



# North Star Sportsman's Club

## PO Box 212, Hilton, NY 14468



### General Meeting May 2, 2024

Call to Order - Ron Breslawski – 7:32pm  
Pledge of Allegiance – Moment of Silence for our departed members and service members.  
Introduction of Guests – No guests present.

Secretary's Report – Dan Carlson – News Notes - available after BOD meeting. Jeff won't be able to publish June News Notes on time. Dan presented two options: someone contact Jeff and learn FTP or notes get published in July, Dan will share the notes with Bruce, and they'll get distributed as a document attached to the monthly member letter.

Treasurer's Report - Harry Reiter - Income for April \$29,663.06 expenses \$3,981.65. The biggest income item was dues (\$23,790) which included annual dues and 8 new members. The largest expense item was equipment which included the road leveler, fuel, and service to the chain saws.

Harry also sent in a separate report for the Hunter's Tour shoot (4/13 and 14). The income was \$3134, expenses \$1264 and the net income for the shoot was \$1870. A motion was made to approve the report, 2<sup>nd</sup>, approved by vote.

#### Committee Reports

**Membership** – Ed Breslawski – New members – Six of our newest members were in attendance and introduced themselves. Welcome!  
A new Life Member has been accepted – Brett Oliphant.

**Bldg and Grounds** – Frank Petricone – If you use the club's equipment, please treat it well. The chain saw needed to be repaired and sharpened. There is fuel for the string trimmers. They require 50/50 mix, please use the correct fuel. You are welcome to bring your own string trimmers if you prefer. Great way to get work hours. Thanks to Ed Breslawski for removing three stumps adjacent to the parking lot.

Mike Kirchgessner – conferred with Dave Isaac about replacing the boiler in the club house. Depending on the model it would be close to \$5000 with no labor fees. Discussion was tabled until the next board meeting.

**Range reports & Club Safety** – Frank Petricone – Field Captain – Frank has placed two clay machines out near the rifle range. Please take care of them. They are placed there temporarily to make a new station for the Hunter's Tour. Please work around them and take care of them.

Tuesday April 9<sup>th</sup> work detail, 0800 hrs.

Archery – Dan Spencer – The archery range is set up. Use it!

10 Stand - Frank Petricone- Thanks to all those who came out to shoot 10-stand before the meeting tonight.

Skeet Range – No updates.

Sporting Clays Course – Frank Petricone- work parties will be held on May 27 and 28<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 each morning.

Need to set the traps for the Hunter's Tour

Shady Range – Clayton Eckerd- Operational – Clayton hung new cardboard and re-painted the rubber backers.

Please take care of the range.

Trap Range – Frank Petricone- Operational – Use it.

Rifle Range – Frank – Tom Sime repaired target backers and stacked them down with an orange peg. Don't shoot the orange pegs! Please pull your paper targets down when you are done.

#### Club Calendar –

- May 15<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> – Open 10-stand starting at 4pm.

- May 27 and 28<sup>th</sup> – Work parties to set the sporting clays course for the Hunter's Tour. Each starts at 8AM.

-Hunter tour “5-person team shoot off” @NSSC June 1<sup>st</sup>&2<sup>nd</sup>

**Member Appreciation Day** – Pete McCann – shooting is half price that day – Looking at August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Pete asked if we should do it? The majority of those present voted yes. Pete will start to work on it including the chicken dinner.

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**Hunter's Tour** – Dan Sperr – Only two more regular shoots and then the 5-person event here. There are 20 shoots throughout the year, you need to attend 10 of them to get in on the awards at the end of the season.

**Preserve Report** – No updates.

**Camp Rushford** – Apply when possible. It's all done online.

**Mon Co Conservation Council, SCOPE, NYSR&PA, NRA** – Pete McCann discussed a proposed NYS Senate bill that shooting ranges must have specific distances for their ranges. Pete will follow up with Chris Weist to see if he has more information on it.

**Old Business** – Contact Doug Baker or Chris Griggs about new NSSC Apparel. There is some apparel in the club house that is available for purchase.

The most up-to-date constitution with recent amendments is posted on our website.

**New Business** – Dues notices have been sent out. Pay your dues ASAP. They were due on May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Proposal from the board to purchase two traps for the sporting clays course. A motion was brought from the last board meeting to purchase two new Lincoln traps and spend up to \$8000. Dan Sperr raised the motion at the general meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dom M. During discussion the motion was amended to purchase one standard and one midi trap. And the motion was amended to spend up to \$9000 with trailers, and remotes. After much discussion, the motion was brought to vote and carried. No one expressed opposition.

Frank Petricone – Received quotes for a new load of clay targets – \$24,730.90 for 23 pallets of birds. If we order the birds now, they can be delivered in August. Frank made a motion to spend up to \$25,000 to purchase 23 pallets of clay birds. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dan Sperr. Motion carried by vote, none recorded as opposed.

Port-a- john. \$150 per month to rent one. Should we get one here for our big events to place out near the chalet. Discussion tabled for the next meeting.

Ron Breslawski shared a letter he received. The club received an offer to purchase 16 acres of our land but did not express an intended purpose for their use. There was a general consensus among the members that we are not interested in pursuing a sale.

A member asked Georger Reese about the Adopt a Highway program. He would like to take over the project if we put him in touch with the Town Highway department. Ron will get him the relevant information.

50/50 won by Jerome Epps.

A motion to adjourn was made and, 2<sup>nd</sup> and approved by vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:34pm.

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

**Upcoming Events:** - Hunter's Tour here June 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## Board of Directors Meeting May 16, 2024

Call to Order 7:03. Ed Breslawski

Board members present: Ed Breslawski, Harry Reiter, Frank Petricone, Clayton Eckerd, Dave Scorse, Dan Carlson, Al Castrechino.

Prospective Members present: John Guest.

Membership: Ed Breslawski – 1 new prospective member showed up to introduce himself. The board members got to ask questions. Motion to accept him was made by Frank P, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Clayton Eckerd, motion passed by vote. No one recorded as opposed. Club members took time to introduce themselves.

Life member request from Joseph Recco. Motion to approve was made by Clayton Eckerd, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Al Castrechino. Motion approved by vote.

Secretary's Report – **Dan Carlson** News Notes will be published after the BOD meeting.

Treasurer's Report - **Harry Reiter** – Income for May so far: \$7047.97. Biggest income item is dues so far \$6035.00. Expenses so far in May \$11657.04. Big expense so far \$11000 for new supply of clay targets. The vendor initially quoted us the wrong price, so the price is different from what was presented at the May 2 General meeting. Motion to approve by Frank 2<sup>nd</sup> by Al, motion carried by vote.

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With the cost of targets increasing from last year, a discussion was held regarding raising the sporting clays price and 10 stand to \$10 for juniors, \$15 for members and \$20 for guests. Motion by Frank 2<sup>nd</sup> by Clayton, approved by vote.

**Buildings, Grounds, and Equipment – Frank Petricone –**  
The side-by-side Polaris will be going to the store for service after the Hunter's tour 5 man shoot. Likely will be gone for a week or two. There is also a large gash in the front left tire. It might need to be replaced.

The Chain saw is broken. Frank took it in for repairs. Frank could not get it to work, it is potentially a drive gear issue. There is currently no chain saw on the property right now. If you need to remove a tree either call Frank for help or use your own chainsaw.

If you use the tractor, please replace the pad underneath the hydraulics to prevent spills of hydraulic fluid. Frank cleaned out the pheasant pen. Thanks Frank.

Need to replace the boiler. The board will be working with Dave Isaac to find a quote for a model with 80 % efficiency.

Frank made a motion last month to purchase two new Lincoln traps. Frank would rather table the purchase of the traps until after completion of the boiler project. The boiler has significantly higher priority.

The string trimmers are all working. Please use the correct fuel. The clays course needs some help.

**Ranges – Field Captain- Frank Petricone**

Archery – Frank P. - Ready to use.

Ten Stand – Frank Petricone Open shoot days. May 30 from 4pm until dark. June 6<sup>th</sup>, 4pm until general meeting time. June 19<sup>th</sup> 4pm until dark.

Skeet Range – nothing to report.

Sporting Clay's course – Frank Petricone – A workday will be held on May 28<sup>th</sup>. Not the 27<sup>th</sup> 8:00am the course will be closed to shooters. Get ready for Hunter's tour.

Trap range — No updates.

Rifle Range – Frank P. – use sighted fire. Take your time, practice good marksmanship.

Shady Range – Clayton Eckerd – no updates.

Club Safety and Security – no updates.

Preserve – Dave Isaac not present – the pen needs to be enlarged. We are waiting on cost estimates. Needs to be large enough to hold about 50 birds. Money should come from the preserve. Discussions should include Dave Isaac.

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

Club Calendar –

Hunter's Tour – “5-person team shoot off” @NSSC June 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Club members can come and shoot, too. Members who have NOT been part of the Hunter's Tour and don't have at least 10 shoots in are only shooting for practice. Not for the club team. Members who participate will pay the Hunter's Tour prices.

Old Business –

Porta potty discussion - Ed Breslawski, \$250 /month for full ADA compatable, \$120 /month for lower cost model. Each includes regular weekly cleaning. Is there a monthly cleaning option? What options do we have if we own one? Dave will do some more research.

New Business –

Stone has been installed between station 11 and 12 on the clays course.

Clayton Eckerd– AED discussion. Two different leading vendors estimate \$1559 and \$1854. Both models have an 8-year shelf life. The cheaper one needs parts replaced every 2 years. This is the start of a discussion. There might be some monies available through Monroe County. People should be trained in both CPR and on the AED and there is likely a cost involved. We will continue to get more information and bring it up at the next general meeting.

Motion to adjourn made by Al C., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Frank P. meeting adjourned at 7:57pm.

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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

### Member Appreciation Day

Aug 3 Dinner around 5 PM. Half price shooting. You should have received a flyer from the club. No Member meeting in August. Remember to sign up so we know how much food to make!!

### Ten Stand Shoots:

May 30: 4PM – dusk

Contact Frank Petricone for more information

### Hunter's Tour:

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 <sup>st</sup> yr)	John Lyon	727-2535
Director (2 <sup>nd</sup> yr)	Al Castrechino	330-8562
Director (3 <sup>rd</sup> 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 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
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### Websites worth visiting

North Star: [www.northstarsportsmansclub.org](http://www.northstarsportsmansclub.org)

NYS Pistol Permit Renewal: [NYS troopers site](http://NYS troopers site)

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.womenshooters.com](http://www.womenshooters.com)

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

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