

Rutland Sportsman's Club, Inc.

September 2014 Newsletter

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- The Rutland Sportsman's Club voted in 4 new members in August. Please welcome Kofi Chemfe, Brian Fleury, Sean Hayes, Gerald MacLean
- The 2014 annual election is coming upon us quickly in October. It is time for the members to start thinking about running for an officer or executive board position. If you are interested in running for any position, the details are outlined in the club By-Laws. More details are available by talking to any of the current officers or executive board members
- The Rutland Sportsman's Club will be having its 2nd ANNUAL GUN RAFFLE on Saturday September 27th 2014 at 6pm. Tickets are available at the club from 3pm till 8pm daily with a \$20 donation. The first raffle will have 6 long guns (rifles / shotguns) with only 300 tickets available. The second raffle will have 6 handguns with only 300 tickets available. To view the gun list, visit our website www.rscma.org . You can also contact Bill Gonzalez @ 508-641-6121 or bill.gonzalez@rscma.org for tickets.
- The Pheasants Are In! Before you know it, it will be pheasant hunting season and time to stock the birds. Come stocking season volunteers are needed to stock the pheasants. If you would like to help raise or stock these birds please contact Scott Davis @ 508-769-0162. This is a fun way to put in your hours.
- If you are looking for ways to put in volunteer hours there is so much that can be done. Please contact any of the committee members that are posted at the club.

- **Club Hall Rental:**

Accommodations: 190-people (120-Hall + 70-Bar) – Birthday Parties, Family Reunions, etc... Contact Person: Bob Hoch @ 508-886-2584 THESE RENTALS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

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 @5:30pm - Tony Miller / Ed Cortellini

Continuous Events:

- Trap Shoot – Every Sunday at 12pm - \$3 for members, \$4 for non-members.
- The Spring and Summer Season Long Trout Derby sign ups have started and anyone interested in signing up can do so at the club during club hours. It is a \$10 donation to get into the derby and includes an awards dinner at the end of the season. For More information you can contact Dan Whitner at 508-688-4716.
- 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.

News: The Rutland Sportsman's Club held its Annual Golf Tournament on Saturday August 16th. The weather could not have been nicer for a day of golfing. It seemed that everyone had a fun time. After the golfing the players returned to the club for a chicken BBQ. After dinner there were the awards and a raffle with many prizes. Here are the winners: in 1st place Team Donlin, who took some of their winnings to open up the bar for a while. In 2nd place Team Stewart, and in 3rd place was Team Glockner. Closest to the hole was Paul Morgan. The long drive was won by Rick Jefferson in the men's category, and Sue Berthume for the woman.

It takes a lot of time and effort to set up and run a golf tournament and I want to thank Chris Wylie and Todd Kauppila for heading up this event. I want to thank Kevin Leonard and Bob Hoch for the excellent chicken BBQ. Also Billy, Paul and his son, Dave and Betty Z and everyone else that helped make this a success.

THANK YOU mostly to all of our sponsors! Please patronize these businesses whenever possible : Honey Farms, Colonial Wine & Spirit, A-Nu Face Kitchen, Sunnyside Ford, Ladd's Restaurant, Val's Restaurant, Finder's Pub, Lamoureux Ford, Toulas Pizza, Dumpster Services LLC, Charles River Insurance, Athol Savings Bank, Rutland Sanitation, Paxton Garage, Williamson Environmental, Quail Hollow, Forrest's Repair, Dunroamin, Worcester County Memorial Park, Spencer Savings Bank, Xtra Mart Convenience, C&C Pools, Brew city, Paxton Market, Bond Sand & Gravel, Kustom Fabrication, Kustom Kuts, Jan's Package Store, Still Harts, D&G Sports Shop, Annie's Clark Brunch, Ellie's Pet Barn, Specialty Sandwich Co., Mill Street Package, Holden Car Wash, Mac's Diner, East Side Liquors, Holden Discount Oil, and Smitty's Tavern. Thank you also to these people who personally sponsored this golfing event: Todd Kauppila, Friends of RSC, Dennis Guberski, Denise Boyer, Ron Howe, Mark Fauteux, The Donohue Family, and Joe Kusz.

Action Pistol Shoot:

The Rutland Sportsmans Club held an Action Pistol Shoot on Saturday, August 16th which resulted in a very good turn-out; approximately twenty shooters attended this event. The shoot was open to the public which allows for both members and non-club members to participate. These public type events are a good way to generate increased club membership by allowing non-members to use our outdoor range as well as see the other benefits the RSC has to offer. We had two classes of competitive shooting categories to choose from but not limited to, one is the stock-auto class which prohibits the use of external optics and the other is the open class which allows any style semi-automatic gun to be used regardless of sites. Often the open class guns are referred to as "race guns" utilizing red dot optics, modified internals including reduced trigger pulls and also high performance muzzle breaks. In the past we have also offered a revolver class, but this event did not generate enough interested parties to have that style of entry. The cost for the shoot is \$5 per class of gun, which covers the first, second and third place prize money as well as generates donations for the club. Shooters will often par take in multiple class events regardless of having an "open" style gun or not which increases the amount of shooting excluding the revolver class – a revolver is required to enter that particular category. The event is setup in a man on man simultaneous configuration with the objective of knocking down all of their designated steel plates before his or her opponent finishes theirs. Each shooter has 9 steel plates varying in both

size and shape to contend with. For both the semi-auto classes as well as the revolver class, a reload is required during the shoot, hence the name “Action Pistol Shoot”. For both semi-auto stock and open classes, only seven rounds are allowed in the first magazine and each additional magazine must be filled to capacity – magazine quantities are unlimited. Each shooter competes in five qualifying stages and their respective WIN or LOSS result is documented. A shoot-off may then be required in the event of a tie, which is decided by either a repeat of the man on man style shoot or a timed-fire style shoot. The top three shooters from each class are then awarded prize money and bragging rights.

Stock-Auto Class Winners:

1st place – Bill Gonzalez (center), 2nd place – Joe Mazzone (right) and 3rd place – Patrick Petrocelli (left)



Open Class Winners:

1st place – Brian Lee (center), 2nd place – Joe Mazzone (right) and 3rd place – Patrick Petrocelli (left)



Please congratulate this week's winners for each class event and thanks to all that participated!

Stay tuned to the newsletter and club emails for future Action Pistol Competitions to follow.