

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



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### Board of Directors Meeting March 17, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm, by President, Nick Hardie.

**Officers present:** Nick Hardie, Frank Petricone, Christine Grove, Dave Scorse, Tim Daily, John Lyon and Harry Reiter.

Guests: Al Castrechino

Treasurer's Report: Harry Reiter

Harry reviewed the budget for the upcoming fiscal year. This will be presented to the general membership for review and approval, at the next general member meeting, in April.

**Buildings & Grounds / Ranges Report:** Nick Hardie and Frank Petricone

Al Castrechino presented pricing for the materials needed to repair the damage done to the clubhouse and other areas, due to birds and pests putting holes in the corners of the building. Al and a few others will do the work. A motion was made and accepted by the BOD to get this done.

Rifle range - a few boards with many holes in them should be replaced.

Frank is having some signs made to be put up around the ranges; posting rules and safety.

If anyone wants wood; there have been many trees cut down on club property. Help yourself to come over cut the wood; clean up your mess; take it home with you. There are a few ash tree logs by the dumpsters.

The BOD is looking to replace the club gator. A few of the BOD members are looking in to pricing, equipment; will report to the general membership their findings, to be voted on.

Anyone needing work hours, see a BOD member for what needs to be done. Frank usually has tasks posted on the boards just outside the clubhouse door.

\*\*\*\*WORK SUGGESTIONS\*\*\* for now -- pick up sticks all over club property, so when mowing season is here, those that mow the club grounds have less to pick up while/ before they mow.

Sweep the clubhouse floor; stock the refrigerator; in general look around for things that needs to be done, and do them!

New Business: Nick Hardie

The club is looking to get more involvement from members. What is YOUR talent? How can YOU contribute to your club? Make suggestions; do the work; donate the resources.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:51 pm.

### General Meeting April 7, 2022

The meeting was called to order by President, Nick Hardie, at 7:30 pm; followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, and a moment of silence for Veterans who have given their life for our freedom.

**Members present:** Thank you to all who came out!

Treasurer's Report: Harry Reiter

Income: \$2,460 Expenses: \$2,276

March Net as of 3/29/22: \$183

Harry reviewed 2022-2023 budget with the general membership. This was approved and passed. If anyone has questions about the budget, feel free to attend a BOD meeting to address your questions, or contact Harry or a BOD member directly.

Harry reviewed the St. Patty's Day shoot results. We had 97 shooters. Our Net was \$1,189, of which half will be donated to the Veterans Outreach Center, in memory of Gary Beikirch's service to our country.

THANK YOU to the 29 club member volunteers who came out for the St. Patty's Day shoot to help out! The weather wasn't great; but it was a good event!

Dues are coming due; please pay them on time! If you haven't received your Dues notice yet, you will shortly.

### **Membership:** Ron Breslawski

Thomas Tennant and one more member applied for Life Membership; these requests were approved at this meeting.

One member resigned, R. Koss, due to them moving out of the area. This frees up openings for new members.

Ranges/ Buildings and Grounds: Frank Petricone It was noted at the St. Patty's Day shoot that the pink birds were not as visible as the green birds. This was experimental, so now we know.

Frank had some signs made, which he reviewed with everyone at this meeting. The signs will be posted around the club grounds, at the various shooting venues. These are friendly reminders of our club rules on the ranges, review of club safety. When you bring guests to shoot with you, please point out these signs, to be read and followed when on club property. Thank you.

Publisher's note: Photos of the signs can be seen on our web site in the Photo Gallery tab.

The Ten Stand will be opened and run by Frank again this year. Frank will have some dates soon, coming in May.

Sporting Clays – some trap machines are not working correctly. Frank will wait until the weather is dryer to get out and really fix the issues. In the meantime, please be cautious; be gentle with the equipment; to avoid damage.

Rifle Range – if you need work hours, some back stops need replacement. Materials are available in the barn; just need manpower to do the repairs. Thanks!

Two tree stands were noticed on club property: still in trees. IF you have a tree stand still on club property, please remove it by the end of April; or it will be removed for you and disposed of. Thank you!

### Preserve: Dave Isaac

There were 14 paid members last season; but there was low turnout by those members.

If anyone has questions about the Preserve, or about joining, please contact Dave directly.

Camp Rushford – go to the DEC website to register for the 2022 season. For questions see the DEC /Camp Rushford website or e-mail them at <a href="mailto:educationcamps@dec.ny.gov">educationcamps@dec.ny.gov</a> (they don't answer the phones). Weeks fill up fast; SIGN UP EARLY if you are interested in sending your child, ages 11-17, to camp! North Star typically will sponsor two children. You have to sign up online; pay online, then submit the receipt to North Star to be reimbursed. BUT let a BOD member know your intentions as soon as possible, even before you sign up. We will reimburse on a first come first request basis only.

Monroe County Conservation Council: Chris Wiest The Conservation Council has sent a memo against a bill out there banning the use of lead in hunting on State land. This Bill is gaining ground in the legislature. If this passes, it would be in effect as of Jan. 1, 2023. Contact your state representatives to make your voice heard!

North Star would like to host a Hunters Safety Course this year, as we have done in the past. More information to follow if we can have this happen. If you want to help out contact Nick Hardie.

#### **Old Business:**

Remember to write LEGIBLY when you sign in; so we can read your name to record work hours, etc. If we can't read your name, you won't get credit for your work.

We are looking for members to head up or participate in a variety of committees / work in teams this year, i.e. cleaning, ranges, maintenance, etc. Please contact the BOD, and/or attend a BOD meeting (third Thursday of each month at 7:00pm) if you are interested in participating! Many hands make shorter, lighter work!

#### **New Business:**

Dave Scorse reported finding a great used Polaris Ranger for sale; (being held for the club). A motion was made to sell the current John Deere Gator the club owns (this will be offered up to the membership for sale before advertising it elsewhere to be sold); and purchase the new (used) Polaris Ranger that Dave found. This motion was approved by the general membership in attendance at this meeting. When the Ranger is purchased, due to the nature of the make/ model/ newness of the Gator, training will be needed before you can use this piece of equipment. THANK YOU, Dave and Frank, for all the research you did in finding this piece of equipment!

\*\*\*\* FOR SALE \*\*\*\* used Gator (the one the club currently owns) –

2010 John Deere, Model TX 4x2 \$3,500 if you are interested let Nick, Frank or another BOD member know

50/50 raffle: won by Harry Reiter, Treasurer extraordinaire!

Meeting adjourned 8:42 pm.

Food, refreshments, and conversation were enjoyed by all.



### **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

#### **Hunter's Tour**

May 21 & 22

### **Officers & Coordinators**

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President	Nick Hardie	766-9343
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)	Tim Daily	455-9100
Director (2 <sup>nd</sup> yr)	John Lyon	727-2535
Director (3 <sup>rd</sup> yr)	Ed Breslawski	831-0645
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	Tom Sime	747-7247
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
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Camp Rushford	John Wise	259-9160
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### Websites worth visiting

North Star: www.northstarsportsmansclub.org NYS Pistol Permit Renewal: NYS troopers site

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: <a href="https://www.dec.ny.gov/education/29.html">www.dec.ny.gov/education/29.html</a>

Handgun reciprocity info: www.usacarry.com

www.keepandbeararms.com

www.gunweek.com

www.womenshooters.com

www.ussportsmen.org

www.saf.org