

North Leominster Rod and Gun Club

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Newsletter

December 2008

PRESIDENT'S CORNER: This has been another busy and extremely successful year for our club and it is hard to believe that December is here already. We all owe a debt of gratitude to a small but very dedicated group of people who work hard to make our club one of the best in the region. Your club officers and directors faithfully work every event that we hold all year long. The members who serve on the skeet, trap, rifle/pistol, grounds, kitchen and member's room committees round out the workforce and make it possible for you to enjoy the numerous events and services that the club offers. Our terrific website is just another example of how one dedicated member provides a great service to us all. My sincere thanks to all of you for making our club what it is today. Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS... If you are an Annual Member it is time for renewal of your membership. A copy of the renewal form is attached to this newsletter. Please note that we have increased dues by \$10.00 across the board. That was not an easy decision but it was felt that it was necessary to try to keep up with the rising costs of operating the club. We are also working hard at reducing our expenditures in every area possible which is why those of you who have access to email will receive as much as can be sent to you electronically rather than through the US Postal Service. If you are renewing a family or husband & wife membership please remember to give us renewal data on all members when you mail them in.

KID'S CHRISTMAS PARTY - Our kid's Christmas party this year is being held on Saturday, December 13th, from 1:00 - 3:00 PM. The party is for children or grandchildren of club members who are 12 years old and under. Presents for all will be provided by the club. There has been a signup sheet for the party in the clubhouse for a few weeks. If you are interested in bringing children to the party you can either signup there or you can send an email to me. We need the name, age, sex, and a suggested type of present for each person that you sign up. If you can provide some type of snack item that would also be appreciated. Please indicate what you will be bringing when you sign up. Deadline for signup is December 10th.

2009 NEW YEAR SHOOT - As most of you know we kick off each year with a shoot on New Years Day. This year's shoot format has changed somewhat to encourage wider participation. You can choose to shoot 50 birds of skeet or 50 birds of trap and are not be required to shoot both types shooting. Flyers are posted at the club which explain the details of how the shoot works and one is also posted on our website. I hope that you can join us for what is always a fun day. Breakfast and lunch will be available at the club that day also.

CLUB SKEET & ALL AROUND CHAMPIONSHIPS - Our Club Skeet Championship was held in September and our **2008 Skeet Champion is John Terho**. The Club All Around Shotgun Championship was then held in October and our **2008 All Around Shotgun Champion is Mike Estep**. CONGRATULATIONS to both club champions for their outstanding shooting.

ANNUAL COMBINED GENERAL MEMBERSHIP / BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING - .The annual combined meeting of the general membership and our board of directors will be held on Thursday, December 18, 2008, at 7:00 PM in the main clubhouse. Supper will be served at 6:00 PM. A signup sheet for meals will be posted in the clubhouse. Advance signup is needed to allow us to plan the number of meals to be prepared. Elections of club officers and directors for 2009 will be conducted during this meeting.

2009 CLUB ELECTIONS - As noted above we will be holding our elections for club officers and directors for 2009 at the Annual Combined Meeting on December 18th. Nominations were held in November and resulted in the following list of persons running for office: Incumbents running unopposed for re-election: President - Bob MacMaster, Treasurer - Paul Goguen, and Secretary - Maureen Siemen. For Vice President we have the incumbent, Bob Harris, running for re-election and he is being opposed by Joe LeBlanc. We also have five individuals running for election for three director positions. All three positions are for three year terms. Those running are: Gerry Curley, Dick Friend (incumbent), Rocky Gravbelle, Al Hinz, and Dick Souliere (incumbent). This is your chance to choose the persons that you want to see involved in the management of your club and I hope that as many of you as possible will attend.

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EMAIL ADDRESS CHANGES.. We are going to rely upon sending newsletters and other announcements to the majority of you by email whenever possible. It is very important for you to keep us informed whenever you change your address so that we will not have any attempt to send to you rejected. You might also check to see that you have my email addresses listed in your safe list so that your system will not reject those transmissions. Both of the addresses that I use are shown in my column at the beginning of this newsletter. Thanks....

WINTER TRAP DOUBLES LEAGUE.. Our winter trap doubles league is forming and will be starting to shoot in January. The league consists of six 100 target doubles events shot over a three month period. It has been a lot of fun since we started the league a few years ago and I hope that you will consider joining us this year. Flyers on particulars and a signup sheet are posted at the clubhouse.

CRIBBAGE LEAGUE.. We are also signing people up for our cribbage league that will begin just after the start of the new year. We play three games a night on Thursday nights. Two person teams are selected by a draw of the individuals who have signed up. Think about joining us in another of the many ways that we have found to enjoy ourselves even when the weather isn't so great.

DARTS 501 LEAGUE.. So you thought that we had run out of things for you to try out!! No way. We are also signing folks up for our winter darts league. You can shoot one game of 501 on either Thursday, Saturday, or Sunday of each week for about 10 weeks starting, again, right after the new year begins. If you haven't shot 501 before there are plenty of us around that can show you how it is done. This is just another way to enjoy what your club has to offer. Come down and try it out..

**INFO ON ALL OF THE LEAGUES SHOWN ABOVE IS POSTED AT THE CLUBHOUSE
EITHER UPSTAIRS OR IN THE MEMBER'S ROOM.**

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 2008

- 02 Board of Directors Meeting - 7:00 PM
- 13 Kids Christmas Party - 1:00 - 3:00 PM
- 18 Annual Combined BOD/General Membership Meeting - Club Elections - 7:00PM

January 2009

- 01 New Year Shoot - 9:00 AM Start

Starting this month:

Trap Doubles League

Cribbage League

Darts 501 League