April 2018 NewsNotes



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



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Board of Directors Meeting March 15, 2018

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

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

Guests/Members present: Mike Kirchgessner, Tim Daily, Jim Butlin, Angelo Gucciardo, and Paul Drake; PLUS 12 Potential New Members (PNM), see below under Membership.

Treasurer's Report: Harry Reiter

Income: \$00 Expenses: \$590 Total Net: -\$590

Harry had not collected the Black Box income as of the time of this meeting; no report for Income at this time. Harry reviewed his 2018-2019 Budget proposal. Harry will review the final budget at the May general member meeting.

Membership: Ron Breslawski

Twelve (12) PNM attended the meeting, for membership: Steve Carlson, Cody Butlin, Roger Koss, Dominick Maiorano, Josh Drake, Brad Helmer, Chris Holmes, Don Schlonski, Craig Robillard, Kevin Butlin, Jim Gould, and Jim Papa.

All PNM who attended were accepted for membership! WELCOME all!

We had one Life Member request, from Paul Neefe. Paul's request was accepted!

Buildings & Grounds / Ranges Report: Frank Petricone and Pete McCann

Tim Daily will set up a date/time and teach a machine/trap Maintenance 'class'! More info to follow – date, etc. – potentially April 22, April 29 and/or May 27. Tim would be looking for 10 members to sign up to participate. THANK YOU, Tim!!

All manual traps have now been removed from the clays course.

Remember, if you use the traps, and clay birds are getting low, please re-fill the traps, for the next person.

Re-wrap /cover the traps the way you found them after use. We are concerned about the life of our traps, due to being exposed to the weather. If we can keep them covered, we will prolong their life.

We are seeing a lot of drainage from our Farmer neighbor. We will need to replace our drainage pipe/ culvert. Greg Beyler, Mike Kirchgessner, Steve Baase will work on plans for this. Already they presented some drawings to the Board, for review; what needs to be done.

When the 'drainage' project is done; we will look at cleaning up the clays course as well, while we have equipment here; to help continue to keep that dry/ drained (continuation of we had done last year on the clays course).

Remember, when you are on club property, for whatever reason, if even just to walk the trails; please sign in to the Sign In shed; and sign Out when you leave; write legibly the reason you are on the grounds; for safety reasons.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:21 pm.

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General Meeting April 5, 2018

The meeting was called to order by President Peter McCann at 7:30, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our service men and women.

Members Present: Pete McCann, Mike K., Al and Frank Castrechino, Dan Spencer, Carai Robillard, Tom O'Brien, Dave Issac, Andy Bansbach, Don Schlonski,Rich Iuppa,Greg Pasinski, Chris Wiest, Paul and Josh Drake, Dana Carlton,Erich Carlton,Dave Scorse,Steve Baase,Joseph Romanzyk,Ron and Ed Breslawski,Paul Russo,John Lyon,James Pappa, Angelo Gvcciardo,Dom Maiorand,Brad Helmer,Tim Daily, Joe Simons,George Roese, Bill and Kyle McDonald, Jim Butlin, Tracy Smith, Jim Sperr, Frank Petricone, Roger Koss, Steve and Dan Carlson, Tom Rohr, Bill Izyk, Larry Borowski, Al Hahn

Secretary Report: Pete asked for any corrections to last month's News Notes - no corrections were offered

Treasurer's Report: Pete reported for Harry We had a March income of \$8,961.90 (based heavily on the addition of 9 members to the roster, The End of Winter Shoot, skeet, 10-Stand, and Sporting Clays). March expenses were \$2,482.53 - primarily equipment repair and Winter Shoot expenses. This leaves a March net of \$6,479.37.

Membership Report: Ron Breslawski introduced our 9 new members. This will bring our "active" membership total to 179. Ron states that rapidly upcoming "life" memberships will bring the Club back to or near our 175 "active" member target number in the near future. Paul Neefe has provided the BOD with appropriate documentation and will become our newest life member. Congratulations Paul!

Bldgs. and Grounds: Frank Petricone reports some minor wind damage (limbs etc. but nothing serious after the last big blow). As in the past, he asks all shooters to take a few extra minutes and insure the traps on the sporting clays course are properly covered and secured after use. It does them no good to be exposed to the elements for days at a time. Also the buckets on the skeet field should be emptied after use - they blew away after the last storm! Take your spent casings to the "appropriate" dumpster (not the cardboard one), and secure the dumpster with the locking bar. Initial work continues regarding the hiring of a contractor to clean the swale east of the rifle range and replace the pipe on the road back there.

Range reports: Frank Petricone states the Kendall High School will be on the grounds Saturday, April 7th

practicing their new found trap skills. Frank has done a great job establishing a mock trap field for them and hopes they will continue to visit in an effort to strengthen their trap team. 10 Stand will be CLOSED during the times the school is practicing!!!!

Sporting Clays: The Club still has a variety of manual traps for sale. Contact Frank if you are interested. In an effort to extend the life of our numerous automatic traps, a preventative maintenance training class has been scheduled for April 22, 2018 - starting at 0830 hrs. This program will hopefully lead to the routine cleaning, inspection, greasing, etc. of all of the automatic traps in the SC field and potentially expand to the machines in the 10 Stand and skeet disciplines.

Hunter's Tour: North Star will be hosting the next Hunter's Tour Shoot on May 5 - May 6, 2018. To date, the volunteer list is a little "lean" for this event - please take some time on either of these days to help out with the shoot, it is a great time for the Club to make some extra money. It should also be noted the date for the Hunter's Tour Shoot hosted by the Rochester Brooks Gun Club has been changed from May 19-20 to June 2-3, 2018.

Preserve: Dave Issac reports the pheasant season has ended with 320 birds released and 256 harvested. There are currently 16 members in the preserve, with openings for 9 more. If you are interested, contact Dave. Prior to this fall's season, Dave would like to improve the drainage around the new pen and is hoping for volunteers from the preserve "team" to help him out.

Camp Rushford: it appears the North Star has approved the candidates for this year's program.

MCCC: Chris Wiest states a variety of sportsman type bills have again died in committee. Of prominence is the bid to change youth hunting status in New York from 14 years to 12 years pretty sad this cannot be addressed by our political leaders! The annual Kid's Fishing Derby will be held on June 2, 2018 at Powder Mill's Park - this is always a good time for our up-coming anglers ... Chris mentioned the Monroe County Park's Department is soliciting for summer help at the Golf Course. Check out the County website for more info.

Archery: Dan Spencer reports all is quiet to date.

New Business: Tim Daily submitted a bill for trap parts. It was voted on and approved by the membership.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 with Tom O'Brien taking home the winnings from our 50-50 drawing.

DUES ARE DUE MAY 1, 2018 !!!

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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

Hunters Tour Dates at NSSC:

May 5 & 6

Officers & Coordinators

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Director (2 nd yr)	Greg Beyler	329-4868
Director (3 rd yr)	John Lyon	727-2535
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Sporting Clays	Tom Tennant	703-4382
Preserve	David Isaac	638-5305
10 Stand	Frank Petricone	456-8824
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Archery	Dan Spencer	352-8706
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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