

The January 2016 meeting of the Wadsworth Hunt Club was called to order by President, Ron Jones at 7:30p.m. The meeting was held at the Eagle's Club. The meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance. There were 25 members in attendance. A motion was made and passed to accept the November minutes.

Reports:

President: Bill and Scott Wasley's mom passed away. She was 90 and a Marine Vet. Please keep the Wasley family in your prayers.

Vice President: No report

Treasurer: reviewed financial report. A motion was made and passed to accept the report.

Membership Secretary: Thanked everyone for turning in paperwork and dues. March 17 is the deadline to send in your dues for 2016.

Recording Secretary: not present

Webmaster: not present

Conservation League: Meeting was held Jan. 12. Izaak Walton not present. An assessment was made to each club for \$300 to help cover expenses. Next meeting in May.

Range: A reminder not to pattern shotguns in the back stops. If you wish to pattern a shotgun, bring your own targets and set them against the bank to the left/right of the backstops and against the bank. Also bring a screwdriver with you once in a while and help by replacing the backstops when needed. A stack of plywood for the range backstops is leaning against the club house. Members are encouraged to bring a screwdriver and help replace as needed.

Archery Range: not present

Charitable Works: John Hermann reported needy families continue to be served. John reported he is running short of meat and will accept donations of meat/venison for needy families.

Youth Programs:

Fishing camp: John Pfeister reported there are a few spots open for the fishing camp scheduled for April 29, 30 & May 1 at Leesville. The camp is free to kids. Spots will be saved for member's kids/grandkids until Jan 31 then will be opened up to other youth. Contact John to register (330) 618-5089

Fishing Derby: May 15, District 3 Portage Lakes, free to kids. More info to follow.

Old Business:

1. Big Buck/Coyote Contest-no bucks/coyotes turned in as yet. Deadline is February 6. Game scored at Chuck's Barber shop.
2. A committee of three (per by-laws) will audit the books for 2015.
3. If anyone has a deer to donate, contact Wade Bishop (330) 334-5176.
4. Final payment was received from ODNR for the 2015 grants we applied for and received. Thank you ODNR.

New Business:

1. **2015 gun raffles:** 200 tickets are being sold at \$5.00 each for the winner's choice of a 243 or a 308 rifle. Once a winner is drawn, a second raffle will be conducted for a second

gun. Contact Dan Wotring (330) 861-5136 for tickets.

2. **DUES:** If you have not done so, complete both forms that were mailed to you and return with your dues by March 17. **New membership cards** will be mailed the last week in March; the combo at the gate will change April 1.

3. **Nominations** will be taken at the February meeting for President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Board of Directors, Conservation League Reps and Alternates. Voting and additional nominations will be conducted at the March meeting. Please consider getting involved and help your club.

4. We are beginning plans to add a pistol shooting area, renovate the clubhouse, and improve the archery range. If you have skills or just willing to help with planning, please contact Ron Jones (330) 607-4211.

5. Our third annual Tag Sale will be conducted in August. Please start setting items aside for this fund raising event. Money goes directly to our youth programs. We are asking each member to donate 2 items tagged with a selling price.

6. Ryan homes have plans to develop the property north of club grounds. "Shooting Range" signs will be posted along our property line.

7. 2016 budget will be submitted with the input of the newly elected officers.

8. Two banquet tickets were purchased in support of the Tusky Valley chapter of the NWTF. A drawing was conducted and Todd Figard and Paul Bicksler each won a ticket. Banquet will be held March 18, contact Bob Witschey or Mike Wilson for tickets.

Future Events:

Turkey Hunting Seminar (for beginners) Free: March 19, 10-11:30 am, room A, Wadsworth Library

Youth Fishing Camp: April 29, 30, May 1

Youth Fishing Derby: May 15

Youth/Adult First Shots: July 9

Tag Sale: August 13

Youth Hunting Camp: Sept. 29, 30 Oct. 1, 2

Youth Pheasant Hunt: Nov. 5

Door Prizes: Winners Dan Wotring, Jim Campbell, Larry Smith, John Herman, Ron Putt, Russ Mackiewicz, Craig Wasley, Todd Figard, Ron Drake, John Bruder

50/50: Winner Ron Putt

Next Meeting- February 16, 2016 – Eagles Club

Adjournment: 8:50 pm