January 17, 2019

Maynard Rod and Gun Club Newsletter



Newsletter

Upcoming Events and News - Please check your email and club calendar frequently for upcoming events. And remember, Safety, Safety, Safety.

Happy New Year to all. Although we are already into January, the club leaders didn't want to miss an opportunity to wish everyone a happy and healthy new year. May 2019 be full of all

good things for our members.









Kids Santa Christmas Party - A hit, once again!

If you didn't make it out, see what you missed (above). The Children's Christmas party was a great success. Christmas party chair Ellen Murphy and her side kick Jeff DeLand together a great event with music, games, crafts and food. A great time was had by all who had attended. The grand arrival of Santa was the highlight of the party, as usual. Special thanks are in order for all who helped with the party. Steve Locke, Jerry Peters, Ronda and John DeMars, Jane Kline, Tracey and Andy Woods, Theresa and Jeff Swanson, and Steven Cohen (who donated thooth brushes to all the kids). We look forward to seeing you at this event in 2019...

MRGC VOTING RESULTS - Club Elections

Our 2019 Club Leaders:

President-Pete Early

VP-Jeff DeLand

Treasurer-Mike Murphy

Secretary-Bob Trombly

E-Board

Andy Woods

Mike DeLuga

Dave Jones

Dwight Warren

Jon Shepard

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Josh Liberman

Thank you to those who came out to vote, and thank you to those who threw their hat in the ring. Please keep it up. We need you. All of you.

E-Board Seat Vacancy:

Since our 2018 E-Board Chairman, Jeff DeLand has aspired to new heights as Club VP and has won that seat, we will begin the year with a vacant E-Board seat. Pursuant to our by-laws a notice will be posted in the member's lounge at the January 14th E-Board meeting. Interested full members in good standing for 2019 should sign up on the sheet in the Club lounge to be interviewed and selected by the Board at the February 11th meeting.

Candidates plan to be interviewed shortly after 7pm on Monday 2/11 and the candidate selected will get right to work with the Board for the balance of that meeting. The selected candidate will serve on the board for the remainder of 2019. For more information

secretary@maynardrodandgunclub.com

Christmas Raffle Winner

We had 263 people who paid on or before Christmas. We used the excel random generator

function to pick a # between 1 and 263. It came up to 140 which corresponded to Bastiano Mancuso. He is therefore the winner of our Christmas raffle. (\$185 prize)

Our many thanks to the many members who paid by Christmas and gave themselves a chance to get a little present. Congratulations to Bastiano Mancuso who was the paid up member randomly selected!

Thanks to all who've paid their dues promptly it help the Club get up and running quickly in the new year!

Got Dues? 2019 – Membership Renewal Dues are now overdue!

First and foremost thank you so much to the nearly 400 who've responded and paid their dues already. This is a major source of income for the Club and collecting dues promptly helps us pave the way for capital budgets and improvement in 2019.

If you haven't paid and are looking for your invoice we generated invoices via E-Mail beginning in mid-November. I've been apprised that this year's invoices are emanating from a different address than they did last year. If you want to look in your inbox then be on the look-out for an E-Mail invoice from Maynard Rod & Gun Club via the E-Mail address: quickbooks@notification.intuit.com, that's being generated from the Club's Quickbooks accounting system. I will have deducted the value of any chits hours I have received from our Chits chairman, Ken Chin and they'll show as credits.

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

If you don't think your chits are properly reflected, please contact the appropriate committee chair you worked with and they will work with Ken to make any appropriate adjustments and report them for credit. Ken's E-Mail is trackertx17@yahoo.com.

We're using Quickbooks E-Mail to save the Club labor and the administrative costs associated with annual renewal mailings.

Using Quickbooks E-mail:

- * You can pay by credit card if you wish.
- * You can pay by E-Check as well.
- * You can also pay by sending us a check payable to Maynard Rod and Gun Club to:

Maynard Rod & Gun Club

c/o Club Secretary

45 Old Mill Road

If you pay by check - Please put your name & member # from your access card or fob in the memo field --especially if you're using a corporate account OR please enclose a copy of your invoice to ensure that I credit your account properly.

You'll receive an e-mail confirmation/receipt when I receive and process your payment. You can also pay in cash at the member's lounge. There will be envelopes available to fill out your name and member/access card/Fob# to ensure you get credit for your dues payment. Please ask the steward to give you a receipt for your cash and to seal the cash in that envelope.

If you'd like to add or change your email address or your home address or telephone# or any of your demographic data simply email me at secretary@maynardrodandgunclub.com or drop me a note at the Club.

I will send surface "snail" mail to anyone for whom I have no E-Mail address or for those whose E-mails come back as undeliverable.

How and when will I receive my paper member card? As we did last year we'll use the Annual RO meetings to distribute the cards as the bulk of our members come to these meetings. This will again save us on administrative costs.

Finally, and most importantly, I would like to thank our membership for wonderful 2018! There have been significant improvements on our indoor pistol range with new lighting and security cameras to ensure the ranges are being used safely. There's a new shelter on the Maynard Trap field to help our shotgunners keep their powder dry. The rifle, pistol and action ranges are looking good! This year's steak dinners were well attended.

The Club continues to support the rights of law-abiding citizens to "keep and bear arms." Rifle & Pistol sponsored a Ladies Range day/LTC certification class event in October to address this growing segment in the MA License To Carry (LTC) community. This event was taught by Jon Green, executive director of GOAL. A number of the Club's NRA instructors have offered classes and training to help attract member and enhance their skills. Additionally a number of talented law enforcement professionals have offered training at our Club. Our own Maynard PD Sgt Bill Duggan taught eager members some of the fundamentals of concealed carry and defensive pistol shooting. Check out the newsletter and R&Ps for upcoming opportunities to enhance your skills.

Trap and Skeet has had a banner year with greater participation than ever. Wobble skeet is incredibly popular and both fields every non-monsoon Sunday!

The Club is growing. This year we have attained membership of more than 500 strong, with more than 400 full members on board. This is a high water mark for Maynard Rod and Gun

Club in the 21st century! Let's keep going and keep growing!

By all means, especially if it's been a while, drop by and visit. There's always a lively crowd in the lounge as the Patriots drive for another Superbowl!

Thanks for all your support and the very best in 2019 to all of you for a Happy New Year!

Sincerely,
Bob Trombly
Secretary
Maynard Rod and Gun Club

FID / LTC Certification Class at MRGC

January 19, 2019 @ 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

COST: \$85

DESCRIPTION: Ken Chin will be running an NRA Home Firearm Safety Course at the club. 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. Class may be cancelled if low enrollment.

Topics will include:

- Rules for safe gun handling
- Identifying and unloading different firearms
- Practical exercises in safe gun handling
- Types of ammunition
- Cleaning and storage of Firearms
- Massachusetts laws pertaining to permit applications, firearms storage and transportation

The class registration fee is \$85 and 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 trackertx 17@yahoo.com or you can reach him at 508-361-4259.



Send us your outdoor photos for the newsletter!

Have you been out in the woods or on the water this fall? 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



Trap & Skeet Committee

To all of those die hard skeet shooters and bored shooters, Thursday night skeet shooting under the lights has started to great fan fare. The schedule going forward is every 2 weeks on Thursday starting around 5:30-6:00, start when ready... Next date is January 17, Jan. 31, Feb, 7th and Feb. 21. First one there should open up, turn on the heat, open fields and lights and start when enough people have shown up. Last shot is 9:00pm sharp!

Other news: It is very important to close the gate to Powder Mill Road. When leaving ask the people around you who will lock up and confirm who.

Whoever left the microwave behind please come and get it off the Shooters Den.

When shooting skeet field #2 turn on the "TrapPat" machine to warm up **Before** turning on wobble and shooting.

We want to shoot more 5 stand, can someone volunteer to set up and to take charge and schedule this event every month?

Maynard trap house has been under water due to all the rain, you can shoot here, but get there early to hook up pump and hose. When done make sure hose is out and draining so water doesn't freeze inside it and turn pump upside to drain the water and leave pump in the trap house.

Thanks, Gifford Perry

As winter shooting is picking up, please come out and enjoy some trap and skeet shooting. However, please remember, ONLY 7 1/2, 8 or 9 shot can be used on MRGC trap and skeet fields. Absolutely NO hunting loads are ever permitted for safety. Targets loads only, PLEASE.

R&P Committee

Hello Members,

The Committee website continues to be updated with the latest information and happenings. Click here to check it out. https://sites.google.com/view/mrgc-rifle-and-pistol/home

The committee is ready for a busy and exciting year of activities. Our web page is going strong and you can find all of the information you need about committee events there. Most notably, we are having the first friendly competitive shooting event of the year on February 10th at the indoor range. Tin Can Alley 2.0 handgun shoot.

Details of the Tin Can Alley 2.0 handgun shoot are as follows:

Entry is \$10, with the first shot at 10 a.m. So please arrive at 9:30 for registration and preparation.

Hit our web page for more information on upcoming events throughout the year and remember that our annual meeting this year is on March 2nd and 3rd.

Watch for the February newsletter for more information.

See you on the ranges.

Bud and committee

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Sincerely,

Bud & R&P committee, rifleandpistol@maynardrodandgunclub.com

MASS JUNIOR CONSERVATION CAMP

To the membership:

We are open to sponsoring 2 kids to attend this year's Massachusetts Junior Conservation Camp. This terrific outdoor opportunity is usually held in August comprising of 13 days of camping, hiking, shooting, boating and more! Boys and girls interested in attending must be between the ages of 13-17 and be the children or grandchildren of a club member. If an interested youth writes and submits a letters of recommendation, it should include why they are interested and what they think they will learn from attending camp. The club will sponsor 50% of each campers (\$475 per camper) tuition for up to 2 kids. Letters can be sent to the club at, 45 Old Mill Rd, Maynard, MA 01754, Attn: Andrew Woods or Seymour them by email to woodsaltal@gmail.com by April 30th.

Thank you, Andrew Woods



GAME SUPPER

To the membership: This years game supper is being held on Saturday, January 26th. Cocktail hour starts when the doors open at 6pm and dinner start at 7. Tickets are just \$35 per person and are on sale now in the members lounge!

Already sold 25 tickets and people have been asking about reserving entire tables. We're planning on doing more table service this year so people don't have to go up for appetizers and easier in line. Same standard food choices and a few new ones too.

GAME SUPPER VOLUNTEERS

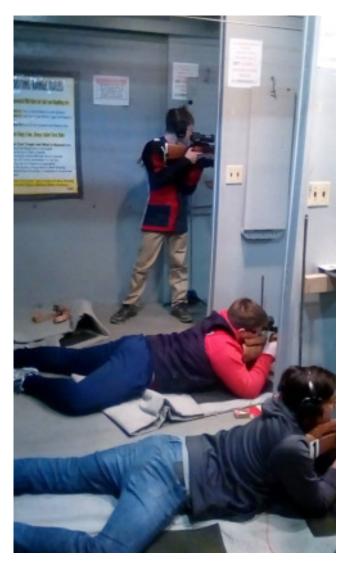
To the membership: We will be looking for volunteers to help with game supper prep. This will be taking place Monday, January 21st through Thursday, January 24th. We usually start around 4-5 pm and last until 7-8pm. This is a great way to earn CHITS towards your membership dues! We will also be looking for volunteers to help serve during the dinner to. Anyone interested can email Andrew Woods at woodsaltal@gmail.com.

Thank you, Andrew woods

To the hunters in the club: We are accepting donations of all types of wild game. Deer, bear, boar, moose, waterfowl and fish are all needed to expand our game supper event coming again in January 2019. Please contact Andy Woods at 508-371-5590 with any donations.

MRGC Youth Rifle Program

On December 8, 2018, MRGC hosted the first junior rifle match of the year, the Central MA Junior Rifle league. MRGC competed against Holston and Riverside. Representing Maynard were youth, Jack and Andrew. They shot the beginner format--all prone. All in all, we had three lines with eighteen shooters. A great time was had by all! Check out these photos of the competition.





MRGC Members Lounge

Come celebrate in the MRGC members lounge like it's 1999. And, better come in to purchase your new 3/4 zip black Maynard Rod & Gun sweatshirts for sale. \$40.00. Available in the members lounge. Get em' while you can! Thanks, *Amanda & Julie*

You already know that the MRGC Members Lounge was recently voted last year (November) as one of the top gun club bars in America. Come on down to imbibe next to the warmth of the

crackling wood fire and listen to reminiscent music on the digital juke box of either Country and/or Western (not much else).





Club Meetings

Quarterly Body – March 18th, Monday @ 7:00pm - (Open to ALL general members) - Please attend the annual meeting and meet board officers and eboard, and hear about the club. 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

Important Dates!

1/17 - Skeet under the lights

1/19 - LTC Course

1/26 - MRGC Game Supper

1/31 - Skeet under the lights

2/7 - Skeet under the lights

2/10 - Tin Can Alley 2.0 handgun shoot

2/21 - Skeet under the lights

3/2 & 3/3 - MRGC Annual Meeting

3/18 - MRGC Quarterly Body

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 <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Twitter!</u>

Maynard Rod & Gun Club - 2018 Club Leadership

We work for you: Members of the Maynard Rod and Gun Club elected the following representatives for 2019 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.

2019 Officers:

President - Peter Early - <u>vicepresident@maynardrodandgunclub.com</u>

Vice President - Jeff DeLand - jmd13@live.com

Treasurer - Mike Murphy - <u>treasurer@maynardrodandgunclub.com</u>

Secretary - Bob Trombly - <u>secretary@maynardrodandgunclub.com</u>

E-Board Members:

Dwight Warren - dwarren8@rcn.com

Andy Woods - woodsaltal@gmail.com

Mike DeLuga - mdeluga10@gmail.com

Jon Shepard -

Dave Jones - <u>Dave.jones@outlook.com</u>

<u>Josh Liberman (Newsletter) - newsletter@maynardrodandgunclub.com</u>

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