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**LEAGUE OF ESSEX COUNTY SPORTSMAN'S CLUBS  
MEETING, FEBRUARY 17, 2005**

***NEXT LEAGUE MEETING IS THURSDAY  
MARCH 17, 2005 DANVERS FISH & GAME 07:30 PM***

**MEETING MINUTES**

Roll Call:.....	Meeting Date	
In attendance representatives from: .....	Feb. 17, 2005.....	Club meeting night:
Andover Sportsmen's Club .....	0.....	Monthly, Second Thursday
Association of Ipswich Sportsmen.....	1.....	N/A
Cape Ann Sportsmen's Club .....	1.....	Monthly, Second Wednesday
Danvers Fish & Game Club.....	1.....	Monthly, Second Thursday
Essex County Sportsmen's Association .....	1.....	Monthly, First Wednesday
Georgetown Fish & Game Club.....	1	
Hamilton/Wenham Rod & Gun Club.....	1.....	Monthly, Third Tuesday
Haverhill Hound, Rod & Gun Club .....	1.....	Monthly, First Monday, 07:30 PM
Haverhill Ridge Runners Fish & Game Club .....	0.....	Monthly, Second Sunday, 10:00 AM X Mother's Day
Ipswich Fish & Game Club.....	0.....	
Lawrence Rod & Gun Club .....	0.....	Monthly, First Monday
Lynn Fish & Game Protective Association.....	2.....	Monthly, Second Wednesday
Plum Island Surfcaster's Club.....	0.....	Monthly, Third Tuesday

8 of 13 Present: Quorum Established

Guests: Pat Huckery, MA DFW; Dennis McNamara, MA DFW

Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife: [www.masswildlife.org](http://www.masswildlife.org)  
G.O.A.L. [www.goal.org](http://www.goal.org)  
Massachusetts Sportsmen's Council [www.masportsmen.org](http://www.masportsmen.org)  
G.O.A.L. "MESSAGE"  
N.E.F. Publishing Corp. "THE FISHERMAN"  
US Sportsmen's Alliance [www.ussportsmen.org](http://www.ussportsmen.org)  
Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Alliance 1-877-770-TRCA [www.trca.org](http://www.trca.org)  
Massachusetts Wildlife Federation [www.masswildfed.org](http://www.masswildfed.org)  
US Sportsmen's Alliance [www.ussportsmen.org](http://www.ussportsmen.org)  
National Shooting Sports Foundation [www.nssf.org](http://www.nssf.org)

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League of Essex County Sportsmen's Clubs web sight at [http:// lecs.surfcaster.com](http://lecs.surfcaster.com)

**Secretary's Report:** Minutes from January, 2005 meeting were approved by motion seconded, discussed and approved without amendment.

**Treasurers Report:** Not in attendance

**Communications:** Yearly dues checks and questionnaires received from Haverhill Hound, Rod & Gun Club; Association of Ipswich Sportsmen and Georgetown Fish & Game.

**Mass Council:** Raymond L. Gibbons Scholarship and Landowner Incentive programs were discussed. Info attached. GOAL banquet is on May 7 and they are having an information workshop for member clubs. See the [www.goal.org](http://www.goal.org) for more information. The Council banquet will be held on April 16.

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**Mass Conservation Alliance:** The meeting of the Alliance was held and the dues for the next year in order to retain membership with voting rights will require another \$1000 from the League. A motion was made, seconded and approved by majority vote that the League request financial disclosure from the Massachusetts Conservation Alliance before providing any additional funds. This disclosure will contain origin of funds, disbursements and present financial status.

**DENNIS MCNAMARA** Gave us a presentation covering the Land Owner Incentive Program, followed by questions and answers. I have attached information from the Mass Wildlife web site that covers the most germane portions of his presentation. Additional information may be extracted from the various links on the web site or by contacting Dennis at 978-454-6460 or dennis.mcnamara@state.ma.us. Dennis was given some tips regarding properties in Essex County that may be applicable to this program.

**PAT HUCKERLY** gave a presentation on events and results in the Mass Northeast. A copy is enclosed. There have been reports of wild turkey conflicts with the human population already this spring; a Mass Wildlife information bulletin on the subject is enclosed.

A question was asked regarding the letter sent to the Seven Man Board concerning out-of-state resident youth hunting in Massachusetts; the letter was sent months ago and there has been no response. A copy of the letter was sent to Pat Huckerly at the time of the writing of these minutes. It was suggested that this effort should start at the Council. A copy of the letter was sent to the Council. It appears that if the League really wants this proposal to move forward we will need to make our case at the Council first.

**TOPSFIELD FAIR:** Al Craig will be at the banquet in March. A motion was made, seconded and passed to provide Al with a complimentary ticket. Motion made, seconded and passed to provide \$80.00 for the annual \$H banquet sponsorship and for two tickets for Joe Wyka.

**BANQUET:** At the time of the writing of these minutes there have been 73 tickets sold. **PLEASE BRING ANY CHECKS FOR AND ANY UNSOLD TICKETS TO THE MEETING ON THURSDAY THE 17<sup>TH</sup> OF MARCH.**

**IF YOU HAVE NOT YET PICKED UP TICKETS FOR YOUR CLUB PLEASE CONTACT TOM WALSH AT 978-462-4782 AND THEY WILL BE MAILED TO YOU.**

**Captain Chuck Casella will donate a half-day trip aboard CAN-DO CHARTERS to be used for the 2005 season. Date of charter will be determined on mutual availability and will be limited to 4 passengers. Charter home port is Winthrop, MA and fishing will be conducted in Boston Harbor and Massachusetts Bay. All bait and fishing equipment will be included.**

**FISHING:** No report.

**ARCHERY:** The Danvers Club youth archery program received more than 120 persons this year and has reached capacity. There may be additional clubs offering this program in the future; Georgetown, Woburn Sportsmen's Club and Essex County Sportsmen have made positive noises.

At this point, due to the time of night and even though no old or new business discussed, Motion to adjourn made, seconded and passed.

**COLLATION: Lynn Fish & Game Protective Association**

Attachments:  
DFW Feb Northeast Redport  
Masswildlife Landowner Incentive Program  
Gibbons Scholarship Announcement  
Living with Wild Turkeys (Just ask my wife)