

February 4, 2020

The meeting was called to order by President Pineo at 8 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance. The secretary and treasurer reports were read and accepted. The following people submitted applications for membership Daniel Jenkins, Alfred Massicotte, John Petricca, Curt Sargent Jr, Joan Strand, Peter Totilo, Michael Sodano. Once they have completed their orientation, they will be eligible to be voted in as a member. The following people have completed their orientation and were voted in as new members William McCauley, Jack McCauley, Lucas McCauley, Lyle Crowley, Kevin Rudat, Brendan Windward.

The following people are on hold for becoming members until they complete orientation: Sam Pepi-Ames, Joan Strang, Paul Stanovich

BOD

Over the next few months the BOD will be reviewing and possibly updating our current bylaws. The bird program is all set on poles. Brian Baird spoke of continued damage to backstops by shotguns. He will be making recommendations as to what action needs to be taken.

TRAP AND SKEET

Trap continues to be steady with the milder weather.

FISH COMMITTEE

ANGLER OF THE MONTH-2 fish have been turned in so far for consideration for the month of January by Casey Krueger and Rich Pineo. This is open to all members. Please record any nice fish you catch with a picture, and information including species, weight and length and where caught. We would like to have a winner from each month. Contact Greg at gplafamme@comcast.net for entries or requests for information.

ANNUAL ONE HOLER ICE FISHING-This year's event was held on January 25th. It was a good turnout and was one of the best in a long time based on number of fish caught. It was a good day too for all the participants sharing a lot of good food and beverages. Bob Hoch won \$5 for being the last one to catch a fish in the contest. Richard Morse won the 50/50 raffle and donated his winnings back to the Fish Committee for purchasing prizes for the Kid's Spring Derby.

KID'S SPRING DERBY-The dates for the derby are April 25th & 26th. Up to \$2500 was voted to be expended from General Funds for the stocking of the Club Pond prior to the derby. This will enable enough fish to have a great derby and to provide for more to be caught by club members for the next several months. We are always looking for prize donations. Please be generous.

BIG STRIPER CONTEST-Registration for this year's entries is underway. So far we have 5. The fee is \$10, and is open to members only. Simple rules are that the striper must be caught from New England waters, and must be turned in to Greg with a picture, weight and length, and location caught. When possible, try to have an official weigh in location. You will be judged on your largest single fish caught. A larger fish can be substituted as the season progresses. All registration fees will be turned back to winners as cash prizes.

FISHING TRIVIA-The repeated question of a correct tying of a Perfection Loop was correctly done by Casey Krueger. He received a certificate for a free dinner at an upcoming General Membership

BIRD

The 2020 season costs will remain the same. Repairs have been made to the pens. A motion to spend up to \$1800 for the cost of the program will be voted upon at the March meeting.

JUNIOR CONSERVATION CAMP

There have been no applications for camp. As of this time, the availability of space is unknown. Camp is open to any youth between 13 and 17, the BOD has not received a single letter requesting a sponsorship. Anyone looking for information can contact me chuckrbaker@comcast.net You have until the March meeting to apply.

MEAT RAFFLE

The American Legion will be holding a meat raffle beginning at noon on Sunday March 15.

WORCESTER COUNTY LEAGUE

The league met at Singletary, 29 clubs were represented. A motion was made to oppose the regulation/regulations in regard to contests and wanton waste. The League is working to re-establish the pheasant program that was impacted. A motion was made to contribute \$100 to the program.

GOAL

1/28/20. SCOTUS met on Monday but released no new grants. The justices will now be in winter recess. Their next conference is scheduled for Friday 2/21/20 with a potential listing of new cases announced on Monday 2/24/20. Our legal team has filed a response to AG Healey's brief, which asked the Supreme Court not to hear our pending case regarding her enforcement notice of July 2016

GOAL Executive Director Jim Wallace testifies against H.2005, "An Act To Prevent Gun Violence" before the MA Joint Committee on Public Health on behalf of 15K GOAL members, who represent 450K licensed gun owners in Massachusetts.

ERNIE ST.THOMAS BIG BUCK AND DOE CONTEST WINNERS

1st. Lauren Brazao 202 Lb 9 point 2nd Kevin Foster 195 Lb 11 point 3rd Nick Hatstat 165 Lb 10 point
4th Nikos Tambouratzakis 165 LB 7 point 5th out of all entrants who submitted Dave Pineo Jr

This contest is separate from the Big Buck Plaque that is posted in the Club. See Jerry Boynton for application.

GAME SUPPER WILL BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 29TH BAR 4PM / APPS 5PM / DINNER 6PM

2020 Membership Renewal

All 2019 Memberships have expired. If you do not renew by the March 17th BOD meeting, your name will be dropped from the rolls. Reinstatement/New Member rate of \$100 will apply after March 17, 2020.

Applications can be found on the club website. <https://www.8pt.org/>

NEXT MONTHS MEETING TUESDAY MARCH 3 BEGINNING AT 8PM / DINNER SERVED AT 7PM