sperr, Joe Prince, Jim Priestley, Andy Bansbach, Nick Hardie, Greg Pasinski P.U.C., Dana Calton, Greg Beyler, Erich Carlton, Dan Spencer, Ed Breslawski, Chris Wiest, Ron Breslawski, Glenn Wilbur, Frank Castrechino, Tom Castellana, Ron Ahrens, Paul Drake, Bill Izyk, George Roese, Fay Knapp, Scott Charles, Grieg L. Quetschenbach, Mike Kirchgessner.

Treasurer's Report: Harry Reiter

Income \$3,500

Expenses \$3,236

Net as of March 28: \$264

Major items of income were St. Patty's Day shoot; kitchen and Black box.

Major items of expense were PO Box and website fees; trap repairs; DEC preserve license fee.

Dues notices will be going out soon, by way of e-mail, not in the regular mail. Payments are due May 1.

If you receive a \$75 fine for work hours and you think you put your hours in/ want to dispute the fine, contact a BOD member or attend a BOD meeting.

Harry went through the next fiscal years budget, as it is today, that Harry put together. The budget numbers were reviewed by all general members present at this meeting, and the budget was passed/ approved by all members.

THANK YOU, Harry, for putting together such an extensive, thorough cost budget for us to see and understand!!

St. Patty's Day shoot: Pete McCann

Pete put together a comparison of the number of shooters for this year, compared to years past, going back to 2009. Our numbers have declined significantly, which affects our income from this shoot. Maybe next year will be better.

Membership: Ron Breslawski

20 letters to PNM (Potential New Members) were sent out, to which Ron got back only two responses! Ron plans to send out another 10 letters soon to PNM. Currently we have eight openings in membership. There are 157 on the wait list.

Buildings and Grounds/ and Ranges: Frank Petricone

This has been mentioned in past newsletters, but please **DO NOT PARK** behind the rifle range building. It is muddy and the ground is very soft back there. Potentially your vehicle could get stuck, which will make a huge mess in the ground there, that someone else may have to then fix. There is a parking lot at the rifle range, please use that!

Our 'grounds crew' will drag the driveway with the stone box, when the weather gets better, and dries up! This will make the road smoother and fill in some of the holes.

THANK YOU to Tim Daily who did many repairs to many of our traps recently!

The Ten Stand trap covers are deteriorating. Frank Petricone, Tim Daily and Dave Scorse have come up with a better trap cover system! They will try these out; still working on improvements, but one member noted that this new cover works very well! If these new covers do work, Frank, Tim and Dave will look at making more. The cost of each trap cover would be around \$140. If you care to take a look at these, there is one in use on the Ten Stand course, and one in the barn; you can make comments, suggestions.

THANK YOU Frank, Tim and Dave for working on this for us!! Sounds like you put a lot of thought, time and effort in to this so we all can continue to enjoy the Ten Stand!

The club now has a Cardboard **ONLY** dumpster! It has a yellow sign on it that says it is for Cardboard **ONLY**. This includes empty small shell boxes – any cardboard items. All other trash should still go in to the other dumpster.

With the windstorm we had recently, the roof shingles blew off the High house at the Skeet house area. The roof/ shingles will need to be replaced/ repaired! Al Castrechino volunteered to get us an estimate from a metal roofer for the skeet houses. Hopefully we can look at this pricing/ the BOD can review, vote on the costs and have the repairs done fairly soon.

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Note also that from the windstorm, there are still a few trees with downed limbs, OR limbs that are 'ready to fall'; be careful and be safe as you are walking on club property.

Posted outside the door of the clubhouse there are survey results on the Hunter's Tour, and the Hunter's Tour schedule. Reminder to consider this great shooting activity and schedule for next year!

Materials have been purchased, and repairs will be made soon to the Archery shed. **THANK YOU, Grieg Quetschenbach** for taking on this project!

When the weather gets better, Frank Petricone plans to run a Thursday night Ten Stand shoot, a couple of Thursdays a month, like he did last year. More information to follow.

Monroe County Conservation, SCOPE, etc.: Chris Wiest

The NYS budget is not passing. Waiting to see if anything 'slips in' last minute, before the budget is passed. The Yearling buck bill that was out there; with antler restrictions, has been pulled for the time being. The NYS Conservation Council had a part in getting this pulled.

New Business: Pete McCann

Allan Rice has proposed a NSSC Youth Sporting Clay's Tournament at North Star. He proposed 3 shoots for the summer. This would be open to the children/grandchildren of North Star members. Boys ages 12-18, in different age classes, and for Girls, ages 12-18. This idea was talked about with the general members present. It was decided that we should start with introducing one shoot for this summer, to see how much interest is out there.

Misc.

ADOPT A HIGHWAY ... Steve Baase. Come to the club on Saturday, April 22, by 8 am to pick up your supplies ... help us clean up our roadways around the club! Everyone is welcome. Bring work gloves.

We want to **congratulate Doug Rivais** for being a Hunters Safety instructor for 25 years! Thanks for getting people prepared to be out there safely hunting and shooting!

50/50 – Andy Sperr was our big winner!
Upside down pizza was enjoyed by all!

Meeting adjourned by 8:36 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:

Contact Frank Petricone for more information

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) | 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 Sperr | 749-1416 |
| 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 |
| Key Card issues | HELP NEEDED!!! | |
| 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.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.womensshooters.com
www.ussportsmen.org
www.saf.org