

Monthly Meeting

Meetings are always the 2nd Tuesday of the month at the clubhouse. The next meeting is April 12th, 2016. Make it a point to attend if you can. Cocktail and socializing is from 6:00 - 6:45 pm. Then we serve the best \$5 meal in town! Club business discussed with occasional guest speakers starting at 7:15 pm.

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

Good housekeeping, in and around the club house, including all ranges, is extremely important to maintaining a safe recreational environment. This is your club. Please leave it cleaner than you found it.

New Business

The club is now looking for candidates wishing to attend the 2016 Jr. Conservation Camp. Teenagers 13-17 years old need to contact Al Afonso. The two week summer camp will be in August 2016.

Scholarship applications are available on the bulletin board in the clubhouse. Applications are due by May 15, 2016. One application has been turned in as of this writing.

Membership

Please notify the club membership chairperson if you have a change of address, change phone number, or change your E-mail address.

Members: Please read the updated NIMROD BYLAWS posted on the web site.

There is still time to sign up for a committee and get your 8 hours in for 2016 and avoid the \$50.00 surcharge in 2017. All committees are looking for people to help out.

The club members will vote at the April 12th meeting to elevate Isaac Houston and Scott Matheson to senior member status.

Board of Trustees

No Report.

Trap/Skeet

Trap/skeet is doing well. Come down and shoot on Thursday nights! Chef Larry Josti is grilling sausage, hamburgers, hotdogs and other treats in our kitchen. We always have members who are willing to educate and teach safe shooting Thursday nights.

Ham Shoot will be April 24th. 9:00am – 2:00pm.

Kitchen

The kitchen will be closed for cleaning on Saturday, April 16. Joe Afonso, Russ Chaplis, Chris Erali, Pat Orrell, and Harry Wilber volunteered to help Bruce Ebbeson with the Kitchen Spring Cleaning. There will be coffee and donuts at 8 AM. Grilled Bratwurst and potato salad will be served at noon after the kitchen is cleaned. It will be spotless for the Archery Tournaments on April 30 and May 1 and the May 14 Game Dinner.

Game Dinner: May 14, 2016

We need venison contributions badly. Call Bruce Ebbeson at 508-853-1589 if you can donate.

Rifle Range

Please make sure that your shots will hit the sand backstops and/or 100 yard impact area. Please avoid ground ricochets and shots going over these protective berms. Paper, cardboard, or clay pigeons are the **ONLY** acceptable targets on the rifle range. Please leave the range cleaner than you found it. Police all your live ammo.

The rifle range will be closed on April 5th and the 12th from 8:30am-1:30pm for the PPD use.

Rifle Range Improvements

Stumping and range engineering drawings are in the near future. Work parties will be scheduled soon.

House

A special thank you goes to Bob Avedisian for his weekly efforts to keep our clubhouse clean.

April 5 Princeton Police Dept. use of range. Rifle range closed until 1:30 pm.

April 9 Women on Target. Range closed.

April 10 Bow hunter Ed. Course.

April 12 Princeton Police Dept. use of range. Rifle range closed until 1:30 pm.

April 15 WCL meeting & dinner.

April 17 Grounds work party.

April 24 Ham Shoot 9am-2pm.

April 30th – May 1st IBO Archery Tournament. Rifle range closed.

May 14 Game Dinner.

June 11 Triple Crown 3-D Archery Match. Rifle range closed.

June 12 3-D Archery Match. Range closed.

July 24 3-D Archery Match. Range closed.

September 18 Summer Function - BBQ; Club Function

Executive Board

Executive Board Meeting is held the last Tuesday of each month.

Grounds

Please sign the log book if you are using the tractor for any purpose. The Grounds Committee is actively seeking new recruits - a great way to become a bit more involved in the club and meet some other members! Any interests in grounds work please email Neal Whitehead. Get your work hours in early!

Trash needs to go out every Tuesday for the Wednesday pickup. Please bring the trash and recycling totes to the end of the driveway by Tuesday night.

A grounds work party is scheduled for April 17.

Finance

No Report.

Bar

Doing well as usual. Gary is looking forward to the many club activities in April.

Birds

Kevin has begun the process of acquiring pheasants for our fall bird hunts. The fall pheasant hunts may be split into a morning hunt and an afternoon hunt.

Revenue

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, hunting/fishing gear, ammo, guns, etc. for sale here.

Joe Afonso and Ralph Cochran are working on the 30 Guns in 30 Days Raffle to be held during the month of June. The raffle tickets are now available at all club functions. All monies and ticket stubs need to be turned in to Joe or Ralph.

Archery

The Nimrod Club will host the 3D Massachusetts IBO State Championship 2016 match 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 a fun and exciting event. We will need many volunteers to make this a success.

There will be a Triple Crown 3-D shoot on June 11.

The members attending the March meeting voted and approved the purchase of some new 3-D animal targets.

Worcester County League of Sportsmen

The league has voted to negotiate the possibility of selling a conservation restriction on property they own in New Braintree. There are also several legislative bills the WCL is supporting including S.414, the use of crossbows for hunting and S.415, the Sunday hunting of deer during archery season.

Good and Welfare

Thank you all to the many members that have contributed their hours to club service!

Please visit the Nimrod League of Holden's Facebook page and "LIKE" it if you have a Facebook account. You will then automatically receive any notices that we post.

Any member who knows of someone that should be listed in our "good thoughts" section can contact any member of the E-Board with a name.

Please keep the following people in your good thoughts:

Jim Gibbons

Bob Hokanson