



Maspenock Rod & Gun Monthly

April 2018

MONTHLY UPDATES

After a moment of silence held for the members of the armed services, civil servants, sick club members, and deceased club members, the meeting was called to order by Vice President Dom Agostino. There were 44 members in attendance. There were 3 new members voted in. Welcome to Maspenock Peter Bastek, Edelson da Silva, and Dennis Laughlin.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Leo O'Rourke presented the report. There are a total of 507 members. The membership totals were adjusted for non-renewals.

TREASURER

Lloyd Currie presented the report.

RECORDING SECRETARY

Last month's minutes were sent for publication in The Sportsmen's News and made available for electronic distribution.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Buddy Mainini presented the report. The directors are still obtaining quotes for vinyl siding for the club. Other topics will be covered under the committees.

TRAP

Steve M. reported that April was a slow month due to a lot of wind and rain. This limited the number of shooters. He reported that Joe Aiken shot his first 25 straight. Steve requested permission for a range closure on October 21st for The Big Shot Shoot. This was approved by the membership. They are still shooting on Wednesdays and Sundays and new members are welcome to come up to use their 2 free rounds of clays during that time.

WORCESTER COUNTY LEAGUE

No Report.

RIFLE RANGE

Terry Thomas reported on the April shoot. He extended thanks to all who participated in today's match, especially Allan Sampson, Joe Bailey and Dave Kelson and Brett Hoffmeister who came early to setup, as well as everyone who helped with the cleanup and breakdown afterwards. Special thanks to Allan Sampson for using his truck to help with the setup/breakdown! Your willingness to help out makes these fun shoots possible and successful. "I can't express enough how grateful I am for your assistance!"

There was a great turnout, 13 shooters and 22 entries (two relays) – an especially good turnout considering it felt like February in

April - cold and windy! Congratulations to Bill Winnett for winning the Sport Class, and to John Warszawski for winning the Target Class – great shooting under trying conditions guys! The membership was asked for donations of any extra ear or eye protection they may have for the rifle range.

INDOOR/OUTDOOR PISTOL

Paul T. reported that they are still shooting the Indoor League and have one match left. They have only lost 2 matches this season in the Maspenock League and are undefeated in the Worcester County League. Paul welcomed a new member to the team, Steve M. Paul noted that the team is looking for more shooters and team members will be practicing on Wednesdays on the off season. Manny reported on the Air PTO that was held. This was the last match of the season. They had 2 successful seasons. There were 169 participants the first year and increased to 172 the second season.

FISH & GAME

Dewie reported on the Fishing Derbies held on April 28th & 29th. There were 26 children at the Kid's Derby. In the 1 to 5 year old category Firs prize was taken by Declan MacAlpine, Brianna Brossi took second and

Charlie Pokornicki took third. In the 6-10 year old category Isabella Batista took first, Joseph Pokornicki took second and Rebecca Shoucair took third. In the age 11- 15 category first place was taken by Megan Griffith, second by John Jordao and third by James Lachance. It was a great day of fishing for these young people. At the Adult Derby there were 18 participants. First place was taken by Colen Barry with the largest catch of the weekend event with a 17 ¾ inch trout, second by Shawn Griffith and third by Dan Iacovelli. Thank you to Adam Lavoie, Charlie and Debbie Morreale, Ed Davis, Ed Makin, Dewie Mann and Kathy Charzenski for helping during the event. Pat Cerullo was also acknowledged for his generous donation of prizes that are given to the children. He has done this for many years! The new shed was set up in time for the events. Thank you Dick Sharp, John Taddie, Bill Nelson and Lloyd Currie!



ENTERTAINMENT

Ed Davis reported that was one hall rental in May.

STRUCTURE AND GROUNDS

Bill Nelson reported that they are still looking for bids on the siding.

ARCHERY

Zack reported that he was approached by a member about working with the Girl Scouts on a project. He thanked all members who have been helping with clean up on the ranges after the storms.

SAFETY

Dave V. stated that there is NO shooting at anything other than approved targets. He reminded members to please shut the door to the indoor range when in use to ensure proper ventilation. Eye and ear protection is required on all ranges.

OLD BUSINESS

Ed M. spoke about the clam bake that will be held on September 15th. Volunteers will be needed and registration has begun. There is a sign-up sheet on line or see Ed M. to volunteer. If there are not enough volunteers the event will not be held. Deadline for sign-up is July 1st.

There was no By-Law vote as there were not enough members in attendance.

NEW-BUSINESS

Ed M. reported that there will be work parties held the third Saturday of every month. He will list the work to be done on the web site. Paul Y. reported on up-coming fundraising events the juniors would like to hold. The membership approved a dinner to be held on June 30th, a Comedy Night on November 3rd, a Gun Law Seminar on 7/21 and 9/22 and October 6th there will be a Red Cross Blood Donation. He is also working on a possible open house to showcase the club in a positive manor. He would like to invite local politicians and GOAL to this event. An appropriation was approved to purchase loam and another for plumbing expenses.

GOOD OF THE CLUB

A member in attendance won the monthly cash door prize.