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LSA August 2018 Newsletter

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**Leominster
Sportsmen's Assoc.**

August Newsletter 2018



Next Club Meeting

Our next club meeting will be held at Camp Bartlett on Wednesday August 22, 2018. President Arthur O'Leary will call the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Attendance prize for this meeting will be \$300.00.

Dear LSA Members,

Two years ago we came to you with a proposal to raise the dues to begin the process of improving our financial position. Thankfully you agreed with the Board to get us moving in the right direction. While the dues increase started us moving in the right direction we are still faced with a constant and delicate balance of keeping up with rising costs and the threat of losing our annual revenues from the tower lease. The tower lease should be money we could use to make improvements and not just keeping up with normal expenses.

So once again, the Board of Directors is proposing to increase the regular member dues from \$65.00 to \$100.00 per year, the Senior and Junior member dues from \$30.00 to \$50.00 per year and youth members would remain at \$10.00 per year. Initiation fees for new Regular and Senior members would remain at \$35.00. These increases, at the current membership levels would raise approximately \$17,000 per year for the general operating fund. Additionally these changes would leave us with a

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very competitive membership offering in relation to the other clubs in northern Worcester County.

Your vote of Yes on the attached email ballot will be counted towards allowing these increases to take affect on January 2019.

Your vote of No would would be counted towards keeping the membership dues at their current levels.

Thank you in advance for your interest in the welfare of the association and more importantly your participation in this important vote.

Respectfully,
The LSA Board of Directors

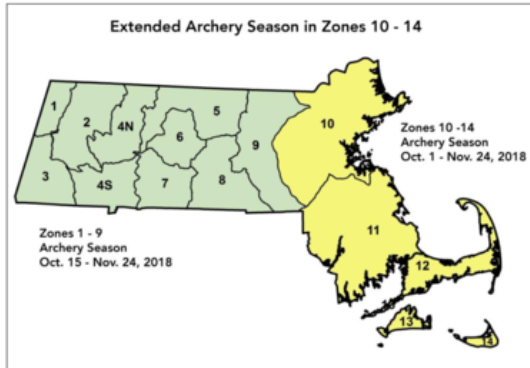


DIVISION OF FISHERIES & WILDLIFE

MassWildlife Advisory

Eastern Massachusetts Extended Archery Deer Season Takes Effect This Fall *Opening Date will be October 1, 2018 in Wildlife Management Zones 10-14*

A recently approved expansion of the archery deer season in eastern Massachusetts will take effect this fall. In Wildlife Management Zones (WMZ) 10–14, the archery hunting season for deer will open October 1, 2018 and end November 24, 2018. Archery season for deer in the rest of the state (WMZ 1-9) begins October 15, 2018 and ends November 24, 2018. The expanded season will increase hunting opportunities in a region where deer numbers are above the statewide management range of 6-18 deer per square mile. Further information on the new season dates is on MassWildlife’s website at mass.gov/service-details/deer-hunting-regulations.



[Link to detailed Wildlife Management Zone Map.](#)

MASSWILDLIFE

1 Rabbit Hill Road | Westborough, MA 01581 | mass.gov/masswildlife

JOIN THE LEOMINSTER PISTOL TEAM



COME HAVE
A GREAT TIME!

WANTED

**.22 Pistol Shooters to join the LSA Pistol Team
& Compete in the Worcester County Pistol League**

September 2018 – April 2019

REWARD

- Learn the Ins and Outs of Bullseye Shooting
- Camaraderie with Like-minded people
- Coffee & Refreshments
- Trophies & Bragging Rights



**For more information:
Call Tom Doiron at (978) 345-4084**



**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 21st, 2018
8:00am – 4:00 pm**

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

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 \$50.00 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 morning program, then we head out to the ranges.

Direct questions to Art O'Leary at 978-537-2642, or e-mail at oleary5150@comcast.net
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 July 30th. [Please make checks out for \$50.00 to Leominster Sportsmen's Association.]

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

Come join us for the best breakfast in town at LSA on Sunday mornings. These girls are the best.



Time to Renew Your Dues

You can renew your dues on Sunday mornings or you can renew online buy using the "Membership" link above.

Membership cards can now be printed from our member website or saved on your phone.



MASSWILDLIFE

Important announcements for deer hunters

- **The Antlerless Deer Permit system is now working.** After a brief outage, our vendor was able to repair the problem with the system. Hunters who applied for an Antlerless Deer Permit must return to *MassFishHunt* to see if they were awarded a permit anytime between now and December 31. **See instructions, allocations, and chances of winning.**
- **Archery Extension:** A regulatory amendment has been approved to extend the archery deer hunting season by 2 weeks in eastern MA (Zones 10–14). **Learn more.**
- **Surplus Antlerless Deer Permits:** Surplus permits will go on sale in late September. **Find surplus sale dates and instructions.**
 - Zone 11: Sept. 25 at 8 a.m.
 - Zone 10: Sept. 26 at 8 a.m.
 - Zones 9, 13, and 14: Sept. 27 at 8 a.m.



The Mountainmen are raffling a Pendleton blanket. We started the raffle at our shoot last weekend and will continue until the drawing at the shoot in August. I would like to sell tickets at the general meeting on Wednesday pm. and throughout the summer until August.

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 DEKistler@comcast.net 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.



- **Wachusett Hunting:** DCR recently opened 7,500 acres of land to hunting in the Wachusett Reservoir Watershed. There are two free permit types available. *You must apply by 8/31 for the Controlled Deer Hunt. [Learn more.](#)

Please join us on Sept 30 at 1:00pm for an awesome Chicken BBQ at LSA.

Tickets are 15.00

Last years BBQ was a great success and the food was awesome. Come support your club and have a great meal.

2018 Deer hunting seasons

- **Youth Deer Hunt Day:** September 29
- **Paraplegic Hunt:** Nov. 1–3
- **Archery (Zones 10–14):** Oct. 1–Nov. 24
- **Archery (Zones 1–9):** Oct. 15–Nov. 24
- **Shotgun:** Nov. 26–Dec. 8
- **Primitive Firearms:** Dec. 10–31

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Mark Tisa appointed Director

At its July meeting, the Fisheries and Wildlife Board appointed Mark Tisa to the position of Director of the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife. Mark has worked for MassWildlife for over 30 years.

[Learn more...](#)

Rare plant discovered on Cape Cod

Botanists recently found American chaffseed, a federally endangered plant that hasn't been seen in Massachusetts since 1965. Over 2,600 stems were counted at the Cape Cod site.

[Read more...](#)

MA wildfire crew assists in Canada

Three members of MassWildlife's prescribed fire crew joined 16 MA DCR wildland firefighters to assist in securing wildfires in Québec Province, Canada this July.

[Read more...](#)



As of Monday Aug 13 there will be now weekly trap or skeet shooting while the new skeet house is under construction.

Trap will still be open on Sunday mornings only.

Young Adult Pheasant Hunt

Clubhouse Gun Shop

The Young Adult Pheasant Hunt Program is for Hunter Education graduates ages 12–17 and includes a pre-hunt workshop, shooting instruction and practice, and a mentored hunt prior to the regular pheasant season.

Learn more...

Remembering Jack Swedberg

Jack Swedberg, retired MassWildlife Photographer, passed away on July 9. Jack was well known for his wide smile, award-winning photographs, and his work to restore bald eagles at the Quabbin Reservoir.

Read more...



Candidates Night at August Meeting!

We have invited several area candidates running for political office to speak to you at the August club meeting, both current office holders and challengers. They will have short speeches and will answer your questions. Getting to know your political candidates will help you become an educated voter, and we need every EDUCATED voter we can get! If you're not registered to vote yet, get down to your city hall and register!! If you need motivation, look at the NRA's website <https://triggerthevote.org/chuck-norris-top-10-reasons-register-vote/>.

**Wachusett Mountainmen
Rendezvous! August 25&26**

Shop News And Info**Shop Hours:**

Saturday Afternoon 2 to 4 and Sunday morning from 9 to Noon.

Monday and Thursday evenings from 6 to 8.

ON SALE!

This Weeks Specials

CCI #0035 .22 STANDARD VELOCITY pistol ammo arrived August 17th!

Ruger Mk IV "Competition" pistol arrived. Need One?

Just Arrived... 2018 Remington Wildlife Calendars

Anyone interested in a DIRT CHEAP deer rifle, stop in and ask us...

WANTED! Bolt Action Military Rifles. MUST BE Original and Complete and in at least very good condition. If you have one you want to turn into CASH..come in and see if we can make a deal.

Charter Arms Stainless .22 Target Revolver \$410.00

Remington Model 870 Express, 12 Ga. 3", 26" Barrel, Wood Stock. \$390.00
Mossberg Model 505 youth shotgun. .410 Gauge pump. 20" modified barrel \$347.24
Remington 870 Super Magnum 12 Ga. 3 1/2" "Duck Blind" Camo \$575.00

New Pistols:

Ruger Model SR22, .22 caliber auto pistol, Silver Slide. \$370.00
SigSauer Model P938 compact auto pistol, 9mm Para, 3" barrel. \$707.00
SigSauer Model P320, 9mm, \$606.59

We have a simple "lay-away" plan.

If we don't have what you're looking for, let us know and we can order it for you..

Blackpowder Shoot and Primitive Campout

9:00am to 4:00pm Saturday—9:00 to 3:00pm Sunday

EVENTS

Match 1: **Rifle Woodswalk with 'Hawk, Knife & Firestarting

Match 2: Smoothbore Woodswalk w/'Hawk, Knife & Firestarting

Match 3: **Edged Weapons Woodswalk

Match 4: Standing 'Hawk & Knife

Match 5: Buck and Ball

Match 6: Pistol – Single Shot Flintlock or Percussion Pre 1840 Style

Match 7: Modern Hunters Woodwalk

No Primitive Requirements

Match 8: Archery Woodwalk: Primitive, Traditional (no compounds)

Pre-1840 dress encouraged for Primitive Events

For more information call Kevin Kneeland
508-561-8207

Hunter Safety Course in AUGUST this year

Our annual Basic Hunter Education Course is planned on August 13th, 15th, 18th, and 20th. (so our instructors can go after Bear in Sept.) The course is free, but call Hunter Ed headquarters at 508-389-7830 to register. Students MUST attend all sessions. <https://www.mass.gov/massachusetts-hunter-education-program>

The course covers everything you need to know to go hunting - safe gun handling and storage, hunting laws & ethics, wildlife management & game identification, etc.

Whether you're new to our sport or already a Mighty Woodsman, you will learn a great deal from this course! You will get a certificate that allows you to apply for your Mass gun license & is good for hunting licenses in every state & Canada & Mexico

Women on Target

Sunday October 21st 8am- 4pm -
An opportunity for the ladies to learn



Ruger Mark IV Competition 620.00

Sig Sauer P938 9mm \$707.00



Ruger LC9 Compact 9mm \$397.38



Sig Sauer P320 9mm \$606.59



gun safety, try rifle, pistol & shotgun, and get

a certificate to apply for their gun license! We still have room - the sign up form is in your May Newsletter or here: https://lsa-ma.org/attachments/events/LSA-WOT-2018_flier.pdf

D-Day Match = Awesome!

We had 20 shooters competing on 5 teams. The top place in Rifle was the "Winter Rifleman" team of Brad Brousseau, Dick Spring, Keith Host, and Steve Brousseau with 215 points. In the Head-To-Head Pistol Plate match, Keith Host was the Top Shot, Dave Fancy & Bill D. tied for second, Mike Krul came in third, and Denny Mak got fourth place. Photos are on the club Facebook. Thanks to these fine marksmen, we were able to send a nice check to the Johnny Ro Veteran's Memorial Park on Mechanic St. {p.s. If you loved those 8 bangs & a ping, here's how to get your very own M1

Garand: http://thecmp.org/cmp_sales/rifle_sales/m1-garand/ }

Chestnuts Vandalized

Our Disease-Resistant Chestnuts growing on the clearcuts by the tower have been making great progress. Due to the hard work of our conservation chairman {i.e., planting by hand, staking protective blue/mesh tubes, carrying water up the hill during the summers droughts, hand trimming of brush, etc.}, we have had an extraordinarily high success rate. This is an important conservation effort in restoring this American natural resource. Last fall, we had close to twelve dozen healthy young trees. (photos are on the LSA FB (https://www.facebook.com/pg/Leominster-Sportsmens-Association-129594300421182/photos/?tab=album&album_id=1148952455152023))

Charter Arms .22 Target Revolver \$410.00



Ruger SR22 Silver Slide \$370.00



Remington Model 770 with 3x9 scope 30.06 \$335.00



Russian Mosin-Nagant 7.62x54R \$320.00



SKS Military Rifle 7.62x39 \$455.00



U.S, 1903 Springfield 30-06 \$1250.00



US Model 1898 Krag .30-40 1200.00



Ruger Precision Rifle 1170.00

Unfortunately, it appears that last hunting season, some human(s) vandalized 30 or so of the stakes and tubes. If you happen to have any information on these actions, please inform one of the officers or directors for disciplinary action. People who display such poor Outdoor Ethics do not deserve to be called sportsmen.

FOR SALE

To the President:

On April 15 of this year, my husband, Richard Kaminski, a former member of your club passed away. As he was a hunter and fisherman, I have a number of items that some of your members may be interested in purchasing. They include:

1. Hunting clothes, size X-Lge. and XX-Lge. both orange and camouflage -- shirts, jackets, pants and hats.
2. Several fly-fishing rods and reels which I have had appraised. Orvis "Battenkill" and Penn reels and Fenwick, Loomis and Sage Rods.
2. A compound bow and two boxes of arrows, blinds, and seats all in camouflage.
3. A basket of ice-fishing gear and a sled to pull it on the ice.
4. Several deep-sea fishing rods which he used on Cape



Remington Express 870 3 inch \$390.00



Mossberg Model 500 Ported Barrel Full Camo Pump Action 3 inch \$349.46



Mossberg Model 835 Pump Camo Stock 3 1/2 inch \$407.90



Mossberg Model 505 .410 Youth Pump Shotgun \$347.24



Mossberg Model 500 Wood Stock Pump 3 inch \$314.40



Mossberg Model 500 Camo Ported Barrel 3 inch \$349.46



Ruger Mini 14 in .223 850.00

Cod for catching stripers and blues.



If you have an interest in selling these items for me, please get in touch, as otherwise they will go into an auction and the auctioneer felt that I would have better luck selling them to someone interested in these hobbies.

**Savage 11 Scoped Rifle Left Handed
.223 Caliber 570.00**

My phone number is: 978-928-5321 and I live at 17 Healdville Road in Hubbardston, MA.

Thank you for any assistance you can give me with this sale.

Jacqueline Kaminski

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