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CLUB NEWS



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING/ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The General Membership meeting is scheduled for Saturday, May 18, 2019 at 7:00 PM. The meeting will be held at the Newcomb Firehouse in Newcomb, NY. We will be

conducting regular club business and electing the 2019 Club Officers. Absentee Ballots/ Nomination forms are attached to this newsletter. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor. **The Absentee**

Ballot/Nomination form only needs to be mailed in if you will not be attending the Spring General Membership Meeting.

The slate of officers is as follows: President-Joe Novak, 1st Vice President-Bruce Murdock, 2nd Vice President-Jay Caponera, 3rd Vice President-Ed Keller, Secretary-Matthew Richardson, Treasurer-Walt Huba, 3-year Director- Ric Taras, 1 Yr. Director-Ron Caponera, 1-Yr. Director- Gary Mueller

Mike Lis is a two year director who was voted in last year and Paul

> Ritchey is a one year Director who was also previously voted in, therefore their positions do not require them to run for election this year.

If you are unable to attend the membership meeting please mail your Absentee Ballot/

Nomination Form to the Secretary, Matthew Richardson, before May 1, 2019.(Newcomb Sportsmen's Club, Inc., ATTN: Matthew Richardson, 529 Acland Blvd., Ballston Spa, NY 12020)

The Fall Meeting/Party has been scheduled for Saturday, November 2nd at the Newcomb Fire House, at 7:00 PM.

<u>SPRING RAFFLE</u> <u>TICKETS</u>

The club will once again conduct the ever popular Spring Cash Raffle at the General Membership Meeting on May 18th. Tickets cost \$20 and the club will award 10 cash prizes totaling \$2000. This has been a very successful fund raiser for the club and all members are encouraged to help with the sale of tickets. We will offer 300 tickets for sale. To request tickets contact Ric Taras, Raffle Committee Chairman at 518-265-3963.

FALL RAFFLE TICKETS

Fall Raffle tickets will be available at the Spring Meeting.

TAKE NOTICE

Please make sure that copies of all ATV, UTV, and snowmobile registrations/proof of insurance are sent to Matthew Richardson. It is necessary to have these on file for lease and club insurance purposes. You may send a copy through the mail or via e-mail. guidemrichardson@gmail.com

ALSO, please be reminded that all UTV's and ATV's are restricted to road use only from Oct. 15-Dec. 15. You may use these off road to retrieve game or with special handicapped designation.



CLUB OPEN HOUSE

The club is planning the yearly Open House for Saturday, May 18th and Sunday, May 19th, 2019. Volunteers are needed and can complete a work day by helping on this event.

The hours on Saturday will be from 9 AM - 3 PM and Sunday from 9 AM - 12 PM. We need members to act as tour guides and hosts. We also need volunteers to cook and serve refreshments. If you are interested in helping out and completing a work day, contact Membership Chairman, Jay Caponera at 518-527-7579. This is also a great day for members to hang out and catch up after a long winter!

BOY SCOUTS PRACTICE SURVIVAL SKILLS

On Saturday February 24th, the scouts from Troop 6099 in South Glens Falls, participated in the annual Wilderness Survival Skills Weekend held at NSC. A small group of scouts worked to hone their craft and learn what it takes to survive in the Adirondacks during the winter. There is no better place than the High Peaks Wilderness for this to take place. The scouts snowshoed, built shelters, learned how to make fire, navigate, and how to utilize food sources that are available this time of year.

This was an experience that will stick with these young boys for a lifetime. It is also experiences like these that help to raise another generation of youth that appreciate what the Adirondacks have to offer as much as our club members do.

Those involved would like to thank the following groups for their support and ability to make this weekend event a success:

The Newcomb Sportsman Club

F& W Woodlands Management

Upper Hudson Woodlands LLC

DUES AND COMBINATION

Yearly dues are payable in two installments of \$395. The 1st installment is due by April 1, 2019.

Notices have gone out around March 1st. As of this year, you will notice a change in camp fees associated with increased property and school taxes. With the change in the assessments, the camp fee amount will



continue to be \$350 and the taxes will increase to \$300 (which will be billed in Sept). You will also notice a bill for \$70, which covers the back tax adjustment that took place last year as well as a \$100 assessment if a workday was not completed the prior year. Please send dues installment to Treasurer, Walt Huba, 18 Cimarron

Way Latham, NY 12110<u>Remember</u>, new combination and buttons are issued upon payment of the September installment, not the April installment.

PROPERTY CHAIRMAN AND WORK DAYS

Bruce Murdock, Property Chairman, will be establishing work days and will announce the dates at the Spring Meeting. Also, the dates will be listed in the Summer/Fall 2018 newsletter.

All members are highly encouraged to participate in a work day. Not only does this satisfy your membership requirement to participate or pay \$100 (billed the following year), it adds to the overall quality of our club. Many hands make light work and we can use all members hands. If you are unable to meet on designated workdays, please contact Bruce for an alternate task to fulfill your obligation.

HUNTING SEASON 2018 RESULTS

Our best estimate indicates that approximately three bucks were taken last season on club property.

The **NSC Big Buck Club** prize (\$220) was awarded this year to Rick Bathalon! **CONGRATULATIONS** Rick

To enter the contest, remember to send your entry fee of \$10.00 in with your September dues payment or before the season begins.

OTHER CLUB INFORMATION

Logging on the Club

Currently, there has been some ongoing logging taking place on the club this winter. Those of you who made the trip up after the snow flew noticed how nice it was to be able to drive in to Pine Rd. Those who did not will notice a big difference when they drive to the end of Pine Rd this spring. The loggers have been hard at work changing the landscape. Hopefully this will lend itself to some new growth and a habitat in which we will be able to harvest a giant in the near future! Below is a picture of the end of Pine Rd. from earlier this winter.



Club Camp

Bruce has been hard at work trying to finish up the club camp. The snow has hampered some progress, but we are on target for use this upcoming season. If you get a chance stop by and check it out! The camp looks great and will be a nice place to rest your head, share some drinks, and laughs after a long day in the woods. Bruce could always use some help with the camp (this work would satisfy a workday) so please reach out to him if you are available.

The State of the DAM!

Rehab of the dam at the Beaver Flow has been a conversation for that last couple of years, and this year we have been assured that it will be addressed by the landowner. A new engineering firm has been hired and already secured the necessary permits for the process. Due to this, we will will not be putting in the dock or Kayak launcher this year as the tentative timeframe for work is this summer. We will also hold off fish stocking until the fall, due to the potentially low levels of water during construction. On a side note, we have also been told that there will be repairs done to the upper rd culvert, which was damaged during last winters logging.

EVENT	DATE	TIME	PLACE
Open House	May 18, 2019 May 19, 2019	9:00 AM- 3:00 PM 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Beaver Flow Pavilion
Board Meeting	May 18, 2019	5:00 PM	Joe Novak's house
General Membership/Election Meeting	May 18, 2019	7:00 PM	Newcomb Fire House, Newcomb NY
Board Meeting	Jun 1,2019	12:00 PM	Joe Novak's house
Board Meeting Fall Party/Bus. Meeting	November 2, 2019 November 2, 2019	5:00 PM 7:00 PM	Newcomb Fire House, Newcomb NY Club will provide dinner

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

When you are in the Club there is limited phone service. However, we feel that it is important that every member have a list of relevant and emergency phone numbers for the Newcomb area. Hopefully you won't have to use them.

Police Numbers

 Newcomb
 897-2000

 Long Lake
 897-2000

 Minerva
 962-8235

 (if no answer call 897-2000)

 Glens Falls
 792-2172

 Saranac Lake
 897-2000

Sheriff

Essex County 873-6321 (Elizabethtown) Hamilton County 546-6321 (Lake Pleasant) Warren County 761-6477 (Glens Falls) or 911 582-2991 **Fire / Emergency Numbers** 911 **Other** Pottersville Garage (518)494-2690 Schroon Lake Trucking (518)796-1865 Auto Car Care Center (518) 623-3039

Newcomb Health Center

If you Carry it in... Carry it out Department of Environmental Conservation Region 5 Law Enforcement Office Rt. 86, PO Box 286 Ray Brook, NY 12977-0286 518-897-1200

Department of Environmental Conservation region 5 Sub Office Hudson St., PO Box 220 Warrensburg, NY 12885-0220 518-623-3621

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