



Maspenock Rod & Gun Monthly

September 2020

MONTHLY UPDATES

After a moment of silence held for members of the armed services, civil servants and sick club members, the meeting was called to order by President Dick Zontini. There were 31 members in attendance. There were 9 new members voted in. Welcome to Maspenock Daniel Ciccone, Mike Flavin, Andrew O'Connell, Joseph Bergstrom, Ann Roguska, John Anello, Robert Twitchell, Wayne Kimball, and Alberto DaSilva!

FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Leo O'Rourke reported that there are 346 regular members, 102 life members, 20 spouse, 8 military, 10 Jr. rifle, 6 student and 2 junior members for a total of 494 members.

TREASURER

Lloyd Currie presented the treasurer's reports. He is asking all committee chairs to prepare and submit their budgets.

RECORDING SECRETARY

No minutes have been recoded due to the COVID pandemic.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dewie presented the Director's report. The directors met with Manny S. regarding barriers on the indoor range. The directors

did not have any issue with that. They spoke with Paul T. about holding matches and precautions that will be taken for the Maspenock League. There will only be 3 shooters on the line at one time. Other topics will be discussed under committees.

TRAP

Tommy Aiken, a 16-year-old shooter, achieved his first 25 straight this month. Congratulations Tommy! The Big Shot Shoot will not be held this year due to COVID restrictions. It was noted that Trap is still shooting on Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings. New members should take advantage of their 2 free rounds. There are shotguns available if needed.

WORCESTER COUNTY LEAGUE

No Report

JUNIOR PROGRAM

No Report

RIFLE RANGE

Terry reported that there was a work party. Roger C. and Brian came out and helped to trim the brush on the range.

A special thanks was extended to Dan and Mike Bleyhl, and Michael David Yacino of Mike's Gun Shop for their contributions for prizes.

INDOOR/OUTDOOR PISTOL

No report

FISH & GAME

Ed M. reported that the birds have been ordered for the upcoming season. He reminded the membership that the club follows all state regulations and hunting does not begin before sunrise.

ENTERTAINMENT

No Report

STRUCTURE AND GROUNDS

No Report

ARCHERY

No report.

SAFETY

No report.

OLD BUSINESS

The backhoe needs to be taken out for repair.

NEW-BUSINESS

Ed M. looked into replacing the old club sign which dried out and cracked in half. He received a quote for a sign with a pole and installation that would be placed at the entrance of the club. There was discussion held and the membership approved the appropriation. Manny had spoken to the directors to request an appropriation for turning .22 targets. Mass Shooters is contributing to the cost but the club will need to pay a portion. The appropriation was approved. Dave P. proposed getting a camera that would cover 180 degrees of the parking lot. The one we have now does not do that. This was approved.



******* IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THIS YEAR'S ELECTIONS*******

Due to COVID restrictions we cannot hold nominations or elections in the club. During these meetings there can be upwards of 70 members in attendance. Currently our meetings are being held outside but with the cold weather approaching this may not be feasible in November, December and January. Proposed solutions were postpone the election until Spring, skip the election altogether and keep the same Directors and Officers until 2021, send nominations and election ballots via email or by mail. A concern about email notification was that only a small percentage of the members look at email communication. Keep an eye out for additional communication regarding the status of our elections.

GOOD OF THE CLUB

Meeting adjourned at 5:56 pm

Respectfully submitted, Michelle StGelais