

## **October 2010 Submission, Barre Sportsmen's Club**

### **Scheduled Meetings**

Membership meetings are the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month at 7:30pm at the club. Our next meeting is November 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm.

Board of directors meetings are the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month at 7:30pm at the club. Our next BOD meeting is November 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm.

### **New Members**

Welcome to Jim Flynn, the newest member of our club, putting our membership totals at 155 adult members and 22 junior members. Jim has been a 'regular' at archery this year, and shares a strong interest in sporting and the outdoors.

Any new members, who have NOT received a gate key or a copy of the Bylaws, please see Chris Duggan at the next meeting. We will also be working on getting membership cards out for this year, so be looking for those soon as well.

### **Proposed Bylaw Changes: Second Posting**

The following proposed changes were motioned, and voted on at the meeting:

- Amending the bylaws, raising the Life Membership fee from \$500 to \$1000. It was approved for posting and future voting.
- Amending the application forms to allow for ACTIVE members (not inactive) only to sponsor new members. It was approved for posting and future voting.

### **Proposed Bylaw Changes: Third Posting**

The following updates to the fees for members were motioned, and voted on again at meeting:

- New members fees from \$60 to \$100 in their entry year
- Active members renewal fee from \$30 to \$40 per year
- Inactive members renewal fee from \$60 to \$80 per year

### **Range Work Parties and Update on Progress**

The cost to finish the range has been bid at \$6,000, including some work on the parking lot area. This bid was accepted, and work is to be scheduled. There are two dates for work parties at present: Friday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 3:30pm, and Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at 8am. Anyone interested in helping out, please just show up and pitch in.

### **Current Fundraiser**

**{Please INSERT JPEG FILE OF THE TICKET FOR THE RAFFLE}**

Other details:

- ✓ Want to check out the location – [www.huntwildhill.com](http://www.huntwildhill.com)
- ✓ Private land – no license to required to hunt
- ✓ \$20/ticket
- ✓ 1 Person hunt
- ✓ \$750 value
- ✓ Only 200 tickets/chances will be sold for this raffle

Interested in buying a ticket or wish to sell tickets? Email [barresportsmansclub@gmail.com](mailto:barresportsmansclub@gmail.com) with what you need and your information will be forwarded to Mark to get you tickets to purchase or to sell. Or you may call Mark directly at 74-261-0133.

### **Archery, Pistol, Trap**

- Archery will continue shooting on Mondays for October, but be there earlier than 6pm, as daylight is fading fast!
- Pistol will continue to be on the scheduled Fridays at 6pm for October, but will move to Saturdays at 9am in November. Friday October 15<sup>th</sup> shoot will be moved, due to the work party.
- Trap will shoot on the next two Thursdays at 4:30pm, due to daylight issues.

### **Annual Clambake Reviews**

The clambake was a resounding success. Thank you to all who attended, or assisted in any way for the event. The band was enjoyed, as was the food. The seafood chowder, co hogs, salmon dip, steamers, lobster, corn on the cob, potatoes, chicken and roll were more than most could eat at a sitting, so many had 'to-go' boxes set up for the abundant spread. It was well attended, even with cooler, windy

weather moving in that day. Again thanks to all that attended; if you missed out be sure not to next year!

### **Girl Scout Encampment, September 24-26**

***{INSERT GIRL SCOUT PICS OF TENTS HERE, AND THE other GIRL pics SOMEWHERE on our page PLEASE}***

Local Girl Scouts of all ages 'took over' the Club the last weekend in September, and thoroughly enjoyed the experience. There were a 'sea of tents', and crisp, cool weather to enjoy. Some campers were experiencing their 'first time' camping out, and their tents were set up under the pavilion. The older girls, with more tenting under their belt picked their spots out in the archery field, with assorted sizes from pup-tents, to large family tents with multiple rooms. The highlights of the weekend included campfires with screaming apples and s'mores, soap carving, nature collections which included a bird's nest, and a large safety component with the Barre Rescue Squad, Barre Police Department and Barre Fire Department each attending in their emergency vehicles, teaching the girls about safety. Another highlight and very touching part of the weekend was the official retiring of the flag ceremony, where all experienced the steps required to be taken in retiring an old flag which could no longer be flown.

The Girl Scout leaders conveyed verbal thank you's the entire weekend to the Club and its members for allowing the girls to have the weekend. It was a resounding success, due in a large part to a perfect venue!

### **Future Fundraiser – Planning Committee**

A new event, the yet to be named, but aptly described in long winded format as: the 'Fall, Kickoff the Hunting Season Gala Event', is in the works. It will be held in the end of September/beginning October 2011, and will feature the latest and greatest in gear and items to kickoff the Fall/Winter sporting season. The date will be provided in the next submission to GOAL, so we ask you SAVE THE DATE, when we schedule it if you can do so! We are looking for people to help plan, and for major donations of sporting items. If you have any ideas or a line on items, please feel free to contact Rob Deschenes or Meredith Young, through the club email address or when you see them next and let them know how/what you can do to help make this our newest and most successful fundraiser yet!

### **Calendar of Events**

**NOVEMBER 7th - Sunday - TURKEY SHOOT Starting @ 10:00 AM**

**DECEMBER 5th - Sunday - KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY @ 1:00 PM**

### **Hunter Education Classes in Barre**

**Thursday, January 13<sup>th</sup> (Friday, January 14<sup>th</sup> is the snow day), 6:30pm – 9pm**

**Sundays, January 23<sup>rd</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> (Sunday, February 6<sup>th</sup> snow day), 8am – 3pm**

## **Youth Turkey Hunt Training**

**Saturday, March 19, 2011**

### **Volunteer Needed**

We need a member to volunteer to be the liaison to the Worcester County League of Sportsmen's Clubs. The commitment involves attending one dinner meeting a month, which is held at varying participating club locations. It is the third Friday of the month, dinner at 7:30pm and the meeting starts at 8:00pm. Please see one of the board members if you are interested or email us at [barresportsmansclub@gmail.com](mailto:barresportsmansclub@gmail.com) so we can get you set up to attend!

### **Comments, Suggestions, Ideas and Our Website**

Would you like to see something special about our Club in the GOAL publication The Outdoor Message? Do you have a story, anecdote (reasonable, publishable items please!), or informational item that you feel would be well suited for our page? Then submit it to us at [barresportsmansclub@gmail.com](mailto:barresportsmansclub@gmail.com), or see Meridith at a meeting. All submissions are due the 8<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to the printing, so think ahead if it's time sensitive!

Also we are working on updating the website. If you have suggestions, please submit them to Meridith so we can get them to our website guru, Gary Pearson and keep our site fresh! Big thanks to Gary for being the 'go-to guy' on the website. It is greatly appreciated!