

Mansfield Fish & Game Newsletter for August, 2010

“The democracy will cease to exist when you take away from those who are willing to work and give to those who would not.” [Thomas Jefferson](#)

NEXT MEETING

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

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, August 25, 2010

The Board of Director’s meeting starts at 7:00 PM. [New Member Applications](#) are accepted at these meetings.

Welcome New Members

The Association would like to welcome the following new members into its ranks: L. Scott Duel, Louis Giampietro, Patricia Shea.

The Members of the Association welcome you. We hope your experience at Mansfield will be an enjoyable one. The Association is a volunteer organization. Take it upon yourself to become involved, to volunteer, to enhance your experience at Mansfield. You will take away much more than you put in.

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 the opportunity for a variety of shooting activities for active members. 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.

Activities

Thursday Evening, 6:30PM – Sunset – Summer Bullseye League – National Match Course 300, .22 pistol

Friday Evening, 6PM – Sunset – Youth Marksmanship Program

Appleseed Project Shoot – Sept 18th (Sat) and Sept 19th (Sun) – **the ranges will be closed for Members general use on both days**. For more info see <http://appleseedinfo.org/>. Follow the Appleseed Events link on the web site to get more info or to register for the shoot.

**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

Progress has been slow. Walls, ceiling steel and a concrete ceiling pour have been completed. In the coming months we will see progress on a new electrical service and air handling equipment. Members continually ask, "When will the range be done?" That's really up to YOU, the Members. If you have questions about what needs to be done and how you can help contact Bill Horton at 508-838-6460.

Clothing Items

If you are interested in MFGPA branded clothing items please see Bill Horton at the next Member meeting. If you are interested in helping out and taking on the responsibility for these items please contact the Board of Directors.

Youth Marksmanship Program

A Youth Marksmanship Program is in full swing at MFGPA. Forty-three young people, between the ages of 10 and 18, shoot on Friday evenings. The program is directed by Mr. Rick Sitte. Contact Mr. Sitte with questions at 508-223-4265 or rickmfg@comcast.net. Stop by on a Friday evening to see a group of young, enthusiastic, shooters in action.

Dinner Meetings

For many years Ken and Judy Anderson worked to make dinner meetings a success by cooking dinner. Ken and Judy have retired to their native Canada to be with family and are no longer able to volunteer to cook dinner at the dinner meetings. The August meeting was our first Pizza meeting in a long time. It won't be the last unless volunteers can be found to cook dinner once a month for the Member's meeting. Pizza is good but it is relatively expensive. \$5 in the can is a losing proposition. If unused pizza can be sold off you can minimize the loss. The amount of unused pizza and the ability to sell it off is hit and miss.

If you are interested in cooking dinner for the Member's meeting, even on a rotating basis, please volunteer your service to the Association.

September

September is here. No months left. Time flies when you are up to your derriere in alligators. Each year the Association must hold an Annual Meeting. This is a requirement in our by-laws and also a legal requirement as we are a corporation in the Commonwealth. Each year we must file an Annual Report with the Secretary of the Commonwealth that is a direct result of our Annual Meeting.

All current Officers terms expire at the September 2010 Annual Meeting. In addition the terms of two Directors will also expire at the meeting.

At the August Member's Meeting the Members present voted to suspend the term limit imposed by the by-laws for the upcoming election only. Two of the three Officers, Mr. Mitchell and Mr. White, who were nominated based on a suspension of term limits declined a nomination at the August meeting.

Based on the number of elected offices that will be on the September ballot your vote will substantially change the makeup of the Board of Directors.

Each member should consider running for an Officer's position or a Director's position. As a first step to this a good understanding of the bylaws, available on the web site, www.mansfieldfish.com, is recommended.

If you would like to nominate a Member for an Officer or Director position please contact Tom Leston, '508-285-9577' or lestonts1@yahoo.com.

CUT THIS CONTACT INFORMATION OUT FOR REFERENCE

(This will change at the September Annual Meeting)

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