

Sheboygan County Conservation Association

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February 2010

07 Mar 2010	Howards Grove Rod & Gun Annual Smelt Fry – Serving 10:30 am til? Klemmes Wagon Wheel
07 Mar 2010	Sheboygan Falls Conservation Club – Brat Fry 11 am – 6 pm at club grounds
11 Mar 2010	Sheboygan County Ducks Unlimited Banquet Pine Hills Banquet Hall – for more information contact Dave Nett 920 565-2878
13 Mar 2010	Sauk Trail Conservation Club Trap Shoot 75 Bird \$12 Lewis \$8 – Top Gun \$5 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Food & Beverages available
14 Mar 2010	Petermann’s Brat Fry – Emmers Tap – Sheboygan 10:00 am – 6:00 pm
14 Mar 2010	Farmer’s & Sportsmen’s Conservation Club Annual Spring Fry @ Sheboygan Falls Municipal Building 10 am – 6 pm Steaks made to order – drive thru service – raffles all day
14 Mar 2010	Howards Grove Rod & Gun Club Annual Smelt Fry – March 14 th , 2010 10 am - ? Wagon Wheel
25 Mar 2010	17 th Annual Sheboygan County Friends of NRA Banquet Range Line Inn – for more information contact Burt Schuldt 920 452-5444 or Jim Schuldt 920 893-9558
03 Apr 2010	Binversies Sportsman Club Brat Fry – Pick & Save on Calumet Drive 9:00 am – 4:00 pm
10 Apr 2010	Memorial Fun Shoot sponsored by Winooski Bowmen 10 am – 4 pm Winooski Bowmen Clubhouse Indoor Shooting (video archery & Novelty shooting) Outdoor shooting (3D target shooting) For more info contact Bill Rooker @ 893-9813 or Tom Rooker 980-7881 - We accept donations for the Food pantry
11 Apr 2010	Suscha Fale Sportsman’s Club Brat Fry 11 am – 6 pm Jakum’s Hall 2601 N 15 th Street
12 Apr 2010	WI DNR Spring Hearings 7 pm Sheboygan Falls High School
17 Apr 2010	SCCA Awards Night at Klemme’s Wagon Wheel Howards Grove Cocktails 5:30 pm Dinner 6:30 Cost \$15.00
28 Apr 2010	Sauk Trail Conservation Club Trap Shoot 50 Bird \$8 Lewis \$8 – Top Gun \$5 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Fish Fry & Beverages available
13 May 2010	SCCA 27 th Annual Fundraising Banquet-Range Line Inn Kohler doors open 5:30 pm dinner 6:30 pm tickets \$45 adult \$25 youth For ticket information contact Mary Jo Robinson @ 920 459-8428 or Dave Taylor

The January meeting was called to order at 6:59 pm by Scott Plocar, President followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes – Phil Mersberger asked whether the vote totals from any vote should be included in the minutes – going forward they will be included. Motion made by Lil Pipping & seconded by Gene Ecklor to accept as mailed with the changes to be made going forward. Carried

Treasurers Report – Given by Lee Derus –Motioned by Bob Fenner seconded by Dave Schober to accept - Carried

Correspondence

- **Wisconservation Paper**
- **Thank You Card from Ed Lorenz Family**
- **WCC Newsletter**
- **US Sportsman Alliance – Annual Report**

Roll Call – All Clubs Present – Thank You

Committee Reports

- **Youth Committee/Trees for Tomorrow** – Jim Kloppenburg – 2010 Dates are Nov 7th thru 10th nothing to report this month
- **Banquet Report** – at our last meeting we handed out donor cards, looking for volunteers to help input info into data base for Easy Money/Banquet mailing, narrowed down the

specials along with the chairs for each. We are always looking for donations & volunteers. The banquet invites will be mailed out by March 31st something new this year-no tickets will be mailed out to attendees- everything will be picked up at the banquet at the registration table. Our next meeting is Tuesday, March 2nd at Smerke’s @ 6:30 pm – why not join us & see what we are doing & maybe you can help. As we’ve said in the past – ideally we’d like to see (1) person from each club @ the banquet meetings if not to help with the banquet but to see what we do & what you or your club could do to help promote this banquet. Maybe your club has a banquet – maybe you have some ideas & can share so that we can better what we are doing. This is our Association & our banquet & the monies raised at the banquet benefit all of us who use the outdoors & then some. Come join us – we’d like to see you there. Mary Jo & Dave

- **Land Acquisition** – Mike DeMaster –nothing
- **Pheasant /Habitat-SCCA Awards** - Nominations for the Awards Banquet to be held Saturday, April 17th, 2010 at Klemme’s Wagon Wheel. Nominations due to Bob Fenner by March 8th, 2010. We would like to see each club donate a door prize for the Awards Night. Pheasants - 2800 birds ordered for mid June-working with Cargill on feed contract.

- **Outdoor Activity Day** – Dave Schober by the time minutes are out first meeting will have come & gone – more to report next month.
- **Easy Money Raffle** – Phil Mersberger spoke to the association members about the importance of giving their membership lists to Mary Jo Robinson for insertion into a spreadsheet for the SCCA Banquet & Easy Money mailing list. Making everyone aware of the banquet & inviting them to attend can fill up the hall that evening & generate more funds for the SCCA. It also gives them the opportunity to purchase Easy Money Raffle tickets. This list will not be sold nor will it be used for any other purpose other than the banquet/easy money raffle. This mailing needs to be mailed by March 31st. Please get your mailing list in soon so that we can get the list compiled. If you have someone that would be willing to type your list into the format that we will provide, please let Phil Mersberger or Mary Jo Robinson know.
- **Sheboygan River Basin** – no one in attendance

Affiliate Reports

- **WWF** –Lil P. – within 2 months we should have a replacement for John Nelson. Clubs with shooting ranges should pay special attention to SB 424- to check this bill out or any other bill – Lil has provided this link to research it - <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/billtext.html> WWF opposes SB618 allowing up to (4) stand to be up all year-she also spoke about the WWF February 2010 Legislative Report & what some of the bills we've talked about are doing or if they've been passed or vetoed-she also spoke about the WI SNR Wildlife Management Report dated 2/12/10 & highlighted some of the items in the report - if you would like a copy of either of these reports contact Mary Jo & I would be glad to mail one to you. Reminded everyone to get on board with the Camo Coalition www.wiwf.org click on "JOIN the Coalition" – membership is free. Lil is a delegate to the Annual Meeting April 16th – 18th if anyone is interested contact Scott Plocar.
- **Camp Y-Koda** – Jeremiah Thank you to all the clubs who have already donated to the "Classroom Program Letters" & thanked all the clubs for their past support. Summer Camp Brochure is done.
- **DNR Personnel** – Joseph Jerich, Warden Supervisor –Plymouth DNR office (x3008) or email Joseph.Jerich@wisconsin.gov. Service center hours have changed – The Plymouth Service Center will only be open to the public Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 am – 12:30 & 1:30 – 4:00 pm. The DNAR customer service line is still available 7

days a week 7 am -10 pm 888 936-7463. Left over Turkey Permits will be available over the counter @ DNR Service Centers in March for more info go to www.dnr.wi.gov/org/caer/cs/springturkey Reminder of Ice Shanty removal dates. For more information check out the DNR website or "The Woodchucks" Newsletter on the SCCA website <http://www.dnr.wi.gov/> www.sheboygancountyconservationassociation.org

- **Conservation Congress – Ed Harvey** –February 12th Spring Hearings @ Sheboygan Falls High School 7 pm – there are travel grants for the youth expo-did you see Ed Harvey's bear?-check out the Wisconsin Conservation Congress Chronicle February 2010 Issue & there on page 11 is The Chair's Bear. **Mike DeMaster** –Call Steve Kestell at 608 266-8530-888 529-0027 or email Representative Kestell at Rep.Kestell@legis.wisconsin.gov to voice your opinion on current issues.
- **Maywood** –Rebecca –not here Still looking for items on their wish list - if you can help contact Rebecca at Maywood @ 920 459-3906.
- **WI League of Conservation Voters – Gene Ecklor** thank you to all the clubs who donated to Lobby Day
- **W.O.A. – Hubie Nett** –Expo will be held May 13th & 14th –still looking for donations for the expo. Contact Hubie for more info.
- **Great Lakes Sport Fisherman** – Larry Freitag – meeting held DNR says the fish are there "big pocket" 8% - 15% of extra fish are being caught. City of Sheboygan & Sheboygan County now have the chance to have the river cleaned up.
- **Legislature –Senator Joe Liebham** –lot's of bills going on right now – override vote scheduled this week (when you read this) on DNR Secretary bill – 2 bills for input SB222 substantial changes to hunting laws it was poorly written when first introduced- amendment given-look at SB222 group hunting provisions-he voted No but will change vote of voters support. AB371 Bear Hunting Bill changes in way Class B license can be used. Share your thoughts-SB481 Turkey – doesn't like the package hunters are against it. Overall feels it's a bad bill. Talked about the snowmobile bill.
- **Reel 'Em In Club** - Dave Z. –doing well – have 50 youth in the club-learning about environmental & water quality issues-going to Discovery World in Milwaukee to check out the fish exhibits.

Old Business

- **Vote on Great Lakes Fishing Club Banquet Request for Pond for \$4,000** – vote results a total of 36 votes were cast 26 Yes & 11 No – 3 no vote/abstained – Great Lakes Fishing Club will receive \$4,000 for the Kohler Andrae Pond Request.

- **Earth Day @ Maywood** – still looking for someone to chair committee for program at Maywood on– could be a table highlighting the SCCA & what we do – we have a menu board may need to be updated. See Scott Plocar
- **Club Mailing lists** -if you have not already done so please contact Mary Jo Robinson mjgpackers@charter.net with your club affiliation & mailing lists.
- **LTC Hunters Safety Classes** – last month a request came from Dawn Holycross @ LTC Community Ed Dept for some help with getting a Hunters Ed class going. John from the DNR is working with her on this. Anyone interested with helping with this please contact Dawn @ LTC.

- Harold Holt noted all the SCCA plaques at the Marsh Lodge are all faded it will cost \$223 to replace them he asked that members take a look at them at the Presidents Meeting & hope that a decision will be made to replace them.
- Ed Harvey noted that the Trappers Ed class had one enrollee & maybe the class will run again in June or July.
- Augie Margenau noted that the Pistol Range at North High School is in danger of being shut down or they may have to move. Watch for more info on this matter & support keeping it open.

New Business

- **Veto override vote AB 138** – encouraged anyone who can attend on Feb 23rd for Blaze Orange Day at the State Capital for the override bill.
- **Presidents Meeting** – March 8th @ The Marsh Lodge – see information in your letter that was given to delegates/presidents at the meeting. Please RSVP to Scott Plocar by March 1st. If the President is not able to attend, please send another member of your club so that all clubs will be represented. Membership dues forms were also in the envelope.

Announcements

- Jason from Riverside Hunting & Fishing Club asked for assistance in purchasing wood duck house that they build & refurbish. They are looking for cash donations to help with the project. If anyone can help with wood or donations please contact Jason @ Riverside. A motion was made for the SCCA to donate \$500 by Hubie it was seconded y Bob Fenner & carried.

Next Board Meeting – Monday, March 8th, 2010 @ 6:30 pm @ The Sheboygan Marsh Lodge

Next regular SCCA meeting – Wednesday, March 17th, 2010 @ 7:00 p.m. hosted by Farmer's & Sportsmen's Club @ their shooting fields clubhouse

Motion by Jim Meinnert - seconded by Rich Taylor to adjourn – carried.

*Respectfully submitted by
Mary Jo Robinson, SCCA Secretary*

Don't forget to check out Ed Harvey's bear?-It's on the Wisconsin Conservation Congress Chronicle February 2010 Issue & right there on page 11 is The Chair's Bear.

To view the newsletter – go to the DNR website – <http://www.dnr.wi.gov/> Conservation Congress upper right hand corner click on Conservation Congress & then click on Conservation Chronicle & the February Newsletter – page 11.