

**STANDISH SPORTSMAN'S ASSOCIATION**  
**P.O. Box 258**  
**East Bridgewater Massachusetts 02333**

Business Meeting - Thursday Nov. 5 at 7:30 PM  
Turkey Shoot – Sunday Nov. 22 at 10:00 AM  
Board of Directors – **Tuesday** Nov. 24 at 7:30 PM

**Dues Are Due**

Your annual dues of \$80.00 for the year 2010 are due on January 1, 2010! As always we give you a 30-day grace period to pay and we ask that you pay by check so you have proof you paid if there are any questions later on. You must pay by the February business meeting or you are dropped from the membership. The business meeting is on February 4, 2010 so you can bring a check to the Sportsman's Show on January 23 or 24 to pay your dues! This is still one of the best bargains around! Just check out the prices for range time at commercial ranges.

**Elections**

Annual Elections will be coming up in December so we are setting up a nominating committee of Lorna Vasapollo and Ed Souza to get ready for the election of club officers and directors for 2010. Any Charter Member is eligible to hold a club office. Anyone interested in running for club officer or director should contact Lorna or Ed or put your name on the list posted on the club bulletin board to have your name put on the election ballot. Nominations can also be made at the December 3 business meeting when nominations will be closed so the ballot can be printed.

**2010 Sportsman's Show**

Hugh Hurley and his committee have begun preparations for the 2010 edition of the clubs Annual Sportsman's Show. We especially need young, new members to help out in the parking lots, beginning at 7:00 AM on both days. You need to dress very warmly with a good pair of thermal boots to work the parking lots in January! The show dates are set for January 23 and 24, 2010. These dates were chosen to avoid conflicts with the other shows in the area. The show will run from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM on Saturday and 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM on Sunday at our clubhouse on Burr Lane, off Union St. and route 18 in East Bridgewater. Hugh reported things are going well and we are off to a good start with some vendors' returns in already. There will be over 75 booths displaying and selling all types of hunting, fishing, camping, firearms and marine equipment. To reserve a space or to get more information call Hugh Hurley at (508) 588-9327. The next committee meeting is on Monday, November 2 at 7:00 PM. All members are invited to come and help out.

**Archery**

George Andrews announced the dates for the 2010 3-D shoots at Standish. They are: February 7, April 4, May 16 and August 29. Thanks again to George and all the members who worked so hard to give us another successful 3-D season! George mentioned a special thank you to Dave Fogg and Dennis Valley for their help in stuffing the new outdoor archery targets so arrows won't go through them. They have also put up two new "Broadhead Only" targets on the outdoor range. These targets are marked for broadheads and are the only

ones you are allowed to shoot broadheads into. Please also remember to rotate your targets around to different spots on the target frames so they get equal wear in all areas, and not just shot out in the middle.

Kevin Provost is looking to get interest in building a tree stand so members can practice archery shots under realistic hunting conditions. Kevin and John Fabroski have formed a committee to come up with proposals for the tree stand and will report back to the membership.

Mike Scanlon reported the youth archery league has begun shooting again on Wednesday nights. They have added 7 or 8 new youngsters already and more are welcome. You don't even need to have your own archery equipment, we have equipment to loan to all youngsters who are just starting out and want to give archery a try. Just come down any Wednesday evening between 6:00 and 6:30 PM and have some fun!

#### Turkey Shoot

Come on down to the club on Sunday, November 22 at 10:00 AM for our Turkey Shoot! Four turkeys will be awarded as prizes. Come early and enjoy a great breakfast with home made corned beef hash. Congratulations to Joe Dutcher for getting his first 25 on the trap field and to Ed Blandin for his continued excellent shooting.

#### Trap Orientation

Walter Potaznick will be giving a trap orientation session on Sunday, November 22 at 9:00 AM. This orientation is both for new members who would like to get a trap key and for anyone who would like to refresh their memories on proper, safe trap machine orientation. Walter will be somewhat out of shooting action after he has some shoulder surgery this fall. Chuck Francis will take over for Walter on the trap and skeet committee while Walter is recuperating. Our best wishes go to Walter for a speedy and complete recovery.

#### Ranges

The shooting windows on the outdoor rifle range are designed to only open a limited distance so no shooter can raise the muzzle of his firearm to shoot over the backstop. No one is allowed to modify the windows so they open wider. This is a safety issue and anyone found tampering with the windows may be subject to disciplinary action or expulsion from the club.

We have provided steel hooks on the outdoor pistol range to hang off the downrange baffles at distances of less than 50 feet. Please do not go any closer to the shooting station than the third baffle downrange.

#### Around the Clubhouse

Andrew Delprete, one of our Junior members, came to the October business meeting to thank the membership for sponsoring him at Junior Conservation camp this year. He had a great camping experience and learned a lot and will always value the opportunity we gave him.

Sunday morning breakfasts continue to be a hit! Come on down to the club to enjoy a great home cooked breakfast at a great price! Thanks to Ed Holmes, Lorna and Mike Vasapollo and the others who put in so much time and effort to keep the kitchen running!

Our raffle of a Ruger Red Label 12 ga. shotgun is still going on for members only. Contact Jerry Snuffer, Jenniffer LaFlamme or John Fabroski to get tickets for \$10.00 each, there's only a few left!

The membership voted at the October business meeting to expand our limit from 250 to 300 dues paying members, effective in 2010 when we bring in our next group of new members.

#### Membership

The club voted in Gerry Spaur as our newest Life Member and we had a first reading of a Charter membership Application from William G Spaur.

Sincerely Yours,  
Tim Santry