



# PENOBSCOT TRAILS – PCCA NEWSLETTER

November 2013

The PCCA is a volunteer organization comprised of sportsmen and sportswomen from the local area. Formed in 1928, the purpose is to promote and preserve our sporting heritage and wildlife in Penobscot County, Maine. We raise money for conservation projects, wildlife college scholarships, and various adult and youth sporting programs.

## President’s Message by Tony Richard – October 2013

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I hope everyone’s fall is going well so far.

PCCA has lots of things going on as you can see from the newsletter.

We are still looking for someone who would be willing to take over preparation, production and distribution of the

newsletter. The Board of Directors has been advised that we will have to cease mailing of the monthly newsletter as of June, 2014 if we are unable to find a volunteer who would be willing to take that on. As noted before, the format is already established and

many members receive their newsletter via email. However, it still takes someone to produce it and take the steps necessary to ensure timely delivery on a monthly basis.

See you at the November 7 dinner meeting. Tony

### The Making of a Newsletter

President Tony has announced after the June issue, I have resigned from doing our news. When I took on the position, I did not expect this to be a lifetime job and my husband was a big helpmate. I no longer have him by my side and my financial situation is different. I am tired and need a break.

There have been people informally offer to “help” because they don’t want to do it “all”. For me to share the job would be a logistical nightmare. If you are organized it is easy but does take time. With my work schedule and the deadline for publication, to coordinate with another to get this out would be very hard. Sometimes I am

completing it, printing it and mailing all within a 24 hour period. If you have a help mate whose schedule goes with yours this is easily a shared job. You also need computer skills. The template I use is Microsoft word and you could use my templates or create your own.

If anyone is interested to take this over, I would be happy to sit with you and detail what is involved. And it could evolve to perhaps an easier format depending on the skills of the editor and the desire of the Board. We limit this to 5 pages for mailing purposes. When I took over it was 1 page much like a letter.

Two important things to know – the newsletter is

time sensitive around our meeting date the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of September to June as it serves as our meeting notice. To get lots of news the Editor should attend the Board meetings the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays of most months. This gives you t the finalization of what needs to be in the news. In addition you prepare it, print it (club copier), follow procedure to get it out for emailing (done through the website authorizer) and do the snail mailing.

I would be happy to review the steps and time involved with anyone interested. AND who knows – changes could be made by a creative mind and BOD approval.

### Special points of interest:

- **PUBLIC - Hunters Breakfast** will be held November 16th – mark your calendar now. **Contact Nancy Hatch to volunteer.** [pccarental@gmail.com](mailto:pccarental@gmail.com)
- **For Upcoming Dinner Dance** Information – Members and Guests – please – call 843-7270
- **Saturday 11/2** we move into Daylight Savings time – **turn your clocks back 1 hour – Change your Smoke Detector Batteries!**

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Ginny Fournier – on the Stetson Land off Bunker Road – Lifetime PCCA Member

**Change of Email Address**

Please change your email address on line at our website & email it to the newsletter editor!

**Big DEER Contest**

Deane Smith has annually coordinates our Big DEER Contest for our Club Members. This year is NO different. Deane is doing it again this year!

To be "IN" the Contest you MUST preregister with Deane before you shoot your deer even if your money isn't to him yet. The fee is \$5.00, a modest amount for sure.

Details of the "Contest" are available by contacting Deane. Remember – you can't win if you don't get in!

**Use of Stetson Camp**

Reminder – if you use the Stetson camp YOU are responsible to bring your OWN LP tank, gas for the generator and to clean camp after EACH use (INCLUDING carrying all trash out & cleaning the stove)!

All users MUST sign in on the guest book! If you have question about access contact Deane – boxcall2 at gmail

The fire ring is not to be left outside until we find a way to secure it.

Thank you for your cooperation.

**Hunters Breakfast \$**

At the November meeting, there will be baskets on the tables. These are to collect your, hopefully, generous donation of DOLLARS \$\$\$ to help defray the cost of the food to put on our Hunters Breakfast.

Each year our members have been very generous. The less we expend to purchase the food – the more Dollars we make!

Help fill those baskets with green!

Want to work the Breakfast?? Sign up at the November Meeting too!

**TURKEY SHOOT – RANGE SHOOTING – NOVEMBER 7th, 2013**

Before dinner meeting on Thursday, 11/7, we will hold a "Turkey Shoot" (lucky and skill). Prizes will be a turkey and a ham. Starts promptly at 4:30 PM and will end about 5:45 – 5:50 PM

Donation \$2.00 per target and shoot as may as you

want to buy. Charlie Rumsey will be in charge and any questions should be directed to him.

Members may shoot our 22 LR cal club firearms or bring their own. If you choose to bring your own firearm you must be

willing to let others use your weapon.

This has been a traditional shoot amongst members of the club and is a great way to start the fall hunting season.

See you there!

**NOVEMBER – REGULAR MEETING**

The November meeting of the club will be held on Thursday, November 7th at the clubhouse on North Main Street in Brewer. A smothered beef dinner with fixins will be served. Dinner tickets are \$7/per person. All are welcome to attend.

Before our business meeting our speaker will be Glen Ray of The American Chestnut Foundation of Maine along with the New President of the Foundation. We also

will be joined by the Scholarship Students from Umaine. Business meeting will follow.

All members are encouraged to attend and also bring a guest.

Come EARLY and enjoy a turkey shoot! Bring any outstanding rifle raffle tickets.

There is a 50/50 raffle at our meeting. If you have any questions, feel free to contact an officer or

Board member.

We will have baskets on the table for folks to donate money to defray the cost of food purchased to put on our Hunters Breakfast – please consider making a donation. Also there will be an opportunity to sign up and work the breakfast

Consider bringing a guest or maybe giving another member a ride. The more the merrier – a great time for fellowship!



# **HUNTERS BREAKFAST**

**Penobscot County Conservation Association**

**Saturday, November 16, 2013**

**570 North Main Street**

**Brewer ME**

**4 AM – 9 AM**

## **Menu**

**Bacon, ham, sausage, eggs, baked beans, home fries, French Toast, pancakes, biscuits, donuts, coffee and juice**

**Adults - \$7.00 Children under 12 - \$3.00**

**Come and eat breakfast before heading out for a day of hunting or just enjoying a weekend. We have a nice fireplace and the logs will be on the fire.**

**Proceeds from this fund raiser will be used for college scholarships and scholarships for youth to attend conservation camp. Your support is appreciated.**

## Sportsmen's Alliance of Maine Award

PCCA was honored to be awarded the SAM Fish and Game Club of the year plaque at their Annual Banquet 9/21/2013. This award was presented after our October newsletter was

published.

We received a nice plaque and there were a number of Board members in attendance. There are photos of the evening on our Facebook page.

In addition, PCCA participated in the Life Time Youth License program. We sponsored one fishing license this year and are looking forward to expanding the program.

## PUBLIC HUNTERS BREAKFAST

PCCA is holding their Annual Public Hunter's Breakfast again this year. It is very popular. It will be held on Saturday, November 16<sup>th</sup> from 4AM – 9 AM, at the PCCA club house.

As always, please consider helping on this worthwhile project. To

offer assistance, please contact Chairperson Nancy Hatch. Also, we are accepting monetary donations to defray our expenses. We also accept quality items for Door Prizes or raffles – by 11/7 please!

The flyer is included in this newsletter. Please

consider posting it in a prominent place for advertising or making some more copies to post.

We usually have a log or two burning in the fireplace and plenty of hunting stories being shared.

This is one of our major fund raisers for our scholarships and camperships.

### A Success Story – United Blood Trackers



At our October meeting one of our members came up and told us about a recent successful search conducted by Susanne Hamilton of United Blood Trackers. They had met many hunters at our 2013 Sportsmen's Show. Many of these hunters were not aware of the wonderful services this group provides.

During the recent bear hunt, this unidentified hunter shot this bear, however, in its flight could not recover it. In order to ensure it was not lost for good, or suffering and the meat would not go to waste, he enlisted the assistance of this wonderful tracking group.

Susanne and her dog

Buster went to work and successfully tracked and recovered this 404 pound bear. It was tagged and was not wasted in any way.

A great example of how knowledgeable people, working together, across several disciplines can ensure positive outcomes.

Thank you for sharing!

### Up-Coming Events

#### November

7 – Regular Meeting

16 – Hunter's Breakfast

21 – Board Meeting

#### December

5 – Regular Meeting

19 – Board Meeting

31 – Gala New Years Dinner Dance Bash

#### January

2 – Regular Meeting

16 – Board Meeting

#### February

6 – Regular Meeting

20 – Board Meeting

23 – Kids Ice Fishing

### Sportsmen's Show

March 7 – 9, 2014

Contracts are rolling in for Exhibitors. This WILL be a great show! Mark your calendars to work – we will need everyone's support!

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**PUBLIC HUNTERS BREAKFAST – NOVEMBER 16<sup>TH</sup> – 4 AM – 9 AM**

PCCA will host our Annual Hunter's Breakfast on Saturday November 17<sup>th</sup> from 4AM – 9AM. For \$7/per adult or \$3/for children under 12, you won't go away hungry!

Menu includes: **Bacon, ham, sausage, eggs**

**(cooked to order), home fries, French Toast, pancakes, biscuits, donuts, sausage gravy, coffee and juice!** All this for one price!

We will also have raffle tickets on sale.

Don't miss this fun time. There are usually logs on the fire and time for great conversation before a day in the woods.

Proceeds for college scholarships and camperships to Conservation Camps.

**About Our Organization...**

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To learn more about PCCA or obtain a membership application, please contact us.



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