
NORTH SPORTSMAN'S CLUB

Spring is Here!

We had a great turnout for the Spring cleanup Saturday April 26. The lion's share of the work was completed by noon. Thanks to all who helped get the grounds ready for the season.

New Business

As you know by now we had a modest dues increase for 2014. This was needed to cover increasing costs for road and grounds maintenance, snow removal, heat (propane), clubhouse supplies and other sundries. This winter was brutal compared to last and it showed in utility costs! Membership continues to be strong which is great-- thanks to all for getting your dues paid on time.

If you have friends interested in joining, our new updated application can be found on the web site:

<http://www.northsportsmansclub.net/membership%20app.pdf>

For new members we have a new orientation policy. After joining, a new member will receive his/her welcome packet with a note saying to pick up their membership card after attending a short orientation to become familiar with the range rules and facilities. This can be accomplished at the club virtually any weekend morning without an appointment, or during the week by appointment by contacting a range safety officer who will be happy to meet a new member to help them.

Renewing members need not attend these sessions but if absent for a year or more it's prudent to re-acquaint oneself with the current facility and safety rules.

Please bear with us as we work through the kinks in this new system. The goal is to enjoy the club, and to do so safely.

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4H Youth Shooting Sports Program

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Oswego County is offering a program open to all girls and boys ages 12 to 19 who are interested in archery, rifle and muzzleloading rifle.

The program will be conducted as a five-week course concluding with a field day. Each discipline meets once a week at an Oswego County sportsman club. Archery will be held on Tuesday nights, 6-8 pm, at Deerslayers Bowmen Association on Route 104 in southwest Oswego. Rifle will be held on Wednesdays, 6pm- 8pm at North Sportsmans Club in West Monroe. And the last discipline, muzzleloading rifle, will be held on Wednesday nights from 6-8 pm at Lock Stock and Barrel Club in Volney.

Youth do not need to have previous experience or own firearms to participate in this hands-on learning experience. The Oswego County 4-H Program and its instructors, certified through the New York State 4-H Shooting Sports Program, will provide all firearms and necessary equipment. The instructors are volunteers who are chosen for their ability to teach and their skill at relating to youth.

The 4-H Shooting Sports' courses will meet a minimum of five times beginning the last week of April/first week in May and end with a field day in early June. A program fee of \$30.00 will be charged to cover the cost of materials and eye and ear protection.

For details contact Linda C Brosch at the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Oswego County 4-H Program :
315-963-7286
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Winter Trap Results

Thanks very much to Tim Roder who organized the winter league. We wrapped up with a tasty banquet and announced the following winners:

- A class : Gary Rizzo : 96.4
- B class : Tim Roder : 93.2
- C class : Bill Steding with a 88.4
- D class : Tyler Forshier with a 87.2
- High Lady : Mo Buckland
- High Jr : Dave Barley
- Hi Team : Bill Steding, Tyler Forshier, Greg Duszynski, and Nick Markham.

2 new awards are the Chris Myers award for high junior and the Joe Daino award for first 25 straight score.

Dave Barley won the Chris Myers Award and Collin Daino won the Joe Daino award.

Congratulations and kudos to all who participated.

Bow Safety Course

A bow safety course is to be offered June 7 at our club. The course description can be found online:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/92278.html>

For details contact :
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To register see the DEC web site:

http://www.register-ed.com/programs/new_york/125-new-york-bowhunter-education-course/

At this printing the course is not yet on the web site calendar but Chris Nutter advises to check often because registration fills up very quickly.

Quick Notes

Welcome to all of our new club members!

All members are reminded that there is NO HUNTING anywhere on club grounds.

Combination to the gates will be changed May 1

Club Calendar

- May 1 – Gate combination change
- May 12 –Member Meeting 7:30 pm
- May 24- CNYO Observing Session (nighttime, May 25 rain date)
- June 7 – Bow Safety Course
- June 9 – Member Meeting 7:30 pm
- June 30 – Board Meeting 7:30 pm
- July 11,12 - Hunter Safety Courses
- July 14 – Member Meeting 7:30 pm
- July 28 – Board Meeting 7:30 pm

Bylaws Update

Current club bylaws are now posted on our web site:

<http://www.northsportsmansclub.net/bylaws.pdf>

Bylaws are being updated and will soon be presented to the membership for vote.

Any questions / suggestions / concerns should be given to Bylaws Committee Chairman Walt Ellmaker :
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