

# STANDISH SPORTSMAN'S ASSOCIATION

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Kid's Fishing Derby - Saturday, June 6, 9:00 to 11:30 AM

Business Meeting – Thursday, June 4, at 7:30 PM

Board of Directors - Thursday, June 25, at 7:30 PM

CHICKEN and RIB BBQ – June 28

## FISHING DERBY

Our annual Kid's Fishing Derby will be held on the free fishing weekend on Saturday, June 6, from about 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM at Burrage Pond in Halifax. This is a great location because it gives the kids a lot more room to fish and an opportunity to catch some really big fish. All members are welcome to attend and help out. Donations of worms and tackle are gratefully accepted. Come over to the clubhouse at 7:00 AM or just go to the pond to give the kid's a helping hand. The club is again having special Standish Sportsman's Association T-shirts printed up to pass out as gifts to all the kids who show up to fish. Jeff Sampson got a great deal on 150 new Zebco rod and reel sets to pass out as gifts to the youngsters. Only worms and artificial bait are allowed, no shiners or other types of live bait will be allowed.

The club is again collecting plastic buckets, from two to five gallon size, for the kids to carry their live fish in. Please do not remove any of these buckets from the front porch of the club, they are for the kids. We are always looking for items to be given to the kids as prizes and gifts so all members are asked to see if they can come up with a few items to donate to the kids.

## BBQ DINNER

Walter Potaznick and his trap and skeet committee will be hosting a CHICKEN and RIB BBQ at the club on Sunday June 28. They will also be holding a trap "Gas Can" shoot to get everyone fired up about the BBQ dinner. There will be a \$5.00 fee for the dinner, remember youngsters shoot for free on the trap field, so bring the family down for a lot of fun shooting trap and then a great BBQ dinner! Walter reported the April Ham Shoot, run by Paul Clark, went very well and the winners were Jack Walsh, Joe McLoughlin, Ed Blandin and Walter Potaznick.

## MEMBERSHIP

We welcomed four new temporary associate members at the May 7 business meeting. They are Jonathan P Mosher, Christopher J Perry, Edward A Bonia Jr. and Jeffrey L Anderson. Thanks to Jerry Hartman and Bill Ewell, our new Orientation Committee, for their time and effort put into getting two thirds of the new members oriented the first week! We also had first readings for four more prospective new members. They are Dominic DiBlasio, John O'Brien, Rebecca Ann Salvaggi and Darlene Viella.

We had a first reading of the Charter Membership application of Mike Scanlon, who has been very active supporting archery programs at the club especially the youth archery.

Once again the members have generously voted to support the Brockton Area Association for Retarded Citizens ( BAARC) with \$200.00 donation.

Thanks again to Mike and Lorna Vasapollo for the great dinners they serve before each meeting. The food is always great and you cannot beat the price of \$5.00! Thanks go to Mike DiBlasio for donating the delicious sweet and sour meatballs we enjoyed at the last meeting.

## BY-LAW CHANGES

The proposed change to By-Law Article XI on the powers of the Board of Directors was passed by more than a two-thirds majority of the Charter members present at the May 7 business meeting. We also had spirited discussion on another proposed change to Article XI that will be voted on at the June 4 business meeting. Stay tuned for future developments.

## YOUTH ARCHERY

John Brennan (we think it was John, you can't tell without the beard) reported the turnout of youngsters for the Wednesday and Thursday night youth archery shoots continues to be amazing. John said thanks again to all those who help out, especially Frank Burke, Doc Watson and Mike Scanlon. The youth archery season ends when the local school year ends in June, with a pizza party at the club on June 17. Youth archery will start up again in September.

## SCHOLARSHIP

Applications have been received from six upcoming graduates of East Bridgewater High School for the two \$500.00 college scholarships that Standish gives out each year to youngsters who are pursuing college studies related to the environment and wildlife. Walter Potaznick and his committee will be reviewing the applications to find the best qualified candidates.

## RIFLE RANGE

There are signs that people are attaching targets to the telephone pole frames around the bullet traps on the rifle range. This is a serious violation of range rules if you are shooting into the poles and not into the bullet trap. Targets are to be placed in front of the trap opening so that all shots go into the steel bullet trap. That is what the wood strapping and plywood boards are for. John Fabroski suggested at the last business meeting that those of us who do not fit very well in the rifle range shooting stations should go to "Jenny Craig" for a little weight reduction so we can see out of the shooting windows. It was not clear if John meant the club should pay for this or if he was going to pay. We'll have to get a clarification on that.

## ARCHERY RANGE

The new outdoor archery range is still under construction. We are waiting to get a few dry days in a row so the stone base can be laid down without losing the construction equipment in the mud. Thanks to Everett Hanson for constructing a new archery target frame and bringing it to the May business meeting so we could all get a good idea of what they look like. The initial proposal is to have eight or nine of these target frames on the new archery range to start with.

## 3D ARCHERY

George Andrews gave us a printed, detailed report on the April 11 and 12 archery weekend. We hosted and indoor shoot and dinner on Saturday with the regularly scheduled 3-D shoot on Sunday. The 3-D shoot had a good turnout of 68 adult, 8 youth and 2 cub shooters, considering it was an Easter Sunday. George reported that once again they had a great group of members and friends who helped setup, run and take down the 3-D course. Thanks go to George Andrews, Craig Warmington, Kevin Greiner, Terry and Richard Sandstrom, John Brennan, Mike Souza, Tom Souza, Jerry Snuffer, Chris Cahill, Mike and Lorna Vasapollo, Frank Burke, Matt Getchell, Kevin Provost, Bill Loughlin, Larry Witnauer, Jerry Hartman, John Hoyt, Derek Hoyt, Joe Peluso, Matt Kinnealey, Ed Holmes and John Fabroski. Special note of thanks for the waffles John Fabroski prepared for everyone!

The next 3-D shoot is Sunday, May 31, Memorial Day weekend. Setup will be on Friday, May 29 beginning at 8:30 with free coffee and donuts for the workers! There was a great turnout of members to help with the setup and takedown of the last show so please keep up the good work.

#### CLUB AUDIT

It's time for the yearly club audit again so Bob Phillips is looking for volunteers to step up and help with the audit. Last year we had Chuck Francis and Jennifer LaFlamme volunteer to work on the audit, so I'm sure Bob will try to get them to "volunteer" again, but they could always use some new help!

Sincerely Yours,

Tim Santry