February 15, 2021

Maynard Rod and Gun Club Newsletter





Important upcoming club dates!

5 Stand - 2/21 Sunday @ 9AM

Skeet shooting under the lights - 2/25 Thursday @ 5PM

Skeet shooting under the lights - 3/11 Thursday @ 5PM

R&P monthly social shooting event - 3/14 Sunday

Quarterly body meeting - 3/15 Monday @ 7PM

Skeet shooting under the lights - 3/25 Thursday @ 5PM

Keep an eye on the upcoming newsletters, The club website and social media pages for announcements as there is always something going on. Stay safe and see you on the ranges.

MRGC Members Lounge

Hours:

Mon - Friday 4:00-8:00PM

Sat - Closed

Sun - 1:00-6:00 PM

Hope to see you there!!

2021 Cards for Range Eligible Members

2021 Cards for Range Eligible Members in good standing (who've paid their 2021 dues) are out for printing and mailing. Thank you to the 465 range eligible members who've paid up or are otherwise in good standing for 2021; the Club appreciates your support in these difficult times. The membership and RO cards have been mailed to addresses of record by the end of month. Codes will be changed on the ranges at the end of the month and the mailing will include the 2021 codes.

If you still want to join us we can make that happen, dues were due 1/1/2021 according to the by-laws. Pay your dues and the \$20.00 late fee and climb back in the saddle. Your cards will be made up and mailed to you.

Mailings for Social and Junior members will be processed later this month.

The Club thanks you for your support and participation!

Christmas membership raffle

It's a little late, but member Cliff Antonell has a Christmas present coming. Thank you to all 306 member who renewed before Christmas last year. Cliff was chosen at random and will have his 2021 membership dues refunded!

Maynard Trap Teams want you!

We are looking for people to join our teams. We had four teams last year and hope to have that many this year. If you have shot with us before, please let captains know. If

you haven't competitively shot before, we would love to have you join us, no matter what your skill level is, please let Peter E., John M., Dany P. and Ramzi M. know that you are interested.

This is a traveling league, half our matches are at home (Maynard field). The teams will be assigned to a division based mostly on average skill of the team. High average teams will shoot on Wednesdays, the other teams will shoot on Tuesdays. Our shooters will be divided along average skill (specifically League average from last year, new shooters will be 15).

The club will pay our dues, but, we are on the hook for the birds. Historically, the league mandated that the home team provide dinner, not sure about that this year. Cost per round and the dinner situation will be determined at the league meeting later this month.

Rifle & Pistol

The Rifle and Pistol committee continues its winter dormancy.

The committee has a couple of things going on, like our monthly shoot and an occasional action range qualification, but other than that we are laying low for a couple of months, as we gather our energy for a busy spring, summer, and fall shooting season.

The Partners Handgun Challenge event was canceled due to weather.

March means St Patrick's day and historically we have had a problem with leprechauns infesting the ranges around this time of year, so make sure you stay tuned for a chance to sign up for our leprechaun shoot next month and help rid the ranges of those pesky little guys.

as always, know the rules, follow the rules, stay safe and we will see you on the ranges.

sincerely,

The R&P Committee

Trap & Skeet

PREPAID DISCOUNT COUPON PROGRAM. The Prepaid Discount clay fees coupon

program has been hugely successful. Members appreciate the discount savings on clay fees, especially for the most active shooters, but also for all members ease of payment with coupons in correct denominations for standard clay fees, instead of being hassled with bringing cash, making change, etc. Most significantly, the program has accelerated Skeet & Trap Committee's cash flow, allowing more frequent upgrades and replacements to be performed to its shooting facilities and equipment. Moreover, it has substantially lessened the administrative burdens on our volunteers who are responsible for collecting, depositing and accounting for the clay fees. see John Mackesy or Gifford Perry to purchase coupons.

Trap and Skeet news:

Covid-19 is still here, you must practice social distancing, wipe down surfaces and wear masks. Please follow with CDC guidelines.

Remember to sign in each day, that doubles for contact tracing and is mandatory for all range shooting documentation.

We're open everyday of the week from 9:30 to early evenings if you're range qualified. To be qualified see John Mackesy or Gifford Perry. If you're not trained you cannot use the ranges without a range officer present.

All through winter skeet and trap die hard folks continue to bust clays and enjoy the great outdoors.

Clay order will be going in in about a month. If anyone is interested in shotshell lead let Gifford Perry know, Shot sizes #7 1/2, 8 & 9 shot are available when clay order is made. Approx cost is \$39-40 for 25lb bag of Lawerence Chilled Lead.

Thursday night skeet shooting continues on the following dates:

Feb 25, March 11 and 25th.

Please let John Mackesy and Gifford Perry know if you're coming no later than 1:00pm.on that Thursday.

Gifford shoveled snow on both fields for only one shooter on last the Thursday event.

5 Stand shooting will be February 21st, Many hands make light work if you can help set it up and break it down would be appreciated.

Remember winter shooting means snow shoveling, Please help out and if you can shovel during the week or a weekend let Gifford and John know.

Remember to off turn off lights, empty hull buckets and release throwing arms on skeet machines. We continue to find machines not properly "put to bed".

Empty hulls on the ground get caught in the snow blowers, please pick them up.

New combination codes will be changed on 2/28/21. Codes will be sent out with new range cards by the club secretary.

Sincerely,

The Trap & Skeet committee

Indoor Range Committee

Indoor Range is moving in a good direction we are moving forward on plans/drawing for a ventilation system which is the most important of the indoor range. We have reached out to indoor range company's that will do a build out of new booths, backstop, target retrievers and lead reclaim. We are looking and planning having final prices and plan of the indoor range by the end of February begging of March. We looking for all trades in the club to price out the ventilation for the ducted work, electrical, plumbing and drop ceiling.

Please contact Jon at jmselectric09@gmail.com or 774-249-3525 for Bidding or questions

Membership Committee

Jon Shepard is leading the membership committee. The committee will be task with planning events like the open house and new events. Looking for motived members to bring events to the club and find way to bring in new members.

Please contact Jon at <u>imselectric09@gmail.com</u> or 774-249-3525

LTC/Certifications

Next class will be held Saturday March 20th 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

NRA home firearm safety for LTC/FID- 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 to take. Pre-registration is required. Membership is not required. Class may be canceled is there is 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

Send us your outdoor photos to include in the newsletters!

Have you been out in the woods or on the water? 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 a .jpg phot to Josh at newsletter@maynardrodandgunclub.com to include in the newsletter and include a short caption of who, what and where. Many members continue to send in their great sporting pictures for the newsletter.



Mass Wildlife Monthly



2020 hunting season harvest reports & more

Club meetings

Quarterly Body – March 15, Monday @ 7:00pm - 8:00pm(Open to ALL general members)

- Please attend the annual meeting and meet Club officers and executive board members, 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! meetings will be held in the function hall 3rd Monday of the last month (June, Sept., Dec.,

March.) in the quarter at 7:00 pm. 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 club secretary,

Bob Trombly secretary@maynardrodandgunclub.com

Executive Board (NOT open to general members)

Our elected 13 Executive Board members meet as a board the 2nd Monday of every month 7:00 pm 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

Maynard Rod & Gun Club 2021 Club Leadership

We work for you:

Voters of the Maynard Rod and Gun Club elected the following representatives for 2021 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.

2021 Officers -

President – Pete Early – president@maynardrodandgunclub.com Vice President -Jeff DeLand - vicepresident@maynardrodandgunclub.com Treasurer – Mike Murphy - treasurer@maynardrodandgunclub.com Secretary – Bob Trombly - secretary@maynardrodandgunclub.com

Returning E-Board Members

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Dave Jones - dave.jones@outlook.com

Jon Shepard - <u>imselectric09@gmail.com</u>

John Swick - afdp02@gmail.com

Andy Woods - woodsalta1@gmail.com

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

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John DeMars - captmay8487@gmail.com

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