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NEWSLETTER

May 2011

FEDERATION REPORT

The Federated Sportsman Banquet was held at the Roselawn restaurant on Saturday April 16th.

The speaker followed a power point program on the Feral Hogs (wild pigs) in New York State and also on the cormorant birds on Oneida Lake.

He demonstrated that the hogs are not protected in NYS and actually are good to eat. He said that you must possess a small game license and any harvest should be reported to the DEC. He said that shooting them before they take over areas causing sever damage.

Regarding the cormorants, he demonstrated the damage they have caused to the walleye and perch on Oneida lake. They have "oiled" the eggs and harassed the birds to drive them away from both Oneida and Onondaga lakes. The oiling of the eggs work because an oiled egg will continue to be laid on by the mothers but will not hatch. If she lays on the eggs she will not lay more eggs.

NOTES FROM LAST MEETING

Membership applications: George Reese of Rome sponsored by Steve Uvanni, Earl Nesved of Rome sponsored by Mike Manuele, Shawn McDonald of Rome sponsored by Rich Calidonna, Edward Stelzer of New Hartford sponsored by Ron Harter, Sean McMahan of Rome Sponsored by Les Wiedreck, Ron Casadei of Rome sponsored by Dr. Robert Feeny.

Members voted in: Jeremy Ackerman of Canastota, Mark Novak of Verona, Christopher Consler of Conesus.
Junior members: Matthew Smith, Brian McMahan.

Sponsors must be present for candidates to be voted in.

WORK PARTY WILL TAKE PLACE ON JUNE 11 at 9:00 AM.

All able bodied members are encouraged to participate.

NOTE

Since we are an NRA affiliated club, if you are an NRA member please include your NRA membership No. When paying your dues.

NOTE: Adopted at the January meeting - Henceforth the initiation fee for membership application will be equal to the dues amount in force at that time

Rifle Shoot - Saturday May 21

We will be having a rifle shoot at our outdoor range on May 21 at 12 noon. The shoot is limited to members and junior members due to our agreement

with the town. Classes will be service rifle, sporter rifle, and muzzleloader with these classes further broken down to open sights and optical sights, and an antique class for rifles more than 75 years old. Any rifle will fit into one of the categories, come on out and shoot with us. The shoot is free and we will be cooking hot dogs and hamburgs, have soda and chips, and just having a good time visiting and shooting. Some of our members are bringing along rifles that other members may shoot so, if you don't own a rifle, you can still come out and shoot with us. If you would like more information, go to the website www.gvmfgc.com and click on the "Contact Us" button and send your questions. Hope to see lots of our members there.

LEGISLATION

STATE

Thursday, April 07, 2011

On Monday, April 11, the New York Assembly Committee on Codes will consider an onerous gun control bill which, if passed, would effectively ban the sale of semi-automatic handguns in the Empire State. The bill, Assembly Bill 1157, sponsored by Assemblywoman Michelle Schimel (D-16), would require semi-automatic pistols manufactured or delivered to any licensed dealer and offered for sale in New York be capable of micro-stamping a series of unique identifiers on the cartridge case when the gun is fired.

Micro-stamping is an unproven technology that is easily defeated with common household tools and the replacement of a few small parts. If passed, the availability of semi-automatic handguns in New York will be in serious doubt, as manufacturers simply may choose not to build or sell firearms for purchase in the state. Of course, that is the ultimate goal of this legislation. Make no mistake, this is a gun ban and it must be stopped.

Please contact members of the Assembly Committee on Codes and urge them to oppose A1157. Contact information for this committee can be found [here](#).

On Tuesday, April 12, Senate Bill 1003A is scheduled to be heard by the state Senate Committee on Codes. S1003A, sponsored by state Senator José Peralta (D-13), would require the judge in a criminal proceeding or in a family court proceeding, upon issuance of an order of protection, to inquire as to the ownership of a firearm by the defendant or respondent.

Please contact members of the Senate Committee on Codes and urge them to oppose S1003A. Contact information for this committee can be found [here](#).

NATIONAL

Excerpt from Gun Week of April 1, 2011 Hindsight.

New Schumer Bill Targets all gun sales

Legislation aimed at tightening background check information on prospective gun buyers and requiring checks for practically all gun transfers, ostensibly to prevent guns from getting into the hands of dangerous individuals, has been introduced by Sen. Charles Schumer (D-NY).

The bill was co-sponsored only by Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand, also a New York Democrat, as this issue of *Gun Week* went to press.

Dubbed the Fix Gun Checks Act of 2011, S-436's introduction was timed in concert with a rolling billboard tour sponsored by New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg and the Mayors Against Illegal Guns, and with the Brady Campaign's new movie promoting more gun control.

The Bloomberg effort advertises the figure of 34 Americans killed everyday with firearms, with the number updated on a daily basis.

As a counter-move, the Citizens Committee for the Right to Keep and Bear Arms had its own rolling billboard tour in several American cities. That rebuttal campaign advertises the fact that thousands of American citizens use firearms every day in self-defense, under the theme of "Guns Save Lives."

Schumer's legislation would require states to enter all pertinent records into background check databases, and require a background check for every gun purchase. The anti-gun effort was supported by the Brady Campaign to Prevent Gun Violence.

Schumer's office claims S-436 is designed to finally make background checks actually work.

As of now, it says, people deemed dangerous to the public can still legally buy a gun at a gun show, or through a regular gun dealer if their names are not in the background check database of the National Instant Check Systems (NICS).

The new Schumer bill, called The Fix Gun Checks Act of 2011 imposes tougher penalties on states that fail to adequately *to turn* over records of those who are prohibited from owning a gun, such as people with mental illness, domestic violence records or drug abusers. The hope is that higher penalties would increase the states' reporting to the NICS database.

"This legislation does nothing to impinge upon gun owners' rights, but greater incentive for reporting individuals who should not have access to guns to the national do-not-sell list, helping better protect innocent Americans from senseless gun violence," Schumer said in a statement.

NEXT MEETING

MAY 11

7:30 PM

IN MEMORIAM

Our condolences are extended to the Richer family upon the death of Jim Richer who passed away March 21. Jim was a loyal member of the club and participated in many club activities

