

NRA REPORT 7-13-16

1. New York State Senator Adriano Espaillat from Manhattan is renewing the push for ammo background checks. He penned a letter to the committee charged with selecting a new state police superintendent urging that they select someone fully committed to getting the SAFE Act ammunition database up and running as soon as possible. Even though the ammo background check is still part of the SAFE Act it was found to be unworkable and overly expensive for the state to set up so it wasn't funded by the legislature.
2. The Supreme Court has rejected to hear challenges to the assault weapons bans in Connecticut and New York. The lower circuit court has ruled that those bans are constitutional even though the circuit court did not apply strict scrutiny in making their decision. The Supreme Court has repeatedly turned away challenges to gun restrictions ever since the landmark decisions on the McDonald and Heller cases.
3. Hillary, Obama the Congressional Democrats and their cohorts in the media are constantly calling for more gun control schemes after every terrorist attack and shooting incident. The new buzz word for the Democrats and the media is that modern sporting rifles are now being called "rifles of mass destruction." Not one law they are calling for would have prevented any one of those tragedies and federal prosecution of gun crimes by Obama's Justice Department is at an all-time low. Hillary constantly states that if elected president that she will go after guns and the NRA on day one.

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BIG GAME REPORT 7-13-16

1. State lawmakers closed the 2016 legislative session with a lack of action on hunting related bills. The bill to lower the age for hunting big game from 14 to 12 was stalled in committee. Another bill that would have removed the requirement to wear back tags in the Southern Zone also died in both the Senate and Assembly committees. Back tags are not required in the Northern Zone and no other state requires back tags. The one piece of legislation that did pass and is waiting for the governor's signature would allow fluorescent pink as an option to blaze orange for youth hunters.
2. To control the growing deer problem in the New York City Borough of Staten Island, estimated at 42 deer per square mile, New York City wants a 3 year plan to sterilize bucks in that borough at a cost of 2 million dollars for the first year alone. (It would probably also be a good idea if the sterilization program were extended to include New York City politicians.)
3. DEC biologists are keeping an eye in the increasing number of bears with mange in the Northern Tier of Pennsylvania. The DEC began collaboration with the Pennsylvania Game Commission to identify the species of mites causing the bear mange.

- SPORTSMEN'S ED ; BOWHUNTING: Yulan Fire Co., 216 Airport R., Yulan 8/14 9am -4pm. Must pre-regisgter for all Archery classes. Call (845)557-8522. Black Rock F&G 5 Pleasant Hill Rd. Rd., Mouintainville 9/10, 8am-3pm; Monroe Chester Sportsman 226 Gibson Hill Rd., Chester, NY 10918.
- Hunting classes: Must pre-register for all hunting classes: Yulan Fire Dept. 216 Airprt Rd., Yulan. 7/23, 9am-4pm & 7/4 9am-4pm. Call Nancy (845) 557-8522; Walden Sportsman Club 8/26 6pm-10pm and 8/27, 8:30 am-5pm. also Sat. 9am-4pm.
- NRA: (See attached).
- DEP: Discussed parking problems at various locations,
- GRAHAMSVILLE FAIR: August 18, 19, 20, & 21. Need help all 4 days selling tickets. Hours each day are 10-2, 2-6 or 6 to close.
- YOUTH DAY: Postponed for this year.
- SWEEPSTAKES: No report. Lots of ticket available from Hank.
- COYOTE HUNT: Feb. 10, 11 and 12, 2017. Applications will go out in November.

NEW BUSINESS: None. Meeting to adjoin 8:55 p.m. Seconded, CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted
Edna Calkin, Secretary
FED. OF SPORTSMENS CLUBS OF S.C.



- FEDERATION OF SPORTSMEN'S CLUBS OF SULLIVAN COUNTY, INC, Minutes of July 13, 2016. The meeting began at 7:30 pm. with a salute to the flag. There were 26 members present. Guests: Deming and Carl Lindsley of the DEC. Carl reported there were lots of bear problems and two large bears were killed in Roscoe for breaking into homes. He indicated catching and releasing bears in other areas did not work because they find their way back to where they were originally caught. Camp DeBruce needs help at their training sessions. If you can help in any way show up around 7:30 a.m. You don't have to stay all day. Cal 256-3063 (Matt) or 256-3122 (Ann) if you can help. They desperately need archery instructors. A new organization has been formed, Hunt of a Lifetime, for wounded warriors. Lots of sightings this year for coyote. Motion to dispense with reading June minutes. Seconded, CARRIED. Motion to pay all bills. Seconded, CARRIED. Thank you letter received from Amber Hubert for the \$1,000. Scholarship we awarded him. Women in the Outdoors is having a Woods Educational retreat September 15-18 at Boyd's Mill in Milanville, PA. Call Amanda Subjin at (570)226-3164. Also Outdoors Woman is having a workshop Sept. 16-18 at Cortand, NY, to register or for inf. call (518)402-8862. Youngsville Fire Dept. is having a Pancake Breakfast July 31, 7 a.m. to noon Sunday, 7/31, at the Youngsville Fire House. Judge Frank LaBuda is having a "Meet & Greet" dinner at Sorella Pizzeria & Restaurant July 15 6pm, \$30. per person, hors with a cash bar. Call Alan Scott 796-8276 or Ed Sykes 798-1742.

REPORT OF OFFICER:

- PRESIDENT: Our October banquet tickets are now available \$30. per person, full course prime rib dinner at the Rockland House. Pick up tickets at our meetings or call Jack Danchak to reserve. The 2017 coyote t-shirts and caps are now available \$10. per for members, others \$12. For 2X and 3X add an additional \$2. per. Gun raffle ticket now available at \$5. per, 3 for \$10. Or \$7. For \$20. For every \$50 worth you sell you get a free ticket. Kauneonga Lake Fire Co. called and requested my presence at a meeting concerning the cleanliness of the Fire Co. since we use it at least once a month.
- I assured them we clean up everything after our use, even the bathrooms. They have been having some problems and have changed the locks on all doors. They have given me a new key. We have been meeting at the Kauneonga Lake Fire Co. for approx. 36 year. We are "Go Daddy" on the internet. IF you want to get to the Federation use www.Sportsmen's Federation.COM. This will cost us \$90. per year with \$17. for virus protection. Kay was home for July 4th week, has 2 more sessions and then she will be home sometime late September. Everything is in remission.
- VICE PRESIDENT; No report. SECRETARY: No report.
- TREASURER: After paying all bills we have \$24,055.74 in our account. Motion to accept report. All in favor. Seconded, CARRIED.
- COUNCIL DELEGATE: Read thru 8 resolutions which were all voted down by the Council. We also voted each of them down.
- FISH: No report.
- BIG GAME: (See attached). Pennsylvania is having more problems with CWD. They have a new director and he's determined to solve their problems. One proposal is to fence in the area where this disease exits and the other is to shoot all the deer in the area. Carl Lindsley indicated it is in the soil and will eventually return.
- CONS. ED.: No report.
- FWMB: Spoke on New York City problems. They mostly do fishing there.
- HABITAT; Get your soil ready for fall planting. Chestnut tree are now flowering.