The Nimrod League Newsletter August 2015

Monthly Meeting

Always the 2nd Tuesday of the month at the Clubhouse – next Meeting is Aug 11, 2015. Make it a point to attend if you can. Cocktail and socializing from 6:00 – 6:45 pm – then we serve the best \$5 meal in town! Club business discussed with occasional guest speakers from 7:15 - 8:30 ish. Home in bed by 9:00.

Speakers

We have had many interesting guest speakers at monthly meetings. Do you have a suggestion or contact for a future meeting? Let us know!

Monthly Safety Tip

Use only approved targets on any range.

New Business

IMPORTANT Information for Next Meeting: 8-11-2015

There will be the first of Three Votes on Proposed By-law Changes. All members are encouraged to attend and be heard. Voting as usual will be done by Senior Members. Please plan on attending!

Membership

No report given.

Board of Trustees

No report given.

Trap/Skeet

Come down and shoot on Thursday nights! Chef Larry Josti is grilling sausage, hamburgers, hotdogs and other treats in our kitchen. Don't own a shotgun yet? No problem! We always have members who are willing to educate and teach safe shooting Thursday nights. Always a willing shooter available with a loaner gun to break in new members!

Kitchen

Kitchen Clean-Up will be Saturday, Sept. 12, 2015, with a delicious meal by Bruce Ebbeson after! This is a good day to get your volunteer hours in.

Bruce is requesting striped bass donations for the next game dinner. Bass donations may be left in the club house kitchen freezer. Please call Bruce at 508-853-1589 for information or when making a donation.

Rifle Range

It's time to register for the 2nd Annual Big Bore Bench Match on Saturday 8-15-2015! We encourage you to register even if you don't have a center fire rifle - this will allow us to plan prize and food considerations. This is a great opportunity to enter a fun match, support your club, and talk to experienced bench rest shooters. One of the competitors is sure to offer you the use of their rifle – we encourage new shooters to participate in their sport. This is a center fire rifle only match, to be shot on an official 100 yd. bench rest target. Several sighting in shots may be taken anywhere on the target to get "on paper." Then a five shot group will be fired for scoring. Scoring is based on the group size. TWO classes: Heavy barrel and Hunter barrel: there is a \$5 entrance fee per target/class.

Contact Tom Wiegand at wiegand444@gmail.com

We had 8 shooters at the July Pistol Match. We changed the rules for the match so everyone shot as many 10 shot strings as their ammo allowed. We also had a first time shooter. Thanks to everyone for their generous offering of the use of their guns.

A second shooting table has been built and placed at the range. It has been placed in line with the rifle benches and in front of the 25 yard berm. These tables have been built to the bench rest height of 34". In addition, 4 new 18" bench rest stools have been built and placed at the tables. No more contortions trying to shoot bench rest at the picnic table. Please make sure when you are shooting that your shots will hit the berms and impact areas avoiding ground ricochets and shots going over these protective berms.

Reminder: Sept. 19, 2015 Rifle Range Shotgun Slug Shoot

House

Consider a lasting Memorial to remember someone you love. Flowering shrubs, bushes and perennial flowers will bloom for many years and add to our beautiful grounds. Please contact Maryanne Lane - Club Secretary at 774-279-5529 if you would like to consider donating a beautiful remembrance!

Summer Function: We are looking for volunteers for this fun event on September 13, 2015. Tickets \$8.00 – FREE hotdogs, hamburgers for kids, tickets are for Chicken BBQ – ½ chickens! We will have macaroni and potato salad, baked beans, corn, green beans almandine, desserts. Gary will run the day, and we will have a Planning Mtg. to assign everything. Paul Frasier now has tickets. We will plan on ½ chickens not quarters. We will have games, golfing, Tina doing archery. Plan on coming for Trap from 10-12, then food at 1:30. Bar opens after Trap at 12:00 noon.

Aug 15, 2015 – Rifle Range Big Bore in 9 am – 2 pm

Aug. 15-16 Clean Floors Clubhouse

Aug 29-30 Logging Trails Clean Up Day – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Sept. 9th – Archery Mtg. for Spring Event

Sept. 12, 2015 will be kitchen clean-up.

Sept. 13, 2015 – Summer Function BBQ– Gary will work with Bob to organize it.

Sept. 19, 2015 Rifle Range Shotgun Slug Shoot

Sept. 19, 2015 EJ private event

Sept 20, High School Reunion

Sept 27, 2015 Archery 3 D Shoot

Oct. 17th Astronomy Club

November 8, 2015 - Turkey Shoot

Executive Board

No report given.

Grounds

No report given.

Finance

No report given.

Bar

No report given.

Birds

No report given.

Revenue

Revenue Committee will be doing a "30 Guns in 30 Days" raffle this fall. Gift Cards from Bass Pro Shops for the amount of each gun will be prizes, allowing you to use the card for any type of sporting goods purchase from those stores. Web Site is up and running with a Classified section and embroidered patches and logo clothing available to order through a link. Post your outdoors articles, ammo, guns, hunting / fishing gear etc. for sale here. Contact John Meyer at 508-864-2028

Archery

Weekly shoots every Friday at \$10.00!

We will have another Archery 3-D Shoot Sept 27, 2015

Please - We Need Volunteers of all ages. We need help to clear the logging trails. This will benefit the club in many ways....Birds, archery, hiking, hunting, etc. Please help on Saturday, August 29th & Sunday, August 30, @ 9am. We will need many hands and some tools: chainsaws, weed whackers, clippers, even a bucket loader - or something to spread the huge pile of dirt. Your donation of your equipment and time will go a long way to improve the area.

Lunch will be provided!

Announcement: The Nimrod Club has been selected to host the

3D -Massachusetts IBO* State Championship 2016 shoot for the IBO New England Series! This will be a 2 day event on April 30th and May 1st, expected to bring in 150-200 archers, and is expected to be not only a fun and exciting event, but a great revenue producer for our club. We will need many volunteers to make this a success.

Wednesday September 9th 7pm will be an informational mtg. for volunteers and anyone interested in learning more and helping out.

We will need volunteers for many things including course setup, kitchen, sponsors, & parking. If you can't make the meeting but want to help out, please contact Tina Gianos at <u>tgianos@comcast.net</u> You do not need to be an Archer to volunteer!

Many thanks to Tina for all her work to bring this event to the Nimrod!!!! Also many thanks to members for their recent donations of PVC, rebar, and paint. These donations are greatly appreciated and will go a long ways in helping out the Archery Program at Nimrod.

Worcester County League of Sportsmen

WCL Mtg. on summer break, next mtg. will be the 3rd Friday in September.

Good and Welfare

Thank you all to the many members that have contributed their hours to club service! A Memorial: Nimrod Sportsmen's Club Member Steven Dewitt passed away unexpectedly in an accident on July 5, 2015. A lifelong outdoorsman, avid hunter and fisherman, he was very active in our local community as a second-generation on-call firefighter for Holden for 21 years at the Chaffin Firehouse where he was the primary engineer of Engine 3. Steven and his father, Richard H. DeWitt, who passed away just a few months ago, built many of the pheasant boxes that we still use today. We sadly miss our friend and active club colleague. Check out the "MassFishHunt" Licensing and Harvest Reporting at:

http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dfg/licensing/ This one-stop site will let you buy your license and more. Be sure to look under The Fisheries, Wildlife, and Habitats section and check out the Massachusetts Department of Fish & Game FAQs. This includes information on hunting seasons, hunter education, and licenses, stocking schedules, pond maps, boat registration, boater safety, employment opportunities and more.