



Waukesha County Conservation Alliance

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WCCA Meeting Minutes October 16, 2019

President Al Shook called the meeting to order at 7:33 pm at the Ojibwa Bowhunters Clubhouse. The meeting was sponsored by the Daniel Boone Conservation League, who provided the refreshments. The meeting was attended by 16 individuals, comprised of club delegates, the Wisconsin Conservation Congress and the DNR.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

With the following corrections, the minutes of the September meeting were accepted as published.

- Conservation Congress – MarySusan Diedrich – meetings stated “One thing noted – people want to know how to write a resolution and get it online. It appears there are two different formats? The Congress/DNR want to put them online.” and it should have been “people want to know how to get their resolutions printed on line for Spring Hearing. Could a vote take place on the resolutions? Congress and DNR are researching on the “how to” if it is even feasible.
- Rich Hawthorne clarified, the meetings stated “. Rich Hawthorne has the e-mail list from the signup and will perform an e-mail blast or snail mail promotion.” and it should have been “Rich will forward the e-mail list from the signup to Randy for an a-mail blast or snail mail promotion”.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

No report was available.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- **DNR Weekly News Update** – A reminder that you can subscribe to this information via this link: https://service.govdelivery.com/service/multi_subscribe.html?code=WIDNR.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **DNR** –
 - Ben Heussner –
 - Fin clipping of walleyes is being performed at Wild Rose, destination Golden Lake and Nagawicka.
 - Musky release complete on Okauchee (3,200) accounting for downstream migration and Pewaukee (2,500) and LaBelle (1,100), which was a surplus.
 - Rule Hearing – 2021 fish questions: Muskies Inc and Musky Clubs of WI want a 50” limit, county wide. A question was raised whether this would be a catch and release state wide, and then how much money is spent at the hatchery for fish to be caught five times and die? A 50” fish is rare. Ben replied the growth potential is there. There are 1-2 muskies per acre in Pewaukee Lake. There’s been \$43,000 clubs have raised for stocking. In Pewaukee Lake, the panfish size structure in good, 5”-6”.
 - Lac LaBelle is getting a commercial contract to remove carp and buffalo. Attempting to mark to perform a population estimate.
- **Kids Fishing Clinic** – Ron Gray – meetings scheduled for 2020. There was a WCSFO meeting last week, with only six attendees.

- **Conservation Congress** –
 - Bob Wincek – Just a reminder of the availability of the trailers. They were out for Wehr Day, where 700+ people went through them.
 - Larry Wehrheim – CDAC, discussed “adopt a dumpster” program. Check out the Wild WI YouTube video. As a reminder for this hunting season, there is the Track the Harvest link: <https://dnr.wi.gov/topic/wildlifehabitat/harvest/deerharvest.html>.
- **Miscellaneous** –
 - Ron Gray – Wild Rose – Has changed quite a bit. Take the kids up there. Unknown staffing, but have a good education program.
 - Ben Heussner – A 19.5” walleye, tagged 18 years ago, was recently caught.
 - Bob Wincek – Will be at the Plymouth, WI meeting on 10/21 with the NRB. Last week there was a meeting with lack of sportsmen representation. The North Shore Businessman’s Assoc (self-appointed president) was there from the charter fishing standpoint (they are not conservationists). The problem is that \$500,000-\$750,000 is taken from license fees to pay for patrolling of commercial fishing. The sportsmen are “underlooked”. The NRB will be holding a meeting August 13, 2020 in Racine County, and the SFG will be there.
 - Al Shook – Was out on Big Muskego Lake last month – with the loss of vegetation the marsh is becoming a “lake” and will be all churned up from the wind. Bass Bay is not really part of the lake, but a waterfowl production area. Ben Heussner stated the DNR is managing for a 20% emergent vegetation. Ben also stated there is no stakeholder engagement; the public must be included.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Banquet** – Preliminary plans have been made. A list of weapons for the boards has been made. We’re still talking about early ticket sales for raffles. On November 4, Al and Jane will be attending a DU banquet and should have some great ideas to move on.
- Please consider donating bucket raffle items!!
- **Miscellaneous** – We need ALL club e-mail addresses!
- **Meetings** – As always, please consider having your club host a meeting. Each club needs to take a slot, please look at the schedule of meetings and sign up.
- **Business Memberships** – A business membership is \$25 and an advertisement will be placed in the meeting minutes. All business memberships need to be confirmed.
- **Website** – Send your club information to Al Shook to be placed on the WCCA website. Even if you don’t have a website, your information: meeting date/time and club location, can be visible through the WCCA’s website. A club or business of the month will be on display. Get your information to Al. Send in game pictures! Please go to the website to help increase the search engine ranking: www.waukeshacountyconservationalliance.com.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Thank You** – Ken received a card from the Eagles Lions Club, thanking the WCCA for the donation. They noted 100% of the donation goes towards the chair for the veteran.
- **Club Needs** – Go back to your clubs, find out what they need funding for and provide a detailed description to the board.
- **Meeting Locations** – If you do not have a club house and were having your meetings at Wern Valley, any future meeting should be moved to the Wales/Genesee Lions Club instead, due to conflicts

in evening activities at Wern Valley. Please note, a bartender tip should be part of the sponsoring clubs fees, and should be presented to the bartender, as he is not being paid for the time he's there.

Here is the contact information for the Wales Genesee Lions Club:

Jackie Schmidt, Hall Manager 1-262-893-3311

Dave Moore, Bartender at the Lions Club 1-262-968-4140 (bar is open 1-7 PM)

Please call a few days before meeting as Dave needs time to set up.

- **Dues** – The form is available on the website (<http://www.waukeshacountyconservationalliance.com/1979/custom/62337>). Print and mail in, it is \$25 for a business and/or a club.

MEMBER MATTERS:

Per Bob Wincek, Marc Kabinsky will be at the Ale House on 11/12 at 7 PM (he does the inland lake forecasting and has the US Weather Service NOAA endorsement).

GOOD/WELFARE:

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:22

NEXT MEETING:

November 13 – WCCA at Wales Genesee Lions Club

MEETING SCHEDULE:

December 18 – Wern Valley at Wales Genesee Lions Club

Riehle's Tree Farm, Inc.

John Riehle
262-965-2748
W377 S5944 Hwy C1, Dousman, WI
53118
Trees for Transplanting
Shaking, Bailing, Wreaths, Garland,
Boughs, Tree Stands, Crafts

Jim's Sports Heaven

Jim & Emily Appenzeller
262-567-6013
131 N. Main Street
Oconomowoc, WI 53066

Wern Valley

262-968-2400
S36W29657 Wern Way
Waukesha, WI
Upland Hunting, Sporting Clays & 5
Stand, Rifle and Pistol Range

Challenger Battery

262-547-3854
406 W. Sunset Dr.
Waukesha, WI 53189

Wales/Genesee Lions Club

262-968-4140
W31400 Hwy 83 P.O. Box 201
Genesee Depot, WI 53127
Hall Available. Call for more info.

Brookfield Wedding Cakes

262-781-2253
14440 Lisbon Road
Brookfield, WI 53005

McMiller Sports Center

262-594-5900
S103 W38754 Hwy NN
Eagle, WI 53119
Public Shooting Range
rifle - pistol - clays

Epic MedSpa

414-529-8400
14999 W Beloit Rd
New Berlin, WI 53151
www.epicmedspa.com
Facials, Botox, Massage, Laser,
Acupuncture, Permanent Makeup
Check the website for more!

American Legion Post 449

262-781-0488
3245 North 124th St
Brookfield, WI 53005
Monday Dinner Cook-in Thursday
Friday Night Fish Fry
Saturday Nite Bands - Hall
Available. Call for more Info.

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