

FEDERATION OF SPORTSMEN'S CLUBS OF SULLIVAN COUNTY, INC., minutes of May 11, 2011. The meeting began at 7:30 p.m., with a salute to the flag. There were 33 delegates present. Guests: Dick Henry, representing Quality Deer Management Association, Hudson Valley Branch; Deming Lindsley, DEC CO. Dick Henry gave an extremely interesting and informative program on Quality Deer Management which included bear problems, white tail deer breeding, deer retention, feeding, etc. Fawns are usually born the first week of June and those bred and born in July, August, etc. do not gain sufficient weight to live thru the winter. Dick is willing to come to clubs to give various wildlife programs, free of charge. There will be a fee for any materials required for the programs. He can be reached at (845)687-7434 or www.HVODMA.com. Two of the Youth Day Fishing Contest winners at the Grahamsville Fair last year were given mounted trout for catching the largest trout. They were Brandon Lohmann of Narrowsburg and Peter Bunch of Accord. Lawrence Bracken also had a mounted trophy but was not present. We thank Rods Taxidermy for mounting the trout. Deming indicated there were several turkey hunting violations. Couple of guys started hunting a day or two before the season and another one got 4 turkeys in 1 day. Deming working on redoing the Hunting and Fishing Guide. The DEC has been asked to provide ATV assistance at Bethel Woods for the PHISH program. They expect a huge crowd. He discussed deer baiting. The DEC must prove a person was baiting deer i.e. if a bait pile is 1,000 feet away from the shooter and there is clear vision of the area, he would be guilty. However if it was heavily obstructed there would be doubt. Motion made to dispense reading April minutes since all clubs receive copies. Seconded, CARRIED.

BILLS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

Motion to pay all bills. Seconded, CARRIED. Letter read from Senator Bonacic concerning antler restrictions. He asked that Comm. Martens meet with him and our Federation and the Ulster Co. Federation concerning the re-introduction of S.7132-A only impacting Sullivan and Ulster Counties. He indicated that reaching an accommodation with the DEC would be the most sensible way to handle this since passing a bill in the Senate does not ensure passage in the Assembly, nor approval of Gov. Cuomo. He indicated that WMU 3-A includes a portion of Delaware County which he represents but also Greene Co. which he does not, and that he wants unanimity from Delaware, Sullivan and Ulster Counties before he adopts a position relation to antler restrictions and that he would need the support of Senator Seward from Greene County. Received a quote from United Ins. Agency for 1 million or 2 million insurance. (See New Business). New application received from Eldred Rod & Gun. (See New Business).

REPORT OF OFFICERS:

PRES.: No report.

V.P.: 4 Wheeler ready to go if anyone wants to use it to sell raffle tickets.

SEC.: Several clubs have not paid dues despite sending bills and making phone calls.

TREAS.: After paying bills we have \$5,568.36 in old account and \$7,176.61 in Jeff Bank for a total of \$12,744.97. Motion to accept report as read. Seconded, CARRIED.

COUNCIL. DEL. Dave Hartman read a letter he would like sent to the Conservation Council members concerning antler restriction, to be signed by Pres. Danchak. Motion made to send the letter. Seconded, CARRIED.

STANDING AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

FISH: Chair, Tony Fellow, thanked all folks who helped with the stocking. There will be 3 more stockings to do the end of May for which he will need help: 5/20 at Neversink Dam 9:45 a.m.; 5/24 at Beaverkill Campsite at 9:30 and 5/26 at Red Caboose in Roscoe at 9:30. And help is needed for these 3 stockings. If you can help call him at (845)283-9710 or 583-4508. He is also looking for suggestions for fall stockings i.e., type of fish and location.

SMALL GAME: Turkeys not talking much, probably afraid of coyotes coming in. Data on Predator Contest is enclosed.

BIG GAME: Discussion concerning trying to get more doe permits issued as chances of getting 3 on a side are minimal. There was discussion concerning number of preference points you need to get a doe permit. Landowners with 50 acres can get one but some folks have 4 preference points and have yet to get a doe permit. Kevin Clarke, Region 3 biologist, working on DMP process for 2011 season and will have Region 3 reps at meeting June 15. Feral swine very invasive species and capable of causing ecological harm to N.Y. countryside. Breeding reported in Tioga, Cortland and Onondaga counties.

CONS. ED.: No report.

FWMB: There will be two State Board Meetings each year. Bill Connors has been elected as State Board chairman for Region 3. The Dutchess Co. Fishing Contest was down to 700 entries this year. They usually have over 1,000 kids.

HABITAT: 43 applications handed out to date. Call Harris Myers for app.(845)583-6047. Must be in by Sept. Meeting.

SPORTSMEN'S ED.: No report received. See April minutes for classes.

DEP: No report. NYC DEP (Google) should get you to the web site to get permit.

GRAHAMSVILLE FAIR AND YOUTH DAY: No report.

SWEEPSTAKES: Printer having problems. Hopefully, raffle tickets will be in the mail next week and will be at the June meeting.

ANNUAL BANQUET: Oct. 1 at Roscoe. Tickets available from Jack soon.

NRA: NRA convention held 4/29,30 & 5/1 in Pittsburgh. Over 70,000 attended. Sheriff of Pinal County Arizona, Michael Regan, Mike Huckabee and Jeff Foxworth spoke. The ATFE ordered firearms dealers to sell guns to straw purchasers bound for Mexico to try to trace the firearms. Firearms dealers and ATFE agents complained about program but fell upon deaf ears. A border patrol agent was killed by one of the weapons that were sold in this program. NYS Rifle & Pistol Assoc. Will have its annual meeting 6/11, 10am-5pm at Wallkill Rod & Gun Club, Orange Co. More info: <http://www.nysrpa.org/>. COBIS Program now 10 yrs. old. Cost 4 million dollars to set up and a million or more a year to run. 30,000+ handguns tested and shell casings sent to Albany. The system has not solved a single crime in its ten year history. Microstamping bill still alive in Albany and might pass Assembly.

SCHOLARSHIP COMM.: Motion to split the \$2,000 grant between two students who will each get \$1,000. Seconded, CARRIED.

SPORTSMEN'S AWARDS: 10 children and 13 adults to get awards. Dinner is this Saturday, 5/14, 4-5 social hour and 5 pm dinner. One delegate and a guest, Kauneonga Lk. Fire House.

SPORTSMAN OF YEAR: Applications must be in prior to 6:30 at next meeting since this committee will meet at 6:30 prior to June meeting. Get app. from Edna (845)932-8929.

UNFINISHED BUISINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Becky Myers in hospital. Motion to send a floral arrangement. Seconded, CARRIED. Motion to waive 30 day waiting period for application received for Eldred Rod & Gun and to accept as member. Seconded, CARRIED. Motion to secure 2 million dollar insurance policy. Seconded, CARRIED. Motion to have Pres. Danchak send a letter to Senator Bonacic requesting a bill to introduce in the Senate which is the same as A00394. Also to introduce bill F7132 which is the same as last year.. Seconded, CARRIED. Motion to adjourn 9:35 p.m.

Next meeting 6/8/2011, 7:30 p.m. Kauneonga Lk.Fire Hall

Respectfully submitted,
Edna Calkin, Secretary

PREDATOR HUNT 2010 - 2011 PAYOUTS

	\$		\$
Bill Bertholf	50	Brad Leonard	25
Anthony Oliva	50	G Brad Leonard III	25
Douglas Barnes	100	George Melnick	25
Brian Hillriegel	50	Jasen Mahoney	25
Robert Sherman	50	Scott Herbert Sr	25
James F Meyers	75	George Nylund	25
Danita Kristoff	50	Ronald S Mercuric	25
Glenn Molusky	50	Brian Sweitzer	25
Tim Cole	100	Patrick Mattson	25
Kevin Soule	100	Erich Raynor	25
Bill Danchak	50	Thomas Hafele	<u>25</u>
William Scholl	100	Unfilled Tags	\$275
Phil Kavaki	75		
Terry Litts	50	Donated back for Youth Program	
Duane Matlewicz	50	John Baum	25 Filled
John J Wallace III	75	Tony Fellow	25 Unfilled
Michael Hillriegel	50	Paula Barber	<u>25</u> Filled
Joseph Schmitz	25		\$75
Leland Carson	25	Total Payouts	
Zachary Lochburner	25	Filled Tags	\$1,550
Mike Surman	25	Unfilled Tags	\$275
Neil Price	25	Donations	<u>\$75</u>
Albert Spence	25	Total \$	\$1,900
Charles F Kirby	25		
Cliff Horton	25	Tags Filled 20 X 50 = \$1000	
Aaron VanDeBogart	25	24 X 25 = \$600	
Richard Nicholas	25	Unfilled 12 X 25 = \$300	
Bruce Woods	25		
Guy Monroe	25	Income	\$4,295.00
Gary T Cinque	25	Expenses	<u>\$2,715.86</u>
Fred Hunt	25		\$1,579.14
Roy Lux	25	Pay out from the	
Henry P King	25	Federation Treasury	\$320.86
Michael Rielly	<u>25</u>		
Filled Tags	\$1,550		