

OCTOBER 1, 2020

This newsletter is to serve as notification to all members, of changes in Club Activities due to the quarantine issued by Governor Baker.

As it has been several months since the last newsletter, I thought it was about time to send an update. As of today, the Club continues to follow the guidelines issued by CDC and Governor Baker. Until the orders have been relaxed there is no way to hold a monthly meeting without violating the guidelines.

In July, the BOD held a brief meeting in accordance with the guidelines set forth by Governor Baker. The purpose of this meeting was to address a serious violation of our safety and rapid-fire guidelines at the rifle range by a Non-Member who had been using the Trap range previously.

In August, the BOD met while continuing to follow the previously established guidelines at the July meeting. The pond committee reported that they worked throughout the summer to maintain the pond with the increased usage that was seen in early spring. The committee will be working to continue the maintenance throughout the fall. There will be a stocking, similar to the spring stocking, in late fall. The Pheasant Committee informed the Board that the NORCO Club in Princeton will be participating in the Youth Pheasant again this year. There was a report that the target board at the skeet field has again been destroyed by careless shooters. During a review of the previous months' incident at the rifle range, there was a discussion of the board to address the identification on non-members who use the trap and skeet ranges. During this discussion, a motion was made to increase the rates of Non-Members only to \$4.00 per round effective October 1, 2020. There was discussion on the motion and the motion passed by a majority vote of the board members present.

In September, the BOD met to review the current guidelines. At this time there are no meetings planned for the remainder of 2020. We hope that an annual meeting can be held in January of 2021. The annual game supper will not be possible under the current guidelines.

The pheasant season begins on October 17. As in previous years, there will be a signup sheet at the trap house. Stocking begins at 7am and you must help stock to participate in the morning hunt. If you have a condition that prevents you from stocking or a work issue that prevents you from being there at 7am, please contact a member of the bird committee to discuss available options. If the list is filled, then preference will be given to those who have not participated in a previous hunt. Anyone available to pick up the birds on Friday or return the empty boxes should contact a committee member. Please remember your hunter orange, your mask and follow social distancing rules.

The club pond has been stocked for the fall season. A reminder that the pond is open to members only, no guests. The fish committee is continuing the angler of the month. Anyone who wants to submit a photo including date, weight, location and the tackle used (if you want) to Greg Laflamme. The committee is hoping to have an ice derby in February 2021.
gplaflamme@comcast.net

The Ernie St Thomas Big Buck and Doe contest is being held again this year. It is open to members only and must be taken in New England. Cost is \$5 anyone wishing to sign up can contact Rich Pineo rich.pineo67@gmail.com

RENEWALS / NEW MEMBERS – All renewals and new applications will need to be mailed to the club PO Box along with payment. There are currently no in person renewals. The orientation committee is continuing new member orientations and new members are voted in by the board. An application is included with this newsletter.

The orientation committee has resumed orientations while maintaining social distancing guidelines. Once the orientation is completed, the names are submitted to the BOD to be voted in as new members. The following have completed their orientations during the past months and were voted in as new members. Michaela Menear, Larry Overstreet, Scott Slater, Jose Ortiz, Ciaccio Franca, Adam Goodband, Etta Goodband, Joan Strang, Patricia Schofield, Wayne Schofield, George Maniatis, Donald Raffa, Steven Stanhope, Steven Pinault, Dennis Connole, Nick Steiman, Aaron Darvish, Everett Heller, Bill Polewarczyk, Michael Lashua, James O'Malley, Tyson Peters, Eileen Cocci, Bill Cocci, Norm Gamache, Diane Kruppert, Gordon Kruppert, Tom Kulis, Paula Moilov, James Reynolds, Adam Polewarczyk, Logan Roy, Emmitt Roy.

RENTALS – No new rentals are being scheduled due to current restrictions. Previously booked rentals are being addressed on an individual basis.

I am going to continue the monthly newsletter, as we feel this is the best way to communicate with our members and allow you to have a voice as well. Anyone wishing to submit anything for consideration in upcoming newsletters can send it to me at chuckrbaker@comcast.net or by mailing it to Charlie Baker PO Box 1218 Sterling, MA 01564

It is recommended that everyone follow the CDC guideline of 6-foot separation and remain vigilant with effective handwashing. The BOD will continue to address routine club business as needed. Monthly meetings will continue once the Governors orders are lifted.

We will update the club web site and Facebook pages as things change. As always you can contact me at chuckrbaker@comcast.net. With any questions or concerns.

Stay safe, follow the CDC guidelines and we will get through this.

Sincerely,
Charlie Baker (Not the Governor)

NOTICE

2020 Memberships Expire Dec 31, 2020

Applications for New Members received after Jul 07, 2020 will be valid through Dec 31, 2021

Renewal applications for 2021 will be accepted starting Sept 01, 2020

Please include the fee(s) with your application

Class	New/Reinstate	Renew
Junior	\$25.00	\$25.00
Regular	\$100.00	\$75.00
Senior	\$100.00	\$50.00

On Renewals BEFORE Dec. 01, 2020, you may take the \$5.00 Early Renewal Discount.

Life Members if you need a new badge, contact Charlie Kretz (membership@8pt.org) 978-422-7881

Any overpayments are donated

to the Fish Committee

The Eight Point Sportsmen's Club, Inc. PO Box 235 Sterling MA 01564		
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION (Please check all boxes that apply)		
<input type="checkbox"/> New Member <input type="checkbox"/> Other Change <input type="checkbox"/> Reinstatement <input type="checkbox"/> Donation <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal		
Membership #: _____ (Please print clearly)		
Name: _____ Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: (____) _____ Birthdate: ____/____/____ E-Mail Address: _____ E-Mail Again: _____		
Prefer Newsletters via? E-Mail <input type="checkbox"/> US Mail <input type="checkbox"/>		
Is anyone else at your address an Eight Point Member? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Have you ever been an Eight Point Member before? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
The \$2 Sportsmen Rights Fund is included in these Fees		
INTERESTS	Class New or Reinstate Renewal	
<input type="checkbox"/> Rifle/Pistol	<input type="checkbox"/> Junior (under 18) \$25.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Junior \$25.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Trap/Skeet	<input type="checkbox"/> Regular (18 to 34) \$100.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Regular \$75.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Archery	<input type="checkbox"/> Senior (35 & up) \$100.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Senior \$50.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Fishing		
<input type="checkbox"/> Regular and Senior only; \$5 Early Renewal discount by Dec 3, 2019		
Sponsoring Member: _____ Photo Print _____ # _____		
I Have READ, UNDERSTAND and WILL ABIDE by the CRO'S RULES.		
Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____		
(Club use only)		
Date Stamp _____	Initial _____	
Amount \$ _____	Check # _____ Paid <input type="checkbox"/>	
This is a RECEIPT only NOT an ID Card (Applicant's copy)		
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2020 Application Receipt for:	Date ____/____/____ Read Date ____/____/____ Vote Date ____/____/____ Member # _____ Amount \$ _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> New Member		
<input type="checkbox"/> Reinstate		
<input type="checkbox"/> Renewal		
Check # _____	Applicant _____ Entered By _____	