

2009 Year End Newsletter

It's hard to believe that this year is coming to a close so quickly. At this time, the board would like to thank this year's membership for all the support and time the members have put into making this year such a success. Our major expenses this year were the remotes for the skeet fields, auto for the sporting clays course, shipment of birds, and two new outhouses. The club also sponsored a youth trap league that went to the A.T.A. state shoot in Alexandria in which, they performed very well. They were outstanding representatives of the North Star Sportsmens Club and we hope that they will continue to grow and develop their love for shooting sports. Other events the Club was involved and participated in were both the Outdoor and Home Improvement shows at the Walker Community Center. The board also took on a huge undertaking when they updated the Club's By-Laws and Articles of Incorporation. The board decided to move the Annual Membership Meeting from the evening of the Wild Game Feed to the first Saturday after Labor Day. We anticipate that with the changes we have made this year and the goals that the board has set, that next year will be even more successful. Listed below are some upcoming events you need to be aware of.

Memberships:

As of January 1, 2010, your annual memberships are due. Along with your new membership dues, a new gate key will be required. Membership and keys will be available at the club on January 3, 17, February 7, 21, March 7, 21, and also at the Wild Game Feed on April 24. If you have any questions concerning memberships or the new keys, please contact one of the board members. More information is available on the website under announcements.

Wild Game Feed:

Our annual Game Feed is set for Saturday, April 24, 2010 and will be held at the Moondance Saloon. Moondance is located 4 miles east of Walker on Hwy 200. The Game Feed will begin at 5:00 pm and the cost is \$50.00 per person, \$25.00 for ages 12 - 18, and free for those under 12. The cost not only includes all the great food but also a chance at winning the huge door prize drawn at the end of all the drawings. It's important to remember that the Wild Game Feed is the Club's main fund-raiser so it's important that it continues to be a success. We are also in need of volunteers for not only the night of the feed but also the week before to help get things prepared. If you can volunteer your time and energy, it will be greatly appreciated. Please contact one of the board members if you can lend your services or look for a sign up sheet at the Club.

Winter Shooting:

Prone to cabin fever during those long winter months? NSSC has just the cure for you. Beginning in January, you will have the opportunity to take part in winter shooting at the Club the first and third Sunday of each month (January 3, 17, February 7, 21, March 7, 21). Shooting times start at 12:00 noon and end at 3:00 pm. Weather needs to clear and above 10 degrees. If in doubt, call the club the day of the shoot at 547-3936. The clubhouse will be open and heated although the bathrooms in the clubhouse will not be available for use but there will be an outhouse available.

A.T.A. Shoots:

Again this year, the Club will be sponsoring two registered A.T.A. shoots. One on May 30th and the other on June 13th. We have received a lot of positive responses and feedback from the shooters who have taken part in shooting and visiting our Club. This is also another way for our Club to make some revenue. If you have time and would like to help volunteer, please get in touch with a board member or look for a sign up sheet in the clubhouse.

Archery:

The Club will be sponsoring two 3-D archery shoots again this year. The first one will be held April 17th & 18th and the second will be August 28th & 29th. This is a great family event so if you like archery or your kids have taken an interest in archery, don't miss this event.

Web Site:

Our new web site is up and running so make sure you check it often for Club information and updates at

www.nssclub.org.

Club Openings:

The club will be officially open for regular hours on May 1, 2010.