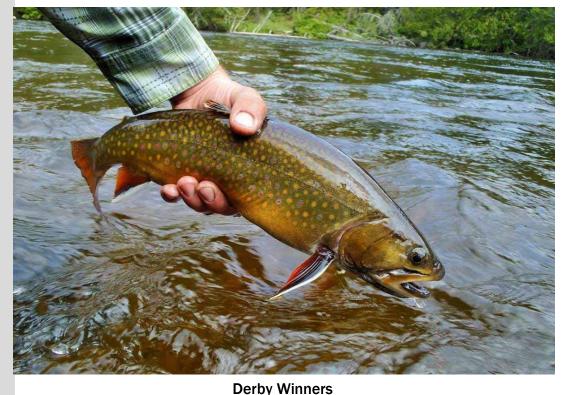
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1st Place Mike Lamarca with a 22inch Brown Trout 2nd Place John MacGrechy with a 18inch Rainbow 3rd Place Tony Celli with a 17.5inch Rainbow 4th Place Chris Parker with a 17.25 Rainbow 5th Place Yeng Lor with a 17.125inch Rainbow Raffle Winners 9am Tony Celli \$50.00 10am Celeste Stober \$50.00 11am Brianna Lichenstein \$50.00 12am Valeri Rainville \$50.00 1pm Hannah Hartman \$50.00 2pm Dan Gulliver \$250.00

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Plate Rack locks have changed!

The locks to the plate racks on the upper rifle range have been changed for the new year. What is new this year, is that 1 key, will open both plate racks. Cost is still \$50 for the year. So you'll get use of both plate racks this year for \$50. That's \$4.17 per month to use them as much as you want. See Dave Kistler on Sunday mornings or contact him at <u>DEKistler@comcast.net</u> to get your key. Locks will change again on October 31, 2017. Members who don't want to purchase a key can still use them on Sunday mornings for \$5.00. Pay the on duty RSO to unlock them. Non-members may use them on Sunday mornings for \$10.00.



Chicken BBQ on Sept 10 Cost is 10.00 Everyone is welcome Come enjoy good food and friends.



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Leominster Sportsmen's Club is forming a youth trap team to compete in the National Shooting Sports -Scholastic Clays Program.

All boys and girls from 4th grade to high school are welcome to join.

New shooters are welcome too.

Our first sign up and informational meeting will be on Thursday, February 16 at 4:00pm in the clubhouse at Leominster Sportsmen's Club.

Any questions please email Mark Burnett at markburnett@gmail.com

LSA Dust Devil News

The Dust Devils took part in their first SCTP event Sunday April 2nd at The Minuteman Sportsmens Club in Burlinton MA. The NESCTP Spring Trap Opener is the first event of the shotgunning season. Dispite the weather delay the event welcomed 97 athletes from Rookies to Collegiate level.

The Dust Devils made an impressive showing in their first event by bringing home the Gold in the junior varsity team event, a silver and a bronze for individual scores.

Athletes making up our JV squad were Evan Crumpton, Alex Tatro, Jacob Valiton, Liam Gianakis and Bailey Krawec. Their team effort rang up a score of 343

Evan also took a silver with an individual JV score of 91, which actually tied for first. The tie breaker was a longest run count back. Adding to Evans day was his first 25 strait.

Bringing home the Bronze, in the Intermediate/Entry level was John "Jack" Hanssen with a score of 41.

Congratulations Team on a job well done.

The Dust Devils next event will be a registered ATA shoot at North Leominster Rod and Gun Club on April 23. The event will start at 9:00 Please come out and show support for our young athletes. These kids are sure to impress.

MassWildlife – Central District Activities – May 2017 As provided to the Worcester County League of Sportsmen's Clubs

TROUT STOCKING – Central District crews continue stocking throughout Worcester County and will finish by the end of May. During the week ending Friday, May 19, stocking took place at the following lakes and ponds: Bell, Jordan, Quinsigamond, Webster and Long. The following rivers and streams also received trout: East Branch of the Swift, Quinapoxet, Ware, East Branch of the Ware, Prince, Canesto, West Branch of the Ware, Natty, Joslin, Burnshirt, Assabet, Whitman, Phillips, Wyman, Fallulah, Quinebaug, Lawrence, Priest, Scott, Justice, Keyes, Sevenmile, Turkey Hill, Moose and Parker. Brown and brook trout are being taken from the Bitzer Hatchery in Montague while rainbows are taken from the McLaughlin Hatchery and additional browns taken from the Sunderland Hatchery. Earlier in the month both District stocking trucks went to the Sandwich Hatchery on the Cape to acquire brook, brown and tiger trout. Eighteen inch brown and brook trout and 14 inch tiger trout were distributed between Webster, South, Long, Comet, Quinsigamond and Dennison. Daily stocking updates are available by visiting the trout page at www.ma.gov/trout.

WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS – The parties responsible for illegally cutting trees at the **Moose Hill WMA** have been instructed to acquire specific plants from New England Wetland Plants in Amherst. MassWildlife staff will provide guidance on where to plant the shrubs which will serve as mitigation for the violation without the party being cited.

The District continues to investigate a timber trespass involving mature oak and hemlock trees at the **High Ridge WMA** in Westminster. ATV violations are also being pursued with the help of the Environmental Police.

Boundaries are being marked by a contractor at the **Muddy Brook WMA** and encroachments reported to the District.

Dam maintenance continues at the **Merrill Ponds WMA** in Sutton where the District, Chief of Realty Craig MacDonnell, and a consulting Engineer and Wetlands Scientist from Tighe and Bond met with Board members of the Lake Singletary Watershed Association at Welsh and Putnam Ponds. MassWildlife and Tighe and Bond explained the overall plans for the WMA dams in an effort to balance public safety with habitat quality and wildlife related recreational opportunities. The District assisted Tighe and Bond with sediment sampling, data from which will be used in the planning and permitting process.

NORTHERN PIKE STOCKING - Fisheries and hatchery staff traded landlocked salmon from the Roger Reed Hatchery in Palmer for 21,000 northern pike fingerlings from New Jersey that averaged 4 inches in length. The fish were stocked from the northern end of the Lake Quinsigamond watershed in Shrewsbury and Boylston to Flint Pond. It is hoped that the extensive backwaters and shallows of the watershed will provide good nursery habitat and eventually allow some of these fish to reach the 28 inch minimum length.

In response to a question posed at the April League meeting, MassWildlife does not have adequate hatchery infrastructure to raise northern pike to sizes large enough to lessen mortality rates.

BLACK BEAR PROJECT – Additional culvert traps are being deployed in an effort to capture female black bears in central Worcester County. To date, one juvenile male has been captured, immobilized, ear-tagged and released. Anyone seeing a collared black bear, or an uncollared sow with cubs or yearlings, is asked to contact the District with specific location information. The traps are each equipped with trail cameras to record potential bear activity. In addition to bears, the cameras have documented coyote, red fox, gray fox, fisher, raccoon, porcupine, bobcat, moose, skunk, opossum, gray squirrel, red squirrel, flying squirrel, chipmunk and mice. The District responded to a report of a treed black bear in the Tatnuck Square section of Worcester. The bear treed as a result of a dog being let out of a nearby house as the bear was passing through. District staff waited until the juvenile male came down out of the tree and then gently followed it until it was in a wooded area away from the neighborhood. The following Saturday the Environmental Police responded to the same area as the bear had moved into a more populated part of the city. EPOs immobilized the bear, ear-tagged it, and released it in a rural area.

TURKEY SEASON – Spring turkey season ends at noon on Saturday, May 20th. Hunters are reporting numbers of responsive birds and tagging gobblers both online and at the District office. Hunters are reminded to have "Hunt Safely" decals affixed and visible when sighting in.

CONSERVATION AGENT MEETING – The District assisted Chief of Realty Craig MacConnell in meeting with 60 town conservation agents to discuss common interests and habitat management potential on town lands. Agents were taken on a walking tour of the MacCallum WMA to see management efforts designed to promote habitat diversity.

WATERFOWL BAND REPORTING – Waterfowl Project Leader H Heusmann advises that the telephone bird band reporting system will end effective July 2, 2017. Bands acquired by waterfowl hunters and researchers will need to be reported via the Internet using the REPORTBAND website.

GYPSY MOTH FORECAST – Invertebrate Zoologist Mike Nelson reports the 2017 gypsy moth infestation could exceed the level of 2016 defoliation. Widespread control is not practical but homeowners may contact tree care professionals for ornamentals.

FIELD HEADQUARTERS OPEN HOUSE – MassWildlife will host an Open House on Saturday, June 10th, at the Field Headquarters in Westboro. The event is part of the town of Westboro's 300th Anniversary Celebration. The public is invited to this family oriented free Open House, with a free raffle to win a kayak, life vest and paddle. Other activities will include a scavenger hunt, archery range, prizes and interactive displays. The Open House will run from 10 AM to 3 PMwith Sunday, June 11th, as a rain date.

Kid's Derby









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Kid's Fishing Derby Winner



Membership Renewals

The club Secretary will be at the clubhouse every Sunday Morning from 9-12am for membership

Renewals, key cards, range keys.

New Members

- 1. Jalynn Rivard
- 2. Myles Jenkin
- 3. Robin Piermarini
- 4. Jovanny Cosme
- 5. Nathan Mills
- 6. Steve Fini
- 7. Riley Morrison
- 8. Marc Morrison
- 9. Tracy Morrison
- 10. John Dufour
- 11. Nicholas Vitelli

Clubhouse Gun Shop

We are very happy that so many of you are visiting the Gun Shop section of the club website. It shows everything we have for sale. While the website is great nothing beats being here in person.

If you want something we don't have in stock well see if it is available and quote you a price and deliver time. Also keep in mind we have a very friendly Lay Away plan.

2017 Remington Wildlife Calendars have arrived. They are for sale in the gun shop for just 5.00.

Deer Hunters, we just took in a big shipment of Remington 12 Gauge slugs. We also carry 16 Gauge slugs and 20 gauge slugs.



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D-Day Rifle & Pistol Match



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SUNDAY June 4th Rain or Shine

at Leominster Sportsmen's Club 1455 Elm St. Leominster MA 01453 www.lsa-ma.org

We're doing a combined Pistol Plate & Rapid Fire Rifle Match on Sunday June 4th to commemorate the 73nd Anniversary of the Normandy Landings. Cost \$10. First relay starts at 9 am.

We'll shoot the rifles in a mini "Rattle Battle!" -

4-person teams shooting at 6 NTIT silhouette targets at 100 yards. Get 3 buddies & form a team, or we can form pick-up teams at the match. Shoot in any unsupported position you like - prone, sitting, kneeling, standing, or sitting at the bench for the old guys - slings OK in all positions - no bipods or benchrests.

Stages: 10 shots in 10 minutes Slow-fire, 10 shots in 1 minute Rapid-fire (with mag change - load 2&8 or 5&5) & & a "Mad Minute" - as many shots as you can in 60 seconds.

Scoring: 1 point per hit, minus 10 points for each unhit target, Bonus: number of targets with 6 or more hits is squared & added to score.

10 point bonus for competing with a WW-II type rifle!

We'll shoot pistols at our Plate Racks head-to-head!!

Bring your favorite rifle & 50-100 rounds in clips/mags, and your pistol or revolver & at least 50 rounds (more if you're a good shot).



Though it's a fun shoot, we'd like to Help out Leominster Firefighter Jimmy Cameron. Instead of prizes, we will donate the proceeds to The Jimmy Cameron Fund.



Info: Art O'Leary 537-2642



901 Troops in a LCVP approaching Omaha Beach, 6 June



LEOMISTER SPORTSMEN'S ASSN, INC. -





Leominster Sportsmen's Association Presents a women's only Firearms Instructional Shooting Clinic

Sponsored by NRA Women on Target and the Gun Owner's Action League {GOAL}

> Sunday October 22th, 2017 8:00am – 4:00 pm

At Leominster Sportsmen's Association 1455 Elm St Leominster, MA <u>www.lsa-ma.org</u>

If you ever considered trying recreational shooting, now is the time! Come join us for a women's only instructional shooting clinic. You will receive hands-on shotgun, rifle, and pistol instructions in a safe, non-competitive atmosphere with competent instructors. All women are invited to participate, regardless of skill level. No previous experience is necessary; just the desire to learn and have fun. This event costs \$40.00 and includes loaner firearms, ammunition, and eye/ear protection. The Home Firearms Safety course is included, so that you can apply for your Massachusetts firearms permit. A light lunch will be provided following the moming program, then we head out to the ranges.

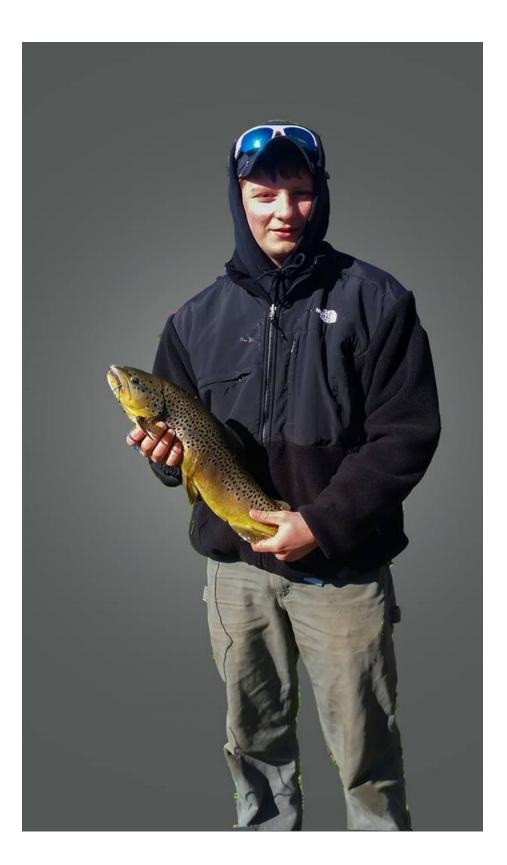
Direct questions to Art O'Leary at 978-537-2642, or e-mail at <u>oleary5150@comcast.net</u> Please fill out the registration form below and mail to:

> Leominster Sportsmen's Association P.O. Box 484 Leominster MA 01453

In order to ensure a quality experience, this event will be limited to 24 participants. Pre-registration is required no later than June 30th. [Please make checks out for \$40.00 to Leominster Sportsmen's Association.]

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| Address | 535 | 53 5 | |
| City/State/ZIP | 30.00 | | |
| Phone | | | |
| E-mail | | State State | |
| Experience Level: No experience | _ Beginner | Intermediate | Advanced |
| Yes, I am 16 years of age or older | | | |
| Signature | | | |
| Parent of Guardian (if under 18) | | | |

Winning fish from the spring derby caught by Marc LeMarca. Fish is being held in this picture by Noah LeMarca Beautiful 22 inch Brown Trout



CLUB CALENDAR

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January

April

| 1 Redeye Shoot | 1 {Kid's skeet at Minuteman} |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 11 Board of Directors Meeting | 9 Patriot's Day Rifle&Pistol Match |
| 15 {Planning Comm} | 12 Board of Directors Meeting |
| 22 stock fish (postponed) | 15 {Ralph Pistol} |
| 25 General Meeting | 16 Stock Fish |
| 29 Ice Derby(postponed) | 22 GENERAL CLEANUP |
| | 23 Fish Derby |
| February | 26 General Meeting |
| 8 Board of Directors Meeting | 29-30 Mountainman Woodswalk |
| 16 Kid's Trap | 30 Kid's Fish Derby |
| 18 {Duke pistol class} | |
| 19 stock fish | Мау |
| 22 General Meeting | xx Wood splitting |

March

1 {Venturer's Pistol}

29 Ice Derby(postponed)

8 Board of Directors Meeting

June

| 11 {Ralph pistol class} {Concord Scouts} | 4 Ste |
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12 (Planning Committee)

22 General Meeting

25 {Duke Pistol

| 4 Steak & Clays; D-Day Rifle& Pistol |
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| 11 {Steak&Clay Rain date} |
| 14 Board of Directors Meeting |
| 28 General Meeting |

10 Board of Directors Meeting

24 General Meeting

13 Trap and Skeet Range Cleanup

CLUB CALENDAR

July

12 Board of Directors Meeting

26 General Meeting

August

9 Board of Directors Meeting

- 23 General Meeting
- 21,23,26,28,Hunter Safety

xx {Candidate night @ club meeting in even election years}

October

xx Claude Vezina Memorial Toys-for-Tots shoot
11 Board of Directors Meeting
22 Women on Target
25 General Meeting
November
{xx Magic Mountain road race}
8 Board of Directors Meeting

September

xx Freedom Shoot (Rifle & Pistol match)

10 Chicken BBQ

13 Board of Directors Meeting

17 {Big MOE in Sturbridge-fyi}

24 NRA Day

27 General Meeting

xx-xx Mountainman Woodswalk

December

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13 Board of Directors Meeting

27 General Meeting

22 General Meeting

{rifle matches start}



Served on meeting nights.

| HOT DOGS | 2.00 |
|------------------|------|
| CHILLI DOGS | 2.50 |
| 2 IN A BOWL | 4.00 |
| BOWL OF CHILLI | 4.00 |
| MEATBALL GRINDER | 5.00 |
| COFFEE | 1.25 |



Wednesday, May 24th Meeting

Our next club meeting will be held at Camp Bartlett on Wednesday May 24th, 2016 President Arthur O'Leary will call the meeting to order at 7:30pm. Attendance prize for this meeting will be \$200.00.

If you still have a 2016 membership card you need to renew your dues. I am at the clubhouse every Sunday morning from 8-12. You can also mail a check to my home address, 228 Ashburnham Hill Road, Fitchburg, Ma 01420

The renewal period will be extended this year due to the late vote on the dues increase. I will also be at the Spring Fishing Derby if you need to renew then.



Door Prize

The door prize was 150.00 and 3 names were pulled, Isac Bastarache, David Hebert and Jeffifer St Cyr but they weren't present so the next prize will be \$200.00