

The meeting of the Eight Point Sportsmen's Club was called to order by President Baker at 8:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. After the pledge, a moment of silence was observed for the passing of past member's Bob Thomas and Kathleen Ganczarski, and American Legion member Robert Temple. The secretary's and treasurers' reports were read and accepted. The following members have completed orientation and were voted in as a new member. Hayden Smith. Congratulations and welcome to our new members.

Trap Committee

The trap report was read and accepted.

Fish Committee

ANGLER OF THE MONTH-the Award for the month of April goes to Casey Kruger for his catch of a 1.3 lb Rainbow from Fort Pond in Lancaster. Several other fish were also caught. May saw a tie between Rich Pineo for his catch of a 16" Brown Trout from Hollis Me. Richie also caught a large number of other trout, mainly Browns. The tying member was his big brother Dave, with an 18" Laker out of Monson, ME, also among other nice catches. June goes to Casey Kruger, adult award for his catches of a 26", 3.5 lb. pickerel, a 19" smallmouth, an 18" largemouth and two 17" smallmouths from Lake George, NY. Junior member Kiley Kruger brought in a 16" smallmouth from Lake George. Congratulations to all these members! Please contact me with any questions or submissions. Include information of your catch with a photo, species, weight and length, and location and date. gplaflamme@comcast.net or 508-868-4060

POND STOCKING-The Club Pond will be stocked in early October for continued fishing opportunities for members throughout the fall and winter months. I invite all members to take advantage of this resource provided by our Club.

At this time I am announcing my resignation from the Chairmanship of the Fish Committee at the end of the year. I invite any interested member to come forward in taking over. I am happy to work with them in going forward with an understanding of how the main events of the Committee have been run, and discussing any new plans you may have.

Worcester County League

Dick spoke on H4420 and GOAL's continued efforts. GOAL is organizing a rally on Boston common. [State House & Boston Common Rally](#) Wednesday, September 27, 2023. Starts 11:00 AM. Go in the State House 1:00 PM. Dick also reminded members about the surplus antlerless deer permits on September 26 and 27 available online.

New Business

The new kitchen renovation continues with the remainder repairs being to the ceiling and light fixtures.

The Ernie StThomas Big Buck and Doe contest will begin at the October meeting.

You can now submit your 2024 membership renewals.

MassWildlife will stock approximately 61,000 trout in Massachusetts waters starting around mid-September. When stocking begins, visit mass.gov/Trout for daily stocking updates. With fewer crowds and cooler weather, fall is a great time to go fishing. [Get fall-specific fishing tips for both trout and bass.](#)

Surplus Antlerless Deer Permits available starting Sept. 26. Permits for zones 10, 11, 13, & 14 will have no daily or season purchase limit. A limited number of permits for zones 3, 7, 9, & 12 will be available on a first come, first served basis.

The 2024 Game Supper will be held on SATURDAY MARCH 1st. Tickets will be available at the October meeting.

Board of Directors

The game supper is our largest event of the year and proceeds help to provide other events throughout the year. There are a lot of hours involved in preparing food, setting up the hall, cooking, serving, cleaning and countless other activities. Many of those involved have been doing so for over 20 years. We are begging for help. We cannot continue to host these events without the help from our members.

The BOD has been racking our brains with how to get newer members involved. We ask continually but no one steps up to help. You joined the club because you wanted to be a part of something. Don't feel that you don't have the skills and experience to help in any way. We are always excited to have new members join us and are more than willing to help you. We encourage you to involve your families as well when volunteering your time. This club is all about families and they are our future. Anyone with questions or suggestions on how best to reach our newer members please reach out. You can contact Charlie Baker at chuckrbaker@comcast.net

The next meeting will be held on October 3, 2023.
Dinner will be served at 7pm and the meeting will begin at 8pm.