

Sheboygan County Conservation Association

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March 2010

03 Apr 2010	Binversies Sportsman Club Brat Fry – Pick & Save on Calumet Drive 9:00 am – 4:00 pm
03 Apr 2010	Hermitage Conservation Club Open Trap Shooting Saturdays April 3 rd thru May 22 nd 12 pm – 3 pm (no open shoot on May 1 st)
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
24 Apr 2010	Earth Day @ Maywood EcoWalk 9 am – 10 am Activities all day go to www.GoMaywood.org for more information
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
04 May 2010	Hermitage Conservation Club Summer Trap League Tuesdays starting May 4 th thru August 3 rd starting at 5 pm
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
15 May 2010	Stream Passage Survey Workshop @ Maywood 9 a.m. – 2:30 pm Contact Stacy Hron at 920 458-6164 srbp@sheboyganrivers.org for more information
16 May 2010	Dedication of the Marsh Tower 11 to 4 – Brat Fry – ceremony at 2 pm
22 May 2010	Sheboygan River Clean up Contact Stacy Hron at 920 458-6164 srbp@sheboyganrivers.org for more information

The March meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Scott Plocar, President followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes – Changes to the minutes for February included the deletion of the March 7th Howards Grove Smelt Fry which was incorrectly noted on March 7th but was correctly noted for March 14th by Mary Jo. Motion made by Lil Pipping seconded by Bob Fenner to accept as mailed with the change noted. Carried

Treasurers Report – Given by Lee Derus –Motioned by Dave Taylor seconded by Bob Schumacher to accept - Carried

Correspondence

- **Wisconservation Paper**
- **Maywood Newsletter**
- **Sheboygan River Basin Newsletter**
- **Gathering Waters Conservancy**
- **Citizens for s scenic WI**
- **Letter from Senator Jim Holperin**

Roll Call – Missing – Crystal Lake Sportsmen-Northern Kettles Turkey Federation-Sheboygan Rifle & Pistol Club

Committee Reports

- **Youth Committee/Trees for Tomorrow** – Jim Kloppenburg – 2010 Dates are Nov 7th thru 10th nothing new to report this month



- **Banquet Report – Mary Jo Robinson & Dave Taylor** - Banquet will be held Thursday, May 13th @ Range Line Inn in Kohler. Thank you to those who are attending the banquet meetings & have committed to the banquet. We have had some great turnouts – thank you. Things are going along well – we can always use more donations. We are working on a youth special and some really nice door prizes along with a vacation package which is in the works. Reminder, no tickets will be mailed out this year-all tickets will be picked up at the banquet. Our next meeting is Tuesday, April 6th at Smerke's @ 6:30 pm – why not join us & see what we are doing & maybe you can help. Remember if your club or any person makes a \$300 cash donation you will receive a print off of our donor print list. As any member of the banquet committee for this information. 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. Dan Renzelman is doing some awesome PR for the SCCA & the banquet – he's worked with Jim Baumgart & his TV program watch for upcoming programs & the Plymouth Review & the Sheboygan Press who will be doing upcoming articles on the SCCA & the banquet.
- **Land Acquisition** – Mike DeMaster –looking at lake access to Spring Lake in Random Lake – 2 acres- trying to acquire-not sure of the value-waterfowl hunting would be allowed-will try to get other funding also-would like support of the clubs – will have more information next month.

- **Pheasant /Habitat-SCCA Awards** – SCCA Awards Banquet will be held Saturday, April 17th, 2010 at Klemme’s Wagon Wheel. Nominations can still be turned into Bob Fenner before April 5th, 2010. We would like to see each club donate a door prize. Pheasants - 2800 birds will arrive mid June – first meeting April 29th @ Sheboygan Falls Conservation Club 7 pm.

2010 SCCA PHEASANT PROGRAM

7:00 pm @ SCCA Pheasant Pens Starting May 27th

<i>Dates</i>	<i>Rain Out Meeting Places</i>
Thursday, April 29 th , 2010	Sheb Falls Club
Thursday, May 27 th , 2010	Sheb Falls Club
Thursday, June 24 th , 2010	Sheb Falls Club
Thursday, July 29 th , 2010	Sheb Falls Club
Thursday, August 26 th , 2010	Sheb Falls Club
Thursday, September 23 rd , 2010	Sheb Falls Club
Thursday, October 7 th , 2010	Sheb Falls Club

Contact Bob Fenner with questions or for more information 920 912-7016

- **Outdoor Activity Day** – Dave Schober next meeting will be held March 29th – 7 pm Camp Y Koda
- **Easy Money Raffle** –Phil Mersberger - 444 invites sent out from 2009 ticket purchasers who have until March 27th to be guaranteed a ticket purchase – joint Easy Money/Banquet mailing will go out by end of March. Thank you to the clubs who have turned in their mailing lists – if you have not done so there is still time. We will be glad to give you the information ready to mail – postage & all - but you need to contact Mary Jo (before April 1st or after April 14th-I will be gone) or Phil Mersberger to get the info from us.
- **Sheboygan River Basin** – Stacy Congrat’s to Jim Baumgart & Hermitage Conservation Club who received awards – Stream Workshop May 15th @ Maywood 9:00 – 2:30 & River Clean up May 22nd looking for volunteers - for more information contact Stacy at srbp@sheboyganrivers.org or call 920 458-6164

Affiliate Reports

- **WWF –Lil P.** – Annual Meeting next month – had an audit of the state raffle commission – everything went well - in case you missed this last month - 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> Reminded everyone to get on board with the Camo Coalition www.wiwf.org click on “JOIN the Coalition” – membership is free. The trumpeter swan & osprey have been removed from the Endangered & Threatened Species list. WWF will be submitting a resolution to the NWF opposing HR3710-WWF will support SB401 relating to requiring DNR issue one day fishing licenses, AB636 & SB432 relating to the use of metal

detectors on certain land & in lakes & the removal of items found on that land or in those lakes-SB424 relating to protecting sport shooting ranges; AB655 relating to duplicate hunting licenses issued to person who are 10 or 11 years old; AB714 relating to creating an individual income tax deduction for amounts paid to proves certain mean that is donated to a charitable organization & exempting from taxation certain meat process fees. WWF will oppose AB172 relating to requiring professional surveyors; AB481 relating to wild turkey hunting approvals, the regulation of the hunting of wild turkey, & granting rule making authority & any companion bill; AB618 relating to regulating certain tree stands for hunting.

- **Camp Y-Koda – Jeremiah** not here but says Hi busy getting ready for the summer season & working on the classroom programs. Info was shared by Mike DeMaster regarding the bricks & the skills center @ Plymouth Fairgrounds – they are working on getting the bricks from Plymouth to Camp Y Koda.
- **DNR Personnel – Joseph Jerich, Warden Supervisor** –Plymouth DNR office (x3008) or email Joseph.Jerich@wisconsin.org. 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 DNR 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 - for more info go to www.dnr.wi.gov/org/caer/cs/springturkey 2010 Licenses sales are in full swing- bobcat applications have increased to \$6-the extra \$3 is for bobcat research & was in clued in the budget bill. From Fisheries Management – Remember to check your boats for safety equipment before heading out - for more info go to <http://www.safetyseal.net> There is a new Boating Regulation Pamphlet 2010 – new Boating Law- all boats must be slow no wake within 100 feet of shore. This is in addition to the standard SNW within 100’ of a pier, swim raft or buoyed restricted area law & does not change the SNW within 200’ from shore for personal watercraft rule. Sheboygan Marsh-Property inspection & clean up – LE & Wildlife MGT have been conduction the annual winter inspection of a portion of the CO property. CO Highway Department engineer assisted with verifying correct location of a property boundary. 2010 seizure to date 2 canoes & 1 boat- 25 tree stands-10 homemade stands have been dismantled & 2 duck blinds scheduled

for removal after ice out. The annual Deer Herd Status Meeting for our area covering Deer Management Units 68B, 69, 69C, 77C, 77D, 77E & 77M was held on March 15th at the Ice Age Visitor Center just west of Dundee. 83 people attended the meeting. Check out the DNR "Deer Hunting in Wisconsin" webpage @ <http://dnr.wi.gov/org/land/wildlife/hunt/deer> for more information. For more information check out the DNR website or "The Woodchucks" Newsletter on the SCCA website <http://www.dnr.wi.gov/>

- **Conservation Congress – Ed Harvey** –February 12th Spring Hearings @ Sheboygan Falls High School 7 pm Bobcat Project \$3 fee added specifically for Bobcat kill zone & to see how many bobcats are out there. Investing in WI Whitetails Project – in Sawyer-Price & Taylor Counties keeping tabs on the deer **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. Meeting in Dundee well attended – we as an association have a significant presence along with the DNR.
- **Maywood –Rebecca** Still looking for items on their wish list – they are especially looking for backpacks big time - **Maywood Wish List includes** – fishing tackle- Hooks, bass/pinfish lures– Canoe Paddles –small youth size –Adult size long bows – Arm protectors & finger tabs (archery) – flies (bass & blue gill poppers) – 2 more canoes (old towns are fine) – Waders (youth size & large sizes- over size 12 & size 9 & under for high scholars) – any camping gear – IN GOOD SHAPE. Sturdy School backpacks for guided hikes (4). 20 adult pair of snow shoes. If you can help contact Rebecca at Maywood @ 920 459-3906.
- **WI League of Conservation Voters – Gene Ecklor** Gene shared information on the Cafos farms which are farms with more than 1000 animal units being built with no permits – they get them later. He asked people to get involved & see what's going on. spoke about how the DNR is looking to change the H2O usage permits granted to large cafos farms. Also gave some information on the Clean H2O bill –Get your representative to support & vote for this bill.
- **W.O.A. – Hubie Nett** –Expo will be held May 13th & 14th –still looking for donations for the expo. Contact Hubie for more info or go to their website.
- **Great Lakes Sport Fisherman** – Larry Freitag – reminder your licenses expire March 31st. Catch & release season March 6th –April 25th-Thank you from Kohler Andrae for donation.
- **Legislature –Senator Joe Liebham** –DNR vote – it was good see all the orange in Madison that day- AB495 advertising to DNR board will vote for it- voted for Bear bill – will talk about bear bill at Spring

hearings -class B licensing took no action as of yet- turkey bill is frozen right now-he feels it may not move on-snowmobile bill has same concern as Terry VanAkkeren-has moved through the assembly-spoke briefly on the Cafos bill - & how the DNR is looking at changing the H2O usage permits that are granted to the large farms – Karsh bill – not comfortable with it wants more input & looking at it further – Deer population goals all come before legislation soon – Let Joe your thoughts on these and other bills – your input counts – you can contact Joe by email at Sen.Liebham@legis.wi.gov

Senator Terry Van Akkeren –Thank you to those in Madison on the day of the governor override – bills – personal floatation device under age 12 must have a flotation devise – working on a compromise between 10 & 12 year old – opinion on snowmobile clubs would like to increase revenue adding trail passes - \$15 of a club \$35 if not - concealed gun carry –every Police Department in Sheboygan County is against it- he would like to hear your thoughts - contact Terry at Rep.vanakkeren@legis.wisconsin.gov

- **Reel 'Em In Club - Dave Zerger** – the group took their trip to Discovery World in Milwaukee to check out the fish exhibits – each student took home an aquarium –they had a blast and had the opportunity to tour everything-they will be releasing trout in the Quarry in the near future.

Old Business

- **President Meeting at the Marsh-** there were 24 of the 29 clubs in attendance – thank you
- **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
- **Vote Count from 2010 elections** – per a request at the last meeting it was asked that the votes for each candidate was made know – Dave Taylor read the votes for each candidate for each office.

New Business

- **Banquet invites/fliers for clubs** – at the presidents meeting it was decided to generate more awareness about the SCCA Banquet that we would send 6 invites to each club president to bring to their meeting & ask members to bring a friend, neighbor or co worker to the banquet this year& that each club also put the SCCA banquet on their agenda.

Announcements

- **Dues & Membership lists** – 14 of the 29 clubs have been received.
- **Received a check** from Whitetails Unlimited Sheboygan Chapter for \$1,000,

- **Tri County Sportswomen** are selling Fayer's Pizza's as a fundraiser -contact any member of Tri County
- **Riverside Hunting & Fishing Club** – thank you for the \$500 for the Woodchuck houses
- **Petermann's Hunting & Fishing Club** is still looking for wood 4 x 4 or 6 x 6 by 12 feet or longer. If you can help them out with a donation of wood or cheap in cost please contact John Kuka @ 458-7181.

Next Board Meeting – Monday, April 5th, 2010 @ 6:30 pm @ Maywood

Next regular SCCA meeting – Wednesday, April 21st, 2010 @ 7:00 p.m. hosted by Great Lakes Sport Fishermen @ Sheboygan Outboard Club (*east side of the river*)

Motion by Jim Meinnert - seconded by Lil Pipping to adjourn – carried.

*Respectfully submitted by
Mary Jo Robinson, SCCA Secretary*