

Star Prairie Fish & Game Association June Meeting Minutes
Monday June 18, 2012 –Don Madsen’s on Cedar Lake

The June meeting of SPF&G was called to order at 6:57 pm by Pres. Dan Bygd
The Secretary’s and Treasurer’s reports were approved as read.

Thank You’s: From : Bailey Matthys, Justin Johnson – scholarships. Deerfield –
pontoon ride & Alzheimers walk donation
To : Johnson Motors, Val Jackelen, Community Ed – pontoon rides
Dee Powers – food, Heidi Headlee - grant

Meeting Guests: Nate Huck ,Derek Meyers – USF&W tech. Caitlin Smith – USF&W
Bailey Matthys, Justin Johnson – Scholarship awardees

Attendance: 24 members + 5 guests.

New Member : Pat Beeksma

Committee Reports:

1. **Duck Race:** Will be held Sat. Aug 18 during Ox Cart Days. Past chairmen have resigned. New chairs are Gaspord, Erickson, Bolder & Peterson. Will be single youth race, 100 ducks with a free entry. Regular race at \$5.00 a duck.
2. **Buck’s Night:** The bar raffle has been increased to 20 guns, including 3 pistols. Guns and raffle tickets were distributed to members. The event is on Monday, Nov. 12 at R&D Catering. There will be a total of 61 guns to be given away this year.
3. **Fisheries/Habitat:** The town of Alden will install the new dock at the north landing on Cedar Lake, the club picked up 1/3 of the cost, about \$1,600.
4. **Outreach/Youth:** The club made a \$100 donation to the Deerfield. For the Alzheimers walk. Bailey Matthys and Justin Johnson thanked the club for the scholarships they received, both will be attending UW Stevens Point pursuing degrees in Wildlife Ecology and Management.
5. **Senior Pontoon Ride:** Was held on Wed., June 13. We had 101 seniors on 13 pontoons for a guided trip around Cedar lake. Lunch of grilled trout and bratwurst was served after at River Island park.
6. **Membership Report:** The club has 17 members that have paid the new \$60 membership fee, this is recoverable by selling the allotment of 10 gun raffle tickets.

Old Business/New Business:

1. Caitlin Smith explained that USF&W has 11 interns this summer working on Bird Conservation projects. Nate Huck and Derek Meyers who have been staying at the Menke cabin are doing migratory bird breeding pair densities in NW Wisconsin. Another Boy Scout Conservation day will be held at Oak Ridge again this fall on Oct 6, the club is invited to provide traffic control as we did last year.
2. The club will arrange for copies of the SP town invasive species map produced from road surveys last summer. Further discussion on the possible control measures will continue.
3. Club jackets were distributed to members who had placed orders. Cost for either style is \$35 for the first jacket. Jackets can also be ordered any time.
4. Jim Riemer's name was drawn for the attendance prize in a random drawing of club members, Since Jim was not present, the \$20 will carry over to the July meeting.
5. Stuart Nelson received quotes from 3 local providers for club liability insurance. We carry a million dollar coverage for directors and liability. The quotes were not better than our current carrier, Dowd Reliance, which we will retain for another year.
6. Farm City Days will be held Aug 11 at the Jon-Dee farm by Baldwin. Jim Thompson has reserved a spot for the club to have a table. USF&W is interested in a joint display with us.
7. Phyllis Menke will be coming to stay at the McMurtrie Preserve on July 7 for a few weeks. Members signed a card for a recognition event being held for her in Indiana.
8. Volunteers are needed for the Aqua Rama event at the SP Trout Farm on July 12, as fly fishing instructors.
9. Bill Winchester discussed a Youth Fish Art competition that will have finals in Arkansas, there are 2 finalists from the New Richmond area. Any request for financial support should be made through our on-line grant application.

The next meeting of the SPF&GA is scheduled for Monday July 16, 2012 with the 6:00 pm social hour and the 7:00 pm regular meeting at the Menke garage in the McMurtrie preserve on Cedar lake.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 pm.

Respectfully submitted: Mike Kelly (Secretary)