

## September 2013 The Outdoor Message Submission, Barre Sportsmen's Club

*Next known scheduled events:* **3rd Annual Fall Sportsmen's Classic**  
**Saturday, October 5, 2013 @ Barre Sportsmen's Club, 6pm**  
*Be sure to get a ticket from a member; do NOT have to be present to win!*  
**October 26, Youth Pheasant Hunt (see calendar for contact info)**

### September Annual Meeting & Elections

First, thank you to all members who came to the annual meeting and elections; it was well attended and we had some firsts – with two (and nearly three) slots which required votes because we had multiple members ready to step up and serve the club in a leadership position. And thank you to our outgoing leadership team, Mark Belliveau and Rob Deschenes for their service. Both have obligations that preclude them from further service at this time – but we appreciate all they have done in their positions.

Next, let me introduce you to our new Board of Directors, for 2013-2014:

President – Glenn Carter  
Vice President – Meredith Young  
Secretary – Warren 'Jack' Farnham  
Treasurer – Janet Pierce  
BOD 2012-2015 – John 'Fig' Neri  
BOD 2012-2015 – Barry Peddle  
BOD 2013-2016 – Ed Pollack  
BOD 2013-2016 – Ron Rich  
BOD 2011-2014 – Herm Eck  
BOD 2011-2014 – Ralph Gendron

### 'Out with the old, in with the new'

Ok, so maybe I'm not 'old' per se (it's all relative, right????) but I'm 'old' to the position of Secretary, having served in this role since ~2010. I'm not going too far in that I'll be on the board in another capacity, which I am looking forward to for a change in responsibility and the opportunity to add my own 'touch' to the role. But I wanted to thank the membership for allowing me to serve in the capacity of Secretary for the last few years, and to tell you to look forward to the fresh ideas and organization that I know Jack will bring to the position of Secretary.

### Membership

Update from the VP indicates there are still ~10+- openings remain (there is NO cap for junior membership). The following new member was voted in: Rick Raitto of Hubbardston. Also welcome to our Junior members (all Junior members welcome!): Nathan and Justin Silkey.

### Grand Slam Fishing Derby

The event was a great success, with spaghetti dinner served up, and then a presentation by Mark about fishing, followed by awards and then the raffle for the prizes which included some great fishing gear from hats, to lures, to ice fishing gear, to fishing poles. And also the raffle for the fly fishing rods was also drawn. Thank you to everyone who attended and/or purchased tickets to support the club. We greatly appreciate all your support and look forward to seeing you all next year!

**Annual Clambake**

Results are not in, but it started with the unknown due to rains which closed the clam beds and thus a clam ‘shortage’. However, not wanting to reschedule or let anyone down, John ‘Fig’ Neri called up and down the New England Coast to wholesalers and suppliers to try to obtain clams. It was down to the wire, and literally was only confirmed at around midday Saturday (for the Sunday bake) that with a trip to Gloucester, and some powers of persuasion, that he was able to secure the last 2/3rds of the clams to round out the event. Imagine a clam-less clambake .....we didn’t have to, thanks to John. More details on the event results in the next newsletter.

**Updates and POCs for Sporting Functions (most are winding down for the season):**

- Trap** – We are looking for a volunteer for this for next year’s season
- Sporting Clays** – We are looking for a volunteer for this for next year’s season
- Archery** – Mondays at 6pm (or earlier, due to daylight issues), no more feeds
- Range .22 Shoot** – Done for the season. POC Tony Pitisci (978) 355-4474
- Pistol Shoot** –3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays 6pm, POC Bert Duvernay (508)413-6529
- 200 Yard Rifle** –Mondays at 6pm, Peter Stalker (978)928-5223

PLEASE NOTE: Gate code has NOT changed. Updated membership cards should be available in October; apologies on the delays. Membership list is undergoing edits and verification prior to printing which should be completed by then. Please continue to use your prior card and code (new members, please ask your sponsor for the code until we can remedy the situation and distribute current cards).

REMINDER: Crowd Control Managers: All members are urged to go online and take this ~30 minute course and get certified. Website address is <http://public.eopsslearning.com/>, and click on the DFS-Crowd Manager Training.

**OTHER CLUB REMINDERS:**

**WHEN YOU LEAVE, PLEASE CLOSE THE GATE & LOCK THE NEW COMBINATION LOCK.**

**NO ALCOHOL IS ALLOWED TO BE BROUGHT IN AT ANY TIME – this is NOT a club rule, but is a state law due to our liquor license.**

**PLEASE ‘POLICE’ RANGE AFTER FIRING TO CLEAN UP CARTRIDGES/ROUNDS.**

**Bylaws are available online for membership.**

**OCTOBER**

- Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7:30pm Club meeting
- Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> – **FALL HUNTER’S KICKOFF** (POC Rob 978-771-7013/Meridith 978-434-7932)
- Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> – 7:30pm BOD meeting
- CHANGED DATE - Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> – 9am, Youth Pheasant Hunt (POC Chris Duggan 978-928-5878)

**NOVEMBER**

- Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> – **10am, Turkey Shoot** (POC – Janet Pierce 508-769-4660)
- Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> – 7:30pm Club meeting // followed by BOD Meeting
- Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> - 7:30pm BOD meeting

**DECEMBER**

- Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> – 7:30pm Club meeting
- DATE CHANGE PENDING: Kids Christmas Party will be a Sunday in December – but NOT the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday. Date will be posted asap, pending confirmation from our organizers. Be ready for it to be even better than last year! ☺*
- Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> – 7:30pm BOD meeting