



DATE: October 8, 2026

Erie County Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs Inc.

Board & General Meeting Agenda

6:30 PM Directors Meeting, 7:00 PM General Meeting

Host Club:	Hawkeye Bowmen
	13300 Clinton Alden, NY 14004

Meeting Order

- Silence all electronic devices and phones.
- Pledge to the Flag
- Roll Call of Officers:
 - o PresidentJack Coad
 - o 1st V. President Ken Delano
 - o 2nd V. PresidentJoe Fischer
 - o Treasurer Dave Rosner
 - o Recording SecretaryRich Davenport
 - o Corresponding Secretary Diane Steel
 - o Membership Chairman Joe McAdams
 - o Sergeant at Arms.....Tom Fischer

Excused/Absent:

Excused	R. Davenport, J. Zizzi, C. Godfrey
Absent	

Quorum of member clubs:

Section-6. A Quorum: A quorum at a meeting of the voting members shall consist of twenty-five (25) per cent of the voting members in good standing. Voting members in good standing are member organizations with current paid dues status and otherwise in good standing.

Number of Active Members = 45 Quorum = 11

Quorum Achieved? (YES) / (NO)

NOTE:

- ❖ *All committees, both temporary and permanent, must report who their committee members are to the Board of Directors.*
- ❖ *Most, but not all, committees should have at least 4 members.*
- ❖ *Committee meetings must be posted in advance.*
- ❖ *Committees are advisory and not autonomous.*
- ❖ *Committee chair must provide written/email report to President on the status, activity and needs of the committee.*



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REPORTS

OFFICERS REPORT	
Presidents Report	Jack Coad
Recording Secretary Minutes	Rich Davenport
Corresponding Secretary Report	Diane Steel
Membership Secretary Report	Joe McAdams
Treasurers Report	Dave Rosner
COMMITTEE REPORTS (5-10 minutes maximum)	
Teach Me to Fish	Bob Avery and Tom Fisher
Legislation & Lawsuits Pending	Carl Leas
Environment & Pollution	Chuck Godfrey
Small Game	Dan Tone
Waterfowl	George Rockey
Fundraising	Jack Coad
Law Enforcement	Jeff Jondle
Fish Report	Jim Steel
NYS Cons. Council	Joe Fischer & Dan Tone
Federation Website & Website Programs	Joe McAdams
Hunter Education	Ken Delano
Trapping	Patti & Rick Wattengel
Big Game	Rich Davenport
Resolutions to NYSCC	Rich Davenport
Technology and Data Protection	Rich Davenport
Archery, Crossbow	Tom Fischer
SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:	
Banquet Committee	Ken Delano
Budget and Finance	David Rosner
DEC Summer Camp	Joe McAdams
Elections and Nominations	Fred Weymer
Exhibits and Shows/Upcoming Events	Amy Plecas
Scholarship Program	Amy Plecas
Fish and Wildlife Management	Chuck Godfrey
Internal Controls	Tom Fischer
National Hunting and Fishing Day	Diane Steel
Youth Lifetime License	Joe Fischer
WNY Environmental Federation	Dan Tone
Sunshine	Diane Steel



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**** Meetings marked with an asterisk are tentative at this time.**

September 10, 2026	Springville Field and Stream Chaise Rd. Springville, NY 14141
October 8, 2026	Hawkeye Bowmen 13300 Clinton Alden, NY 14004
November 12, 2026	Southtowns Walleye Association 5895 Southwestern Blvd. Hamburg, NY 14075
December 17, 2026 **	Bison City Rod & Gun Club 511 Ohio St. Buffalo, NY 14204

New Business:

- Guest: Scott Honer
- Committee consolidation
- Dan Tone receiving NYS Award presented by Sen. Patrick Gallivan
- continued IT Committee Development
- All committee Budgets are due December MTG.
- Nominations!!!! Oct, Nov and election Dec.

Old Business:

- New York Constitution Petition – to add “Right to Hunt, Fish and Trap”
- Committee assignments. Please check with me or Joe McAdams for any assignment choice.
- Delegates, please make sure to share information with your club and club president.
- Renew Great Lakes Basin Report

Good of the Organization / Shared News:

NHFD – largest and best one ever!!! 555 participants and 42 vendors! A few more members, but a lot more no shows

Next month's meeting:

Southtowns Walleye Association
5895 Southwestern Blvd. Hamburg, NY 14075

THANK YOU TO THIS MONTH'S SPONSOR ORGANIZATION
50/50 DRAW WINNER



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Officer's Reports

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

As October begins, ECFSC can reflect on a highly successful year, and all members should take pride in what we have accomplished. We recently concluded our largest and most successful NHFD event to date; please review the NHFD Report attached to the Agenda. I would like to extend special thanks to Diane Steel and the entire committee. Participation among member clubs increased, with approximately 15 clubs serving as vendors and another five represented by volunteers. However, this still represents less than half of our active club membership. Sportsmen's clubs from other counties have already expressed interest in participating, but I would like to give Erie County clubs the first opportunity, as this is an ECFSC event. I encourage all member clubs to consider participating next year.

At our October meeting, we will begin the nomination process for officers and termed directors. Please consider becoming more involved and contributing to the development of our future goals and activities. Nominations will be accepted at the October and November meetings, with voting taking place in December.

I have asked Joe McAdams, Diane Steel and Rich Davenport to create and design policy and procedures with an IT Committee and it has been moving forward, please see attached report. I hope to have this implemented in time for January 2027.

Best wishes to all archers pursuing their targets, and I hope you have received your second buck tag!

RECORDING SECRETARY'S REPORT

Nothing new to report, attendance has been good

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT

- Letter of support sent under Jack's signature for the West Falls Universally Accessible Outdoor Archery Course - Phase II.
- Multiple communications with politicians and media in advance of NHFD. A post-event follow up will also be sent soon.
- Communication to previous NHFD, Lifetime License Entries and TMTF participants promoting NHFD.
- NHFD Vendor & Volunteer Survey sent out. Some responses have been received.
- Thank you cards will be sent to appropriate people for NHFD soon.

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

A membership application link was sent to Gowanda Rifle – no reply yet. We did receive an application from WNY Longbeards. Membership renewal notices will be sent out this month after I discuss with BOD on what materials to include. I want to coordinate with Diane.



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TREASURERS REPORT

At meeting.

Committee Reports

TEACH ME TO FISH

The restocking proposal of bluegills into the lake at Chestnut Ridge Park has been postponed for the following reasons:

1. DEC Aquatic Biologist Mike Todd advised that stocking fish under three inches long would not be a cost-effective use of funds due to the natural predation in the lake. It would simply be a waste of money. The current pricing for three-inch bluegills from Smith Creek Fish Farm is \$325 per 100 fish. To be successful, we would require a minimum of 1000 fish.
2. Before investing into a stocking program to improve fishing opportunities for TMTF anglers, we will need the Erie County Parks Department to designate Chestnut Ridge Lake as catch-and-release fishing ONLY. That will most likely require politician involvement.
3. Don Pionessa suggested installing a fish feeder in the lake at Chestnut Ridge to improve the size and quality of the existing fish instead of paying to restock it. We need to review the legal requirements, effectiveness, and cost of this option. This option would also require the Parks Department to adopt a catch-and-release policy. Thank you, Don.

The TMTF committee will continue to investigate the options for improving the fishing prospects of our TMTF participants.

LEGISLATION & LAWSUITS PENDING

On the website.

ENVIRONMENT AND POLLUTION

No report.

SMALL GAME

Report at meeting.

WATERFOWL

Report at meeting.



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FUNDRAISING

Nothing to report.

LAW ENFORCEMENT

No report.

FISH REPORT

At meeting.

NYSCC

At meeting.

WEBSITE & WEBSITE PROGRAMS

We had some issues with the Fair and NHFD page, but now they are working. A summary of software used on the website was presented to the IT Committee with costs and recommendations.

HUNTER EDUCATION

Nothing new to report.

TRAPPING

Nothing to report.

BIG GAME

Seasons have begun, appears that we may have had increased participation in the September antlerless opportunity. Social media showing some reporting success and securing their second buck tag.

Early archery is now underway. Regular opens November 21. For the first time in a long time, Allegany state park is showing full cabins opening week.

RESOLUTIONS

Call for 2027 resolutions, currently we have one submitted for consideration.

TECHNOLOGY AND DATA PROTECTION

Held our 2nd meeting last week, working to identify current costs, and new licensing needs for the organization. Once costs and capabilities are bailed down, we will bring the initial needs to the board for approval to move forward. We have set up weekly meetings for touch points. These are not set in stone, but we have a lot of work to get through.



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Our goal is to start rolling new federation technical initiatives January 2027. Committee consolidation as has been discussed this year will require decisions, as this will impact users and seat licensing. Ideally, if we establish the new committee structure by December, we will have our user counts and roles better understood. If this doesn't happen until January, expect tooling to roll out in February.

A new email distribution group created: ITTEAM@ECFSC.ORG

ARCHERY/CROSSBOW

Nothing new.

Larry Calleri – West Falls. Nothing new.

Jack Coad – Hawkeye.

Hawkeye had a great time at NHFD with constant new people trying archery for the first time. Our archery lines were nonstop right up to 4pm. We had lots of great interaction with the public relative to membership and events conducted at Hawkeye.

Oct. 18, 2026-1 pm Hawkeye will be hosting an Open House and New Member Orientation at 1330 Clinton Alden, NY. We are currently accepting new members, so if you have ever wanted to be part of our great family oriented archery club, please stop by on Oct. 18.

Special Committees

BANQUET COMMITTEE

Will be scheduling meeting very soon.

BUDGET AND FINANCE

At meeting.

DEC CAMP

No contact by our 2 campers for reimbursement.

ELECTIONS AND NOMINATIONS

We will begin at the October meeting.

EXHIBITS AND SHOWS

Final fair report next month. Expo signups will begin in January.

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Nothing to report.



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FISH AND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT

Nothing to report.

INTERNAL CONTROLS

With all the signage and other items added to the storage unit from NHFD a reorganizing will have to be done. Almost no room to currently walk in.

NATIONAL HUNTING AND FISHING DAY

<https://www.ecfsc.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/NHFD2026Report.pdf>

YOUTH LIFETIME LICENSE

Sale of raffle tickets at NHFD accounted for 80 dollars. IF I recall we sold about 65 dollars in 2025. Two additional youth lifetime licenses will be awarded from the Eire Ct. Fair and NHFD. This years raffle tickets are available. See Tom Fischer if you want any. Each club is asked to take 15 tickets or more. To date 25 clubs have got tickets .

WNY ENVIRONMENTAL

No report.

SUNSHINE

No report.