



November 2018 NewsNotes

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 October 18, 2018

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

Attendance: Pete McCann, Harry Reiter, Ron Breslawski, Ed Breslawski, John Lyon, Dave Scorse, Greg Beyler.

Guests: Bruce Newell and Sean Keenan.

Treasurer's Report: Harry Reiter
No report; no black box numbers yet.

Membership: Ron Breslawski
No new members. Active membership stands at 175 and Life membership at 112. Total membership presently stands at 287.

Bruce Newell and Sean Keenan opened a discussion about the tracking and monitoring of members and entrance key cards. The present key card system has limited memory locations. Sean will look into the cost of a new system; if we decide to change what we are currently doing.

A big 'Thank you!' needs to go out to **Ron, Ed, Bruce, and Sean** for their efforts in keeping track of members, certificates, key cards, and dues payments! That's a lot of work!

Buildings and Grounds: Greg Beyler (We missed ya Frank !! =)

The drainage swale project adjacent to the rifle range has been completed. **Thank you to Mike Kirchgessner** for helping monitor this project. A member has expressed interest in the old culvert pipe sections. The Board discussed and will give approval to this member to take/remove the old culvert sections.

Hunters Tour: The dates and course are set. Please make no changes to the course. The dates are November 10th and 11th.

Hangover Shoot: Typically, this event is held on January 1st of every year. January 1, 2019 falls on a Tuesday and the Hunter's Tour will be at Batavia, Saturday and Sunday, December 29th and 30th. The Board discussed options and agreed to hold the event on January 5th, 2019. A new naming of the event will be solicited from the general membership.

Meeting Adjourned; 7:34 pm.

General Meeting November 1, 2018

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.

Members present: Al Castrechino, Dakota Castrechino, Mike Kirchgessner, Greg Beyler, Frank Castrechino, Dominick Maiorano, Don Schlonski, Tom O'Brien, Andy Bansbach, Dan Spencer, Corey McAtee, Kevin Sullivan, Bill Izyk, George Roese, Frank Petricone, John Lyon, Ron Breslawski, Pete McCann, Christine Grove, Harry Reiter.

Treasurer's Report: Harry Reiter
Income \$643
Expenses \$811
Net as of Oct. 30: -\$167

Major items of income were Preserve dues, black box. Major items of expense were dumpsters, fire extinguisher inspection, maintenance and refills.

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Membership: Ron Breslawski

If anyone is eligible for Life Membership; apply ... to free up some spots for new members!

Ranges/ Buildings and Grounds: Frank Petricone

The clays course has been cleaned up – brush picked up; split some wood. There is more wood to be split; if you have a wood splitter and can help with this. This wood belongs to the club, so needs to stay on property.

Batteries were swapped out on some of the trap machines, so they are ready to go for Hunters Tour.

If you are shooting the clays course and see that a trap will go under water, due to all the rain lately/ weather in general, please make note of what station and report it to Frank; so he can move it; so we don't lose a trap machine to water!

Reminder ... please take your trash out with you/ clean up after yourselves, so someone else doesn't have to!

The low and high Skeet houses will need to be re-skinned in the Spring. Any skilled carpenters would be welcome to help us out with this project! Please consider this for your Spring schedule.

Reminder ... when you restock the traps ... (thank you for re-stocking!) but please put the proper birds in to the proper traps. The Skeet and Ten Stand take the 'non-bio' birds; the other trap machines use the 'bio' birds.

Totes for the traps ... Frank still needs some help/ a work crew, to get these sorted – different sizes for the different size traps-; put handles on them; get them fitted to the machines. Power tools are needed; Frank has some. We would like to get this done before the snow flies, to keep the trap machines out of the weather.

IF you volunteer to help with this project, wear old clothes that you should plan on tossing after the work is done!

The totes have remnants of stain on them; the stain should not be put in your washing machine; can't be washed out.

Camp Rushford: Pete McCann

If you have a son, daughter, grandchild, nephew, niece, etc. ... that would like to go to Camp next summer ...

Sign ups start in January, and they fill up fast! North Star sponsors two children each year. If interested, let a Board member know, so we can reserve that spot for you. You sign up, on line; pay; then we reimburse you.

New Business: Pete McCann

No one volunteered to head up a 'recruitment for new officers' committee. At the next meeting a slate of officers will be presented. Anyone interested in any of the open positions – President, VP, Membership, Secretary, Treasurer, Field Captain, Director - contact a Board member ... or attend the next general member meeting to let us know your interest /what position.

A motion from the floor was made to purchase one new standard trap for the clays course, as a back up; spend up to \$4,000. This motion was approved by all members present. Per discussion at this meeting, it was deemed a great idea to have a spare trap in case one of our traps goes down, especially during an event, like a Hunters Tour.

Don't forget to **vote on November 6!** YOUR VOTE COUNTS! Take a couple of friends with you! Study up on the candidates; vote thoughtfully!

50/50 – winner ... Pete McCann!

Meeting adjourned 8:09 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

Hunters Tour Dates at NSSC:

Nov 10 & 11

Mar 9 & 10, 2019

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	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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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