

# Rutland Sportsman's Club, Inc.

## April 2012 Newsletter



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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

New Memberships: Welcome 4 new members from the month of March: Rose Bigger, Paul Tivnan, Jeremy Smith, and Robert Lambert.

April 2012 General Meeting: Please make every attempt possible to attend the Tuesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting. If we all pitch-in we can make great things happen. Stay up to date and be part of our clubs direction. Thank you to all who participated last month & thank you for your donations for this 2012 year as we have begun to close the gap in our dues account!

Newsletter Email Notification: Email Bill Gonzalez at [bill.gonzalez@rscma.org](mailto:bill.gonzalez@rscma.org) if you would like to get an email copy of the RSC newsletter 2-weeks prior to the mailing plus notifications of upcoming events and reminders that doesn't make the newsletter. We currently have 148 members on the email list which helps with club communication.

Spring Cleanup: The spring cleanup is scheduled for Saturday April 14<sup>th</sup> with a rain date of April 21<sup>st</sup>. This is a great way to meet members and get your hours in for the 2012 year. Please bring your favorite rake and shovel and anyone with chain saws, blowers, and trackers would be a big help. Please contact Bill Gonzalez 508-641-6121 for any questions.

Friends of NRA Banquet and Auction: This event is held at the Sheraton Four Points Hotel, Leominster, MA @6pm, Friday, September 21, 2012. The cost is \$40 per person if we fill a table of 10. Anyone interested going to this event please contact Bill Gonzalez at 508-641-6121 or email [bill.gonzalez@rscma.org](mailto:bill.gonzalez@rscma.org). See [www.rscma.org/committees/nra](http://www.rscma.org/committees/nra) website for additional details.

Town Wide Yard Sale: Saturday April 28<sup>th</sup>. Members and the public can donate \$5 for an 8-foot table at the Rutland Sportsman's Club indoors or outdoors. Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Chips, and Soda will be served at the club. Members, please contact Bill Gonzalez to help out with this event.

Club House Attic Clean Up: Saturday, April 7th @ 8am. Need volunteers to help clean and organize, it would be very helpful if we have knowledgeable members help sort out what to keep, what to put out for the town wide yard sale, and what goes in the dumpster. Please contact Bill Gonzalez to volunteer.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Meat Raffle: The next meat raffle will be held on Sunday 3/25 at 2PM. These raffles are always a blast, so mark your calendar and contact your family and friends for an afternoon of fun. See Denise Boyer for more details.

Pool League Dinner: This year's "Tour Of The Brookfield's" pool league banquet will be hosted by the Rutland Sportsman's Club on Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup>. Member help is needed for cooking and serving.

Spring and Summer Trout Derby: Begins Saturday, April 14th. PUBLIC WELCOME TO JOIN! \$10 entry donation fee; fee includes a dinner at the end of the season. Stop by the club any day after 2pm to get into this game! See Denise Boyer to get into the derby!

Trap Shoot: The game is back on! See continuous events below for schedule.

Kids Fishing Derby: Saturday, May 19th - Open for member's kids and grandkids, so mark your calendar. Next month's edition will have the details for the event.

### **Club Hall Rental:**

Accommodations: 190-people (120-Hall + 70-Bar) – Birthday Parties, Family Reunions, etc... Contact Person: Denise Boyer @ 508-882-3537

### **Monthly Meetings:**

General Meeting: 1st Tuesday of Every Month @ 7pm

Executive Board Meeting: 2nd Tuesday of Every Month @7pm

Range Safety Class: 2nd Tuesday of Every Month @6pm - Tony Miller / Ed Cortellini

### **Continuous Events:**

FREE Pool: Every Wednesday - Regulation size, open to all members all day, come on down!

Pitch Night: Every Thursday @ 7pm – Come on down and have some fun! THIS EVENT IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

Trap Shoot: Every Sunday 12 to 2pm beginning April 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **NEWS:**

The Game Dinner: This year's game dinner was a huge success and went off without a hitch, thanks to the careful planning by Bob Hoch. This year the dishes ranged from appetizers of pickled pickerel, elk stuffed jalapeños, frog legs, wild turkey rollups to venison stuffed mushrooms, smoked salmon, and pâtés. Fish chowder, venison stew, and goose chili were also served. Dinner included pheasant nuggets, venison meat loaf, barbecued pulled beaver, a snapping turtle gravy over rice, venison roast, rabbit pot pie, as well as perch and bass nuggets. Our guests had a fun night out. After all of these culinary delights, many of the guests sent compliments to the kitchen and no one of left hungry.

So much advanced planning goes into being able to serve 150+ people. There are so many members of this club as well as outside sources, fishers, hunters, and neighboring clubs that stepped up to the plate and made this the great event that it was. They donated raffle prizes, fish, and game throughout the year. They gave their time the week of this dinner. OUR DEEPEST THANKS TO ALL OF YOU. Thank you to Al Glockner, Rich Morse, Ron Howe, Bob Hoch, Jeanette Hoch, Dennis Guberski, Al Dolittle, Larry Lantiegne, Chris Kolofski, Nick Monopoli, Neil Blodgett, Dave Provost, Sammy Knipe, Rick French, Doug Wylie, Ken Hultgren, Bill Gonzalez, Dan Saki, Joe Raskett, Dick Merchant, Andy Femino, Adam Knipe, Rick Brown, Ron Damstrom, Kevin Leonard, Leo Cote, Chris Wylie, Cheryl Wylie, Joe Regnier, Cherry Malcom, Tom Lyons, Kelly Lyons, Carla Corcoran, Billy Glynn, Patty Melick, Bob Chandonnet, Doug Hagman, Todd Kauppila, Steve Handy, Mick Maxon, Denise Boyer, Alex Emerson, Don Werme, Jim Forrest, Tom Murphy, Jim Urbec, Anthony Hoch, Kathy Healy, and all of the next day cleanup crew who made the club shine again! I am sorry if a name is missing, as this is one event where so many members support. Your help was just as important to us as everyone else's. Thank you. Lastly, a special thanks to our friends Kevin and Kathy at Finders Pub in West Boylston for their donation to this event, and also our friends Helen and Jack at Cheoy Lee's II in West Boylston for their donation. Both of these places are a great place for food and drinks. Be sure to visit them sometime soon. The buffet at Cheoy Lee's is a "must try" - in my opinion the best around. Once again, THANK YOU!



We also had a gun raffle along with many other prizes with Bob Chandonnet on the microphone. Two guns were raffled off, an Ithaca 12 gauge pump and a CVA 50 caliber muzzle loader. The Ithaca shot gun was donated to the club by Ralph Provenchure and was won by Brian Ford, Thank you Ralph. Jim Forrest was the lucky winner of the muzzle loader. Congratulations to both of you!



The Season-Long Ice Fishing Derby: The ice was not its best this year, but some people did manage to get out on the ice and catch some fish big enough for the season long derby. The derby supper was held on March 9<sup>th</sup>, the meal was plentiful and delicious, and everyone had fun congratulating the winners. The winners were:

<u>Week Ending</u>	<u>Winner</u>	<u>Fish Type</u>	<u>Length</u>
12/25	Don Werme	Perch	10 1/2"
01/02	Bob Scott	Pickereel	23 1/8"
01/08	Don Werme	Perch	12"
01/15	Dan Whitner	Pickereel	22"
01/22	Ron Howe	Perch	11 1/2"
01/29	Bernie McMenemy	Pickereel	23 0"
02/05	Ron Howe	Perch	12 7/8"
02/12	Jim Collina	Pickereel	25"
02/19	Dave Provost	Perch	12 3/8"
02/26	Dan Whitner	Pickereel	18 1/2"
02/26	No Entry	Pike	
02/26	Bernie McMenemy	Trout	14 1/8"
Ext.	Dan Whitner	Perch	12 1/2"

The 1<sup>st</sup> place Perch went to Ron Howe for his 12 7/8" Perch.  
 The 1<sup>st</sup> place Pickereel went to Jim Collina for his 25" Pickereel.

A great big thank you to Denise Boyer, Don Werme, Pete Moran, Al Glockner, Fran Glockner, Steve Spanach, Irene Kalvinek, Ralph Anderson, Doug Hagman, Matt Powers, Tony Miller, Jeanette Hoch, Kathy Healy, Travis Howe, Hayley Howe, Ron Howe, Jeremy Smith, and last ,but NEVER least, Bob "Scooter" Scott for making this supper a success.

It looks like an early spring & summer season, so those who could not make it to the dinner stop by the club and register for the open water season-long derby. Entry into the derby is \$10 which includes your meal at the awards dinner at the end of the derby (Guests may attend the dinner for \$10 also). The bartender can accept your entry fee and ensure that the derby organizer gets you signed up.

The Hunter Safety Course was held at the club in March with lead instructor Rick French. The following photo shows one of the students identifying a cartridge caliber and type of load.



