

The February meeting of the WHC was called to order by President, Mike Bailey, February 17, 2009 at 7:30 pm. The meeting was held at the Wadsworth Eagles Club. The meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance. The January minutes were accepted as printed in the newsletter. There were 30 members and 1 visitor in attendance.

Officer reports

President– Mike Bailey presented winner of the Big Buck Contest, Tony Dumm with winning knife. His deer scored in at 165.

Vice President - Bud Freeman had nothing to report.

Treasurer- Jim Bozigar gave the financial report.

Membership Secretary– Norm Tipton reported that dues are due (\$50.00) and to make checks payable to WHC.

Recording Secretary–Michelle Lance had nothing to report.

Webmaster - Rich Sponsler was not present.

Committee reports

Conservation League– Bud Freeman reported that there was a meeting in January and there's not much happening.

Youth program - Bart Randolph was not present.

Range committee– Todd Figard reported that the 100 yard backstop was down again.

Building Committee-Bud Freeman had nothing to report.

Pheasant Programs– Wade Bishop had nothing to report.

License Agent-Bill Liska was not present . However, Dick Rathmell spoke of the upcoming grant process that will be taking place.

Charitable works-Zane Walker was not present.

We had a guest speaker. Jason, the watercraft officer for Ohio spoke and gave demonstrations of inflatable life jackets. He also had on hand the new regulation books.

Unfinished Business

The candy prices have dropped: We need your help in either buying some or signing some out to sell. The small tin of mints are \$ 2.00 each and the large tin of mints are \$ 3.00 each.

Board of Director terms were up for Ed Steele, Dick Fenton, and Jim Farnsworth. Nominations were opened to fill these positions. Those nominated were: Jim Farnsworth, Dick Fenton and Zane Walker.

Conservation League Representatives terms were up for John Kachmar, Jim Birkbeck, Jack Mazur and Mike Wilson. Nominations were made for John Kachmar, Jim Birkbeck, Jack Mazur and Rich Sponsler.

Officer position terms are up for Mike Bailey, Bud Freeman, Michelle Lance, Norm Tipton, Jim Bozigar, and Rich Sponsler. Nominations were opened and those nominated were: Mike Bailey for President, Bud Freeman for Vice President, Michelle Lance for Recording secretary, (Michelle declined nomination but stated she would stay on until a replacement was found), Norm Tipton for Membership Secretary, Jim Bozigar for Treasurer and Rich Sponsler for Webmaster.

No other nominations were given so therefore a vote was not necessary. Those nominated above are elected.

New Business

A motion was made and approved to purchase 2 tickets to the Wild Turkey Federation Banquet and raffle them at the end of the meeting.

We will be having a Spring Raffle and tickets are now on sale. Please support our fundraising and take tickets to sell or buy some for yourself. Drawing will be April 21, 2009. Tickets are \$ 1 each of 6 for \$ 5.

1st Prize-Mossberg 817 HMR 17 cal.

2nd Prize- Daiwa Samuri Rod/Reel

3rd Prize- Buck Knife

Announcements

-NRA- Did you know members can renew/join online, pay by credit card – and the Club automatically gets credit as the recruiter? We will now have the option of renewing/joining through the mail or online at a discounted rate and the Club gets credit as the recruiter (\$10/new member, \$5/renewal). Please consider renewing your NRA membership through The Wadsworth Hunt Club. You can do this through a link on our website:
<http://www.wadsworthhuntclub.org>

The March. meeting will be March. 17th at the Wadsworth Eagles Club. 7:30.

***Board of Directors and officers will be meeting at 7:00 before each monthly membership meeting**

Dues are Due!

Please mail your checks made payable to: WHC to: Norm Tipton-1228 Ledgestone Dr. Wadsworth, OH 44281 With a stamped returned addressed envelope.

Ducks Unlimited Banquet is tentatively scheduled for April 4th at The Galaxy in Wadsworth. Time and more information will follow.

Wild Turkey Federation Banquet is March 27th at Raintree Country Club in Uniontown, doors open at 5:30 and dinner is at 7:30.

Friends of NRA are having a raffle: Tickets are:

\$ 10.00 each– Prize is Benelli R-1 .70 WSM W/AA Wood and fitted hard case. See Todd Figard for tickets.

Door Prize Winners

Bud Freeman, Mike Bailey, John DiPaolo, Scott Davis, Scott Marris, Jim Birkbeck, Ed Steele, Scott Varney, John Dzurovcin

50/50 winner

Norm Tipton

(donated his winnings to Zane for Charitable Works)

Winners of the tickets for the Wild Turkey Federation Bankquet

Jim Birkbeck and Alan Herrington

The Prez Sez.....

Friends,

The membership of the Wadsworth Hunt Club has made the decision for the officers to maintain their positions for another year. It has always been a pleasure to serve the club and I will continue to do so to the best of my ability.

We are having a spring raffle at the April meeting and can use the support of all the members not only in purchasing tickets but taking some to sell. These raffles are vital to the club in providing funds for the many programs we support. The more money we can raise in this manner the longer it will be before we have to raise dues.

This year will be filled with opportunities; it is my hope that the members who help organize and promote the current programs will continue their service. We will be looking to expand the ways we serve our members and our community. This means we can use more people to step forward and take an active role in the club. Please feel free to talk to one of the officers about the different ways you can serve our club.

See you at the next meeting,

Mike Bailey-
President