

## Rutland Sportsman's Club. Inc. June 2018 Newsletter

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- New Members: The Rutland Sportsman's Club voted in 6 new members in May. Please welcome Misty Gillespie, Jesse Klayman, Jeff Lund, Gerald McAlister, Michael Spalatro and Matthew Standing.
- The 120 Club is active every Friday night at 6pm; stop by for a great meal can be had for around 5 bucks or less. This is a great way for new club members to meet other members so come on down and say Hello!
- Check events calendar when the indoor and outdoor ranges are closed for club events: <http://www.rscma.org/calendar>
- PLEASE NOTE: Updates for all events are posted on our website [www.rscma.org](http://www.rscma.org) whenever changes to an event are made. This will include postponements, cancelations, time changes, etc.
- 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.
- The driveway is done and thanks to all involved especially Al Doolittle, Mike Caruso, and Mark Sinkewicz.

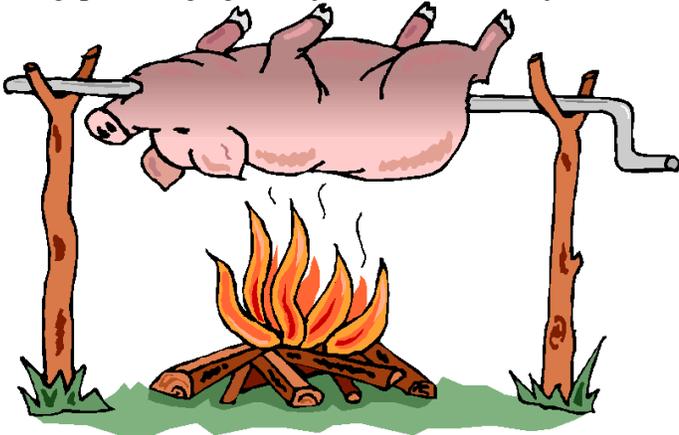


- A new keycard system is installed and if you have problems with your card please contact Bill Gonzalez @ 508-641-6121 (text or call me); I can fix immediately or within 24-hrs depending on where I am. I encourage members to come and verify your key card to ensure that it works on the doors you have access. Please do not wait till you really need to use the club. We apologize for the inconvenience, but this was required.
- Wi-Fi is now up and running and there is a sign-up sheet at the bar for anyone that is interested to get a connection.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

PIG ROAST – Saturday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>

- Serving Time: 4-5pm Tickets available at club any day after 3pm.
- The pig will be prepared by the ever-affable Ryan Desrosiers and President Chris Wylie.



RSC WCLS Young Guns Trap Shoot Competition – Sunday, June 24<sup>th</sup> at Noon

- Participants 18 and younger registration – Free
- This event is sponsored by the WCLSC – additional details in newsletter.

Canoe Raffle - \$20 donation

- 16ft Handcrafted prospector style canoe. One of a kind hand built from cedar strips by RSC member Jeff Clark.
- Proceeds to benefit the pheasant program. Tickets available at the Rutland Sportsman's Club any day after 3pm.
- Drawing date will be posted here once 200-tickets are sold.



RSC Annual Golf Tournament – Saturday, August 18<sup>th</sup>

- Contact: Chris Wylie # 774-364-2028
- 75.00 per person for 18 hole and a great chicken barbecue at the RSC
- 18-holes at two courses: 7:30 start time at either Quail Hollow or Dunroamin
- Each Team will have a Golf Captain to let your team know your starting course - Chris will contact each Golf Captain.
- \$25,000 Hole-in-One Competition
- Raffles and other prizes/contests
- Proceeds will help support the RSC youth programs.

**Club Hall Rental:**

Accommodations: In accordance with rental agreement. – 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 @6:15pm - Ed Cortellini

**Continuous Events:**

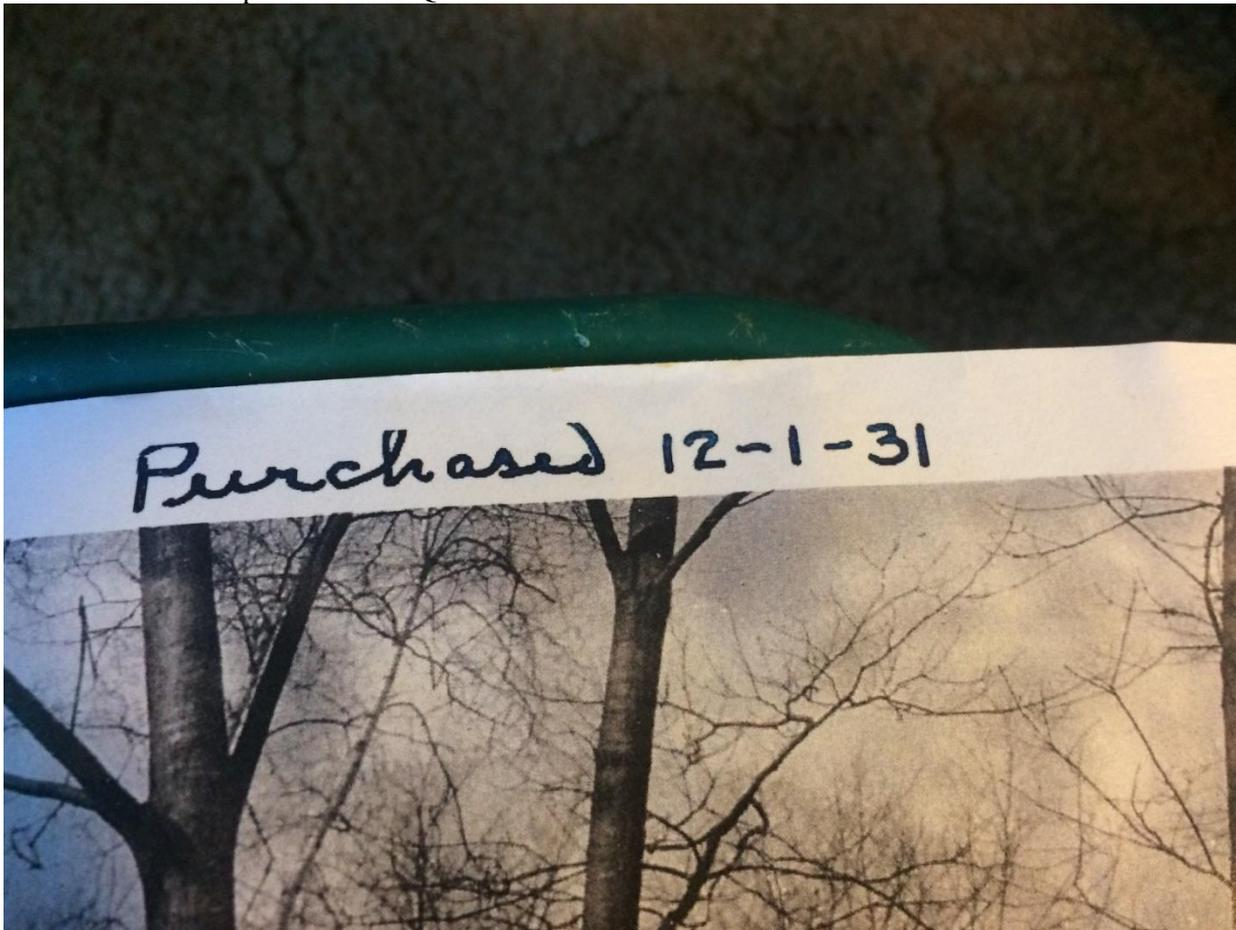
- Trap Shoot – Sundays at noon weather permitting
- FREE Pool: Every Monday till golf season is over - Regulation size, open to all members all day, come on down!
- The sign up for the Season Long Trout Derby has been posted inside the club. It is a \$10 donation and includes an awards dinner at the end of the derby. You can sign up at the club any day after 3pm with the bartender. For more information contact Ron Howe at 774-696-6465.

**The Birth of the RSC Building**

By Jeff Stillings

RSC Sergeant at Arms

Many of you may be surprised to learn that the current building of the Rutland Sportsman's Club was not originally built at its Pleasantdale Road location. The original structure was actually located on the shores of Long Pond, near Routes 122 and 122A, a couple miles down the road in West Rutland. In 1931, the structure was moved from the Long Pond shores to its current location on Pleasantdale Road. Imagine the undertaking this must have been in 1931. The building, along with several other structures, that included a store and restaurant, was one of several West Rutland dwellings that succumbed to the expansion of the Quabbin Reservoir watershed.



The original building, believed to be set on pillars, included two stone fireplaces. The current facility still boasts the original stone fireplace in the center of the main room. The meeting room addition was added circa 1982.



Photo courtesy of Ralph Anderson. The original structure included a front porch and two fireplaces.

Thanks to a recently uncovered photograph provided by retired Rutland Police Chief and RSC Executive Board member Ralph Anderson, we see the original location of the building at Long Pond and notation of the 1931 purchase date of the structure, and thus the birth of the Rutland Sportsman's Club.



The RSC as she currently stands.



The grand meeting room was added around 1982



The central fireplace still stands and can be seen burning logs every now and then.