

STANDISH SPORTSMAN'S ASSOCIATION
P.O. Box 258
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Business Meeting - Thursday - Sept. 4, at 7:30 PM
Board of Directors - Thursday - Sept. 25, at 7:30 PM

2009 SPORTSMAN'S SHOW

Hugh Hurley reported that his committee would begin holding meetings to begin preparing for the 2009 Sportsman's Show. The dates for the show have not been chosen yet, but we may have it on Superbowl weekend like we did last year. Hugh has asked that members look around to find out the dates for other competing sportsman shows next year that might conflict with our show. Let Hugh or anyone on the committee know what you find so they can pick good dates for our 2009 show. Hugh is also looking to get new members to help the show committee this year, please give him a call at 508-588-9327 if you can spare a little time to help out.

TRAP

Congratulations to Walter Potaznick for getting a perfect 25 recently with his 20 gauge on the trap field. Thanks also to Walter and his committee for their continuing efforts that keep the trap and skeet fields operating. Thanks to Paul Clark for running the recent "GAS" shoot that was very successful as we had four happy winners of \$25.00 gasoline cards.

INDOOR ARCHERY

John Brennan and Larry Witnauer will be starting up the youth archery again on September 10. Applications are available on the club web site at <http://www.standishsportsmans.com>. John is working up a Halloween Party for the youth archery gang, details to follow. John also has a proposal to start an adult archery league on Wednesday nights from 8:00 to 10:00PM, after the youngsters shoot. Details are being worked out now. Watch the club website and bulletin board for final details. Thanks to John, Larry and all the others who have put so much time and effort into making the Youth Archery one of the most successful activities at Standish!

3-D ARCHERY

George Andrews reported we had a great turnout of 98 shooters at our July 13 3-D shoot. There were 84 adults, 8 youths and 6 cubs. We also had a great turnout of members to help with the setup and takedown of the course and to run the kitchen. Thanks to George Andrews, Craig Warmington, Kevin Greiner, Jerry Snuffer, Stan Usowicz, Richard Sandstrom, Terry Sandstrom, Mike DiBlasio, Chris Cahill, Matt Cahill, Ed Souza, Walter Potaznick, Everett Hanson, Dan McNevin, Chad Morse, Joe McLaughlin, Mike Scanlon and Bob Phillips. A special thanks to Lorna and Mike Vasapollo, John Brennan, and Mike DiBlasio for their great work in the kitchen where they did over \$400.00 in business for breakfast and lunch.

George announced that the new "BAG" (pillow) outdoor archery target course has been setup. The course starts at the rear of the clubhouse and follows the general route of the existing 3-D course through the woods. Please remember to shoot only field points, **NO BROADHEADS**, at these targets. All members are welcome to shoot this course at any time, crossbows are also allowed. Thanks to George Andrews, Ed Souza, Everett Hanson and Tom Souza for coming up with the idea for this course and then doing all the follow up work to set it up and get it going.

MEMBERSHIP

The members pass on their best wishes for a speedy recovery for John DiLoreto who has been seriously ill. Latest word is that he is on the road to recovery, but it will be a while before he can make it back to the club kitchen to cook dinner for us. Get well soon John, we look forward to seeing your smiling face again!

The club members surprised George Andrews with a cake in recognition of his retirement after 43 years of service to the town of Raynham Fire Department, the last 16 years as Fire Chief. We wish George all the best in his retirement and hope he gets to spend a lot more time enjoying the club.

The club voted in Sandy Rogers as our newest Charter member at the August business meeting. We also voted in Zachery Cohen as our newest Junior member.

The membership once again unanimously voted to make Ed O'Brien an Honorary Member of the Standish Sportsman's Association in recognition of his many years of service to all the sportsmen of Massachusetts!

Thanks to Mike and Lorna Vasapollo and Mike DiBlasio for the great dinners they continue to prepare and serve before all the business and directors meetings. The BBQ Rib dinner last week was best! Come on down to the club at 6:00 or 6:30 to get a great meal at a great price, including dessert! Special thanks to Joe Gerry of Gerry's Farm who very generously donated all the great corn on the cob we had!

Thanks to Jeff Sampson who put together several great photo collages to show all the folks who attended our latest Kids Fishing Derby.

ROAD REPAIR

We have hired BRS Excavating of Bridgewater to repave, grade and roll our entrance road. The work should be done soon, so please make allowances for the road being closed down for a short period of time when the work is in progress.

CLUB ACTIVITIES

Chuck Francis and his committee are looking into details of targets required to begin practice for Cowboy Action Shooting (CAS). There are no current plans to hold any CAS shoots, this is just an exploratory committee to get info for the club members to make a decision about CAS at Standish.

Don't forget to look at the club website at www.standishsportsmans.com to find out the latest news on club activities. Feel free to send in any items of interest to Bob Phillips and he will get them posted on the website. Make sure you identify any digital photos you send in with a description of the activity and the names of those in the photo.

Bob Phillips asked all committees to keep him informed of new actions planned by each committee, especially if they involved unusual expenditures or large amounts of money. As President, Bob would like to get a handle on any new items before they come up at club meetings, so potential problems can be addressed ahead of time.

The club will have some tickets available for the upcoming Plymouth County League Dinner, which will be held on Wednesday, October 15th. Standish usually has one or two tables reserved for each year's banquet. Call John Fabroski (phone 508-378-7696) for tickets.

Respectfully,
Tim Santry