



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



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## General Meeting November 3, 2020

**Call to Order** – Nick Hardie – 7:30pm

**Pledge of Allegiance** – Moment of Silence – Especially in salute to our Veterans.

Guests – None

**Secretary's Report** – Dan Carlson - No report. Nick H. asked for feedback regarding the new sequence of news notes. General feedback has been well received.

**Treasurer's Report** – Harry Rieter – Report submitted.

October income: \$1464.55 Expenses: \$4451.61 Please see Harry's report for more details. Report approved by vote.  
Committee Reports

**Membership** – Ron Breslawski. Tom Rohr has resigned from membership. Two members have been approved for Life Membership. If you're over 60 and have been a member more than 10 years, apply for life membership. Contact Ron for more information.

**Bldg. and Grounds** – Frank Petricone – no magnum shot on clays course. Frank P. will be happy to swap ammo with people who have magnum loads. Happy to trade magnum loads for #8s. Nothing heavier than 7 ½ shot on any clay targets.

Archery – 3-D targets have been put away for winter.

10 Stand – Dave Scorse – proposed steel bracing for 10 Stand. Dave estimated less than \$400 for the project. Dave and Al C. will meet to evaluate the boards on the top level for possible replacement. A motion was made to approve \$400 for Dave Scorse's cross-bracing project. The motion was approved by vote.

Trap – No more events for the year. The machine is there if people know how to use it.

Skeet Range – When you unlock the sheds, please bring the keys back right away.

Sporting Clays Course – All the machines have been set up for this weekend's (11/5 and 6) Hunter's Tour.

Shady Range – Rifle Range – Al Castrechino - Please pick up after yourself. No additions or news.

**Club Calendar** – 10 Stand and Hunters Tour - November 5 & 6 – 19 volunteers for Saturday, 13 for Sunday. Breakfast at 6:30am.

**Preserve Report** – Dave Isaac not present. Nick spoke to Dave earlier, nothing to report, all OK

**Camp Rushford** – Nick wanted to remind new members (especially) to consider kids who could be potential campers in 2023. Kids ages 12 – 17. Grandchildren maybe. Contact any board member for information.

**Mon Co Conservation Council, SCOPE, NYSR&PA, NRA** – Chris Wiest – Orange requirements for hunting applies to hunting on club grounds. Remember the safety harness if you use a tree stand. Tuesday, 11/8 is election day. Make sure you vote. Encourage family and friends to vote, too. Remember the proposition on the back of the ballot.

**Old Business** – Sign in – write legibly – List where you are going especially now with hunting season. Give us a general idea please.

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**New Business** – Nick H.

**Constitution Revision** – Bruce Newell has added several comments and updates. Need the committee to make revisions. Once revisions are finalized, the proposed constitution will be posted for members to review and make comments. After the two months a vote of the members can take place.

**New Card reader on the club house door**– Issues or questions? No issues brought up by members present.

**Hangover Shoot** – New Years is on Sunday can't shoot before 1pm on Sundays. "Pre-Hangover" Shoot, 12/31, Is also a hunter's tour date. Members proposed a Post-hangover shoot on 1/7/23. Food? No resolution. Tabled to board meeting.

Remember to return keys when through (skeet range and garage). Another good reason to sign in legibly!

**Road Work** – Ideas – Culvert Cleanout – Trying to avoid another flood on the driveway. As you roll past the culverts on the driveway, please slow down and look for obstructions.

One of our members; Dale Cummings, passed October 29th.

Some discussion was held regarding a "Silent Guns" post in the News Notes. Members seemed generally in favor of the idea.

Reminder: All ranges are closed during Club Sponsored Shoots.

New members: Please stop by the club to pick up your name tag. There are several hanging on the board.

Waivers – Nick found some new signed waivers this week that are illegible. Please write so we can read the names.

**Members use the white sheets; guests are to use the colored sheets.**

**New president needed in 2023.** Nick is adamant that it's someone else's turn. Who is willing to step up?

**Quartermaster** – changes to the news notes contact list, Doug Baker is taking over from Dave Beehner.

Many thanks to Dave Beehner for his many years as Quarter Master. One of the many unheralded jobs at the Club. Thank you, Dave, for keeping us well supplied with snacks and beverages all these years.

50 – 50 Drawing – Andy Bansbach goes home with a few extra \$\$ - Refreshments, thanks John Lyon.

Motion to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup>, vote, approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

## Board of Directors Meeting November 17, 2022

**Call to Order** - Nick Hardie – 7:01pm

Board Members present: Nick Hardie, Ron Breslawski, Frank Petricone, Tim Daily, Dave Scorse, Dan Carlson, John Lyon.

Guests to the BOD meeting: North Star Members Stu Hanson, Rich Iuppa, and Bruce Newell. Also present were 8 prospective members noted below.

**Secretary's Report** – Dan Carlson - The club sent a condolence card to the family of Dale Cummings News Notes, new order. Will be published following this meeting per new practice.

**Membership Report** – Ron Breslawski - New prospective members Present Colton Mattle, Patrick Blakely, Bill Slowig, Nick Iuppa, Jeremy Allen, Sharon Campbell, Jeremy Toeper, Michael Geiger. After each prospective member had a minute to introduce themselves and take questions they were dismissed for a discussion. Motion to accept all en bloc was made and seconded, approved by vote. Each prospective member was then called in and welcomed to membership.

**Treasurer's Report** – Nick Hardie for Harry Reiter (Harry had submitted a written report).  
November Income: \$4,731. Expenses: \$1,245. See Harry's report for details.  
Harry's report also includes income and expenses from the 11/5, 11/6 Hunter's Tour.  
Motion to approve report was made, seconded, and approved by vote

**Orientation checklist:** Nick Hardie, List is being finalized. Hope to have it ready before the next general meeting. Need to hold orientation for the 8 new members received today.

**Buildings, Grounds, and Equipment** – Frank Petricone – Snowplow blades have been attached to the tractors. Please don't park on the grass. You'll leave ruts. The roof of the chalet needs to be cleaned. Could be a good springtime project. Need to get the ATV serviced. Tim asked Frank to make the appointment and Tim will use his trailer to deliver it.

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## **Ranges and Archery** – Frank P.

Archery – Targets have been covered. Just lift the covers and use them. Please pick up sticks as you walk about.

Ten Stand – Operational (lower deck). All traps seem to be working well.

Skeet Range – Please clean them housed out and sweep on occasion. Please check for mouse nests being built in the house. Frank has placed some repellent scent in each house

Sporting Clays Course – Please move branches and sticks off the path as you walk about. This will help clearing snow.

Trap range – Operational. Please call Frank if you want to learn to use it.

Rifle Range – Please sweep up your brass, shells, and wadding. Pull your used targets off the target boards.

Shady Range – Please pick up your brass and trash.

**Club Safety and Security** – Outside lock for kitchen door – Dave is doing research on replacing the door, so we have a mechanical back up for entrance to the club house.

**Preserve** – Dave Issac – Dave was not present – no report.

**Misc Reports** - Adopt-A-Highway, Camp Rushford, etc. Nick H. informed the newer members of the Camp Rushford scholarship opportunities.

## **Old Business** – Nick H.

- a. Constitution revisions – On the Website – Bruce Newell Comments -
- b. Liability Waiver – for guests and individuals – For club members it's the white sheets, for guests it's the brightly colored sheets on the desk in the clubhouse.
- c. Dead trees around pavilion and course – communication for tree work – Please do NOT take down any trees by yourself. Have a friend or two help. We will need to take some trees down around the clubhouse and driveway. A work party could be planned for after the ground freezes.

## **New Business** –Nick H.

- a. The new lock on the main door is a bit tight. When you open the main door, push in a bit before opening.
- b. Holiday Shoot – Post holiday shoot on January 7<sup>th</sup>. There is a Hunters' Tour event on 12/31 and 1/1. We held a discussion about serving food. Consensus that we rarely make money by serving food (John L.). Maybe some snacks: coffee and donuts.
- c. Charge for window stickers. The board discussed charging a fee for new North Star window stickers. We have never charged before. We just need to be

diligent to get them out: especially if a vehicle is sold or traded.

- d. Heavy shot issue on the sporting clays issue has not been rectified. Please don't use anything heavier than 7 ½ shot.
- e. New discussion regarding club sponsored shoots. Do we allow hunting during those? Should all venues be closed including the grounds for hunting? Discussion held regarding adding a section to the Ground Rules portion of the Constitution.
- f. Bruce Newell – Bruce suggests that there should be no political or personal advertising on the club grounds. Suggests adding something to the club Constitution or By-laws. If we have some advertisings, how do we and where do we draw the lines? Discussion held. No resolution.

MISCELLANEOUS: New President for next year  
Meeting adjourned through motion and vote. 8:15pm.

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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:

Current planned dates (all 4PM to dusk, or when shooters are finished)

Thurs 9/8 and 9/22

Thurs 10/13 and 10/27

Contact Frank Petricone for more information

### Hunter's Tour:

February 4 & 5

## Officers & Coordinators

President	Nick Hardie	766-9343
VP1 Membership	Ron Breslawski	964-2217
VP2 Communication	Dave Scorse	225-7463
Treasurer	Harry Reiter	392-7986
Secretary	Dan Carlson	509-4793
Director (1 <sup>st</sup> yr)	Al Castrechino	330-8562
Director (2 <sup>nd</sup> yr)	Tim Daily	455-9100
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	Tom Sime	747-7247
Archery	Dan Spencer	352-8706
Hunters Tour	Dan Sperr	749-1416
Hunter Safety	Doug Riva	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	David 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](http://www.northstarsportsmansclub.org)

NYS Pistol Permit Renewal: [NYS troopers site](#)

NRA: [www.nra.org](http://www.nra.org)

LPWA: [www.lakeplainswaterfowl.homestead.com](http://www.lakeplainswaterfowl.homestead.com)

SCOPE: [www.scopeny.org](http://www.scopeny.org)

NYS Rifle & Pistol Assn: [www.nysrpa.org](http://www.nysrpa.org)

Hunters Tour: [www.hunterstour.org](http://www.hunterstour.org)

NYS Conservation Council: [www.nyscc.com](http://www.nyscc.com)

DEC/Camp Rushford: [www.dec.ny.gov/education/29.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/education/29.html)

Handgun reciprocity info: [www.usacarry.com](http://www.usacarry.com)

[www.keepandbeararms.com](http://www.keepandbeararms.com)

[www.gunweek.com](http://www.gunweek.com)

[www.womensshooters.com](http://www.womensshooters.com)

[www.ussportsmen.org](http://www.ussportsmen.org)

[www.saf.org](http://www.saf.org)