

North Leominster Rod and Gun Club

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August 2009 Newsletter

From the President: First, I apologize to the members for being late with the Newsletter. It took us a while – but here it is, and I hope you enjoy it.

The club has been undergoing some organizational changes in leadership. For those of you who are not aware of this, I am the new Club President, Bob Harris. The Vice-President is Joe LeBlanc; the Treasurer remains the same, Paul Goguen; and the Secretary also remains the same, Maureen Siemen. Bob Cote has been added to the Board of Directors to fill a current vacancy.

The Committee Chairpersons are as follows:

Mike Wutch is Skeet Chairman, Peter Mastrogiovanni is Trap Chairman, and George Grant is Rifle/Pistol Chairman. Each of these folks has formed a committee and posted the names in their respective locations so that members will know who to contact if there is a problem or issue they would like to discuss.

I want to personally thank everyone that has assisted me during this time of transition. This is your Club, the members, so if you have a suggestion on how to improve something – please bring it to the attention of one of the Club Officers or one of the Board of Director's and it will be discussed with open minds. We have also added a new feature for all members, an e-mail box for comments or requests. Send to nlrgc@hotmail.com. We will answer you in a reasonable time.

From the Skeet Committee:

We are looking forward to the Registered Skeet Shoot scheduled for August 16th. All volunteer help will be greatly appreciated. Don't forget our Club Championship Skeet Shoot to be held on September 20th. Hope you all participate.

Thank you. Mike Wutch, Skeet Chairman.

From The Trap Committee:

The past several shoots have been slow and down in number of shooters. We think this is mainly due to the poor weather conditions we have been experiencing. I would like to thank all of the volunteers from North Leominster for helping with the shoots. Hopefully the weather will cooperate with us for the next shoot in August and we look forward to a larger turnout.

We have had complaints from shooters that it is extremely tricky to shoot on Thursday evenings due to the difficult sun fields. So, effective Thursday, August 6th, we are going to set up the trap field on the skeet/trap field combination field #1. We hope this arrangement will improve the shooting conditions for the Thursday night shoots.

Thank you. Peter Mastrogiovanni, Trap Chairman.

From the Rifle/Pistol Committee:

We have had several Bowling Pin shoots and have had a lot of fun – so come and join us. There have been some incidents of mishandling of firearms on the ranges, so please practice all firearms safety rules while on the ranges at the Club. We have had one incident of a full automatic weapon being used. That is strictly forbidden on our ranges. We only have one location for members to pattern their shotguns and that is next to the pistol ranges on the left side. **No combat style shotguns are allowed.** Please read and abide by all of the Club rules and policies and enjoy the Club.

Thank you. George Grant, Rifle/Pistol Chairman

We are continually looking for help in all areas of the club operation, so if you want to volunteer, please contact one of the folks previously mentioned. We look forward to seeing all of you at the Club.

Club Activities Update: Below is a list of some of the updates since the last newsletter:

- 1) The winter trap doubles league ended in March with a nice cookout for the shooters put on by Jim Armitage, Al Hinz, and the Trap crew.
- 2) In May we had our annual Spring Cleanup. This year we had a fantastic turnout for a change, and all participants really did a great job in sprucing up the Club and grounds.
- 3) In June we had approximately forty legislators from all over New England at the Club for a day of shooting, and a great cookout ended the day. This was sponsored and paid for by GOAL with a lot of assistance from Club members from Rifle/Pistol, Skeet and Trap. Thanks to all who participated.

Upcoming Events:

- On August 9th an ATA registered Trap Shoot is planned, and a Registered Skeet Shoot on August 16th The Club Trap Championship will be held on August 23rd. We are always looking for help at these events, so if you can assist, please step up and volunteer. All Trap Shooters – plan to come out on August 23rd. and dethrone our last year's champ, Bill Asher.
- September 13th Registered Trap Shoot
- September 17th Club General Membership Meeting
- September 20th Club Skeet Championship
- September 26th Junior "Crushing Clays" Trap Championship.
- October 4th Registered Trap Shoot
- October 11th Big Gun/Little Gun Skeet Shoot
- October 18th Club All Around Shotgun Championship

All the elected officers and Board of Directors hope to see all of you out and shooting and enjoying your Club!