

STANDISH SPORTSMAN'S ASSOCIATION
P.O. Box 258
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Business meeting - Thursday January 5 at 7:00 pm
SPORTSMAN'S SHOW –Saturday and Sunday - February 4/5
Directors meeting - Thursday January 26 at 7:00 pm

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL! We hope you all had a great year in 2011 and wish you all a great and prosperous new year in 2012!

ANNUAL ELECTIONS

Nominations for club officers and directors for 2012 were closed at the December 1 business meeting. Nominations for Officers are: President, Ed Holmes; Vice-president, Lorna Vasapollo or Bob Phillips; Treasurer, Mike Scanlon; Recording Secretary, Tim Santry and Financial Secretary, Dick McMahon. We have 10 nominations to fill 8 slots for Directors. Director nominations are: George Andrews, Ed Souza, Walter Potaznick, Mike Vasapollo, Bill Ewell, John Brennan, Larry Winger, Tim Hill, Scott Blood and Jeff Sampson. This means we have real election contests for Officers and Directors for 2012. An election ballot committee was appointed; Dominic DiBlasio, Chuck Francis and John Francis to run the election with George Andrews getting the ballots prepared. The election results will be posted on the club bulletin board the night of the election and published in the February newsletter. We would like to thank all the officers and directors who did a great job working for the club in 2011, especially John Fabroski, who worked very long and hard for the good of the club and who decided not to run for re-election.

SPORTSMAN'S SHOW

Our Annual Southeastern Mass. Sportsman's Show will be held on Saturday and Sunday, February 4 and 5, 2012 at our clubhouse on Burr Lane, off Union St. and route 18 in East Bridgewater. The show will run from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM on Saturday and 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM on Sunday. This is the weekend of the Superbowl and we will close up early on Sunday afternoon so everyone has time to get home to watch the game. Our show committee chairman, Hugh Hurley, reported things are going very well, with almost all the tables sold already. There will be booths displaying and selling all types of hunting, fishing, camping, firearms and marine equipment. There will also be sportsmen's videos, raffles, refreshments and much more. To get more information call Hugh Hurley at (508) 588-9327.

You may pay your \$80.00 dues for 2012 at the Sportsman's Show this year, even though it is after the February 2 cutoff date. If you have not paid by February 5 you will automatically be dropped from the membership. Please pay by check only, no cash allowed.

We are looking for all our members, but especially new members to pitch in and help setup, run and take down the show. We need help on Thursday evening, February 2 to begin the setup and then Friday night and all day Saturday and Sunday. Hugh is especially looking for more members to work the parking lots, especially in the mornings when they are the busiest. Dress very warmly for the cold outside! Kitchen help is also needed on both days.

Come over to help for an hour or two or to spend the day, all help is appreciated! We need to get as many members as possible to turn out to support our club. The Sportsman's Show is an excellent place to get to know other club members, especially for people who are new members.

PEOPLE-TO-PEOPLE

James Scanlon, son of our treasurer Mike Scanlon, has been accepted into the People-to People program which sends youngsters around the world to different countries to learn about their people and to be an ambassador representing American youth. James has to raise \$8000.00 to pay for his trip and he will be doing a fundraiser at our February 2012 Sportsman's Show. The club membership voted to give James \$1000.00 to show our support for him and to get him off to a good start!

3-D ARCHERY

Our next 3-D archery shoot is on Sunday January 15, 2012. Setup is on Friday, January 13, at 8:30 am. Come on over to have coffee and donuts and help put the targets out.

MEMBERSHIP

We welcomed James Augenti as our newest Charter Member at the December business meeting. Congratulations to Jim and we thank him for his continued support of the club. We also had the first reading of the Charter Membership application of Joe McLaughlin.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

It is time again for all club members who handle club funds to fill out a simple end of year financial report so that all our bookkeeping will be kept in order. Our goal is to have everyone who handles funds report income and expenditures in the same standard way. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated and our new treasurer, Mike Scanlon, will not have to chase people to get information!

AROUND THE CLUB

Thanks to Paul Clark for running a successful Turkey shoot and congratulations to, Sam Ocijan, Jason Keily Joe Dutcher and Pat Harrington for winning prizes!

Thanks to Ed Souza, Dave Feight, Tim Hill and Ken Kelly for all their hard work on the outdoor archery range.

Thanks to Scott Blood and the crew who are repairing the skeet houses so they can re-open the skeet range.

Thanks to John Brennan for his inventiveness in creating new targets for the youth archery program so he can help maintain their interest in the program.

CLUB T-SHIRTS

A new order has been placed for club t-shirts. The shirts are blue with gold lettering and we have all sizes up to 3XL available for \$10.00 each. Contact Ed Holmes or John Fabroski to get your new shirt!

OUTDOOR RANGES

A reminder to everyone that shooting hours on the outdoor ranges are from 10:00 am to sunset every day, out of respect for all of our neighbors. We have had a couple of instances of people starting early or shooting after sunset. This is a range violation and will be dealt with by the board of directors.

KITCHEN

Thanks again to Mike and Lorna Vasapollo for the great dinners before club meetings. All members are welcome to come to the dinners before business and directors meetings; the cost is only \$6.00! Thanks also to Tim Hill, Ed Holmes, and the others who regularly help in the kitchen. Please remember that the snacks and drinks in the kitchen refrigerator are there for the convenience of members, but they are not free! The price

list is posted inside the door; please remember to pay for your coffee and snacks or we will have to stop providing them.

JUNIOR CONSERVATION CAMP

Please submit names of any youngsters from 13 to 17 years old who you would like to have the club sponsor to Junior Conservation Camp this coming August. All you need to do to get on the list is send in their name and address; we will get the formal applications filled out later. Please do not submit names for anyone who is not sure they want to attend the camp. We cannot afford to waste camp slots and funding on "no-shows". Final deadline to submit names is January 15, 2012.

Sincerely Yours,
Tim Santry