

Mansfield Fish & Game Newsletter for February, 2010

“For some moments in life there are no words.” – David Selzer

A Good Friend Has Left Us

All of us mourn the passing of John Kelly. He was a good member, a good shooter and a good friend. He will be sorely missed. We wish to express our sincerest sympathies and extend our heartfelt condolences to John's family and to all of those who are saddened by his loss.

NEXT MEETING

Membership meeting(s) in 2010 will be held on:

Wed, March 3, 2010

Wed, April 7, 2010

Wed, May 5, 2010

Wed, June 2, 2010

Wed, July 7, 2010

Wed, August 4, 2010

Wed, September 1, 2010 – Annual Meeting

Membership meetings are dinner meetings. They are great way to meet your fellow members and find out the latest news about the club. Dinner is served at **6:30pm**, the meeting starts at **7:00pm**. The food is great! Judy and Ken Anderson really do a great job. Come early, talk with friends and enjoy a good meal! Still only \$5.

Board of Director's Meeting(s) in 2010 will be held on:

Wed, February 24, 2010

Wed, March 31, 2010

Wed, April 28, 2010

Wed, May 26, 2010

Wed, June 30, 2010

Wed, July 28, 2010

Wed, August 25, 2010

The Board of Director's meeting starts at 7:00 PM. New Member Applications are accepted at these meetings.

New Members

We would like to welcome the following new members into the Association: Tim Mueller, Karen Mueller, David Tyler and Alan Medeiros.

Membership

Membership is “OPEN” at this time. Prospective new members should be present at a Board of Directors Meeting with their completed application. Membership in the NRA is a requirement (except Spouse Members) as is attending a New Members Orientation meeting (required for all new members). Contact Fred Giovino (fgiovino@msn.com) or the Mansfield Fish web site for more information. Applications are available on the web site --- www.mansfieldfish.com.

Mansfield Fish & Game offers a variety of shooting activities, Action Pistol, Cowboy Shoots, Pin & Plate Shoots, Black Powder and Rifle events. NRA and MA Safety Certification is available (extra fee).

NRA Membership Renewals

Fred Giovino, our official NRA Recruiter, reminds us that it is important to renew your NRA membership so that the Association receives recognition for your renewal. Renew through the web site, www.mansfieldfish.com, or contact Fred (fgiovino@msn.com) to make sure your renewal is processed properly.

Indoor Range Fund Raffle

The raffle is doing well. It can always do BETTER. Many members have responded to the ticket mailing and have purchased or sold their raffle tickets. Drawing of the raffle winners will be at the **March 3** membership meeting. The winner does not need to be present at the meeting. Sure would be nice if YOU were there at the meeting. We would all like to see YOUR smiling face as YOUR winning ticket is announced. **All members are expected to participate in this raffle by buying or selling the six raffle tickets they are being given.**

First prize is a **Ruger 10/22 Rifle with a forged bull barrel, laminated wood stock, and a target trigger.** Second prize is **500 rounds of 5.56/.223 ammo.** Prices for the raffle tickets are \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10.00.

If you have not received your raffle tickets, if you would like to purchase additional tickets, or if you have any questions please contact Nancy Cunniff at ncunniff@comcast.net or 508-339-1689 or Fred Giovino at fgiovino@msn.com or 508-339-6722.

Photo ID Badges

Members shooting on the ranges or using the Association's facilities are now required to display the Photo ID badge when on the grounds. Along with getting to know other members displaying the badge will be your way of knowing that the person shooting next to you has a right to be shooting next to you. If they are not a member of the Association or not a guest of a member of the Association that person has no right to be using the Association's facilities. They are trespassing and will be asked to leave the premises if they or their sponsor cannot produce their membership credentials.

Activities

**Don't forget to check the web site for events at the club! www.mansfieldfish.com
AND don't forget to come shoot!**

Indoor Range

It's winter, it's cold, no work parties will be scheduled until the weather warms up a bit.

In addition to a lot of sweat equity it is going to take a lot more \$\$ to see us through the completion of the indoor range. As progress continues to be made available funds are being depleted. Any donations to the indoor range fund are greatly appreciated

If you want to learn more come to the March meeting, get involved, the club can certainly use your expertise!

If you have questions about what needs to be done and how you can help contact Bill Horton at 508-838-6460.

Clothing Items

The club is now able to offer various items of clothing carrying the official name and emblem of the Association. Some of these items are embroidered others are silk-screened. A variety of hats, shirts, sweatshirts, aprons, jackets, etc, are available. Don't want to buy another jacket? Logos can be screened or embroidered on that favorite jacket you own. See Dana Cunniff at the February meeting.

Six Months to Go

By the time you read this, a month will have gone by since you read the last newsletter. Time flies!

One of the biggest problems that volunteer organizations have is getting VOLUNTEERS. This is particularly true when the volunteers have to do some work ... for free! Unfortunately, that's what it takes to keep the grounds maintained, to run the meetings, to get agendas and minutes out, to maintain the web site, to run the raffles, to plan and run events that we all have fun at, etc, etc, etc.

Remember ... DOING is the real test of a member.

DO consider and run for an open seat on the Board of Directors. DO participate in the decisions that will make the club better. DO volunteer your time, your talents, your energy ... become a Director, become an Officer, heck, YOU could be President! **Think about it!**

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