



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



General Meeting November 7, 2024

Call to Order – Ron Breslawski – 7:31pm

Pledge of Allegiance – Moment of Silence – In memory of Jack Cave, a life member who recently passed.

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

Treasurer's Report - Harry Reiter -
Report for October – Income \$4218.55. The big income item was from a sale of surplus archery targets - \$2000. Expenses \$5162.25. Big expense items are from the Preserve funds to purchase birds and bird food (\$2681.15) and building and grounds expenses (\$1030.60). A motion to accept the report was made by Dan Sperr, 2nd by John Lyon, carried by vote.

Committee Reports

Membership – Ed Breslawski – No new member activity but a new waiting list has been posted inside the club house today.

Bldg and Grounds – Clayton – nothing new to report.

Frank - If you see trees or limbs that are ready to fall or threatening, please let Frank know and he will have it taken care of. There is currently one on station 9. Please be careful until it is cut down.

Frank - Please close the lid in the porta-john. We don't want critters in it.

Range reports & Club Safety – Frank Petricone – Field Captain

Archery – Dan Spencer- Not much activity, it's Bow season after all!

10 Stand – Frank Petricone- Open shoots are over for 2024. Frank has a supply of 9-volt batteries in the club house. If you need help or can't find them, please call Frank.

Skeet Range – no report.

Sporting Clays Course – Frank Petricone- please disarm the machines when you are done. Please take care of your own shells.

Shady Range – Clayton Eckerd-.

Trap Range – Frank Petricone- The machine is in front of the 10 -stand. You are welcome to use it.

Rifle Range – Frank - please take down paper targets. They get blown over and all around.

Club Calendar – Hangover shoot – January 4th, 2025. Ron reached out to Freedom Guide dogs again to see if they wanted to join us.

Hunter's Tour – Dan Sperr-. North Star will host the league next on April 26th & 27th 2025. If you are interested in joining, call Dan. Next shoot this weekend,

Camp Rushford – openings for next spring on the website now.

Preserve Report – Dave Isaac – no report.

Adopt A Highway- George Roesse- October 5th. Four people showed up to adopt a highway, 8 bags of garbage were picked up. We'll do it again in the spring.

Mon Co Conservation Council, SCOPE, NYSR&PA, NRA – Chris Wiest – The results from Election Day said a lot. Not much has changed in NY. Deer in NYS have been diagnosed with chronic wasting disease and it appears to be getting closer to Monroe County. If you see really emaciated deer out there you might want to call DEC.

Old Business – Ron Breslawski - Some apparel located in club house on rack for purchase.

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Clayton Eckerd - The new AED has arrived. It will remain here in the club for now (on the cabinet by the bathrooms) and left right in the box. Clayton is exploring training options and purchasing a first aid kit or two. We will usually keep it on the side-by-side during the club wide shoots. He is likely to go to Grainger and planning to spend around \$300. Dan Sperr made a motion that we spend up to \$500 on a first aid kit and allow Clayton to use his discretion. 2nd by Al Castrechino. Discussion time was held. A member asked that it be portable to take in the tractor or the side by side. Motion carried by vote.

Dave Issacc. Planning to install the new boiler in the week of 11/11. Price estimate \$4384.58

Archery Target Shed Roof – Ron Breslawski has the measurements. He is going to put together an estimate.

The Wreath hanging in the club was donated by Pat Ahren. Thank you!

Ron B – received an unsolicited offer from an organization in Delaware to purchase a bit of our land for \$1800 (and change) per acre. The general feeling of the members was that it was a joke, and we'll just ignore it.

Nominations of new officers –

Al C. nominated Rick Sercu for his open board position. If anyone is interested in any of the positions that are up, contact a board member, Ron or Ed. The slate will be set in December. Election in January.

Frank P. raised a new discussion that the club would benefit by purchasing a backpack leaf blower. Bentley Bros have an Echo model available for \$701.99. Clayton made a motion and Dan Sperr 2nd it. Carried by vote, no one spoke up as proposed.

50/50 by Pat Ahrens.

Motion to adjourn by Doug Kimmel, 2nd by Ed Breslawski, Adjourned at 8pm.

Board of Directors Meeting November 21, 2024

Call to Order: 7:02 pm by Ron Breslawski.

Board members present: Ron Breslawski, Ed Breslawski, Frank Petricone, Harry Reiter, Clayton Eckerd, Dan Carlson, Dave Scorse, John Lyon,

Secretary's Report – Dan Carlson - No updates from the board. News notes will be published after the BOD meeting.

Treasurer's Report - Harry Reiter – November income so far was \$573.89. The biggest item was the black box for sporting clays (\$375). November expenses so far, \$1810.57 and the biggest expense item was equipment: new gas-powered blower and fuel/oil for other hand carried lawn equipment (\$786.99). John Lyon made a motion to accept the reports, motion 2nd by Clayton. Motion carried by vote.

Membership: Ed Breslawski –No new members. A new life member application was received from John Sanfilippo. John meets the basic qualifications. Motion to approve the request Frank P., 2nd by John Lyon, passed by vote.

Buildings, Grounds, and Equipment – Clayton Eckerd – Replacing target backers on shady range.

Frank P. – One of the pallet jacks is leaking hydraulic fluid. He might need to replace it if his repairs don't stick. He has been performing maintenance on the courses.

Frank - Sign in sheet – if you bring a guest please write their name down on the sheet: Not just “guest.” Be sure to complete the guest waiver as well. Ed will follow this up with an email.

Range Reports - Frank Petricone – Archery – no updates.

10 stand – Please remove your trash and shells from the fields when you are done. Please refill the machines with birds when you are done.

Frank swapped the batteries on the whole clays course and placed new 9-volt batteries in the remotes.

Skeet – Please remove your trash and shells from the fields when you are done.

Sporting clays – Please remove your trash and shells from the fields when you are done.

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Rifle range – pick up your own trash. Take your targets down when you are done.

Shady range – Clayton is doing repairs to the target backers. He won't leave targets up over the winter.

Club Safety and Security – Ed sent out an email after receiving a complaint about beer cans left at several location around the club and courses. He received responses that it was likely someone from the community who is not a member that is coming in to the club. This led to a discussion about a gate at the club entrance. Should we have a chain across the driveway? A gate with a chain and pad lock? Should we have an electric gate so people can access it without getting out of their vehicle? Should we continue to have beer in the clubhouse or get rid of it? This discussion was tabled and will be addressed at the next general membership meeting. However, in the meantime, Ed B. and Frank P. will solicit estimates for a gate and prices for various options.

Club Calendar – No big events currently on the calendar. Post-Holiday shoot 1/4/25.

Old Business –

Clayton E. purchased a first aid kit. He added a couple of tourniquets to the basic kit he purchased. It is in a red bag near the AED and next to the ladies' bathroom.

Preserve – Frank - Another delivery of birds came in and the pen is full. Preserve Members please come in and shoot some birds. The capture net should stay in the barn and DO NOT leave it in the pen.

New Business – Chris Griggs has agreed to be considered a nominee for the BOD.

Ed B. talked to a friend about a new lean-to to add space next to the barn to allow off-season storage. \$23,800 for a 16'x80' lean-to with a 10'x10' opening for an overhead door. This was for discussion only. The whole topic was tabled.

Harry R. – the health department did an inspection. The only issue was no backflow prevention on the mop sink faucet in the men's room. Dave will see if he can find one. Frank will help install it.

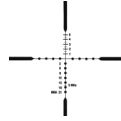
Clayton - Brush hog – the one we have might be too big, 7'. A member has suggested to Clayton we should buy a new 6' brush hog. Clayton went to Bentley Bros. and they have a 6' brush hog for \$4500. The board decided to pass on the suggestion. It would be easier to run the Brush hog more often or to run it high one day and run it lower the next time in a week or two. Ed has one that is a 15' brush hog that he runs often. The board decided it would be more cost effective to run the brush hog a couple times per year more frequently.

A motion to adjourn made by Dave Scorse, 2nd by Ed B. Motion was approved by vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm.

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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:

NSSC Dates:

April 26 & 27, 2025

See www.hunterstour.org for complete schedule

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)	Clayton Eckerd	734-8211
Director (2 nd yr)	John Lyon	727-2535
Director (3 rd yr)	Al Castrechino	330-8562
Field Captain	Frank Petricone	456-8824
Sporting Clays	Frank Petricone	456-8824
Preserve	David Isaac	638-5305
Bldg & Grounds	Clayton Eckerd	734-8211
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	George Roese	301-8035
<i>NewsNotes</i>	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
	db_manager@northstarsportsmansclub.org	
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