

## The Nimrod League Newsletter

April, 2018

### Monthly Meeting

We opened the Eboard meeting with Maryanne's Secretary's Report. She dutifully read the minutes from our last meeting and then reported correspondence. We received a thank-you note from the Salerno family for our donation in in Gary's name. We also received the 8 Point Sportsmen's Club newsletter.

Cindy followed with the Treasurer's Report. She mentioned that we were having a steady income due to registrations for Women on Target.

To everyone, please send me any outdoor stories you may have. We'd love to hear about your latest exploits! I'll serve as editor and get the story into a presentable format, subject to your approval before publishing. Please email me, Chris Erali, at [eralic23@gmail.com](mailto:eralic23@gmail.com)

Monthly Meetings are always the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at the Clubhouse – **Next Meeting: April 10, 2018**. Make it a point to attend if you can. From 6:00 – 6:45 pm for a cocktail and socializing – then we serve the best \$5 meal in town! Club business discussed with occasional guest speakers from 7:15 - 8:30 ish. It is usually an early night unless someone gets long-winded...

### Speakers

Please let us know if you have a suggestion for a speaker at a future meeting.

### Monthly Safety Tip and Topic for Discussion:

**“Be aware! Ticks are active.  
Take Precautions.”**

Here's a link to information on Mass.gov:

<https://www.mass.gov/search?q=ticks#gsc.tab=0&gsc.q=ticks&gsc.page=1>

### New Business

The possibility of a safety course for our pheasant field hunts was discussed. NORCO has one that is endorsed by Mass Wildlife. It would be one day of instruction. The general thoughts were that this would be good for the club and particularly its younger members. Obviously, safety would be a big part of it, as well as some hunter ethics.

Young Guns Clays Contest is starting to roll again for this year. 15 Clubs are registered for qualifying shoots. NIMROD's is set for June 28<sup>th</sup>.

There was also a proposal to start a Photography Committee to record and publicize some of our events. Discussion is on-going.

**Conservation Camp:** Ages 13-17, early August, Mass Fish and Wildlife

**“MJCC” Mass Junior Conservation Camp** WCL sends 3 members.

## **Membership**

The Board accepted the following people as candidates for membership with a vote scheduled at the next general meeting: David Lamert, David Eddy, and Shawn Lang from Holden, Kevin Sanford from Princeton, Michael Fazio Jr. of Sterling, and finally Ryan O'Neill from Worcester. To our 6 new prospective members, please join us on **our next general monthly meeting, Tuesday, April 10, 2018**, when we welcome you to our club.

## **Board of Trustees**

No Report

## **Trap/Skeet**

Thursday nights have continued quiet. We need a change in the weather. Consequently, it was decided not to open the kitchen for the coming weeks until the enthusiasm returns.

Trap and Skeet is every Thursday night. We encourage everyone to come out on Thursday evenings for a night of shooting and fellowship.

**Upcoming Events:** Worcester Airport Security Trap Shoot: April 6<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>

Ham Shoot: April 22<sup>nd</sup>

## **Kitchen**

Kitchen Clean-Up Day went very well. Many thanks to Bruce Ebbesson, Pat Orrell, Harry Wilbur, Gary Hough, Kurt Pearson, and Chris Erali. We were easily finished by noon!

Volunteers for cooking at upcoming general meetings are as follows: April: Don French, May: Pat Orrell, June: Doug King.

We are still looking for donations for our game dinner. If you have any game, leave it in the refrigerator and call Bruce at (508) 853-1589. He will vacuum package it for the freezer to prevent freezer burn and keep it fresh for our dinner. Thanks!

**Upcoming Event:** Game Dinner on May 20, 2017

## **Rifle Range**

A blue barrel has lost its way to the rifle range. Please help it find its way home. At the Executive Board meeting there was much discussion centered around safety issues. That's always a benefit to everyone. A myriad of suggestions were talked about regarding a range orientation to all new members. Junior members were discussed as well. The suggestion of improving our signage was also made. Nothing was voted on or established yet, but the concerns of and safety affect everyone. The discussion was tabled to be taken up again at a future meeting. The thought is that the board will need to deliberate and prepare for such discussion.

**House**

No report. The cost to move all compressors downstairs will be \$1,500.

**Executive Board**

This month's meeting adjourned at 9:18 PM. We aim for the newsletter to convey the highlights. E Board meetings are held at 7 PM the last Tuesday of the month. Members are welcome if you would like to come and observe our club's operation. Our membership can be very proud of the board and the time and effort that is made by everyone to keep our club running smoothly. Member concerns are always addressed. Many times, one board member will inform others that a single club member voiced a certain matter that he/she found troubling. Our club can rest assured that any points brought up by a member are ALWAYS brought to the attention of the entire board.

**Grounds**

The tractor had some emergency repairs. The new flagpole is in. We will wait until better weather for the installation.

**Finance**

The market fluctuates as we all know. Smart investors stay the course.

**Bar**

Nothing to report. We expect the bar will get busy with upcoming functions and events.

**Birds**

Things are quiet right now. Kevin and Chris will check out the new pens in May.

**Revenue**

A Yeti Cooler raffle is being considered. Details are forthcoming.

**Archery**

Jason is repairing targets. We will start trail work as things dry up for summer.

**Worcester County League of Sportsmen**

Joe Afonso reports the banquet went well. There was much interest in the presentation on protecting pollination.

**Grant Writer**

No report.

**Good and Welfare**

Please if you have any news that you would like to have included in this section, good or bad, contact any member of the Executive Board, and we'll see that it is included.