



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



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## General Meeting January 5, 2023

Call to Order – 7:29pm

**Pledge of Allegiance** – Moment of Silence observed in respect for those protecting our Freedoms and Safety

**Guests** – No guests recognized.

**Secretary's Report** – Dan Carlson – Nothing to report.

**Treasurer's Report** – Harry Rieter – December income \$2463.16 Expenses \$4422.57, major income \$1,400 new member dues, major expense \$2,000 preserve birds. Motion to accept was made and 2<sup>nd</sup>. Passed by vote.

**Membership** – Ron Breslawski – We accepted 8 new members last month. BOD approved 4 more for life membership at December meeting.

**Bldg. and Grounds** – Frank Petricone – Time to take tree stands down. The Polaris side by side will go to Maddie's for service on 1/20/23. The club road is in rough shape, please slow down and stay off the grass with your vehicles. Driving on the grass just makes a bigger mess. Trees have fallen around the property, be aware of broken branches overhead. The chainsaw in the barn uses a gas/oil mixture, use the oil in the small bottles by the chainsaw. Check and fill the bar oil reservoir before using.

If you don't know how to use and maintain the saw, please ask for help. Dan Spencer and son have already taken several trees down. Thanks, Dan.

**Archery** – no report

**10 Stand** – Dave Scorse will procure bracing for the 10 Stand and a new lock for the kitchen door, both to be addressed in the Spring

**Skeet Range** – If you use the range, please sweep up and fill the trap when you leave.

**Sporting Clays Course** – 16 trappers are signed up. Bring your gun to shoot as well. Breakfast for workers at 6:30. The shoot is scheduled to start at 8:30.

**Shady Range** – There are targets in the shed. Please use one and leave the rest. Leave the permanent ones up and in place.

**Preserve Report** – Dave Isaac - 54 birds left in the contract for the year. They are all paid for.

**Camp Rushford** – Nick H. - Registration opens March 5 at 1:00PM (11 to 17 yrs.). If you know anyone who qualifies, direct them to the info on the bulletin board. The link is on the club website. If you'd like the club to sponsor your child, call Nick. You will pay up front, then the club will reimburse you the cost of tuition. The camps fill up fast.

**Mon Co Conservation Council, SCOPE, NYSR&PA, NRA** – Chris Wiest – Good news – Red flag laws are falling, unconstitutional. Only a doctor would be able to file a complaint. Bad news – NY Concealed Carry Improvement act. Was deemed unconstitutional but that opinion was given a stay. Appeal made to the USSC – no movement. On January 9<sup>th</sup> is the next hearing in Federal District Court. Check out the SCOPE website for further details.

**Club Calendar** – Upcoming club events: 2/4-5/23 Hunter's Tour - 3/18/23 St. Patrick's Day Shoot

**New Business** – Constitution Revision – Final Revised draft is posted on Website. The vote will occur at the March membership meeting. Frank P. has also printed a copy and left it on the bulletin board at the club house. The vote to ratify the revisions will be held at the March meeting. Approval needs a majority vote by the members present at that Meeting.

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**Election of Officers:** Pete McCann proposed a slate of nominees at the December meeting.

President – Ron Breslawski

1<sup>st</sup> VP – Membership Ed Breslawski

2<sup>nd</sup> VP – Communication – Dave Scorse

Treasurer – Harry Reiter

Secretary – Dan Carlson

Field Captain – Frank Petricone

1<sup>st</sup> Year Director – John Lyon

All were unopposed. A motion was made to allow the secretary to cast one vote for each of the nominees. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved by vote. Congratulations to all the new board members for 2023.

Check out the “Links” section on the Club’s website, lots of valuable and interesting information.

**New Club Card reader** – Issues or questions? Push In on the door as you swipe your card.

**Chalet Roof Repair / Replace** – Remove Tree – Rich Iuppa – Been inspected. Likely to need a professional to take the tree down with a bucket truck.

Service Work on ATV has been completed.

**Quarter Master Change-** Doug Baker is assuming the duties of quartermaster. – Thanks, Doug!

Remember to return the keys to the Clubhouse for skeet and the barn when you use them.

All Ranges and activities will be closed during Club Sponsored Shoots. This new rule is part of the new revisions to the club Constitution.

Special Use permit inspection January 10<sup>th</sup> 0800. Please try to keep the club clean. Thanks to Mr. Aiello for all your help!!

If you are a new member, please stop by and pick up your name tags.

Clean up after your dog(s). Several complaints of “deposits” around the Clubhouse.

Waivers – use the colored sheet for guests, white sheets for members. Please make sure the names are legible on the sheet. Andy’s daughter has been entering into a database. Please make it easy for her to read the name of your guests. You only need to fill out the waiver one time.

Motion to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup>, approved by vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:14pm.

50 – 50 Drawing - Refreshments

## Board of Directors Meeting January 19, 2023

Call to Order: 7:04pm, Nick Hardie

Board members present: Nick Hardie, Harry Reiter, Dan Carlson, Ron Breslawski, Dave Scorse, Frank Petricone, Al Castrechino.

Guests: Tim Hull from the Carpenter’s Union. Has requested to reserve the club on September 16<sup>th</sup>. See notes below.

John Caloritis – prospective new member.

Secretary's Report – Dan Carlson – Both Jeff B. and Bruce N. are both on vacation for parts of the next two weeks. News Notes will most likely not be published until after the February 2 meeting.

Membership Report – Ron Breslawski – Ron introduced guest John Caloritis – a prospective member. John shared a short biography. A Motion was made to accept John into membership, 2<sup>nd</sup>, approved by vote.

Treasurer's Report – Harry Reiter – January Income – \$2,806, Expenses - \$3,291.05. Harry’s report also included a summary of the post-Holiday shoot. Total income from the shoot was \$2,806 and total expenses was \$1,164.75.

Buildings, Grounds, and Equipment – Frank Petricone - The side by side is going to Matties’ for service on 1/20.

Ranges - Sporting Clays Course – New traps. Frank received quotes for new Lincoln machines on the sporting clays course. Frank would like to start replacing the Pro-Matic machines and put them back at the 10-stand. The quote includes a full remote system for all the machines. Most all other clubs in the Hunter’s Tour are wireless.

Frank plans to bring this up at the next general meeting. Discussion was held regarding a phase in approach or a replace all now approach. At the General Meeting, 2/2, Frank will propose approving the full quote for 4 Lincoln machines, 4 carts, and transmitters and receivers to convert all machines on the clays course to remote

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operation was \$22,489.76. There will likely be some additional expense for lumber and covers for the traps. The whole project could likely be completed for \$23,000 or less.

Club Safety and Security – Outside lock for kitchen door – Project still on the table.

Preserve – Dave Isaac – Dave was not present, but he sent a report to Nick. It seems most interest in the preserve has dropped off quite a bit. Birds have been used for the year and the normal supplier is out for the season. The pen is empty and will likely stay that way until fall.

Misc Reports - Adopt-A-Highway, Camp Rushford, etc. – No updates.

Club Calendar – February 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Hunter's Tour – March 18 St Patrick's Day shoot

Old Business –  
Constitution revisions – On the Website – please review it.

Dead trees around pavilion and course and over the chalet. Project still on the table.

New Business –  
Carpenter's Shoot September 16<sup>th</sup> (proposed date pending the schedule of the Hunter's Tour). Nick recognized guest Tim Hull who is a friend of Dave Scorse. Tim is imagining a sporting clays event that is comprised of four man teams where everyone pre-registers and would hope for 80 shooters. Tim said their events usually include a cookout/banquet and this would most likely be catered. This would be their first time doing a sporting clays shoot. The event could start at 9:30am. Since pre-registration is required if the numbers get larger than 72, Tim will need to schedule a second relay 90 minutes later. The plan would be to have each station manned by a trapper. The BOD asked Tim to close registration in August. BOD quoted Tim an anticipated charge of \$17 per shooter fees and 50 person minimum. The union will collect money ahead and the treasurer will issue the club a check.

Reminder – The Ranges are closed during Club Shoots.

Nick received an email from the NRA for free membership for Active Duty Members of the US Armed Forces. Dan Carlson has the information if anyone is interested.

Rochester Rifle Club is doing a prone series this spring. Dan Carlson will follow up with more information on this at the February general meeting.

## MISCELLANEOUS:

Post – holiday shoot after action report –

Future club shoots should serve breakfast from 7:00 – 7:30. There was a lot of downtime between set-up and the first shooters arriving.

Should we schedule shifts for shoots? A discussion was held regarding signing up for the day, notifying Frank of need to leave, listing hours on the sign-up sheet, and the mix of squadded trappers and station assigned trappers. What's the best approach for the future? Maybe list hours on your sign up: four hours, six hours, all day. Maybe man each station until noon? Then squad for those who can stay. Schedule ½ day sign-ups.

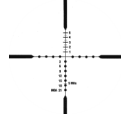
Special Use permit for 2022 – 23. The clubhouse has been inspected and the process has been completed and paid for.

Meeting adjourned at 8:47pm.

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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

### Hunter's Tour:

February 4 & 5

### St. Patrick's Day shoot:

March 18

## 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 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	Doug Baker	
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](http://www.nyspsa.org)

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

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