

The October meeting of the Eight Point Sportsmen's Club was called to order by President Pineo at 8:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance. Political candidates Megan Kilcoyne and Anne Gobe spoke about their campaigns and how they relate to the values of the Eight Point members. After their presentation, the monthly meeting resumed. The secretary's and treasurers' reports were read and accepted. No new members were voted in.

Board of Directors: New services were installed to the trailer pad. Bass have been caught in the club pond; any bass caught are recommended to not be released back into the pond. The trap committee asked that a posting be included in the newsletter encouraging new shooters to participate in the trap fields. Lastly Dave Pineo Sr. announced that he will not be running for the position of President in the 2023 election.

Trap: The trap report was read. Club Members: Come and enjoy some fun with fellow members at the skeet / trap range. Bring your own shotgun. No need to be shy. If you have never shot trap or skeet before, we will teach you how. We are open on Thursday nights from 5-9 PM and Sunday afternoons beginning at noon. All shooting is weather permitting. Bring a friend, wife, son, daughter. Both members and non-members are welcome to participate.

Archery: The course is up and targets are positioned. There will be signage and ribbons installed along the course.

Fish Committee: The fall stocking will be Tuesday October 18th at 11am

Worcester County League: Dick thanked the members in attendance for respecting the political candidates. He noted that a 625 Lb black bear was taken in Western Mass during the season. The annual sportsmen's show will be held at the Foxborough Regency hotel. .

GOAL: Harry spoke about contacting your political representatives and advocating for our rights. He also spoke about how for the first time since the Cuban Missile Crisis the US is now at Defcon level 3. Harry urged everyone to join GOAL in their efforts to protect our 2nd Amendment rights.

Big Buck and Doe: The annual big buck and doe contest is underway. The contest is open to members only and harvesting must occur in a New England state. Cost is 5\$ and signups will occur at the next meeting.

Membership: Casey Kruger is accepting 2023 membership renewals. There is a \$5 early bird discount for adults and seniors that renew by December 6, 2022. Renewals 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. Anyone needing an application can contact Charlie Baker at chuckrbaker@comcast.net or by going to the club website.

Nomination's: The Board of Directors consists of 12 voted members. They are 8 board members, The President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. The Vice President Emeritus is a non-voted position and is held by the previous President. Bringing the total to 13 voting board members. Any member of at least 2 years in good standing is eligible for office. Anyone wishing to run for any position should contact Greg Laflamme. Candidates wishing to run will be given the opportunity to speak at the January 2023 annual meeting.

General Business: A member raised concerns about the club having previously agreed to not allowing political candidates to speak at general membership meetings. The member further made a motion to not allow political candidates to speak at general membership meetings. The motion was seconded and passed by a majority vote of present members.

The meeting was concluded with a moment of silence for Bob Domiano

The next meeting will be held on
Tuesday November 1, 2023
Dinner will be served at 7pm and the meeting will begin at 8pm.