

Maspenock Rod & Gun Monthly

February 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, especially Peter Bertolino, Leo Lucier and Luigi Cerendolo, the meeting was called to order by President Dick Zontini. There were over 50 members in attendance. There were 3 new members voted in. Welcome to Maspenock Yung Lee, Michael Peterson and Yi Xu.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Leo O'Rourke presented the report. Maspenock has 391 regular members, 103 Lifetime, 22 spouses, 9 military, 15 Junior Rifle, 6 students, and 2 juniors for a total of 548 members.

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. There were 2 director's meeting in February. They held an emergency meeting regarding the distribution of keys for the Director's Room. During the regular meeting they discussed work parties, junior storage, the parking lot, the liquor license and replacing windows and siding the club. A member of the Junior program had a reply to the inability to assess the junior equipment on February 13th. The juniors were told to find other storage options but were given a key at a later time. Unfortunately, the class on the 13th had to be cancelled. One of the directors rebutted the statement and told the membership he offered to open the room and get the equipment needed for that night's class. Topics will be covered under the committees.

TRAP

Steve M. reported that business is as usual on the range. 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. He asked for approval to hold a raffle as a fundraiser. This was approved. There will only be 100 tickets sold.

TRAPWORCESTER COUNTY LEAGUE

The club is still looking for delegates for WCL.

RIFLE RANGE

Terry Thomas reported there were no matches in February. The next match will be April 8th. He helped to make target frames. There are now 10 target frames. A reminder was made that no ground targets are allowed. Shooting is only allowed with targets posted on the approved frames.

INDOOR/OUTDOOR PISTOL

Leo reported that they are still shooting the Indoor League. They are still shooting on Wednesdays and Thursdays. All shooters, no matter the skill level, are invited to try their hand at pistol shooting. Thursday is the best night for this as Wednesdays are busy with the travel league. There are pistols available to try out. Manny reported on the Air PTO that was held. There were 30 competitors from 3 states. It was a good time.

FISH & GAME

Bill N. reported that the new shed was ordered and is in. The dates for the Fishing Derbies will be April 28th & 29th and will start at 8am. The ranges will be closed at noon those days.

ENTERTAINMENT

Ed Davis reported that there are no hall rentals coming up.

STRUCTURE AND GROUNDS

No report.

ARCHERY

No report.

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. Volunteers will be needed. There is a sign-up sheet on line or see Ed M. to volunteer. He reminded new members that it is a good event to get their required work party hours in.

NEW BUSINESS

Leo would like to re-institute holding work parties one Saturday a month. The work parties will be listed on line. Dave V. asked for an appropriation for comprehensive first aid kits. This was approved.

GOOD OF THE CLUB

Terry T. addressed the issue of areas with no cameras. He suggested areas that need attention. Steve also felt it would be a good idea to have a camera surveying traffic coming in and leaving the property. A member asked who currently access has to view the security video. Five directors, the security officer and the treasurer currently have access. It was noted the directors periodically monitor the cameras. A member started a discussion asking for the Safety Chairman to appoint a committee to discuss protocols on the use of the cameras. The directors suggested that the Safety Chairperson take control of this issue and bring it to the BOD. It was noted that the Safety officer position was created 16 years ago with the purpose of ensuring the safety of the 3 ranges. Jimmy C. spoke about the passing of Leo Lucier who was a very hard working, dedicated individual who served on the BOD. He worked with Fish and Game and created the pond we now have. He also worked on expanding the outdoor range from 50 feet to 100 feet. He worked for the entire club. Jimmy noted that he deserves honors at the club. A member in attendance won the monthly cash door prize.

