

Presidents Update

-By Scott Anderson

Hello everyone, I would like to thank everyone who stepped up and helped out with keeping the club running, special projects, cleaning upstairs, and keeping the grounds so well groomed. If only we had more members like those who helped, it would make it so much easier and less timeconsuming for those who do take the time. Hope everyone enjoys their holidays, Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year. Any questions please call 508-612-8720. Thank you.

Membership Update

-By Deb Anderson

Hello everyone, A quick reminder 2024 Membership dues are due by the end of January. If you are planning on running for a position your dues have to be paid before the poles open. In order to vote your dues also need to be paid, you can pay them that day. Merry Christmas and Happy healthy New Year to all. If you have any questions, please call me at 774-276-7899. Thank you.

Archery News

-By Chet Osterman, Archery Chairman

Hi everyone, All will be quiet with the archery committee for a while. Hoping for success for all the hunters this season. Thank you for all the support you've given us to build a great archery program and have Singletary known for archery excellence.

Bar News

-By Ron Normandin

Hi everybody, We had a good turnout for our hunters breakfast and lunch, thanks to all that came out to support the club. Hunting season is here, good luck to everyone and shoot straight. Friday December 1st come down for the meat raffle at 6:00. The chain of lights will be set up in the hall on Saturday December 2nd from 10:00-4:00 with approximately 24 craft tables and the club will be selling chicken noodle soup and beef stew. Sunday December 3rd is the Gigantic Meat Raffle early bird tickets at 1:30 raffle starts at 2:00. The bar will be open Christmas Eve until 5:00 and closed Christmas Day. Come down and support your club. Any questions call 774-272-1270. Thanks.



Ed Wunsch Senior and Junior (Baker) at the November meat raffle.



Left to right: Bob Moore, Dave Manseau, Katie Smith, Bob Manseau and Kenny Moore following Gerry "Birdman" Carlson's tradition of "pardoning" a pheasant at the last stocking of the season on Thanksgiving Eve.

Bird News

-By Bob Manseau, Bird Chairman

Hi everyone, We had a great season with the birds. Thanks to all the families that came out, it's been great to watch the kids have fun! We had a great turnout to take down the netting on the pheasant pen, we were able to make easy work of what is usually a daunting task thanks to all who showed up! We won't have anything going on with birds until the Spring.

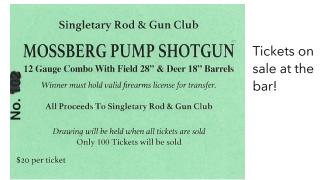
Kevin Moore with his son, Hunter releasing a hen pheasant



Rifle Range News

-By Tom Dolan, Range Chairman

Results of this month's rifle range shoots. November 2023.



On 11/05/2023, We held a Rim-fire 2-Gun Shoot. This shoot required both a Rimfire Pistol and Rifle. Pistol targets had alternating colors, RED/BLUE - RED/BLUE -RED/BLUE at 25 yards. You were given one color at start and could only shoot that color. Hitting the opposite color meant you had to clear the table of every target. Every round added extra targets to the table and brought them closer together. Rifle targets were 6 steel targets at 50 yards. The winners for the shoot are 1st - Nicholas Hankey, 2nd - Tim Mahoney, 3rd - Steve Virgillio. Congrats to all the winners.

On 11/19/2023, we held a pistol shoot for both rimfire and centerfire pistols. The winners for the rimfire shoot are 1st - Yuri Grapov, 2nd - Mike Blanchard, 3rd - Jeremy Dobney. The winners for the centerfire shoot are 1st - Nick Hankey, 2nd - Tim Mahoney, 3rd - Jeremy Dobney. Congrats to all the winners.

Upcoming Shoots in the month of DECEMBER! **All shoots listed are open to the public**

12/03/2023 - Pistol Shoot. Includes Rimfire and Centerfire competitions run back-to-back. Registration opens at 8:30 am, and first shots at 9:00 am. This will be the last shoot of this calendar year! Come on down and see what shenanigans we come up with to round out the year!



Bob Manseau had a great archery season filling both of his buck tags! Congratulations, Bob!



Josh Lavallee harvested his 1st buck on November 29th and it's officially entered into the deer pool! Folks, this 9-point buck weighed in at 187.01 lbs and is the deer to beat this shotgun season! Congratulations, Josh!

Entertainment News

-By Kristine Smith, Entertainment and Communications

Hi everyone, Happy holidays! We've had a lot going on at the club recently. The Kids Christmas Party is coming up on December 10th. Sign-ups were due by December 1st. We have 38 kids on our RSVP list so it should be a great event!

We had a great turnout of members to decorate for the holidays, thanks to those who helped, the club looks awesome! We will be looking for help to take it all down after the holidays, stay tuned if you want to give us a hand.

The pitch league is starting on Tuesday, January 2nd at 7 pm. Sign-ups are at the bar now. The cost is \$10 a week per team or \$5 a week per person. \$.25 cent set per player. There will be a banquet and prizes awarded on the last Tuesday of the league. League length depends on how many players register. Non-members can register so long as their partner is a member. Any questions please contact Pam Wunsch at 508.341.4591.

2024 Board Nominations will be held at the December 8th General Assembly Meeting. The following members are eligible to run for office. Members with 6 or more signatures are Alison Ahearn, Tom Griffin, Bill Ahearn, Ray Ludvigson, Deb Anderson, Bob Manseau, Scott Anderson, Joe Miller, Tom Cunningham, Ron Normandin, Charlie Dautrich, Kristine Smith, Tom Dolan, Doug Sturgis, John Grande, Al Walker, Jeff Granai, Edie Vinson, Ruth Granger, Kent Vinson, Dick Granger. Members with 5 signatures are Nick Hankey, Bob Larson, Donna Lavoie, Mark Masuzzo, Chet Osterman.

If you haven't already, please email <u>singletarycommunications@gmail.com</u> with your name, club number, and email address to be added to the newsletter distribution list. We have almost 1,000 members at Singletary, and I only have 324 email addresses. The same goes for our Facebook page, only 186 of you have joined us there.

Please scan the QR code to join us on our Members Only Facebook page!





Above: Chet Osterman with his son, Domenic at a family pheasant release



Above: Members help roll up the pheasant pen netting. Thanks for your help!



Above: Larry Hill cleaning the grounds. Thanks for all you do, Larry!

Worcester County League News

Brendan Ahearn, Representative for Singletary Rod & Gun

Hey everyone, I hope all is well, I would like to wish everyone a wonderful deer season for the remaining time. Remember to please be safe when out there! I ask if there are any questions about my below report or any info I provide please call, I will help you to the absolute best of my ability. (508-887-3568). Happy Holidays and more Happy Hunting!

Worcester County League Notes Nov. 2023 Meeting Summary:

- Massachusetts has been in overdrive for hiring new Environmental Police officers.
- There was a meeting held for the dam removal at Muddy Brook on 11/29, further details to come
- Massachusetts has now set up a "Hunters for the Hungry" program to feed our homeless. Deer must be field-dressed and turned in within 24 hours of the harvest! Work together to feed the ones in need!
- Now in Massachusetts license suspension is adopted from other states, for example, if you got your license suspended in Maine, your license will be suspended in MA for the same amount of time.

Hunting Reports:

- Within the past 3 weeks of the Archery season, there have been 25 bait reports, some false, some true.
 - 4 crossbow without permit cases that are currently ongoing.
 - o 2 hunting on Sunday counts that are now taken care of.
 - And a decent number of accidents were reported to 911, please be safe out there!



Left: Brendan Ahearn filled his daily limit of pheasant with his late greatgrandfather's shotgun and shells! Congratulations, Brendan!

> Right: Tom Scanlon filled his doe tag with this 125 lb beauty! Congratulations, Tom!



Do you have something you want to share in next month's newsletter? Maybe you are raising money for a great cause, have a dart tournament coming up at the club, or have a cool hunting story or picture to share with us! If you have something you would like to share, please email it to singletarycommunications@gmail.com

Calendar of Meetings and Events

Saturday, December 2nd- Sutton Chain of Lights crafters will be at Singletary from 10 a.m.- 4 p.m. We will serve chicken soup and beef stew, come on down and visit. Sunday, December 3rd- Pistol Shoot, Registration opens at 8:30 a.m., Shoot starts at 9:00 a.m. Sunday, December 3rd- Gigantic Meat Raffle, early bird at 1:30 p.m., raffle starts at 2 p.m. Friday, December 8th- Friday night meat raffle at 6 p.m. Friday, December 8th- General Assembly Meeting, 8 p.m. Sunday, December 10th- Kids Christmas Party, 1 p.m.- sign-up by Friday, December 1st Friday, December 15th- Friday night meat raffle at 6 p.m. Thursday, December 28th- Board Meeting, 7 p.m. Friday, December 29th- Friday night meat raffle at 6 p.m. Tuesday, January 2nd- Pitch League Starts at 7 p.m., sign-up at the bar Friday, January 5th- Friday night meat raffle at 6 p.m. Sunday, January 7th- Pistol Shoot- Registration opens at 8:30 a.m., and first shots at 9:00 a.m. Sunday, January 7th- Gigantic Meat Raffle, early bird at 1:30 p.m., raffle starts at 2 p.m. Friday, January 12th- Friday night meat raffle at 6 p.m. Friday, January 12th- General Assembly Meeting at 8 p.m. Sunday, January 13th- Registration opens at 8:30 a.m., and first shots at 9:00 a.m. Friday, January 19th- Friday night meat raffle at 6 p.m. Thursday, January 25th- Board Meeting, 7 p.m. Friday, January 26th- Friday night meat raffle at 6 p.m. Saturday, January 27th- Fish Stocking, time TBD Sunday, January 28th- Pistol Shoot- Registration opens at 8:30 a.m., and first shots at 9:00 a.m. Thursday, February 29th- Board Meeting, 7 p.m. Sunday, February 4th- Winter Fishing Derby, Breakfast starts at 6 a.m. and is \$8, the derby starts at 7 a.m. Tickets for breakfast go on sale at the bar on January 4th and must be purchased in advance of the derby. Sunday, February 4th- Gigantic Meat Raffle, early bird at 1:30 p.m., raffle starts at 2 p.m. Friday, February 9th- General Assembly Meeting at 8 p.m. Friday, March 8th- General Assembly Meeting at 8 p.m. Friday, April 12th- General Assembly Meeting at 8 p.m. Saturday, April 13th- Fish Stocking, time TBD Sunday, April 21st- Spring Fishing Derby, breakfast at 6 a.m., derby starts at 7 a.m., breakfast tickets must be purchased in advance. Ticket sales will start one month before the derby and end the Wednesday before the derby. Thursday, April 25th- Board Meeting, 7 p.m. Sunday, May 5th- Kids Fishing Derby, 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Friday, May 10th- General Assembly Meeting at 8 p.m.