



Waukesha County Conservation Alliance

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**A banquet meeting will be held prior to the January meeting, at 6:30.
A board meeting will be held prior to the January meeting, at 7:15.**

WCCA Meeting Minutes December 18, 2019

President Al Shook called the meeting to order at 7:31 pm at the Wales Genesee Lions Club. The meeting was sponsored by Wern Valley, who provided the refreshments. The meeting was attended by 19 individuals, comprised of club delegates, the Wisconsin Conservation Congress and the DNR.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

The minutes of the November were accepted as published.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Receipts include \$100 from dues, a \$50 donation from Riehle Tree Farm, \$75 in banquet sales and another \$150 pending for banquet tickets. Expenditures included: \$48.85 Thomas Press, \$32 Lions bar tab, \$334 insurance, \$150.41 FedEx Office (flyers), \$110 stamps.

Banquet tickets sold due date: 15.

A motion was made to accept the report subject to audit. The motion was passed.

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.
- **Seidel Family** – Randy received a holiday card from the Siedel Family (Art) with contact information for Art.
- **Al Shook** – Received CWD notification on November 22 for a deer harvested in Waukesha County, it was not positive. Received it within a 10 day turnaround (11/12-11/22).

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **DNR** – Nathan Holoubek
 - First question – have the pheasants been stocked at Vernon Marsh? Not yet.
 - Deer numbers are down approximately 25%. In Waukesha County, 26.9% buck and 25% doe (45 less bucks shot in 2019 versus 2018).
 - 192 deer were tested in Waukesha County, five tested positive of which four were in Delafield, one in Muskego (up from last year).
 - New dumpster is about ½ full (they go to an approved landfill)
 - Projects consist of wetland work on the west side of Big Muskego, berm renovations; repairs and cattail burning at Vernon Marsh; holiday pheasant stocking; work at Paradise Springs.
- **Banquet Committee Meeting**
 - All but two guns are settled: the Charter Arms .38sp may change and one of the shotguns may be switched to an O/U 28 ga.

- Al Shook will be contacting Reineman's
 - Will be creating 5x2 stickers with details for each gun
 - Decided on 8/table, \$375 for the table (\$25 discount)
 - Attendance is limited to approximately 200 or less
 - Comping Reineman's dinner tickets
 - We need bucket raffle items as this is a big money maker!
 - If you donate to the banquet, let Ron know in order to have your information included on the banquet brochure
 - Letters are available for donations
- **Kids Fishing Clinic** – Ron Gray
 - First meeting was 12/5 at Greenfield Park and 13 people attended. The next meeting is 1/30/2020.
 - 2/8/2020 is the winter clinic date, 4/18/2020 is the spring clinic date.
 - Changes in parks: Dineen is under construction so the clinic was moved to McGovern. Humboldt is moving to Greenfield. Badger Fishing and the Mill Pond have dropped out of the clinics.
 - Finalized number of parks and the flyers are getting produced. For the winter clinic, there will be 5 parks in Milwaukee County. For the spring clinic, there will be 9 parks in Milwaukee County, 3 in Waukesha County and 1 in Washington County.
- **Conservation Congress** –
 - Bob Wincek -
 - Requests are in for a commercial fishermen rule for whitefish. Currently they want to “monitor”. Was in Madison with George Meyer for the December NRB meeting.
 - Funding (\$350,000 - \$750,000) from licenses supporting the patrolling of commercial fishing today.
 - MarySusan Diedrich –
 - Turkey permits should be coming soon (perhaps on DNR site).
- **McMiller** – Steve Williams
 - Wern Valley won the contract to manage McMiller. The current contract ended 12/15, but as it took 3 months for the DNR to make the decision based upon proposals, it was considered an “unknown” through rifle deer season. Al Shook commented on the current administration being slow. However, no rebid will be required in five years, as long as “everyone's happy”.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Elections** – Elections were held. The results are as follows:
 - Sargent at Arms – Dave Schmitt
 - Treasurer – Randy Farchmin, Kevin Fraiser as backup
 - Secretary – MarySusan Diedrich
 - Vice-President – Ron Gray
 - President – Al Shook
 - Board Of Directors: 3 year term - Ed Erchull and Kevin Fraiser
- **Club Needs** – Go back to your clubs, find out what they need funding for and provide a detailed description to the board.
- **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.
 - A motion was made to continue meetings on Wednesday or potentially alternate the day. Discussion continued and it was considered attendance could go down if the meeting dates were changed up. A motion was made to continue to meetings on Wednesday, the motion passed.
- **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:

- **DNR Request** – Al Shook received an e-mail request from Ben Heussner (DNR) regarding a 1/11/2020 ice fishing clinic/program at a Lapham Peak pond. Ben was contacted on 12/9, he sent the grant form in to the Alliance, requesting help in funding (up to \$622) to pay to stock the pond. Although we are unsure of the event still occurring, this would be an opportunity for the Alliance to partner with the DNR. A motion was made to support Ben, with \$500 for the possibility to stock the pond for the 1/11/2020 clinic. Two opposed, the majority approved.
- **Scholarship Committee** – Nine applications were received, one of which from the previous winner. A motion was made to award two \$1,000 scholarships if more than one applicant is qualified. The motion carried. A review of the applications was made, two were chosen: Xander Lanping and Benjamin Goldner.
- **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:

GOOD/WELFARE:

To contact Art Seidel, whose family sent in a card, his number is 262-781-7111.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:43.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

NEXT MEETING:

January 15 – Dousman Gun Club at Wales Genesee Lions Club

MEETING SCHEDULE:

February 19 – Stone Bank Sporstmen's Club at Stone Bank Sportsmen's Club

March 18 – Ojibwa Bowhunters at Ojibwa Bowhunters

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.

Support the businesses supporting the WCCA