

# STANDISH SPORTSMAN'S ASSOCIATION

P.O. Box 258

East Bridgewater Massachusetts 02333

Business Meeting - Thursday - Oct. 5 at 7:00 PM

Board of Directors - Thursday - Oct. 26 at 7:00 PM

## YOUTH ARCHERY AND RIFLE

The Standish Youth Archery and Rifle Leagues will begin another great season of youth sports on Wednesday, September 14 at 6:00 pm and hopefully with several new youngsters joining the groups. The leagues are held on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:00 pm. Thanks to Mike Scanlon, Larry Witnauer, John Brennan, Andrew DelPrete, Ed Holmes, John Fabroski and the others who support the programs for their continuing efforts over the past couple of years in setting up and keeping the programs running. Everyone is welcome to come and shoot or to watch and help out.

## YOUTH TRAP PROGRAM

Scott Fournier and several members are once again running a youth trap program for youngsters aged 12 to 17 years. This program will be held in eight week sessions, beginning Sunday, September 10, 2016, from 2 to 4 pm. The fee is \$6.00 and the club provides all safety equipment, shotguns and ammunition. The program will begin with training on firearms safety and proper handling and move on to trap fundamentals. The emphasis will be on safety with there being an instructor side by side with each shooter. This is a great opportunity to learn the fundamentals of trap shooting and to have a great and safe fun afternoon.

## CLUB AUDIT

John Fabroski read the annual club audit report, prepared by Everett Hanson and Walter Potaznick, at the September business meeting. The report confirmed that the clubs finances and bookkeeping are in very good shape. Our treasurer, Mike Scanlon, was commended for the excellent job he continues to do, and John Fabroski presented Mike with a Standish club plaque, thanking Mike for his (hopefully continuing) many years of service as club treasurer. Thanks to Walter, Everett, and Mike for all their efforts to help keep the clubs finances running smoothly.

## MEMBERSHIP

Scott Blood gave the first readings of a Charter membership application from Jim Fruzzetti and of a Life membership application from Bill Doherty. These applications will be voted on at the next directors meeting and next business meeting.

## SENIOR DINNER

John Fabroski reported that we had another very successful roast beef dinner for the East Bridgewater Senior Citizens on 26 August. We have received many thank you's from grateful seniors who really appreciated the dinner. Thanks go to Young Marines John Kelliher, Ryan Ballinger, Jacob Payne, Angelina Kelliher, Myles Vieira, Nicholas ???????, and all the members who helped prepare and serve the dinner.

## COWBOY ACTION SHOOTING (CAS)

The CAS is continuing on the second and fourth Saturday of each month, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. The December 23 CAS shoot is moved up to December 16 to avoid conflict with the holidays.

## INDOOR PISTOL RANGE

The 90 day trial of having two shooting lanes available for shooting at a distance of 25 feet has come to a very successful conclusion and the membership voted to make this a permanent feature. Please remember it is only the two manually operated lanes that are available for shooting at 25 feet, all other lanes must have the targets run out to the full 50 foot distance.

#### WOOD WORK PARTY

The club has scheduled a firewood work party for Saturday, October 7 at 9:00 am, with a rain date fo October 14. This is a good opportunity to get some work party hours towards a dues reduction next year.

#### ARCHERY

The Sunday women's archery program is continuing on Sunday afternoons at 4:00 pm.

The next session of the adult indoor archery league starts up again on Tuesday, September 19 at 7:00 pm, with warm-ups at 6:30. The fee is \$5.00 for members and \$7.00 for non-members. Everyone of every skill level is welcome to come on down and have some fun.

The members voted to set aside the indoor archery range on Saturday, November 18 for a troop of girl scouts to get an introduction to archery.

#### AROUND THE CLUB

Thanks to the Fournier family who have been providing us with great dinners before each business meeting!!

Thanks to Joe McLaughlin for jumping right in and getting our new 20 foot conex storage container painted up! We may need to get some rubber roofing material for the conex box.

We received a nice thank you letter from Eagle Scout candidate Steve Rizzo for the \$500.00 account we set up for him at Dewhurst Lumber, for his Eagle Scout project at Sachem Rock.

Thanks to Dan Svirsky for the nice deer head mount he donated for our newly redecorated club room.

#### 3D ARCHERY

George Andrews presented the new 3D archery dates for 201 to the club. Right now we have four shoots on April 8, June 17 (Fathers Day), July 29, and October 28. As usual we need your help to set up the 3D target course on the Saturday morning at 8:30 am before each shoot.

#### TRAP and SKEET

Walter Potaznick is trying to schedule trap and skeet orientation sessions for all members, new and old.

The tentative date right now is on Sunday, October 29, at 9:00 am. All existing key holders and any new members who would like to get keys should attend this training.

The Thanksgiving trap shoot is scheduled for Sunday, November 19, at 10:00 am.

Breakfasts will be available again Sunday mornings, beginning September 19. Thanks to Josh Fournier and Art Cabral for setting this up. They could use help from anyone who can give them a hand!

#### ELECTIONS for 2018

Nominations for Officers and Directors for 2018 will be coming up before you know it, so please consider offering your services to the club as an Officer or Director. A nominating committee will be formed at the October business meeting. Any charter member that would like to run for office should contact the club to get your name on the ballot.

## SPORTSMANS SHOW

Preparations for our 2018 Sportsman's Show are beginning, the show dates are not firmed up yet, but it looks like January 13 & 14 or January 20 & 21, based on when other shows are going on. The show committee is looking for a lot of members to help in passing out informational flyers to get the word out about the show. This would be a great opportunity for younger new members to meet people and help out the clubs show committee, and this is a great chance to get in work party hours towards a dues reduction! We are especially looking for new members who are knowledgeable about computers and how they can be used to advertise our show. Call Hugh Hurley (508-588-9327) if you can help in any way.

## WORK PARTY RECORDS

The last years records for the people who put in work party hours from September 1, 2016 to August 31, 2017 will be posted on the club bulletin board so you can see what your dues are in 2018. If you worked 10 or more hours, your dues are \$80.00. If you did not get 10 work party hours in, then your 2018 dues is \$125.00, which is still the least expensive dues for any club in the area. Special thanks to Frank DelPrete and all the work party leaders who put in a lot of time and effort to keep track of all the hours.

Members are asked to make sure you **sign in and sign out with the work party leader** whenever you help out at the club to make sure you get credit for the hours you worked for the club under our new dues policy. Work party leaders are asked to turn in the completed sign in sheets to Frank DelPrete or any club director. Please do not leave the work sheets around the club or on the bulletin board.

## DUES FOR 2018

Well once again it is time to begin reminding everyone to pay his or her yearly dues of \$125.00 or \$80.00 if you had 10 work party hours for the year. You must pay your dues by check before the February 2018 business meeting so there will be a record of your payment. Members who do not pay are automatically dropped out of the club. We always have a few members who forget to pay each year and they have to go back on the waiting list and start all over with the initiation fee to get back in the club. Your Standish membership is one of the best deals around when you consider all the facilities you have available here at the club for about \$10.00 a month!

Respectfully,  
Tim Santry