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BIG GAME REPORT 9-9-15

SULLIVAN COUNTY LEGISLATURE

1. Even though no changes were to be made until 2016, the DEC adopted a rule to redirect hunter effort toward antlerless deer by making the first 15 days of the early bowhunting season and all of the late bowhunting and late muzzleloader season in WMUs 1C, 3M, 3S, 4J, 8A, 8C, 8F, 8G, 8H, 8N, 9A, and 9F valid only for antlerless deer.

2. New York State has the most stringent youth hunting regulations in the nation. Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther introduced A8358 and Senator Joseph Griffo introduced the Senate version S5434 that would remove unnecessary restrictions on the types of weapons that those over 12 years of age may use and the type of game they may pursue. This bill won't advance without the support of the sporting community because strong opposition is expected from New York City legislators.

## NRA REPORT 9-9-15

1. A New York state supreme court judge told Gov. Andrew Cuomo he has 30 days to appeal or turn over documents related to a gun-rights rally last year during which state troopers allegedly intimidated attendees and violated their First Amendment rights. SCOPE — which stands for Shooters Committee On Political Education — contended Cuomo and his staff enacted rules and regulations for state police enforcement so the April 2014 rally in front of the state capitol would be disrupted. SCOPE sued to obtain documents related to the rally after the state refused to turn them over following a Freedom of Information Law request, citing attorney-client privilege.

2. The New York State Rifle and Pistol Association is endorsing Judge Norm Massry for State Supreme Court in the Third Judicial district which includes Sullivan County. The NYSRPA has stated that Judge Massry has demonstrated that he is a protector of our Constitution and Bill of Rights.

3. Obama, Biden, Bloomberg and the rest of the antigun cohorts are pushing for a federal license to purchase a handgun in the wake of the Charleston shootings which will create a federal registration of gun owners. Under current law the NICS check should have denied the Charleston shooter the ability to purchase a firearm but the government was too slow in updating their records. New laws will enable the government to confiscate firearms as was done in Australia which Obama is always touting and will not prevent crime as the antigunners falsely promise.

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## 2015 Pheasant Pick-up List

Aden Hunting  
Bald Mountain  
Beaver Brook R&G  
Beaver Dam  
Bethel Sportsman  
Buck Hunting Club  
Buck Ridge  
Cahoonzie Club  
Cher Acres Hunting Club  
Cherokee  
Cider Ridge  
Coon Rock  
Cranberry Lake  
Eldred R&G  
F. E. Bosch Sportsman  
Forever Wild Water & Woods  
Frog Hollow  
Grahamsville R&G  
Hiram Jones  
Hunter Lake  
Hunter Road  
Mongaup Game Preserve  
Mountain View Sportsman  
Old Timers R & G  
Orion Rod & Hunt  
Pleasant Valley  
Red Fox  
Rock Quarry  
SC Conservation Club  
Triple "J"  
Wanaksink Lake  
Whorttlekill

One day pick-up October 3<sup>rd</sup>.  
Times 8:30 am to 1:30 pm  
Pheasant Hill Birds, Niles Pond Rd  
Take Rte 371 into Pennsylvania.  
2nd road on left past Rileyville  
Corners. Look for the Camp  
Sumit & Camp Seneca signs.  
If you can't make this date you  
can call breeder for another  
time @ 1-570-253-3750 or  
call Jack @ 1-845-482-4987.

SMALL GAME: 34 Clubs qualified and will receive approximately 15 birds each. Pickup will be one day only, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2015 from 8:30 a. m. to 1:30 p.m. If you cannot make pickup date or time please call Pheasant Hill Birds @ 1-570-253-3750 or Jack at 1-845-482-4987. (See attached list.) You will need about 2 crates. Directions: Go to Damascus, Pa. Rt. 371. Go thru 4 corner in Rileyville to second left (watch for Camp Seneca sign on left). Proceed to Pheasant Hill Bird on Nile Pond Rd., Honesdale, Pa.

BIG GAME: Sportsmen's Ed.:

Bow Hunting: 9/26 9am-5pm, Yulan Fire House, 296 Airport Rd. Yulan, N.Y.12792 Phone 557-8522. Must pre-register. Frost Valley YMCA, Sat. & Sun 9am-5pm, 9/26 & 9/27, 9am-5pm. Must pre-register. Rondout Valley R&G 10/7, 6pm-9:30pm & 10/10 8am-2pm. Must pre-register. Trapping: Excelsior Club. 1300 Rt. 55, Eldred, NY, 8am-5pm. Hunting: Ulster Heights R&G 224 Sherman Rd., Ellenville 10/17 8-3pm; Roundout Valley R&G 9/16 & 9/17 6pm-9:30pm & 9/19, 8am-2pm. Must pre-register. ; Warwasing R&G, 25 Sportsman Rd., Napanoch, 10/16 6:30-9:30pm 10/17 9am-1pm & 10/18 1pm, 4pm, must pre-register. Grahamsville Fairgrounds, Grahamsville, 9/25 6pm, 10pm & 9/26, 9am-5pm, must pre-register. Yulan Fire House Yuan, NY (845)557-8522, 9/12 6pm-9pm & 9/13 9am-4pm. Must pre-register. Forestburgh Scout Res. Forestburgh, NY 9/13 & 9/20 9am-2pm, Call 914-443-8716. LK. Huntington Fire House, LK Huntington, NY 10/3 8:30am-4:30 pm & 10/4 8:30am-1pm. Must pre-register in person. (631)968-821

CON. ED.; 16 Youths went to camp. Keith Krauss to contact camp to see if we got any free campers and if we didn't to request some for next year because we should have qualified for some freebies.

FWMB: 130,000 acres of and opened in our area for sportsmen. Report give to President.

HABITAT: Application given out for properly inspection & due back by 10/7.

YOUTH DAY: Motion to make YOUTH DAY permanently in the name of Ray Herbert. Seconded, all in favor CARRIED

NRS & BIG GAME REPORT: See attached.

SWEEPSTAKES: Ticket sales way down. Please push them hard. We don't have Ray to help us anymore.

SCHOLARSHIP COMM. – All winners have received their checks. SPORTSMAN OF YEAR: Will be announced at our annual banquet.

OLD BUSINESS: If enough people want trees this year we will ask for prices

NEW BUSINESS: \$25 donation requested for Johnny Fisher for his computer help. Seconded, CARRIED.

EARLY BIRD DRAWING WINNERS: Red Fox, Bethe Sportsmen's Club, Pleasant Valley, Wortlikill, Hunter Rd., Wood Pond, Wanaksink, Coon Rock, Beaver Dam, Iraquoi.

Motion to adjourn 9:15 pm Seconded, CARRIED. RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Edna Calkin, Secretary

Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs of Sullivan County, Inc., minutes of September 9, 2015. The meeting began at 7:30 p.m. with a salute to the flag. 33 delegates were present at this meeting. Guests: Carl Lindsley, Deming Lindsley of DEC and David Clayton, Acting Lt. for Sullivan County DEC. A moment of silence was held for Raymond Herbert who was the treasurer of our Federation for 13 years. He was a member of the Rock Quarry Hunting Club. He is a tremendous loss to our Federation and will be greatly missed. Patricia Lindsley was introduced as our new treasurer and Edna Calkin is now our secretary. Carl indicated we are having a record year for bear complaints with many breaking into homes. Killing over bait is a major problem. The Trapping Course at Camp DeBuce was a tremendous success. Motion made to send a letter to New Paltz to allow Carl to get Fur Bearer Health Seal as an agent in Sullivan County. Seconded, all in favor, CARRIED. Lt. Clayton can be reached every Monday at 256-3013 or 256-3834 and requested we report any illegal activity to the following individuals at the DEC: Rick Word at 665-5637 or Matt Baker at 428-8679. Motion made to accept the August minutes. Seconded CARRIED. Motion made to pay all bill. Seconded, CARRIED. Thank you notes were read from Corrine Hellerer and David Hellerer whom we sent to DEC camp. The 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Tractor Show will be held at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds Sat. & Sun. Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> 9am to 5 pm.. Cocheton Mills has trees for sale: Thanksgiving Alapaha Pear; Deer Candy Persimmon and Deer Magnet Persimmon at a reduced price of \$30.

#### REPORT OF OFFICER

PRESIDENT: Grahamsville Fair attendance was way down this year as were our ticket sales. Jake Gabriel who was fined for feeding deer a few years back donated \$250 to our Federation as a thank you for supporting him. Coyote caps and T-shirts are now available at our meeting for \$10. each and will normally sell for \$12. Banquet ticket are available \$30. per person and can be reserved by calling Jack at 482-4987. The NRA has scheduled their dinner for the same evening which creates a tremendous problem since many of our members like to go to both dinners. Our dinner is at the Rockland House in Roscoe at 6pm. A suggestion was made that we send a letter to the NRA and advise them that we traditionally hold our banquet on the first Saturday in October. There is a 350 acre plot of land available for our Federation members to hunt coyotes in Wayne County, Pennsylvania across the Delaware River from Hancock, N.Y. Call Jack if interested and he will give you the phone number.

VICE PRESIDENT: Help is needed Friday 9/11 at 10:30 a.m. to set up tables and get the fish pond ready for our Youth Day. Motion made to purchase a ticket cage for use at this event. Seconded, all in favor, CARRIED.

TREASURER: After paying all bills we have a balance of \$23,680.38. Motion to accept report. All in favor. CARRIED. Cocheton Mills had a raffle at their seminar on food plots and donated \$210. to our Federation. Four letters read from donors in memory of Raymond Herbert.

SECRETARY: No report. COUNCIL DEL.: No report

#### STANDING & SPECIAL COMMITTEES

FISH: White Lake has contamination problems. No stocking until problem is resolved. If you know any other bodies of water needing stocking let chairman know. No stocking at Swinging Bridge as they have too many walleyes. Chair is buying larger fish as smaller one are being eaten by larger fish.