# Dear members,

The directors of the Association des chasseurs et pêcheurs de Gould (the Club) would like to wish all of you a prosperous and healthy 2024!

As an executive, we are here to answer questions and to ensure people are satisfied with their www.gouldchasse.com membership. Please remember, for any issues in regards to the club, let us know. Executive members' email addresses and phone numbers are below.



### **2024 General Meeting**

Saturday, March 23rd, 2024, 9 am- 1 pm

Army Navy Air Force Hut 300 St Francis Sherbrooke (Lennoxville), QC J1M 0B3

- All members of the Association are entitled to participate in the meeting.
- All policy issues and decisions of the Association, including rule changes, shall be decided at the General Meeting.
- All members shall have the right to vote either in advance or at the General Meeting and elect representatives to the Executive Committee for a two-year term. (No proxy votes will be accepted)

There are 2 spots on the Executive Committee currently held by William Oliver and Ricky Coates. Their 2 year term is over and both are both up for re-election and both will be re-running as directors.

Please note: The 2 positions that are being voted for this year have specific requirements to maintain the club including club maintenance,

memberships, finances, communications (with members and DOMTAR) and other tasks.

Details on the 2 openings and descriptions are as follows:

## Position 1: Club manager (currently held by Ricky Coates)

- Weekly presence on the club to monitor roads, club activity by members (and non-members) and gates (including locks and keys)
- Update the other members of the executive of any outstanding concerns on the club and/or anything relayed verbally from club members
- Organization of club work weekend and duties/jobs to be completed

# Position 2: Treasurer (currently held by William Oliver)

- Contract/lease and communications with DOMTAR
- Receive emails through <u>admin@gouldchasse.com</u> for prospective members, member concerns, official club communications and payment notices for members who are late with payments.
- Budgetary duties including reception of e-transfers for payments from members, depositing of checks from members and issuing checks for refunds, purchases and other expenses as well as banking.
- Accounting and bookkeeping of the expenditures of the club as well as projection of costs and ...
- Monitoring and webmaster duties of the website and links including addition of newsletters, work weekends, meetings and updates from DOMTAR.
- Any member wishing to run in the election this year as a director will be added to the list of candidates. Any new candidates must submit their name 6 days before the meeting (<u>Deadline: Sunday, March</u> <u>17th</u>).
  - Please include the following information:

- how long you have been a member of the Club
- a summary of your reason(s) for running for the Executive Committee and what you would like to do to give back to our association.
- What position you are running for (Position # 1 or # 2 from above)
- Elected members of the Executive Committee are also expected to:
  - attend virtual meetings once per month (usually a Monday) that last approximately 2 hours. (high-speed internet connection required).
  - Receive email(s) from other members about club issues and relay them to the Executive Committee at monthly meeting(s).
  - Be present on the Club for meeting(s) with DOMTAR or other Executive Committee related duties.

## \*\*\* Voting\*\*\*

The list of candidates will be sent to all members on Monday, March 18th as well as a summary of their experience, reasons for their desire to be a part of the executive and what position they will be running for.

Each member (those who have fully paid their membership dues for 2023) will have a chance to vote for 1 candidate for each of the positions mentioned above.

# \*\*\* Advance voting\*\*\*

For those members that will not be in attendance at the annual meeting proxy votes will not be allowed but votes can be emailed to Guy Walker and Michel Langlois at the following emails:

gnmwalker@gmail.com

michel.langlois170457@gmail.com

### **Directive and communications- DOMTAR**

The last official communication from DOMTAR was that we cease any and all recreational activities on the club other than hunting and fishing. This includes BBQs, Mechouis as well as shooting tournaments and other gatherings or tournaments. DOMTAR has run into problems with other clubs and regard our contract with them as in good standing. We want to maintain this good standing with them.

Any and all communications with DOMTAR are to be done by the executive only. If a member wants an issue addressed by DOMTAR, please forward the issue to the executive. Members of the club will be informed of any developments from DOMTAR by the executive of the Association des chasseurs et pêcheurs de Gould.

We thank our members for following these directives.

#### **Club Communications**

Without prejudice, as an executive, we are here to answer questions and discuss issues in a fair and just manner and to ensure people are satisfied with their membership.

For questions regarding the club and any issue a member may have, please send an email to one of the members for us to address the concerns and ensure all people are satisfied with their membership.

Please note:

- members can join the private group on Facebook. This site is for sharing pictures and stories from our club in a social manner. Please refrain from posting anything that is politically related.

# https://www.facebook.com/groups/1032009980219966

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Thank-you and be well!!

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