



# Maspenock Rod & Gun Monthly

## September 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 Director Dave Pedroli. There were 41 members in attendance. There were four new members voted in. Welcome to Maspenock Corey Fairbanks, Peter Mars, David Recchia and Thomas Staffier!

#### FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Leo O'Rourke presented the report. There are a total of 512 members. Leo also spoke about work parties. The website will now include the names and numbers of the Chairperson of each committee so members can reach out to them to participate in work parties.

#### TREASURER

Lloyd Currie presented the report. He noted that the cell tower agreement has been signed with a new tenant. Lloyd met with a solar and spoke about the risks and benefits to the club. All of this is very preliminary. Members voiced concerns over hunting and the archery range.

#### RECORDING SECRETARY

There was no news as the recording secretary was not at the meeting last month.

#### DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Buddy Mainini presented the report. Paul Y. approached the board about the upcoming Blood Drive. The directors discussed the second range cleaning, a junior violation and By-law changes. Other topics will be covered under the committees.

#### TRAP

Steve M. reported that the Summer Trap League ended on August 29th. There were over 500 rounds shot during the league. Mike B. took 1<sup>st</sup> in A class, Dave M. took 1<sup>st</sup> in B class, John T. took 1<sup>st</sup> in C class and Buddy M. took 1<sup>st</sup> in 20 gauge. Dewie M. won a gift card for 20 rounds of trap. The Bid Shot shoot was held on 10/21 and the Pig Roast will be on 10/27. Trap shoots 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. The club does not have a delegate. See a director if interested.

#### JUNIOR PROGRAM

No Report

#### RIFLE RANGE

Terry Thomas reported that there was an Egg Soot on September 2<sup>nd</sup>. It was run by Bruce Hastings. There were 21 shooters at the event. The next match will be held on October 7<sup>th</sup>. He invited any member with a .22 to come up for an event and have some fun. Dave reminded the membership that shooting on the rifle range can only be with approved target frames.

#### INDOOR/OUTDOOR PISTOL

Mike reported that the Maspenock travel league and the WCL have started up. There are a couple of extra pistols available for members to try if interested in shooting in either league. There are a lot of people available to coach and Thursday evenings are the best time for this.

#### FISH & GAME

Dewie reported that all the bird permits have been mailed. He is looking for help to pick up the birds. This would count towards satisfying work party requirements. The ranges are closed until 1 pm on Saturdays during bird season.

## ENTERTAINMENT

Ed Davis reported that the club received a thank you note from the Poodle Rescue League stating that the event was held in a very positive environment. The Red Cross Blood Drive will be held at the club on 10/6. Information was provided on how to sign up. There was a scheduled hall rental on October 11<sup>th</sup>. There are no other rentals scheduled. The next PTO will be on 10/20.

## STRUCTURE AND GROUNDS

Bill N. reported that everything is coming along nicely with the club remodel. The deck still needs to be done. He also noted that the vegetation on the berms has been cut down.

## ARCHERY

No report.

## SAFETY

Dave reported that there was a violation where a member was shooting in front of the firing line and at an unapproved target. The offender was identified and spoken to. There was another report of 2 members not wearing eye protection. It was viewed as a non-violation by Dave. Dave G spoke about air gun shooting. Rule 13 presently states eye and ear protection is required on the range. Dave V. also reported on the cleanliness of the range. He inspected it after Manny cleaned it and found it to be clean.

## OLD BUSINESS

The only old business is a reminder that the Comedy Night will be held on 11/3.

## NEW-BUSINESS

Dave G. proposed a standing rule change to Rule 13 stating that it does not apply to air rifle and air pistol for juniors being supervised



While, training or participating in matches. After discussion it was approved by the membership. The Toys for Tots event was approved and boxes will be in the club. The By-Law meeting will be held starting next month. Presentation and discussion will be held. A member who is also a Milford school teacher would like to know about holding a CMP shoot for some of his fellow teachers. He felt it tied in with history and would be good for the club. It was proposed to hold it on Veteran's Day. Members stepped up and offered to assist in holding the event.

## GOOD OF THE CLUB

It was noted that it was a tough couple of weeks for the juniors. There was a parent who was irate over email and issues it addressed. Paul Y. asked the director who sent the negative email to send an apology. The director said he did nothing wrong and will not apologize.