



- Winnepesaukee Sportsmen's Club, Inc. -

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PRESIDENT BART'S FIRST QUARTER MESSAGE:

Well I don't know if I'm getting old or the winters are getting longer. However you'd never know by the number of people using the range. I've been over several times and really enjoy seeing many of our old members as well as the new ones making use of the facility.

I'd like EVERYONE to hold onto the date: May 1st. Hurry, Hurry, the First of May! (Glad to get that out of my system). Seriously, save May 1st for our Annual Banquet at the Suissevale Clubhouse. Tickets will be available later but I want to give you all the "heads up" that we've been able to secure a nationally known BBQ chef – Lance Fuher. He is head of the Yahoo BBQ Team and Sanoma Catering. Everyone who was at the banquet two years ago raved about his food. This year his portable smoker will not only produce his famous ribs but also a new chicken dish with his new award winning White BBQ Sauce. Of course the meal will include all the usual fixings. There will also be a cocktail hour, a great speaker and raffles. More info will be available in the 2nd quarter newsletter.

To those members living outside of the area, Rick Davis has announced that the Winni Salmon Derby has been cancelled this year. Unfortunately the fish are suffering from over fishing resulting in lack of growth and serious injuries to their eyes, gills and mouths. Although the cancellation will result in a financial setback to the area and a lot of unhappy fishermen and women it's a smart move so as to let the fish get "back on their feet" so to speak.

I look forward to seeing all our members and guests at the club and at the banquet.

In the mean time – I wish good health and fortune to you and your families.

Bart

WSC EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT 1ST QUARTER 2010

It seems that the ink just dried on the last newsletter and here I am writing another!

2010 is shaping up with a host of training opportunities for both our members and the public.

The following is a list of classes planned for the first quarter of 2010:

January OPEN February OPEN March Home Firearm Safety

April Trap Seminar
 Women's Intro to Handguns

Note that the dates have not been firmed up so plan on checking the web site and watch for posters displayed at key locations around town and at the range, or call me at 455-4077 for updates. The first quarter is thin due to the weather restricting us from outside activities.

The remaining months will include – Women's Intro to handguns, NRA Basic Pistol, NRA Basic Shotgun, Hunter Education Firearm and Bow, NH F&G Let's Go Fishing and perhaps another trap seminar.

If any members would like to become certified in any number of NRA programs please take a look at the NRA's website to see what is available, where and when or contact me to discuss the possibilities. Limited funding is available for WSC approved courses under the NRA banner and beyond.

As usual, any comments or questions please call me – Will Powers EdComm Chair
603-455-4077

BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Bob Raymond – Chairman

Here's to a happy and prosperous New Year to all. So far it has been quite the cold and windy start. I sit and watch the occasional intrepid snowmobilers from my kitchen window as they glide by. I choose to stay in the house and stay warm, watch the Outdoor Channel and only venture out to go to the store or to check the Club grounds, of which the driveways have been nicely plowed by Ben Fullerton after each snow, which has been light and fluffy and there is no problem with access. The ramp to the shooting shed could be shoveled by those visiting the shooting shed using the shovel provided if anyone so desires. I shovel to all the door of the shed to swing open for access to the inside. The accumulation of cardboard boxes from the trap clays and ammo usage has been flattened and removed to my dumpster. Here again help from those using the facility is appreciated. Note the sign on the wall. The trash and cardboard when flattened takes up minimal space in the dumpster, it would take less if those using the facility would remove a share of the trash. The 2 trash barrels containing fired shot shell hulls are full to the top and a third barrel has been added. What happened to those who reload their own shot shells? Anyone is invited to take the hulls for reuse or to the dump, as I do not have a dump sticker. The "brass" bucket gets emptied thank to recyclers. Thanks to all who pickup their brass and sweep the floor of the shed, but please put the brass in the "brass" bucket instead of sweeping it off onto the ground in front of the shooting tables. THINK RECYCLE. The shooting shed is neat and tidy. The target frames are in good condition

and it is apparent from the ankle deep tracks in the snow to the target frames that the rifle and pistol shooting has tapered off somewhat due to the weather conditions.

The clubhouse (presently without a heating system) is no warmer than a refrigerator, even with an electric heater running to warm it up, for an on-site meeting to be held. As a result, for the rest of the winter the BOD and Membership meetings will be held in a heated building such as the Public Safety Building or Buckley's, as available. A notice, as to where, will be posted at the gate to the club, for the events if other than on-site.

In regard to the 3D archery course mentioned in the last newsletter, to date only 2 members have shown an interest in rebuilding the old course. This was disappointing, to say the least, but we still have our tower, target house and range that can be made more use of in the future. Anyone for an archery league?

The burn pile – too windy, too cold and no help are among the excuses that come to mind for its existence.

In closing, remember that volunteers do all maintenance and help is greatly appreciated and needed when weather permits. Club dues for 2010 are due by March 31st. We aim to please, your aim will help and it is your club.

Bob Raymond
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Please complete and return the enclosed application with dues by March 31th.