

The February meeting of the Eight Point Sportsmen's Club was called to order by Vice President Nourse at 8 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. The secretary's report was read and accepted. The following names have completed orientation and were voted in as new members - Nolan Dunne, Nick Finizio, Marc Gendron, Carl Hewitt, Joshua Katz, Eugene Lumelsky, Clinton Oldroyd. Mat Shaughnesy

Board of Directors

Plans are in beginning for a kitchen remodel. Game supper ticket sales end at the BOD meeting in February. The BOD will be looking for ways to involve younger members.

Trap Committee

Trap gave their monthly report, reported that targets will be delivered Thursday.

Fish Committee

ANGLER OF THE MONTH

-Please continue to send pictures of your catch to me. Include species, length and weight, date caught and location. We want to have as many entries as possible and have diversity in location such as fresh water, salt water, exotic species, international locale, etc. Good luck and tight lines. Contact Greg at gplafamme@comcast.net

ONE HOLER

-The annual One Holer was held on Saturday January 29th . The 50/50 raffle was won by Rich Pineo in the amount of \$60. Although very bad weather, we had 12 contestants fishing. For those attending, it was a great time. Due to the bad weather turnout, we will have a second contest, this time on Saturday February 12th , from 8-3, the usual hours. \$5 entry fee and you can just register the day of. 50/50 raffle once again. The monies kept by the Fish Committee as part of the raffle will be used toward buying prizes for the Kid's Spring Derby.

BLOCKHEAD ICE OUT RAFFLE

This raffle is already underway with a few dates still available to choose. Members only. It is a 50/50 raffle, again with monies kept to go toward purchasing prizes for the Spring Derby. The date chosen will be your choice of when the block falls through the ice, which will be considered the date of official "ice out" of the Club Pond for the year. See Greg to register.

POND STOCKING

-A proposal was made at the February General Membership Meeting to spend up to \$3,000 for stocking the Club Pond for the Kid's Spring Derby and for continuing member fishing throughout the year. This will be voted on by the membership at the next monthly meeting.

KID'S SPRING DERBY

-This year's event will be held on April 23rd and 24th from 8-4 each day. Prizes will be presented at 4:00 each afternoon. Trophies will be awarded for the top 3 fish caught over the course of the weekend on Sunday afternoon. The snack shack will be open for food purchases and the beer tent will be open as usual. If you are able to donate prizes, they are most welcome. The kid's really appreciate all we do for them. If you would like to help out, please contact Greg at the above email address.

QUABBIN DAY

-We are considering having a Quabbin Day outing for members. This is still in just the planning stage, and may turn into another fun event to have. Stay tuned in for details. Any suggestions are welcome.

Submitted by Greg LaFlamme, Fish Committee Chairman

Archery Committee

Nick reported that the targets should ship within the next month.

Kitchen Committee

Thanks to the folks who cooked tonight. The committee is preparing for the Game supper. Anyone who would like to volunteer can contact Charlie Baker. A motion was made to spend up to 20,000 for a kitchen renovation. The vote was unanimous. Rich Pineo spoke about the plans for updating to stainless and epoxy floor.

Worcester County League

The last meeting was held at Singletary with 25 Clubs represented. Guest speaker was an EPO officer who spoke about various aspects of their job. The Big Moe is scheduled for Sept 18th. Guest speaker at the March meeting will be the new deer biologist for Mass Wildlife. The league is looking for younger members. The annual banquet will be held on March 26th at the Manor in West Boylston.

Ernie St Thomas Big Buck and Doe

There were 35 participants

1st Kevin Foster with a 225lb 17point taken in MA during archery

2nd Matt St Thomas with a 210lb 8 point taken in MA during archery

3rd Jared Egan with a 165lb 8p point taken in VT

Membership

Many membership renewals have come in for the 2022 calendar year. It is not too late to renew for 2022. The renewal rate (\$50 for seniors and \$75 for regular members) will be in effect until March 1st. After March 1st members will be dropped from the rolls and will need to pay the new membership fee (\$100 for regular and senior members.) Membership dues can be paid in several ways 1) Payment directly to Casey Kruger, 2) Send a check to Eight Point Sportsman's Club, PO Box 235 Sterling, MA 01564, 3) deposit payment (along with application) at the clubhouse in the mail flap labeled "Membership" located at the bottom of the handicap ramp, 4) deposit payment (along with application) in the membership lockbox located inside the Trap house.

Next meeting will be March 1, 2022
Dinner will be served at 7pm with a meeting to follow at 8pm
For rental information contact Charlie Baker
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