

Maynard Rod and Gun Club Newsletter



Rifle & Pistol Committee

R&P Committee Members Wanted

The committee has recently grown in number and we want to keep the momentum going. If you want to help the club we'd love to have you on the R&P because we've got big plans. We only meet once a month. Contact us to learn more.

Best regards,

Bud Parker, Ken Chin, Peter Voymas, Craig Schomp, Jim Foley, Jon Shepard, Alan Archibald, Chris Manero, Derek Stirk, John Fallon, Thomas Neal, Bill Boudrot, Gui Barroso

The R&P Committee, rifleandpistol@maynardrodandgunclub.com

Range updates are on hold for the winter, stay tuned for information regarding renovations in the early spring.

Roll the R&P Tape

It's the end of the year. Time for epic gun fails!! I think the overwhelming message here is that a firm and proper grip is more important than you think.

The following members have made it into Sgt. Duggan's firearms class (free) this weekend!!

1. Daniel Koretz
2. Karen Hurvitz
3. Marius Albota
4. Charlie Pascal
5. Kyle Beatty
6. Bret Valerio
7. Dwight Warren
8. Yuri Meylikhov
9. Lee Smith
10. Scott Silverman
11. Steve Cohen
12. Geoff Riquier
13. Dana LeBlanc
14. Greg Thomas
15. Thomas McNiff
16. Brian Cleary

Enjoy and stay safe!!

CHRISTMAS CASH RAFFLE!! 2nd annual rifle and pistol committee 50/50

Only 250 tickets are being sold for the \$2500 cash prize. Someone is going to be a happy Santa. The R&P is selling raffle tickets at \$20 each. **YOU DON'T HAVE TO BUY ANY**, but if you'd like to support the Club, the raffle is a great way to do it. Contact the R&P or stop by the bar and get some!! Only about 50 left and going fast. Tickets have hit the streets!!! Hit up your favorite committee member or head into the lounge and get some today!!! Someone is going to spend \$20 and win \$2500, just in time for a nice shopping spree.

You do not have to be present to win but please make sure we can read your name and number on the ticket stub. rifleandpistol@maynardrodandgunclub.com

Stay safe and we'll see you on the ranges!! The Rifle & Pistol Committee,

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Skeet & Trap

During the winter, skeet and trap fields remains open. So when it snows, please still come. Just bring your favorite shovel along with your shotgun. There is a snow blower on the Sudbury side to assist. The trap and skeet fields continue to be very active and Sundays are filled with shooters in all weather. Come on down anytime, but especially join us on Sunday mornings for good fun with the gang. New shooters and new members are always welcome and encouraged.

Remember all fields on Sudbury are now wireless, so no more cords are needed. Wireless controllers in the locked closet in the Shooters Den in a white cabinet. Please remember to close ranges completely; people are leaving lights on, power on to the machines, not releasing the throwing arms, leaving trash around, etc. Thank you.

Clay Delivery - We NEED You on 12/19!

Clay delivery is scheduled for 12/19 and arriving on the Maynard first around 4-5:00pm. We need many hands to help unload. Even if you get there by 6:00 we could use your help. You can earn chits if you help.

Please contact Gifford Perry if you can make it. wgp27@comcast.net. cell 617-659-2673.

Upcoming Tournament, 12/17

Santa Intramural Tournament: Back by popular demand, it will be this coming Sunday. SANTA INTRAMURAL CROSS-CLUBS HOOT OF S&T AND R&P: SUNDAY DECEMBER 17 (This Sunday). The Skeet & Trap Committee and the Rifle and Pistol Committee are joining forces to hold a cross-club intramural shoot, bridging the Sudbury and Maynard sides in honor of Santa this Sunday. The tournament will include Skeet & Trap; and Rifle & Pistol events.

This intramural cross-Club tournament will literally be a blast with trophies and prizes, and food and refreshments including adult beverages served in the Clubhouse bar following the shooting events.

WE ARE BOOKING SLOTS NOW AT \$30 PER ENTRANT which includes all clays fees and other expenses except ammo which is BYOA (Bring Your Own).

Please reply asap to Steve Winick, winvictus@winnlaw.com with a copy to Bud Parker of R&P: Bud Parker, budman20@gmail.com, Gifford Perry or Alan Archibald.

Registration starts at 9:00am Sudbury Shooters Den. Registration starts at 9:00am Sudbury Shooters Den. Please contact Steve Winnick, Gifford Perry or Alan Archibald. Registration starts at 9:00am Sudbury Shooters Den.

5-Stand and New Trap Machine Loan Repayments — will be made in January.

NOTE: Only members who have renewed for 2018 are entitled to the repayment installment being in made in January, 2018 or the final installment due to be paid in January, 2019.

MRGC Logo Apparel Clothing Order

Gifford Perry is offering MRGC Logo clothing. He is not taking orders, but will have an inventory of clothing. First come gets their choices, cash or check only.

For more info, contact Gifford Perry, wgp27@comcast.net



New Shooters Den Roof (Good work completed by Andy Woods)



Archery

There's still time to fill your deer tags using a bow. Yes, it's cold out there, but you can hunt, and then warm yourself by the fire in the members lounge. And, we need donations for the game supper! So, come on down and use the MRGC archery range since it's great again! (Please note that broadheads are not allowed with these targets.) The archery range is all set up with all new backstop targets and two 3D targets to shoot. "Making the archery range great again." For more info, email Chris at chris2500hd@gmail.com

Jr. Rifle Program

The Club's Junior Rifle Program for boys and girls age 10 and older is underway.

The program meets every Thursday night at the Indoor Range from 7:00pm-8:30pm and runs from November through to the end of March. The program teaches the kids firearms safety and safe firearms handling and the fundamentals of shooting 3-position small bore. We promote the highest standards of safety and encourage good sportsmanship and personal responsibility. For more details contact coaches Peter Early or Ramzi Maalouf at youthprograms@maynardrodandgunclub.com

LTC/FID Certifications and Other Training - Thursday, 1/11 @ 6:30pm

NRA Home Firearm Safety Class for LTC/FID - Sign up by 1/09.

If you have friends or family interested in learning gun safety and want to apply for an FID or LTC (License to Carry) permit, this is the class that they need. Pre-registration is required. Membership Not required. Class may be cancelled if low enrollment. \$85 student fee. Upon course completion, an NRA Course Certificate and a Massachusetts Safety Certificate will be issued.

For more information, or to register for the class, please contact Ken Chin at trackertx17@yahoo.com. trackertx17@yahoo.com.

GOAL ALERT

On Tuesday, December 19th, the Massachusetts Joint Committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security is scheduled to hear a bill that could impact your Second Amendment rights. The hearing will take place at the Massachusetts State House in Room B1, beginning at 11:00 AM. Please Take Action

S.2063, which will criminalize lawful private transfer of firearms, to be heard 12/19/17 by the Public Safety Committee.

State Senator Cynthia Creem has filed S.2063, "An Act relative to preventing illegal trafficking of firearms". This bill will do no such thing, it will only criminalize lawful private commerce and transfers of firearms, while having no effect on "criminal trafficking".

Also, please contact the committee chairs (see link) and tell them "No on S.2063" for the above mentioned reasons.

See link for more info - to read the bill

<https://malegislature.gov/Events/Hearings/Detail/2845>

Please call the committee members today 617-722-1485 (senate) & 617-722-2230 (house) and tell them that you are opposed to S.2063 and tired of the never ending stream of legislation aimed at criminalizing licensed gun owners.

Send us your outdoor photos to include in the newsletters!

Have you been out in the woods yet? Bag a bear or a deer? See a rare bird? Did you take a kid fishing or hunting? Did you take a photo of an extraordinary nature and/or

wildlife picture you want to share? Send jpg. photos to Josh at newsletter@maynardrodandgunclub.com to include in the newsletter and include a short caption of who, where and what. Many members continue to send in their great sporting pictures for the newsletter. See below.

8 point buck taken Nov. 20th on public land by Andy Woods. Way to go Andy with your first deer with a bow! Congratulations!



MRGC Kids Christmas Party - 3rd Sunday in December, 12/17

Approved by the Executive Board and back by popular demand, the Annual Maynard Rod & Gun Club kids Christmas Party will be held this Sunday, December 17th in the function hall from 12pm-3pm. Come take part in all the fun, food & holiday festivities. Kids enjoy games and food before receiving a gift from Santa. Santa Clause will have a grand arrival by fire truck at 1:30pm.

The sign up period for this event ended as of Friday, 12/9 to allow the committee enough time to buy presents and prepare.

Please direct any questions to the kids Christmas party chair, Ellen Murphy.

ellen@topcatpromotions.com



Santa arriving at MRGC to greet excited kids.

MRGC Members Lounge

Come on down and have a beverage and warm yourself by the fire.

Thanks to Mike Murphy and a couple of anonymous members who spent several hours cutting logs, splitting, hauling and stacking, we now have a plethora of firewood to use in the members lounge. Feel free to bring an arm load or two inside and start a fire in the members lounge fireplace anytime you'd like. (Please note that the wood is for use at the club only. If we find any body taking the wood, they will be called bad names which may lead to their feelings being hurt. And, rumor has it that their picture could even be pinned up at the post office, or worse, put in the MRGC newsletter!)



Mass Jr. Conservation Camp

To the members of the Maynard Rod & Gun Club,

The club is currently looking for children and grandchildren of current members that would be interested in attending the 2018 Massachusetts Jr Conservation Camp. The camp is held in August and includes 13 days of hands-on fun learning about the outdoors. Campers will learn about hunting, fishing, tracking, archery, boating, camping, wilderness survival, shooting safety, shooting sports and much more.

The club is looking to sponsor 2 campers this year by paying 50% of the tuition for attending camp. MRGC will review letters written by interested kids and choose. Letters from the prospective campers should include the reasons they would like to attend the camp and what they think they would gain from attending. Letters can be sent to Andy Woods at woodsalt1@gmail.com and be received by Friday, April 27th.

Photos and information can be found at www.massjrconservationcamp.org about what is offered at the camp. Don't miss this incredible opportunity.

MRGC Game Supper (End) February 2018

Game Supper may be back! We'll need donations of game meats for the supper. Please consider donating from your productive outings.

We are currently trying to bring back the annual game supper and we are currently still accepting donations of wild game meat to help bring the costs down. If you should have any type of wild game you'd like to donate to the club such as boar, venison, moose, bear, pheasant, fish, etc., please get in touch. It doesn't need to be all of your harvest, but if you could donate a hind quarter or shoulder, every bit helps. Tickets will be limited, so when a final date is set, tickets will be going on sale and might not be available at the door.

We will also be looking for support staff to help with cooking, prep and clean up. Anyone interested please contact Andy, Woods at woodsalta1@gmail.com. Any time spent helping out with the game supper prep counts towards CHITS for your 2019 dues (because the game supper takes place in 2018 CHITS will count for the following year) plus it's a great opportunity to meet some of the other members of YOUR club and to make some new friends or bump into some old friends too!

Stay tuned to find out more information about the game supper date and ticket info in next month's newsletter. Please, if you can, donate ANY game meats, or if you can, volunteer to help prepare or serve. Stay tuned for more details to come. Reach out to Andy Woods at woodsalta1@gmail.com



Mass. Hunter Education



Program

(Masswildlife) - Recruiting members from the Maynard Rod & Gun Club

(Photo by Bill Byrne, Masswildlife) The Massachusetts Hunter Education Program, operated by Masswildlife, is interested in recruiting members from the Maynard Rod & Gun Club to become Volunteer Basic Hunter Education Instructors. Volunteer Instructor Teams across the Commonwealth teach thousands of students each year in the safe handling of firearms, lawful and ethical hunting practices, and wildlife conservation. After completing an application and initial training, Instructors are required to participate in a minimum of one course per year to maintain their instructor status. Anyone interested in becoming an instructor should contact Todd Olanyk, MA Hunter Ed. Program Volunteer Coordinator; ph: 508-389-7825 email: todd.olanyk@state.ma.us

Here is a link to the web page that describes how to become an instructor:

<https://www.mass.gov/how-to/become-a-masswildlife-hunter-education-volunteer-instructor>

2018 Renewal Season will soon be Underway - Membership Renewal Raffle!

Last year John Reilly did! Pay your membership by Christmas Eve and be entered into a raffle to have your membership payment refunded! Imagine that! A refund for doing something you were going to do anyway! Sometime virtue is its own reward. Ho, ho, ho! Dues are due on January, 1st for 2017.

Full membership is \$185 (less up to \$50 for applicable chit hours).

Social membership is \$50

Thanks for your support and the very best in 2018 to all for a Happy New Year!

Sincerely,

Bob Trombly

Secretary

Maynard Rod and Gun Club

secretary@maynardrodandgunclub.com

Member of the Year Nominees - Due 1/5/2018

Its that time of year again for us to recognize that member of the Club that has gone above and beyond as a volunteer. The club is an all volunteer organization and the club couldn't survive without the efforts of many. However, we all know that someone who's there whenever called upon and always seems to be there taking care of things keeping the place running smoothly behind the scenes.

If you'd like to nominate a member for Member of the Year, please e-mail your suggestion by January 5th, 2018 to club secretary, Bob Trombly,

secretary@maynardrodandgunclub.com



MRGC Annual Elections for club officers and executive board members - 12/17

Annual elections for club officers and executive board members will be held on Sunday, Dec. 17th in the members lounge. Please come out and vote. (Same day as MRGC Santa Kids Party and Holiday and Vote - Intramural 3 gun Tournament.)

MRGC Annual Elections for club officers and executive board members - 12/17

The candidates are as follows for 1-year terms as Club Officers: President Jim Foley, Vice President Peter Early, Treasurer Mike Murphy, Secretary Bob Trombly.

Every year there are 3 three year terms for eBoard open for the annual election. The candidates for the eBoard are: Josh Liberman (Newsletter), Steve Locke, Rick Coughlin, Mike DeLuga, John DeMars, Jim Fisher, Dave Jones.

Club elections will be held Sunday, December 17th from 10am - 4pm in the Club lounge. All full and life members in good standing are invited and encouraged to participate. This is your Club and your chance to influence our direction.

Thanks for all your support and the very best in 2018 to all of you for a Happy New Year!

MRGC Meetings

Quarterly Body – December 18th, This coming Monday @ 7:00pm - (Open to ALL general members) - Food and libations included. Please attend the annual meeting and meet newly elected board officers and eboard, and hear about the club. We will be serving light snacks during the meeting! Come down and join us to hear about club planning and operations, and to share ideas. We hope to see you there!

(June, Sept., Dec., March.) Meets in the Club house the 3rd Monday of the last month in the quarter at 7:00pm. ALL General Members welcome and encouraged! Come hear about the strong health of our club, other club business, committee reports, treasurers report, managers report, and socialize after wards in the members lounge. For more info, contact our scribing secretary, Bob Trombly
secretary@maynardrodandgunclub.com

E-Board (NOT open to general members)

Our elected 13 E-Board members meets as a board the 2nd Monday of every month 7:00pm in the club house. If our general members have a topic they'd like reviewed, or if there are comments, questions or suggestion, please contact any chair member.

(New Members are required to come before the E-Board in person on an E-Board meeting night with their applications filled out.

Contact secretary, Bob Trombly secretary@maynardrodandgunclub.com

Don't Be Late! Important Dates!

12/17 - MRGC Kids Christmas Party with Santa

12/17 - Skeet Holiday and Vote - Intramural 3 gun Tournament

12/17 - MRGC Club Elections in Members Lounge

12/18 - MRGC Quarterly Body meeting - Open to ALL members, 7pm

12/19 - Clay Delivery - We NEED You!

1/5/2018 - Member of the Year Nominations Due Today

1/11/2018 - LTC Training Class AT MRGC

2/2018 - Game Supper

A special thanks to all those who work hard to keep the club going, too many to mention, please keep up the effort. Keep an eye on the upcoming newsletters, the Club's website and Facebook pages for announcements as there is always something going on.

Follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#)!

Maynard Rod & Gun Club - 2017 Club Leadership

We work for you:

Members of the Maynard Rod and Gun Club elected the following representatives for 2017 to manage the affairs of our Club. We represent you and we work for you. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have concerns, comments, questions or ideas.

2017 Officers -

President - Steve Locke – president@maynardrodandgunclub.com

Vice President - Peter Early - vicepresident@maynardrodandgunclub.com

Treasurer - Mike Murphy - treasurer@maynardrodandgunclub.com

Secretary - Bob Trombly - secretary@maynardrodandgunclub.com

Returning E-Board Members

Bill Aucoin

Jim Coughlin

James Rottman

Dwight Warren

Andy Woods

Newly Elected/(Re-elected*)/Selected E-Board Members

Jeff DeLand

Josh Liberman (Newsletter)

Dave Loughlin*

Aaron Mikloso*

