

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



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www.northstarsportsmansclub.org

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### Board of Directors Meeting September 21, 2017

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

**Officers present:** Ed Breslawski, Christine Grove, Pete McCann, Frank Petricone, John Lyon, Harry Reiter and Ron Breslawski.

**Guests present:** Frank Castrechino and Bret Oliphant

Treasurer's Report: Harry Reiter

Income \$00 Expenses \$20,922

September Net, as of 9/10 ... -\$20,922

At the time of this meeting, Harry had not yet checked the black box and mail for income items to report.

Major items of expense were the new archery shed; purchase new tractor and new finish mower; fuel; kitchen and purchase a new trap for the clays course.

#### Membership: Ron Breslawski

No new members.

Frank Castrechino applied for Life Membership; this was approved by the Board.

### **Buildings & Grounds: Frank Petricone**

No members are allowed to operate the new tractor and/or mower without first being trained on them. These are expensive pieces of machinery that the club now owns, happily! We want to keep them in good working order. If you would like to be trained on these, contact a Board member, and we can speak with the appropriate parties.

### Ranges Report/Safety: Frank Petricone

The clays course is getting ready to be set up for the upcoming Hunters Tour weekend.

When the 'new course' is in place, no one can reset it ... it needs to stay set as is, until after Hunters Tour.

### Misc. Updates:

A new (used) refrigerator was purchased for the clubhouse; to replace the white one that died. Adopt-A-Highway will not be done this fall. We will have another clean up in the Spring.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 pm.

### General Meeting October 5, 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 those serving our country; and we are thinking about Jim Rabjohn, who recently fell and is in the hospital.

Members present: Al Castrechino, Christine Grove, Pete McCann, Harry Reiter, Mike Kirchgessner, Dave Isaac, Bill McDonald, Greg Beyler, Joe Romanczyk, Dan Spencer, John Lyon, Larry Borowski, Ralf Miller, Walt Slowig, Tom Castellana, Pete Castellana, Stu Hansel, Nick Hardie, Buz Bauman, Andy Sperr, Frank Petricone, Dan Mikel, George Roese, Frank Castrechino, Steve Baase.

Treasurer's Report: Harry Reiter

Income \$2,734 Expenses \$21,838

Net as of October 4: -\$19,104

Items of income include Archery shoots; dues and Preserve.

Items of expense include archery shed; tractor/mowers; parts; fuel.

### **Membership: Pete McCann**

Frank Castrechino was accepted as a Life Member.

### **Buildings and Grounds/ and Ranges: Frank Petricone**

The new Archery shed and pheasant pen are in place, and look fabulous! A much needed improvement; THANK YOU to all who worked hard and got this done!

Dumpsters – we now have two. One is for trash only; the other is for cardboard only / labelled as such. As needed, please stomp down the cardboard in the cardboard dumpster, so we can fit more in there.

The guys who mow the club grounds are loving the new mower! What used to take 3 hours to mow; now takes closer to 45 minutes, with the new zero turn mower. This was a good investment!

The sporting clays course has been set for the Hunter's Tour weekend at NorthStar, weekend of Oct. 28. Please DO NOT change the settings, until after Hunters Tour. Thank you!

### Winter Rifle League: Frank Petricone

Results for the Top 3 places!

Paul Russo was the official winner! Score 694-19v / 8 matches fired

Steve Palozzi came in  $2^{nd}$  place – Score 652-18v / 8 matches fired

Dan Spencer came in  $3^{\text{rd}}$  place – Score  $632\text{-}25v\:/\:8$  matches fired

Congratulations!

The format and cost for this league might change for next year. Frank will look at this and update everyone.

### **Archery: Dan Spencer**

There are 15 targets set up on the archery course. Fling arrows at will, and have fun!

### **Shady Range: Dan Mikel**

No more moving targets. There was no real interest in this, so it has been discontinued.

#### **Preserve: Dave Isaac**

Currently there are 15 members in the Preserve; they are having fun!

This is a 'member only', separate club, within our club at NorthStar. Unless you are a member of the Preserve, you cannot hunt/shoot the birds.

The new bird pen is great! The birds love their new home!

The Preserve members would like to **THANK** Mike Kirchgessner for mowing lanes to walk/ shoot in for this group.

Please be mindful of the Preserve members/ Pheasant hunters. The flag might be up, but you won't hear any shooting on the ranges. That could be because Preserve members are out hunting their birds on club property.

# Monroe County Conservation, SCOPE, etc.: Pete McCann

Plan on renewing your pistol permit. With all that is going on in the news today, we aren't expecting this law to go away for this year.

The DEC has determined that Mute Swans are a nuisance. The DEC is handling their population. Down state they want the swans; but are looking at ways to keep them from multiplying! The exotic Mute Swan is the elegant bird of Russian ballets and European fairy tales. This swan swims with its long neck curved into an S and often holds its wings raised slightly above its back. Although they're numerous and familiar in city parks and in bays and lakes in the Pacific Northwest, Great Lakes, Northeast, and Midatlantic, Mute Swans are not native to North America. Their aggressive behavior and voracious appetites often disturb local ecosystems, displace native species, and even pose a hazard to humans.

New Business: Pete McCann

Board positions will be coming up for re-election. Anyone interested in being considered for President, Vice President of Communications, VP Membership, Secretary, Treasurer, Field Captain and/or a Director, you have until December to let one of the current Board members know your intentions.

We would like to purchase more NorthStar logo hats, probably camo, to make available for members to purchase. At the next general meeting we may vote on which style of hat you want to see.

### Camp Rushford: Pete McCann

We received a thank you letter from one of the kids we sent to camp this past year. He mostly loved make a fort and sleeping outside!

NAMETAGS: Your North Star nametag is your official identification for the club, to be on club grounds, etc. If you are a new Member or a new Jr. Member, your nametag is located in the clubhouse, under the chalkboard; please pick it up. Currently there are quite a few nametags there. If you haven't picked yours up by the end of December, it may be removed; then you will need to see Frank Petricone, our Field Captain in charge of club safety to get another one. Thank you!

50/50 – Nick Hardie was our lucky winner!

Meeting adjourned by 8:05 pm







### **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

### **Hunters Tour Dates at NSSC:**

October 28 & 29 May 5 & 6, 2018

## **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 <sup>st</sup> yr)	Ed Breslawski	831-0645
Director (2 <sup>nd</sup> yr)	Greg Beyler	329-4868
Director (3 <sup>rd</sup> yr)	John Lyon	727-2535
Field Captain	Frank Petricone	456-8824
Sporting Clays	Tom Tennant	703-4382
Preserve	David Isaac	638-5305
10 Stand	Frank Petricone	456-8824
Skeet	Frank Petricone	456-8824
Rifle Range	Greg Beyler	329-4868
Archery	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	Sean Keenan	509-2814
NSSC database	Bruce Newell	705-1835
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Webmaster Jeff Baugher 227-8797
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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: <a href="https://www.hunterstour.org">www.hunterstour.org</a>
NYS Conservation Council: <a href="https://www.nyscc.com">www.nyscc.com</a>

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