



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



General Meeting February 1, 2024

Call to Order – Ron Breslawski – 7:34pm
Pledge of Allegiance – Moment of Silence – With special thoughts for recently passed life member Shaker Knapp.
Introduction of Guests – None recognized.

Secretary's Report – Dan Carlson – News Notes - available after BOD meeting

Treasurer's Report - Harry Reiter - January income \$3769.35, big income was the post-holiday shoot \$2990.75. Expenses \$4292.27. Big expenses were all part of club administration (\$2467.20) for property taxes, special use permit, and more. Harry also filed a Post Holiday shoot report. Net income (after expenses) from the shoot was \$1892.25. A motion to approve the reports was made, 2nd, and approved by vote.

Harry is working on the budget proposal for the next fiscal year. He solicited the members present if anyone has any major items that need to be purchased in the next fiscal year.

Dave Scorse mentioned a land plane – a box that you drag behind a tractor that grades the dirt driveway and fills in the holes. Bentley Brothers has one at approx. \$2600 plus tax. Due to the relative inexpense of the A motion was made to have Dave spend up to \$3000 to purchase the land plane.

Committee Reports

Membership – Ed Breslawski – New members – Sent out 25 letters, 6 responded affirmatively, 3 said no. Working on the list of people who applied in 2021.
New Life Members – No new life member applications.

Bldg and Grounds – Frank Petricone – some trees came down on the clays course paths. They have been cut up and or moved. Frank would like to move some machines on the course. Please call Frank and he will set up a work detail. If you don't know how to run the club equipment – especially the chain saws – please ask someone to show you.

Range reports & Club Safety – Frank Petricone – Field Captain

Archery – Dan Spencer-
10 Stand – Frank Petricone- He will be here Saturday morning at 8:30 to open and shoot the 10-stand.
Skeet Range – all appears operational.
Sporting Clays Course – operational.
Shady Range – no updates.
Trap Range – operational, no updates.
Rifle Range – no updates.

Club Calendar – - St. Patty's Day shoot March 16th. Look for flyers to be coming out soon. Invite your friends and co-workers. We will not be advertising in the paper. Nick H. will send a copy of the flyer to Jeff Baugher to post it on the website.

Ron Mentioned the loss of Shaker Knapp. Funeral calling hours on Friday, 2/2. The service is on Saturday, 2/3. Nick H. wanted to confirm the addition of recently departed members.

- We will be making updates to the Silent Guns plaque soon.

-Hunter tour @NSSC April 13th & 14th.

Hunter tour "5-person team shoot off" @NSSC June 1st&2nd

Hunter's Tour – Dan Sperr - invited everyone to come out and shoot with the group.

Preserve Report – Dave Isaac – Their current supplier of birds might be retiring next year. The preserve might need to find a new supplier. They also might increase the size of the current pen so we can order more birds in the future. The preserve will be completed with the season on April 15th or earlier.

Camp Rushford – Apply when possible. The website is now available and taking applications. If anyone is interested, call Ron B. for approval, then the club will re-imburse your application fees.

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Mon Co Conservation Council, SCOPE, NYSR&PA, NRA – Frank P. brought a flyer from SCOPE. He left it on the table for everyone to read.

Old Business – Contact Doug Baker or Chris Griggs about new NSSC Apparel. Doug showed off a shooting vest that Frank ordered and had it embroidered.

Most up-to-date constitution with recent amendments posted on website thanks to Jeff Baugher.

New Business – Fire extinguisher inspection is due. Nick Hardie will take care of it unless someone else has contacts that will be helpful.

Ron Ahern asked if anyone knew an FFL dealer to order bullets for reloading. He tried to order some online from a company in OH and they wouldn't ship without sending them to an FFL. Members present offered him several options.

50/50 won by John Lyon

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 8:15pm. The motion was 2nd and approved by vote.

REFRESHMENTS

Notes and/or Comments: Please wear your name tags to the meetings, Thank you

Upcoming Events: - St. Patty's Day shoot March 16th 2

Board of Directors Meeting February 15, 2024

Call to Order – 7:00pm by VP Ed Breslawski

Board Members present: Ed Breslawski, Dave Scorse, Tim Daily, Frank Petricone, Al Castrechino.

Guests present: Prospective members Daniel Sassone, Michael Lobene, Philip Kent, Scott Alloco, and Kyle Reger. Guest speaker: Jeff Buttermann from Freedom Guide Dogs (and his wife).

Secretary's Report – **Dan Carlson** could not be present and did not submit a report.

Treasurer's Report - **Harry Reiter** could not be present and did not submit a report.

Membership Report – **Ed Breslawski** - New members- Daniel Sassone, Michael Lobene, Philip Kent, Scott Alloco and Kyle Reger. A motion was made by Frank Petricone to accept all the new members, seconded by Al Castrechino. The motion was carried unanimously.

Buildings, Grounds, and Equipment – **Tim Daily** – Reminded everyone that the driveway is in rough shape. Stay tuned for announcements of upcoming work opportunities.

Ranges – Field Captain- **Frank Petricone** – Archery – no report.

Ten Stand – No report.

Skeet Range – no report.

Sporting Clay's course – Frank has been clearing fallen trees and large branches.

Trap range – no report.

Rifle Range – Please pick up after yourself. Please strip targets from the backers. They peel off in the weather and Frank has been picking up lots of trash. This should NOT be Frank's job.

Shady Range – Clayton Eckerd – There are some dead trees that need to be removed. Clayton will head up that work detail.

Club Safety and Security – Watch for hanging limbs and falling trees on the clays course. Call Frank if you see any that need to be cut down or removed. If you use the wood stove in the clubhouse, please shut it down so the dampers and flue are closed. If you are not sure, please ask for help.

Preserve – No updates.

New Business –

Fire extinguishers are due to be inspected. Nick Hardie gathered quotes.

Al Castrechino asked if we would like to serve food at the shoots again. The discussion was tabled to the next board meeting when more members are present.

Dave Scores brought up tearing down the old rifle range and building a new one the height of the addition on the east end. He will gather a quote for the cost of materials for the project.

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Ed Breslawski spoke to the Hamlin highway superintendent about potentially cleaning out the creek (especially where it goes under Walker Lake Ontario Rd). The short version is it is not possible because it deals with federal wetlands and a permit could be submitted for review by the Feds if there is a physical damn built, but nothing will be permitted for the removal of any single one tree down, no matter how many single trees lay across. This discussion occurred because our club's driveway floods with excessive snow melt or rain.

Jeff Butterman from Freedom Guide Dogs and his wife attended the meeting. The club used to donate proceeds from the hangover shoot to this organization back in the '90s. Duke Kimmel was the contact then. The Butterman's asked if it was something the club possibly would be interested in doing again. These guide dogs are given exclusively to veterans: free of charge. The price to raise a dog is approximately \$25,000. They're looking for anything at all to help. The Board will bring it up at the general meeting to see if it's something that the membership is interested in doing, or potentially even putting a donation jar at the shoot sign up at the St Patty's Day shoot. Possibly doing a 50/50 at the shoot for the benefit was another idea.

Motion to adjourn was made by Dave Scorse, 2nd by Frank P and approved unanimously.

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ST. PATRICK'S DAY SHOOT

SATURDAY MARCH 16, 2024



- 50 Sporting Clays Targets
- European Start at 8:30 AM
- Last Squad Out At 2:30 PM
- \$17 Per Shooter
- Free For Shooters 17 And Under When Accompanied By An Adult
- Liability Waiver Required If Not Already On File
- Coffee And Donuts Available For Purchase



Check <http://northstarsportsmansclub.org/> if weather threatens.

Safety First

Eye & Ear Protection Is Required
Maximum Shot Size 7^{1/2}



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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

St Patrick's Shoot:

March 16

Hunter's Tour:

Apr 13 & 14 and Jun 1 & 2

Officers & Coordinators

President	Ron Breslawski	964-2217
VP1 Membership	Ed Breslawski	831-0645
VP2 Communication	Dave Scorse	225-7463
Treasurer	Harry Reiter	392-7986
Secretary	Dan Carlson	509-4793
Director (1 st yr)	John Lyon	727-2535
Director (2 nd yr)	Al Castrechino	330-8562
Director (3 rd yr)	Tim Daily	455-9100
Field Captain	Frank Petricone	456-8824
Sporting Clays	Frank Petricone	456-8824
Preserve	David Isaac	638-5305
10 Stand	Frank Petricone	456-8824
Skeet	Don Franklin	727-0478
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	Doug Baker	880-2895
Key Card issues	Sean Keenan	509-2814
NSSC database	Bruce Newell	705-1835

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Webmaster Jeff Baugher 227-8797

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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: 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