

Maspenock Rod & Gun Monthly

March 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 4 new members voted in. Welcome to Maspenock Annette and Richard Bailey, Stedroy Hortnace and Gabriel Matnog.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Paul Therioux presented the report. There is a total of 544 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. The directors are getting prices for vinyl siding for the club. They discussed purchasing a generator, ByLaw 15.2 and 15.4, and a request from the Tree Warden to cut down trees on McGill Lane. Other topics will be covered under the committees.

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TRAP

Steve M. reported that March was a tough month due to weather. The storms kept down the amount of shooting. 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. The winning ticket for the fundraiser was drawn. Congratulations Andrew Simoneau.

WORCESTER COUNTY LEAGUE

Dave K. went to the WCL Banquet. The club was recognized for their donations to the league. He was presented certificates which he brought to the meeting. Steve M. stated the importance of our club's presence at these meetings and encouraged members to step up and act as a delegate.

RIFLE RANGE

Terry Thomas reported that the first shoot will be April 1st.

INDOOR/OUTDOOR PISTOL

Paul T. reported that they are still shooting the Indoor League and the season will be extended due to cancellation of matches due to weather. They have only lost 2 matches this season. It looks like the team will be going to the States again. Paul noted that the team is looking for more shooters. 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. Manny reported on the Air PTO that was held. There was a large turn out. There were 35 competitors. It was a great day. Manny noted that there are air pistols available for use if you are interested in participating in a PTO. See Manny if you are interested.

FISH & GAME

Dewie reported that 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

Bill Nelson reported that they are still looking for bids on the siding and replacement of stairs. They are working on the details of organizing regular work parties. Work needs to be done on the trap range and outdoor pistol. A suggestion was made to send information regarding work parties to Ed M. so he can post it on-line.

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 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. He reminded new members that it is a good event to get their required work party hours in.

NEW BUSINESS

Trap will be holding a Hunting Clays shoot after the Fishing Derby on April 29th. It will not be traditional clays. The Poodle Rescue asked for approval of their event to be held on August 25th. This will require range closure at noon. This was approved by the membership. By-law change discussion and vote will be held at the next meeting. An appropriation was requested to get a load of stone to be used at the pond. It was approved.

GOOD OF THE CLUB

Bill N. echoed what Steve said about representing the club at the Worcester County League meetings. It is a great opportunity for new members to get hours in. A member in attendance won the monthly cash door prize.

